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State Bank of Fredonia  
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State Bank of Newburg  
Newburg, Wisconsin

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Date: 4/16/68

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (44-388) (P)

MURKIN

RE NEWARK TELETYPE, APRIL FIFTEEN, LAST.

RE ERIC STARVO GALT DASH LOCKSMITHING INSTITUTE RECORDS  
PAREN PUBLICATIONS USED IN ADVERTISING END PAREN.

BETTY HINZ, SECRETARY, SPARE TIME MAGAZINE, SEVEN SEVEN  
FOUR NORTH FOURTH STREET, TODAY, ADVISED PUBLICATION IS A FREE  
MAIL OUT. ADDRESS LISTS PURCHASED IN NEW YORK AND MAGAZINES  
MAILED FROM WINFIELD MAILING SERVICE, TWO FOUR FOUR SEVEN WEST  
ROOSEVELT ROAD, CHICAGO, ILL. LIST OF FIFTEEN HUNDRED MAILING  
LIST REQUESTS MAINTAINED MILWAUKEE IN ZIP CODE ORDER. NAME  
ERIC S. GALT UNFAMILIAR TO HINZ RE THIS LIST.

AM COPIES TO CHICAGO, NEW YORK, MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM

- 1 - Milwaukee (44-388)
- 1 - Chicago (Info) (AM)
- 1 - New York (Info) (AM)
- 2 - Memphis (AM)
- 2 - Birmingham (AM)

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Approved: *[Signature]*  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent

5:44 PM

Per

*[Signature]*  
*[Signature]*

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# FBI Seizes Car Linked To Slaying

From Sentinel Wire Services

**Atlanta, Ga.** —UPI— The federal bureau of investigation Thursday impounded a 1966 white Mustang for which it had issued a nationwide alert following the assassination of the Rev. Martin Luther King, jr., in Memphis last Thursday.

The car, which had been parked for several days in an Atlanta subdivision, was towed to FBI headquarters here and reporters were barred from the FBI building.

The FBI refused comment on the development except to say that no warrants had been issued in the slaying of Mr. King.

The sniper who killed Mr. King with a single rifle bullet was reported to have escaped in a white Mustang.

## Alabama License

The car impounded by the FBI bore Jefferson county (Ala.) license tags. It was reported that the gunman apparently purchased a .30-06 Remington rifle in Birmingham several days before the slaying. Birmingham is in Jefferson county.

The 1968 license tags were issued to a man who lived in a rooming house about four blocks from Birmingham's downtown business section.

Residents of the housing project in Atlanta who had previously joked about the car's similarity with the wanted vehicle were questioned closely by agents from the federal bureau of investigation, the Atlanta Constitution reported.

The Constitution, in a story

by Duane Riner, said two residents of the housing project were known to have seen a young man who they said looked like the description of the sniper.

The news story said the FBI agents swarmed around the car most of Thursday afternoon snapping pictures and taking fingerprints.

## Arrived Friday

Quoting Mrs. Ernest Payne, the newspaper said the car was seen arriving in the parking lot between 8:30 and 9 a.m. last Friday, the day after Mr. King was shot down in Memphis, Tenn.

The newspaper said she described the man who stepped out of the car as between 25 and 30 years, 5 feet 9 or 10, and weighing 165 to 170 pounds.

She told the newspaper she had not heard that the suspected killer was described as 26 to 32 years of age, 6 feet tall, weighing 165 to 175 pounds.

## Driver Described

She was quoted as saying the man had sandy colored hair. The newspaper said another witness described it as dark and curly.

A youth was quoted as saying there were cigaret ashes all over the car floor and red mud on the interior at the driver's side. The paper said the boy, Johnny Niesen, 13, said there were two 1967 Mexican visa stickers on the window.

It was the stickers that prompted Johnny's mother, Mrs. John H. Riley, to call the

FBI Wednesday night, the news story said.

## Mexican Stickers

"The stickers had preyed on her mind since she'd heard on television a couple of nights earlier that a man fitting the description of the suspected assassin had visited the Mexican consulate in Memphis prior to the murder and obtained a visitor's pass," the paper said.

The paper said Mrs. Riley's estimate of the time the car arrived differed from Mrs. Payne's. Mrs. Riley was quoted as first seeing the car at 7 a.m. Friday.

"We discussed it and watched it because we hadn't seen it before," she told the paper. "Most of the cars parked here are people who live here."

## Order in Florida

In Miami, Fla., the FBI circulated a pick up order on Florida police teletypes Thursday night for a man driving a white Mustang and who matched the description of the killer, then withdrew the message.

The message was issued at 5:22 p.m. by teletype to the Dade public safety department, Miami communications and all stations statewide.

It instructed officers to locate a white man, born [redacted]

The man was described as being 5 ft. 11 in., 175 pounds, blue eyes and brown hair.

At about 9:35 p.m. the message was withdrawn in a bulletin signed by Special Agent John Hanlon.

When questioned Hanlon said, "I cannot comment."

The teletype message said the man was last seen driving a 1966 white Mustang hardtop with an Alabama license.

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MILWAUKEE SENTINEL  
MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

Date: 4/12/68

Edition: FINAL

Author:

Editor: HARRY SONNEBORN

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Character:

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# Car Like One Sought in King Death Found

From Press Dispatches

Atlanta, Ga. — A white Mustang resembling one reported near the scene of the sniper slaying of Dr. Martin Luther King, jr., was impounded in Atlanta Thursday. The FBI also issued, then withdrew, a "locate and notify the FBI" alert for a Birmingham (Ala.) man who the bulletin said was driving a white Mustang.

Residents of a Birmingham rooming house, to which the white man had been traced, said they had not seen him in three months.

The FBI's message, distributed on, the statewide police

teletype network in Florida at the request of the FBI, was withdrawn five hours after it was issued Thursday afternoon. It was withdrawn with the explanation that it was released by mistake.

The alert was for the purpose of spotting the man rather than for a pickup order.

The bulletin described the man as a white male, 36 years old, about 5 feet 11, and 175 pounds with blue eyes and brown hair. This roughly matched the description circulated by federal authorities on the night of King's slaying.

State records in Montgomery, capital of Alabama, show the man's occupation as "merchant seaman, unemployed." But checks with maritime sources in New Orleans, Mobile, Ala., New York and Washington failed to turn up any seaman papers issued to him.

The alert was issued about the time the 1966 Mustang was being towed into the FBI's Atlanta headquarters.

The car had been parked since last Friday, the day after King's slaying, in the parking lot of a public housing project near the Georgia state capitol. Police were called five days later after "Turista" stickers were noticed on the car's windows.

Mrs. John H. Riley said she saw the car as early as 7 a.m. last Friday, about 12 hours after King was shot 382 miles away.

"We (her family) watched it and discussed it because we

hadn't seen it before," said Mrs. Riley. "Most of the cars parked here are owned by people who live here."

Later that morning, a neighbor dropped in for coffee and the talk turned to the King assassination. Mrs. Riley's visitor said a white Mustang was believed to be the killer's getaway car.

"Why, it's sitting out there in the parking lot," Mrs. Riley said jokingly.

Another resident of the project, Mrs. Ernest Payne, said she saw the 1966 Mustang arrive. But she estimated the time at 90 minutes to two hours later than Mrs. Riley's guess of 7 a.m.

She said "a nice looking man" got out of the car, locked it and walked away, carrying a small black book in his hand. She described him as about 25 or 30 years old, 165 to 170 pounds and around 5 feet 10 with sandy hair. She said the car bore an Alabama license plate.

Other residents also saw the car or the man. Joe Manus said he had noticed the car since last Friday, the day after King was shot. Mrs. Mary Bridges said she saw a well dressed, dark haired man near the vehicle recently.

But no one reported the car to police until Mrs. Riley's son, Johnny, 13, told her he had seen two Mexican "turista" stickers on the windows of the Mustang. Mrs. Riley said she had heard news stories that the suspected assassin had visited Mexico before the killing. Johnny also said the floor of the car was covered with cigaret ashes and red mud.

Mrs. Riley called the FBI and Atlanta police Wednesday night, she said. Police made a brief inspection immediately, and then FBI agents followed Thursday morning, she said.

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MILWAUKEE JOURNAL  
MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

Date: 4/12/68

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Author:

Editor: RICHARD H. LEONARD

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# FBI Trailing Man In Slaying of King

Atlanta, Ga. —UPI— Federal bureau of investigation agents investigating the sniper slaying of the Rev. Martin Luther King, jr., have been on the trail of an unemployed seaman for nearly a week, United Press International learned Friday.

The suspect first surged into the headlines Thursday night when a white Mustang auto, registered to him and resembling one that reportedly sped from the King assassination scene, was found parked in an Atlanta apartment complex.

No warrant has been issued.

The Mustang registered to the man carried Alabama license number 1-38993. A check with Alabama authorities established the man's address as a rooming house at 2608 Highland av. in Birmingham, but residents, while recalling the man, said they had not seen him since November.

In obtaining his driver's license in 1967, the man listed his occupation as an unemployed merchant seaman.

The FBI replied with a blanket "no comment" to all questions concerning the King investigation, but persons at the Birmingham rooming house said agents were asking "plenty" of questions about the man last week.

This was four or five full days before the Mustang was located in Atlanta.

The only official announcements in the King case have come from Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark, who was sent to Memphis by President Johnson to help with the investigation after Mr. King was killed by a sniper while standing on a hotel balcony last Thursday.

Clark said authorities had a suspect and his name but would not disclose the name. He also said that officials had a man on the run and were confident the case would be solved.

Reporters checking with maritime officials in Mobile learned Friday that agents, in addition to questioning persons at the Birmingham boarding house, had also made a check of the docks long before the Mustang was found.

This raised speculation, which again officials refused to confirm or deny, whether someone, as early as last September, set about to establish credentials under a fictitious name.

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These two drawings depict the man suspected of the murder of the Rev. Martin Luther King, jr., in Memphis, Tenn., last week. The drawing at left, from information supplied by the federal bureau of investigation, was made by Mexican police artist Sergio Jaubert. That at the right, from a description given by a man living in the building where the shot was fired, was made by Memphis Commercial Appeal artist Bill Herrington.

—AP Wirephoto

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TO ALBUQUERQUE, ATLANTA, BUTTE, DENVER, JACKSON, LAS VEGAS, LITTLE  
ROCK, MEMPHIS, MILWAUKEE, MINNEAPOLIS, MOBILE, NEW ORLEANS,  
OKLAHOMA CITY, PHILADELPHIA, PHOENIX, PORTLAND, SACRAMENTO,  
SAN ANTONIO, SEATTLE

FROM DIRECTOR 2P

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MURKIN

NEW ORLEANS OFFICE HAS DETERMINED THAT COMPLETE FILES OF  
LOUISIANA DRIVERS LICENSE DIVISION ARE COMPUTERIZED AND A SEARCH  
UNDER THE BIRTH DATE OF [REDACTED] DISCLOSED THAT FIFTY  
WHITE MALES HAVE THIS BIRTH DATE AND HAVE BEEN ISSUED DRIVERS LICENSES  
IN LOUISIANA. ALTHOUGH THE NAMES OF GALT, LOWMYER, WILLARD OR  
VARIATIONS THEREOF DO NOT APPEAR AMONG THESE FIFTY WHITE MALES, THE  
NEW ORLEANS OFFICE SHOULD CHECK OUT THESE INDIVIDUALS FOR ANY  
PERTINENT INFORMATION CONNECTED WITH THIS CASE.

OTHER RECEIVING OFFICES SHOULD DO LIKEWISE IF DRIVERS LICENSE  
RECORDS ARE MAINTAINED IN A SIMILAR MANNER IN STATES COVERED BY YOUR  
OFFICES.

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Hank... adv.  
8:15A 4/17/68  
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NO INDICATION IS TO BE GIVEN THAT INQUIRIES ARE IN CONVECTION  
WITH CAPTIONED CASE.

UNSUB ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO DIRECTOR, ALBUQUERQUE, ATLANTA, BUTTE, DENVER,  
JACKSON, LAS VEGAS, LITTLE ROCK, MILWAUKEE, MINNEAPOLIS,  
MOBILE, NEW ORLEANS, OKLAHOMA CITY, PHILADELPHIA,  
PHOENIX, PORTLAND, SACRAMENTO, SAN ANTONIO, SEATTLE  
FROM MEMPHIS 44-1987 2P

MURKIN; CR; OO: ME.

RE BUREAU TEL TO ABOVE OFFICES, APRIL SIXTEEN, LAST.

ALABAMA DRIVERS LICENSE OF ERIC STARVO GALT  
LISTS DESCRIPTION OF WM, BORN [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE SEVEN FIVE  
POUNDS, BLUE EYES, BROWN HAIR.

NEW ORLEANS COMPARE DESCRIPTIONS OF FIFTY WHITE  
MALES CONTAINED ON LOUISIANA DRIVERS LICENSES AGAINST  
ALABAMA DRIVERS LICENSE DESCRIPTION AND ELIMINATE  
OBVIOUS NON-IDENTS. LOCATE REMAINING PERSONS AND  
OBTAIN ADEQUATE BACKGROUND AND ADDITIONAL IDENTIFYING  
DESCRIPTIVE DATA SUITABLE FOR LOCATION AND LATENT  
COMPARISONS BY IDENTIFICATION DIVISION. ASCERTAIN  
LOCATION OF LICENSES DURING PERTINENT PERIOD OF THIS  
CASE.

OTHER RECEIVING OFFICES SHOULD DO LIKEWISE  
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DRIVERS LICENSE RECORDS ARE MAINTAINED IN SIMILAR  
MANNER IN STATES COVERED BY YOUR OFFICES.

NO INDICATION IS TO BE GIVEN THAT INVESTIGATION  
IS IN CONNECTION WITH CAPTIONED CASE.

UNSUB ARMED AND DANGEROUS. P. END.

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FBI NEW YORK

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TO DIRECTOR, ALBUQUERQUE, ATLANTA, DENVER, HOUSTON, LOS ANGELES,  
MILWAUKEE, NEW HAVEN, PHOENIX, SAN DIEGO, SAN FRANCISCO AND  
MEMPHIS.

FROM NEW YORK 44-1609

MURKIN

RELATEL TO THE BUREAU REGARDING BARTENDING SCHOOLS.  
REFERENCED CHICAGO TEL TO THE BUREAU, APRIL FIFTEENTH,  
LAST.

ON APRIL SIXTEENTH, INSTANT, AMERICAN TRADE SCHOOLS,  
NEW YORK, ADVISED THEIR DIRECTORY REFLECTS FOLLOWING CURRENT  
BARTENDING SCHOOLS OPERATING IN UNITED STATES.

OFFICES LISTED BELOW CONTACT APPROPRIATE SCHOOL IN  
THEIR RESPECTIVE DIVISION REAGARDING JOHN WILLARD, HARVEY  
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LOWMEYER, ERIC STARVO GALT OR POSSIBLY GAULT.

ALBUQUERQUE, SCHOOL OF BARTENDING IN ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO;

ATLANTA, ATLANTA BARTENDERS AND COCTAIL WAITRESS SCHOOL, ATLANTA, GEORGIA;

DENVER, DENVER BARTENDERS SCHOOL, DENVER, OADO;

HOUSTON, BARTENDER SCHOOL OF HOUSTON, HOUSTON, TEXAS;

LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF BARTENDERS, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, SCHOOL OF BARTENDERS, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, AND BARTENDERS SCHOOL, LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA;

✓ MILWAUKEE, BARTENDERS SCHOOL OF MILWAUKEE, MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN;

NEW HAVEN, BARTENDERS SCHOOL OF MIXOLOGY, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT.

NEW YORK, BARTENDERS SCHOOL, INC. AND INTERNATIONAL BARTENDERS SCHOOL, NEW YORK CITY;

PHOENIX, BARTENDER TRAINING SCHOOL, PHOENIX, ARIZONA;

SAN DIEGO, BARTENDER TRAINING INSTITUTE, SAN DIEGO; CALIFORNIA  
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SAN FRANCISCO, THE AMERICAN BARTENDERS SCHOOL AND  
CONTINENTAL BARTENDERS SCHOOL IN SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA,  
AND BARTENDERS SCHOOL OF SANTA CLARA, SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA.

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FBI DENVER

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FBI PHOENIX

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MEMO

44-38861

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM : SAC, BIRMINGHAM (44-388) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re New York teletype, 4/10/68, regarding  
attending schools.

On 4/17/68, WILSON D. BROWN, Bostonians School of  
Education, 1235 North Loop in Los Angeles, advised that  
a review of her records since the inception of said school  
indicated no information concerning JOHN WILLIAMS, RICHARD  
L. JAMES, WALTER G. LANE, ARTHUR GALT or GALT.

3 - Bureau (44-38861) (RM)

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1 - Director (44-388)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, Milwaukee (44-388)

FROM : SA WILLIAM Y. DORAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/17/68

During the period 4/15 - 16/68, the following dancing schools were contacted by the Agent indicated, within the City of Milwaukee, at which time said schools were requested to search their records for a pupil, past or present, by the name of ERIC STARVO GALT. All of the following dancing schools advised their records contained no information identifiable with the name ERIC STARVO GALT:

SA DONALD E. REILLY:

HENRY ALTSTADT  
Henry's Ballroom Studios  
727 North Milwaukee Street

Henry Mark  
161 West Wisconsin

GALE SIEWERT  
Gale's Dance Studio  
8412 West Lisbon

ESTHER MOODY  
Esther Moody School  
7835 Harwood

MARIETTA N. DEL MONT  
Del Mont School of Dance  
4711 West Lisbon

DONNA HAMDIE  
Donna Jeanne's School of Dancing  
2639 West Lincoln

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SA RALPH D. PERRIGO:

Carole's Dance Studio  
1425 West Oklahoma

SIEGFRIED HACK  
Fred Astaire Dance Studio  
234 West Michigan

BONNI SMITH  
Bonni Marie Dance Studio  
11625 West Blue Mound Road

Mrs. BETH HANSINGS  
Dancing Hansings School of Dancing  
2648 South Kinnickinnic

NANCY BALZER  
Nancy Ellen School of Dancing  
16869 West Greenfield

BEVERLY MAGE  
Beverly Mage Dance Studio  
7602 West State  
6706 West Farview

SA JAMES C. ORR:

KEN KAROW  
Karow Dance Studio  
4713 North 76th

PAT MARQUARDT  
Pat Marquardt School of Dance  
4530 West Center

PAT KELLAR  
Pat Kellar Dance Studio  
9207 West Center

PAT MURFORD  
Maus Music Studio  
140 South Main  
Thiensville, Wis.

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A. KARSTEN  
Arriens Dancing School  
3411 West National

SA GENE L. STEPHENS:

ADELE HOUSE  
Artinian Adele Dancing School  
219 West Wisconsin

ROBERTA REHBERG  
Academy of Art  
1408 South 73rd

SHERRY JOHNSON  
Allegro Dance Studio  
6754 West Beloit Road

KATHLEEN KUHN  
Arthur Murray Studio  
436 West Wisconsin

SANDRA SURRATT  
Academy of Physical Culture  
2647 North 3rd

SA JAMES D. MOGRIDGE:

GERI SAWYER  
Geri Sawyer's School of Dance  
5756 North Teutonia

SMITH HERSBERG  
Yaki Ballet Studio  
Wisconsin College of Music  
1584 North Prospect

Miss TIARE  
Tiare's Lani-Kai Hula Studio  
1310 Milwaukee Street

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, Milwaukee (44-388)

FROM : SA HENRY W. CURRAN, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/17/68

The following is to record that all the commercial banks located in Dane County, Wis., were contacted on 4/11/68. No record could be located under the name of ERIC STARVO GALT or GAULT as ever having a checking, savings, certificates of deposits, loans, or safety deposit box at present or in recent past.

The following banks were contacted:

F. L. COTTOM, Cashier  
Commercial State Bank  
Madison, Wis.

Hilldale State Bank  
Madison, Wis.

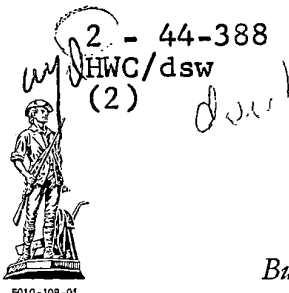
Monona Grove State Bank  
4711 Monona Drive  
Madison, Wis.

Bank of Middleton  
Middleton, Wis.

OTIS L. GRISWOLD, VP & Cashier  
Prairie State Bank  
Sun Prairie, Wis.

THOMAS TUBBS, Ex. VP & Cashier  
Bank of Sun Prairie  
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The Westgate Bank  
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State Bank of Cross Plains  
Cross Plains, Wis.

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Mt. Horeb, Wis.

ALLAN P. GASNER, Assistant VP  
Bank of Oregon  
Oregon, Wis.

H. N. SCHOENMANN, Ex. VP & Cashier  
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Mazomanie, Wis.

DONALD HELMKE, Cashier  
Stoughton State Bank  
Stoughton, Wis.

WERNER FURTZ, Assistant Cashier & Manager  
Farmers & Merchants State Bank  
Marshall, Wis.

DALMER SCHREIER, Assistant VP  
Bank of Madison  
1 West Main Street  
Madison, Wis.

JOHN F. SPHATT, President  
First National Bank  
Stoughton, Wis.

J. ROBERT FUSCH, Cashier  
The Park Bank  
2401 South Park Street  
Madison, Wis.

CARL W. ANDERSON, Assistant VP  
Security State Bank  
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Bank of Verona  
Verona, Wis.

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1202 North Sherman Avenue  
Madison, Wis.

WILLIAM HALLMARK, Cashier  
Cottage Grove State Bank  
Cottage Grove, Wis.

ROBERT J. WILSON, VP  
Madison Bank and Trust Company  
Madison, Wis.

RICHARD A. BEHNKE, Cashier  
Brooklyn State Bank  
Brooklyn, Wis.

W. RODNEY WILLIAMS, Ex. VP  
De Forest-Morrisonville Bank  
De Forest, Wis.

First National Bank  
Madison, Wis.

First National Bank  
West Branch  
905 University Avenue  
Madison, Wis.

MYRON WILCOX, Assistant Cashier  
Farmers State Bank  
Waunakee, Wis.

D. L. ROEMER, Cashier  
Waunakee State Bank  
Waunakee, Wis.

FRED W. BRUNNER, President  
Belleville State Bank  
Belleville, Wis.



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LINUS J. DOYLE, Cashier  
Citizens State Bank  
Belleville, Wis.

American Exchange Bank  
Madison, Wis.

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TO ALL SACS  
FROM DIRECTOR

MURKIN

THE FOLLOWING PRESS RELEASE WAS ISSUED AT WASHINGTON, D.C.,  
AT FIVE FORTYFIVE P.M. THIS AFTERNOON. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO RELEASE  
AT SIX P.M. EASTERN STANDARD TIME. ALTHOUGH IT IS REALIZED THE  
WIRE SERVICES WILL CARRY THE FULL TEXT, YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY  
CONTACT THE LEADING NEWSPAPERS AND RADIO AND TV STATIONS IN  
YOUR DIVISION TO INSURE IT RECEIVES IMMEDIATE WIDESPREAD DISTRIBUTION.  
YOU ARE ALSO AUTHORIZED TO IMMEDIATELY MAKE AVAILABLE TO  
ALL MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES COPIES OF THE TWO PHOTOGRAPHS ALREADY  
IN YOUR POSSESSION. THE DESCRIPTIVE DATA ON THE BACKS OF  
THESE PHOTOGRAPHS SHOULD BE DELETED. PHOTOGRAPH NUMBER  
ONE WITH EYES CLOSED SHOULD CARRY THE CAPTION, "ERIC STARVO  
GALT, ALSO KNOWN AS HARVEY LOWMYER AND JOHN WILLARD." PHOTOGRAPH  
NUMBER TWO SHOULD CARRY THE CAPTION, "ERIC STARVO GALT,  
ALSO KNOWN AS HARVEY LOWMYER AND JOHN WILLARD (EYES DRAWN IN  
BY FBI ARTIST)." YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO REPRODUCE LOCALLY

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INSURE THAT THIS RELEASE AND PHOTOGRAPHS RECEIVE REPEATED  
COVERAGE BY RADIO AND TV STATIONS. YOU ARE TO MAKE NO ELABORA-  
TION WHATSOEVER REGARDING THIS RELEASE.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

APRIL 17, 1968

ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT ERIC STARVO GALT IS BEING SOUGHT BY THE FBI AS A FUGITIVE ON A FEDERAL CHARGE ARISING FROM THE FATAL SHOOTING OF THE REVEREND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, ON APRIL 4, 1968.

DIRECTOR J. EDGAR HOOVER STATED THAT A FEDERAL COMPLAINT WAS FILED BY THE FBI IN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, TODAY CHARGING GALT WITH CONSPIRING TO VIOLATE THE CIVIL RIGHTS OF DR. KING IN VIOLATION OF TITLE 18, SECTION 241, OF THE UNITED STATES CODE.

THE FBI COMPLAINT CHARGES THAT "ON OR ABOUT MARCH 29, 1968, AT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, ...ERIC STARVO GALT AND AN INDIVIDUAL WHOM HE ALLEGED TO BE HIS BROTHER, ENTERED INTO A CONSPIRACY WHICH CONTINUED UNTIL ON OR ABOUT APRIL 5, 1968, TO INJURE, OPPRESS, THREATEN, OR INTIMIDATE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.,... IN THE FREE EXERCISE OR ENJOYMENT OF A RIGHT SECURED TO HIM BY THE CONSTITUTION OR LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES; NAMELY, THE RIGHT TO FREELY TRAVEL FROM STATE TO STATE. IN FURTHERANCE OF THIS CONSPIRACY, ERIC STARVO GALT DID, ON OR ABOUT MARCH 30, 1968, PURCHASE A RIFLE AT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA..."

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ACCORDING TO MR. HOOVER, A 30.06 RIFLE EQUIPPED WITH A TELESCOPIC SIGHT WAS FOUND NEAR A ROOMING HOUSE ON SOUTH MAIN STREET IN MEMPHIS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE FATAL SHOOTING OF DR. KING OCCURRED. THE ROOMING HOUSE OVERLOOKS THE LORRAINE HOTEL AND MOTEL WHERE DR. KING WAS STAYING.

MR. HOOVER SAID THAT FBI AGENTS DETERMINED THAT THE 30.06 RIFLE HAD BEEN PURCHASED FROM A GUN DEALER IN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, ON MARCH 30, 1968. THE TELESCOPIC SIGHT ALSO WAS PURCHASED FROM THIS DEALER.

THE FBI DIRECTOR SAID THAT GALT, WHO HAS USED THE NAMES OF JOHN WILLARD AND HARVEY LOWMYER IN THE PAST, IS THE OWNER OF A 1966 WHITE MUSTANG BEARING ALABAMA LICENSE PLATES WHICH WAS LOCATED ABANDONED IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA, ON APRIL 11, 1968. INVESTIGATION DISCLOSED THAT GALT PURCHASED THIS CAR FROM A PRIVATE CITIZEN IN BIRMINGHAM ON AUGUST 30, 1967. THE MUSTANG'S ODOMETER SHOWED THAT IT HAD BEEN DRIVEN MORE THAN 19,000 MILES BETWEEN LATE AUGUST, 1967, AND EARLY APRIL, 1968.

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ACCORDING TO MR. HOOVER, GALT'S TRAVELS IN THE MUSTANG INCLUDED TRIPS TO LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA; NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA; BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA; AND MEXICO, AS WELL AS TO MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, AND ATLANTA, GEORGIA. GALT WAS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN IN MEMPHIS ON APRIL 3 AND 4, 1968, AND TO HAVE DEPARTED FROM THERE FOR ATLANTA.

INTENSIVE INVESTIGATION BY THE FBI HAS DISCLOSED THAT GALT HAS CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED AS A COOK ON MISSISSIPPI RIVER VESSELS AND AS A MERCHANT SEAMAN. HE IS SAID TO BE AN AVID DANCER AND TOOK DANCING LESSONS IN NEW ORLEANS IN 1964 AND 1965; IN BIRMINGHAM DURING SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER, 1967; AND IN LONG BEACH CALIFORNIA, FROM DECEMBER, 1967 TO FEBRUARY, 1968.

GALT LEFT LOS ANGELES ON DECEMBER 15, 1967, AND DROVE HIS WHITE MUSTANG TO NEW ORLEANS, WHERE HE CLAIMED HE CONTACTED EITHER AN ENGINEERING OR A CONTRACTING FIRM. HE LEFT NEW ORLEANS ON DECEMBER 19TH AND ARRIVED BACK IN LOS ANGELES ON DECEMBER 21, 1967.

WHILE IN THE LOS ANGELES AREA EARLY THIS YEAR, GALT TOOK A COURSE AT A SCHOOL OF BARTENDING AND WAS GRADUATED ON MARCH 2, 1968.

THE FUGITIVE IS DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE. HE IS APPROXIMATELY 5 FEET 8 INCHES TO 5 FEET 11 INCHES TALL AND WEIGHS BETWEEN 160 AND 175 POUNDS. HE IS SAID TO BE A NEAT DRESSER AND HAS A MEDIUM BUILD.

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GALT HAS BROWN HAIR, WHICH HE WEARS IN A "BRUSH" CUT. HE REPORTEDLY HAS BLUE EYES; HIS NOSE IS STRAIGHT AND NARROW; HIS TEETH ARE STRAIGHT AND CLEAN; AND HE HAS GIVEN HIS DATE OF BIRTH AS

THE FUGITIVE IS SAID TO HAVE A NERVOUS HABIT OF OCCASIONALLY PULLING AT AN EAR LOBE WITH HIS HAND. HIS LEFT EAR PROTRUDES FARTHER FROM HIS HEAD THAN HIS RIGHT EAR.

ACCORDING TO MR. HOOVER, PERSONS WHO HAVE MET GALT DESCRIBE HIM AS A "LONER" AND STATE HIS LANGUAGE AND DICTION HAVE A "RURAL" QUALITY AND SUGGEST THAT HE PROBABLY DOES NOT HAVE A HIGH DEGREE OF EDUCATION. HE IS SAID TO DRINK ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND HAS A PREFERENCE FOR VODKA AND BEER. HE IS A FAN OF WESTERN AND COUNTRY MUSIC.

GALT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS. ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING HIM SHOULD BE FURNISHED IMMEDIATELY TO THE NEAREST FBI OFFICE.

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TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861

MURKIN

THE PHOTOGRAPHS FURNISHED YOUR OFFICES OF ERIC STARVO  
GALT BY ROUTING SLIP FOUR SIXTEEN LAST CONTAIN THE  
COMPOSITE DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT AS FURNISHED BY VARIOUS  
WITNESSES. THE PHOTOGRAPH WITH THE EYES CLOSED IS THE  
ACTUAL PHOTOGRAPH AS TAKEN IN MARCH SIXTY-EIGHT. THE  
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WHICH THE EYES HAVE BEEN DRAWN IN BY AN ARTIST.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE, 44-388

DATE: 4/18/68

FROM : SA F. GEORGE SPEIDELL, JR.

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Mrs. DAVID CALVERT, Rural Route # 3, County truck V, Sheboygan, Wisconsin, phone number 452-1612, called the office and reported that two days ago she had been driving through Sheboygan, Wis., on Memorial drive (highway 141), and observed a new model car, possibly 1968 or 1967 Chevrolet, Light gray over dark Gray, with Tennessee license, DR-0824 Montgomery county, following her.

She further advised that the individual who was driving the car, appeared to be in his late 30's, was not clean shaven and was wearing a dark shirt or sweater. There was a sport coat hanging on the clothes hook in the back of the car. CALVERT advised that she had heard the news broadcasts concerning the captioned matter and reported the above incident to the local police. She advised that the police appeared not to be interested in the matter.

CALVERT advised that this morning she saw the photograph of the subject GALT in the morning paper, and believed that the man she mentioned above bears a strong resemblance to the subject.

Teletype to Memphis sent this date; re: the license number.



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## Fake Calls Alleged After King Slaying

Memphis, Tenn. —UPI— The Memphis Commercial Appeal said in a copyrighted story Wednesday that conspirators may have faked a series of police radio calls to throw authorities off the trail after the assassination of the Rev. Martin Luther King, jr.

The story said that police radio reports of a car chase involving a white Mustang apparently were faked.

"Could someone have used a transmitter tuned to the police frequency to put out misleading information — information which would take the focus of the search north from the city and open up escape routes . . . into Arkansas or south into Mississippi?" said a page one story by George Bryan.

Fire and Police Director Frank C. Holloman confirmed that such a possibility is under investigation, the story said.

The newspaper said seven transmissions crackled over police radios about the chase between 6:30 p.m. and 6:47 p.m. last Thursday, about half an hour after the slaying. The messages told of a speeding Mustang and a blue Pontiac that was chasing it.

Two white Mustang automobiles, one with Arkansas license plates, were parked near the hotel where Mr. King was slain, the Commercial Appeal reported Wednesday night.

The assassin is believed to

have fled in a white Mustang, but only one such automobile was known to have been seen near the hotel.

Charles Hurley, an advertising executive, was quoted as saying he saw a young white man who "roughly" matched the description of the suspect sitting in the car at 5:20 p.m., about 40 minutes before Mr. King was shot by a sniper as he stood on the balcony of his hotel room.

Clifton Canipe, owner of Canipe Amusement Co., said he saw a man drive away in a white automobile which had been parked about 20 feet south of his store at 425 S. Main st.

### Questioned Man Gets Joplin Term

Joplin, Mo. —AP— A man who identified himself as an itinerant preacher entered a plea of guilty to a vagrancy charge in magistrate court Wednesday and received a three day jail sentence with the further stipulation that he would be released to his father for return to Texas.

The man had been questioned briefly Tuesday night as to his whereabouts on the day the Rev. Martin Luther King, jr., was assassinated.

The man identified himself as Lynn R. Cleveland, 33. He was picked up at the edge of Joplin and said he was hitchhiking a ride from Springfield, Mo., to Tulsa, Okla.

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# Sole Killer

## Theory Re-examined in King Death

Memphis, Tenn. —AP— Investigators appeared Saturday to be re-examining the possibility that more than one person was involved in the assassination of the Rev. Martin Luther King, jr.

They seemed puzzled about conflicting reports on the number of getaway cars involved and about police radio transmissions detailing a high speed chase — which apparently never took place — through northeast Memphis 30 minutes after a sniper killed King with a single rifle shot.

The FBI, conducting the most massive manhunt in its history, maintained silence on all aspects of the investigation. But Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark issued a new statement that dropped his earlier reference to "one man on the run."

Sixteen hours after King was slain Apr. 4, Clark said evidence "indicates a single individual" was involved. "There is no evidence of a widespread plot," he said.

### Prediction Avoided

In a seven line statement issued in Washington Friday night, Clark said the FBI was devoting all its resources to the investigation, "working around the clock pursuing every lead."

He said it was impossible to predict when an arrest would be made.

Another justice department spokesman noted that it took 12 days to make arrests in the May, 1963, slaying of civil rights leader Medger Evers, and more than five months in the 1964 slayings of three civil rights workers in Mississippi.

In the 10 days since King's slaying, the lights have burned all night in the corner suite on the eighth floor of Memphis' new federal building.

There, in offices overlooking the Mississippi river, dozens of FBI agents have methodically sifted through what

is described as "very substantial" physical evidence.

Exactly what constitutes this evidence is officially unknown, but sources report some of the major items are palm and fingerprints, an overnight bag believed to contain clothing and a high powered rifle with a telescopic sight.

### FBI There First

FBI agents have interviewed hundreds of persons in Memphis, Birmingham, Atlanta and elsewhere. They have taken over the records of two rooming houses and at least one gun shop. They have pored through documents in state and local government offices throughout the south.

It seems that everywhere reporters go, the FBI already has been there. In many cases, witnesses report the FBI has instructed them to say nothing.

Across the street from the FBI office, spokesmen for the Memphis police insist that the department still is working closely with federal agents. But from all indication, the FBI has taken over the investigation completely.

At police headquarters, Fire and Police Director Frank C. Holloman, for 25 years an FBI agent, hands inquiring reporters a mimeographed statement.

"The successful investigation of this case is the overriding consideration and for that reason I have no comment to make concerning the case at this time," it says.

### Both Cars Vanished

Holloman held five news conferences within 24 hours

after King was shot, and freely answered most inquiries from reporters. Since then, he



Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark

has joined the FBI's stony silence.

This is an account of the events that took place after King was shot at 6:01 p.m. Apr. 4 as he stood on a balcony of the Lorraine motel.

The killer hurried from the flophouse 205 feet away. Within 100 feet from the rooming house entrance at 6:01 were two 1966 white Mustangs.

Fifteen minutes later, both were gone.

Some witnesses said the killer walked calmly down the steps to the street, turned left

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and dropped a rifle in the next doorway, and continued several feet to the Mustang bearing a red and white license plate. Red and white plates are used in both Arkansas and Alabama.

At 6:25 p.m., a police dispatcher began relaying calls about a chase in northeast Memphis, eight miles away, which involved a white Mustang and a blue Pontiac.

A white male driving the Mustang, the police radio crackled, was "responsible for this shooting."

#### **Eight Calls Relayed**

Eight calls, supposedly from a police lieutenant, were relayed by the dispatcher during the next 22 minutes. At one point, the dispatcher reported, the driver of the Mustang was firing on the pursuing Pontiac.

"I was not involved in any chase," the lieutenant said afterward.

A college student with a citizens band radio in his car later said he was relaying details of the chase to the lieutenant. He said the voice he was monitoring identified himself as the occupant of the blue car chasing the Mustang.

The student said the trans-

missions he received never faded, indicating the calls came from a stationary transmitter. By week's end, police appeared to have concluded that the chase, for whatever reason it was reported, was a hoax.

Twelve hours after the shooting, an Atlanta housewife looked out the window of her apartment in the Capitol Homes project — 383 miles to the southeast — and saw a "nice looking man" step out of a 1966 white Mustang.

Six days later, federal agents examined the abandoned Mustang.

#### **Alabama License**

The car bore a license tag from Jefferson county (Birmingham), Ala. Two Mexican inspection stickers were pasted to the front windshield. The floor was littered with cigaret butts and covered with mud.

Between 5:15 and 5:30 p.m., the car was towed to the federal building.

At 5:22 p.m., the Florida police teletypewriter ticked out a "locate and notify" message — an FBI alert for a 36 year old suspect.

The bulletin said he was

driving a 1966 white Mustang with an Alabama license plate bearing the same numbers as the car found in Atlanta.

Four hours later, the message was withdrawn with the explanation that it was "erroneous."

Records in Alabama show that the suspect applied for a driver's license last Sept. 5. The application describes him as 5 foot 11 inches, 175 pounds, with blue eyes and brown hair — roughly the same description given by witnesses for the man seen fleeing the Memphis rooming house.

#### **Applied for License**

The document says he is an unemployed merchant seaman. The maritime union has no record of him.

His address was listed as a two story stucco house in Birmingham with a neon light that flashes "rooms."

Other residents of the house say they have not seen him in three months, although a duplicate drivers' license was mailed to him at that address Mar. 1.

The FBI refuses to say why it is seeking him.

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## FBI Won't Release Sketch of Assassin

Memphis, Tenn. —AP— The federal bureau of investigation is withholding nationwide distribution of a composite drawing of the Rev. Martin Luther King's assassin, police sources said Sunday.

"They haven't given us anything but a physical description," said one police official. "They aren't handing out pictures of the man. They either don't have a good one, or they're going it alone."

The official asked that his name not be used, citing the FBI's ban on comment about the investigation.

When Jacksonville (Fla.) police questioned a Louisville, (Ky.) man Saturday night about the King slaying — the man since has been cleared of any connection — Police Lt. M. P. Richardson said, "It's a long shot, but he looks too much like the sketch of the man who is wanted in the King slaying."

Jacksonville police said Sunday the man who was arrested after a resident noted a likeness to a composite picture which appeared in Florida newspapers. This sketch was prepared by a newspaper artist from the description given of the slaying. It was not released — nor endorsed — by the FBI.

Residents of the Memphis rooming house from which King was shot Apr. 4 reported last week that investigators had shown them composite drawings. But they said the

sketches were the same — or at least very similar — as those prepared by newspaper artists.

FBI officials rejected reporters' requests for a composite drawing of the man they are seeking in what perhaps is the most massive manhunt of modern times. They refuse to say whether they have prepared such a sketch.

Agents have a good physical description of the King assassin: 30 to 32 years old, 5 feet, 10 inches tall, weighing 165 pounds, with a receding hairline and a long, thin nose.

They also have a good description of the white 1966 Mustang which witnesses said sped away from the Memphis rooming house minutes after King was shot as he stood on a motel balcony 205 feet from the rear of the rooming house.

A white Mustang was impounded Thursday night from an Atlanta parking lot where it had been parked since the morning after King's slaying.

The impounded car bore license tags issued in Birmingham, Ala.

At almost the same moment last week that they were impounding the car in Atlanta, the FBI sent over the Florida Teletypewriter circuit a request to locate the listed owner. The message was withdrawn four hours later with the explanation it was erroneous.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-388)

DATE: 4/15/68

FROM : SA Thomas J. Graham

SUBJECT: MURKIN

The following individuals were contacted relative to Harvey Lowmeyer or Lowmyer and Eric Starvo Galt. Except as noted, no information was developed concerning either of these names.

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Ralph Pitzrick, Cashier, First National Bank, Barron. Pitzrick advised that the only name similar to the above was the name of Mrs. Betty Lohmeier, Amery, Wis. He said that she had a loan with that bank but he could furnish no further information concerning her. He said he did not know the name of her husband, who has been missing for a number of years.

Following contacts were all negative.

William Casey, Northwestern Credit Bureaus, Eau Claire.  
Kathy Giedd, Eau Claire, Wis. Police Dept.  
James O'Brien, Chief, Rice Lake Police Dept.  
James Cardingall, Chief Deputy Sheriff, Chippewa Falls.  
James Buchanan, Chief, Chippewa Falls Police Dept.  
Ruth Knudsen, Credit Bureau Chippewa Falls, Wis.  
Dan Patey, Dep. Sheriff, Clark County, Neillsville, Wis.  
Wally Larson, Cheriff, Barron, Wis.  
Jalmer Vitanen, Bank of Barron, Barron, Wis.

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Gerry Schultz, American Nat. Bank, Eau Claire  
Karl Benish, First Wis. Nat Bank, Eau Claire.  
William Boykin, Community State Bank, Eau Claire.  
Norman Deuel, First Nat. Bank, Chippewa Falls.  
R. L. Zimmerman, Northwestern State Bank, Ch. Falls.  
M. L. Ambers, State Bank of Gilman, Gilman.  
L. D. Sorenson, Dorchester State Bank, Dorchester.  
James A. Musil, First National Bank, Neillsville.  
G. A. Christensen, Neillsville Bank, Neillsville.  
Delores Bacon, Owen-Curtiss State Ban, Owen, Wis.  
Citizens State Bank, Loyal, Wis. Paul Davel.  
Albert Anderson, Peoples State Bank, Augusta.  
Donald Wick, Bank of Turtle Lake, Turtle Lake  
John Schilling, State Bank of Fall Creek, Fall Creek  
Melvin Swanson, Dairyland State Bank, Bruce.

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John Metling, Security State Bank, Ladysmith.  
J. R. Moats, Peoples State Bank, Bloomer, Wis.  
Samuel Mitchell, State Bank of Boyd, Boyd.  
Vernon Mech, Farmers and Merchants Bank, Greenwood.  
Frederick Metcalf, Indianhead State Bank, Chetek.  
E. G. Bizer, State Bank of Medford, Medford.  
Dewey Mitchell, Dairy State Bank, Rice Lake.  
Elmer Einum, First National Bank, Rice Lake.

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Walter Edstad, Bank of Cameron, Cameron.  
Ralph Erickson, Brill State Bank, Brill.  
Hubert Thoe, Northwestern State Bank, Cumberland.  
Dick Lucivanski, Northwestern State Bank, Almena.  
C. T. Brastad, Bank of Dallas, Dallas.  
Ewald Schlinsog, Citizens State Bank, Granton.  
Arnt Erickson, Bank of New Auburn, New Auburn.  
Francis Schaack, State Bank of Medford, Rib Lake.  
D. F. Kelley, Farmers and Merchants Bank, Stanley.  
John Greiner, Farmers State Bank, Stetsonville.  
Leon Bruchert, State Bank of Withee, Withee.  
Robert Olson, Peoples Exchange Bank, Thorp.  
Charles Worzella, Central State Bank, Chili.

On 4/15/68, the following dance studios were  
contacted but had no information regarding Lohmeyer or Galt.

Evelynne Knight, Evelynne Knight Dance Studios, Eau  
Claire and Chippewa Falls, Wis.

Gloria LaMont, Arthur Murray Dance Studio, 316½  
Eau Claire, St. Eau Claire, Wis.



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# Suspect In Killing Of Dr. King Got Chicago Mail

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (UPI)—Eric Starvo Galt, object of the FBI's most intensive man-hunt, received a letter from Chicago a few weeks before the slaying of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., his landlord said Monday.

In a copyrighted interview in the Birmingham News, rooming house manager Peter Nicholas Cherpes, said the sketch of the man wanted in Dr. King's slaying "looked exactly like" Galt.

He said Galt stayed at his rooming house from Aug. 26 to Oct. 7 last year.

He said that during September, Galt received a prepaid package in the mail from Chicago. He said it weighed 20 to 25 pounds, was about two feet long and one foot wide. The next day, Cherpes said, Galt told him it was the wrong merchandise and he planned to send it back.

"About half an hour later I saw him carrying the box to his car," Cherpes said.

In October, Cherpes said, Galt told him he was leaving for Mobile, Ala., to seek a job. Galt said he expected a letter from Chicago and asked Cherpes to hold it for him.

In February or March, Cherpes said, the letter came. He said the envelope was tan and green, with a Chicago post mark.

"I was puzzled for a while where to mail it," Cherpes

said. "I didn't have an address (for Galt). So I held the letter for a week, and returned it."

Cherpes said it appeared to him the letter contained a check.

When he received the letter, Cherpes said, he went to his file to look for Galt's registration card and found it. But when FBI agents came to him last week, Cherpes said, it was missing.

Cherpes earlier denied knowing Galt. He said this was because the FBI has asked him not to say anything about the man. But he said the FBI had no authority to stop him. His rooming house was bolted and he refused to admit anyone Monday afternoon.

## Paid On Time

He said Galt was a natty dresser who always paid his \$27 a week room and board in cash, on time.

"When he was here, on the third or fourth day, he asked me if I would drive his car downtown for him to take a driver's test," Cherpes said.

"He was a new man to Alabama and to Birmingham and also a customer," Cherpes continued, "and I wanted to help him on that basis. If he had asked for my recommendation, I would have investigated more closely."

Cherpes said that when Galt

arrived at the rooming house, he told him his last job was in the shipyards at Pascagoula, Miss. However, Ingalls Shipbuilding Co. at Pascagoula said it had never hired a man by that name.

## Talks of Vacation

Galt told Cherpes he was taking a "long vacation" and expected to stay at the rooming house three or four months. But he only stayed six weeks, Cherpes said.

The interview with Cherpes came amid growing reports that Galt—as such—may never have existed. Authorities were looking into the possibility that someone may have carefully constructed the identity of Galt for a brief period in Birmingham.

He gave his occupation, when applying for the driver's license in September, as merchant seaman. But none of the merchant seamen's unions have even heard of him.

Authorities apparently have been unable to trace him earlier than his appearance at Cherpes' rooming house, and

his trail grows cold in Atlanta where his car was abandoned April 5, the day after Dr. King was slain in Memphis.

There is no warrant for him.

It had been speculated that his middle name, as given in an FBI "locate and notify bulletin," was misspelled. It was given there as Starvo, but Stavro is a common European name.

The FBI refuses to comment on the investigation—even to confirm that it is searching the nation for Galt.

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## Dead Ends Snag Search for King's Killer

Birmingham, Ala. —AP— The FBI Tuesday apparently was confronted with nothing but dead end clues in its investigation of the slaying of the Rev. Martin Luther King, jr.

False leads multiplied in the hunt for a mysterious man whose last known address was a Birmingham rooming house. His former landlord said Monday he had identified drawings shown by FBI agents as resembling his former roomer.

"It's him," said Peter Cherpes, 72, who runs the Birmingham boarding house where the man lived for six weeks last fall.

An abandoned white Mustang owned by the roomer

was impounded last Thursday by the FBI in Atlanta. It fit the description of a car seen leaving the scene after King was killed Apr. 4 by a sniper firing from a rooming house in Memphis.

Memphis witnesses described the suspected assassin, who registered as John Willard at a rooming house opposite King's motel, as about 6 feet, sandy haired and "a clean, neat man."

### Talked of Ship Work

Apparently, no trace of the man has been found.

The man had told Cherpes that he was employed at a Mississippi shipyard, but there was no record of him. He claimed he held a Louisiana

driver's license six years ago, but no record was found in the files.

The man had a room at the boarding house from Aug. 26 to Oct. 7, 1967, Cherpes said. The rent was \$22.50 a week. He registered as coming from Pascagoula, Miss.

"He was here on vacation and he said he was going to stay here about four months," the landlord said. The new boarder usually slept until about 11 a.m., had most of his meals at the rooming house and stayed to himself most of the time.

The second week after he arrived, he bought a car, the 1966 white Mustang, paying cash. He needed a driver's license.

"He asked me if I could drive him down to take the test," Cherpes said. "I did."

On the license application, he listed his occupation as "merchant seaman, unemployed." Maritime unions have no record of his name, nor was he drawing unemployment pay from the state.

### Box From Chicago

About a week later, the landlord recalled, he got a package in the mail from Chicago: A box about two feet long, a foot wide and weighing 20 to 25 pounds. But he complained that it was the "wrong merchandise" and he was going to return it.

He left saying he had found ship work in Mobile, Ala., but left no forwarding address.

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TO: MEMPHIS AND RICHMOND  
FROM: CHARLOTTE (44-1365)

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RE MILWAUKEE TEL TO RICHMOND APR. ELEVEN LAST.

LUCY GLEN GILL, SEVEN ONE SEVEN FAIRFIELD ST., BURLINGTON, NC, ADVISED TODAY SHE DOES NOT HAVE RELATIVE BY NAME ERIC STARVO GAULT. STATED KNOWS OF NO RELATIVE FITTING DESCRIPTION OF GAULT, & ONLY LIVING RELATIVE BY NAME OF GAULT IS JAMES GAULT WHO RESIDES CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA. STATED SINCE DEATH OF HER STEPFATHER, JAMES GAULT, IN NINETEEN FIFTYSIX, SHE HAS NOT SEEN ANY OF STEPFATHER'S RELATIVES.

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TO : SAC (44-388)

FROM : SA CLIFFORD E. HUHTA

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/18/68

The following investigation was conducted by SA CLIFFORD E. HUHTA at Superior, Wis.

RALPH A. NELSON, Postmaster, advised on 4/15/68 that there are no dancing schools or any type of dancing instruction facilities in the Superior area, and he is quite certain there are none of the above in the northwestern area of Wis. because of the small size of the cities in that area. He said the nearest dancing schools are located at Duluth, Minn., a twin city of Superior, Wis.

The following advised 4/15/68 that there are no dancing schools in their respective counties:

LOUIS BANNICK, Sheriff, Douglas County, Superior  
Mrs. GLADYS ERICKSON, Undersheriff, Burnett  
County, Grantsburg, Wis.  
ARNOLD DROST, Sheriff, Washburn County,  
Shell Lake, Wis.  
ERNEST LEIN, Deputy Sheriff, Sawyer County,  
Hayward, Wis.

On 4/18/68, the following advised similarly:

JOHN SHUBERT, Undersheriff, Ashland County,  
Ashland, Wis.  
ELLSWORTH EMBERTSON, Sheriff, Bayfield County,  
Washburn, Wis.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (44-388)

FROM : SA JOHN COUGHLIN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/17/68

On 4/15/68 the following individuals were contacted regarding ERIC STARVO GALT and HARVEY LOWMEYER, aka. LOWMYER; with negative results:

FRANK FALKE, VP, Community State Bank, Norwalk, Wis.  
ED GERKE, Cashier, Bank of Tomah, Tomah, Wis.  
RALPH MATTHEWS, Cashier, Merchants Bank, Tomah  
DONALD FISHER, CHIEF OF POLICE, Tomah, Wis.  
EDWAIN WANGER, Cashier, New Lisbon State Bank, Camp Douglas, Wis.

On 4/17/68 the following persons were contacted with negative results:  
RICHIE MILES, Sheriff, Jackson County, ~~Mauston, Wis.~~ Black River Falls, Wis.  
RALPH LUND, VP, Jackson County Bank, ~~Mauston, Wis.~~ Black River Falls, Wis.  
MRS. A. SOFFER, Sheriff's Office, Adams County, Friendship, Wis.  
V.P. VEEDER, Adams County State Bank, Adams, Wis.  
GRANT HENRY, Grand Marsh State Bank, Grand Marsh, Wis.  
L.D. WEEK, Cashier, Bank of Elroy, Elroy, Wis.  
MRS. M. C. ALBERTSON, New Lisbon State Bank, Hustler, Wis.  
HAZEL POSSELT, Cashier, Farmers and Merchants Bank, Kendall, Wis.  
DOROTHY HEIN, Bank of Sparta, Necedah, Wis.  
DONALD CHRISTIANSON, Farmers and Merchants Bank, Warrens, Wis.  
ALBERT BECKER, Cashier, State Bank of Wone~~woc~~, Wone~~woc~~, Wis.  
OFFICER A. RITTENHOUSE, Sheriff's Office, Juneau County, Mauston, Wis.

In addition, voter's registration records were checked on 4/17/68 at the Juneau County Clerk's Office, at the Adams County Sheriff's Office and at the Jackson County Sheriff's Office.

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TO : SAC MILWAUKEE 44-388

DATE: 4/17/68

FROM : SA ROBERT C. LOVETT

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/16/68 Mrs. Loreayne Fought, owner Loreayne's School of Dancing, 1211 Green Bay St., La Crosse and Marilyn Bull, owner, Marilyn School of Dancing, 222 1/2 Main St., La Crosse advised they have no record of Harvey Lowmeyer or Eric Glat having taken lessons at their school.

They advised there are no other dancing schools in the La Crosse area.

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To: SAC, Milwaukee (44-388)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

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Remaining unidentified latent fingerprints and the latent impression in this case are not identical with the fingerprints of Roger William Long, Police Department, Milwaukee, Wisconsin #105239, FBI #60 887 G.

No palm prints are available in our Identification Division files for Long.

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TO : MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: MILWAUKEE (44-388)

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MRS. DAVID CALVERT, SHEBOYGAN, WIS., TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED THE MILWAUKEE OFFICE THIS DATE ADVISED ON APRIL SIXTEEN, SIXTY-EIGHT, HAD OBSERVED LIGHT GRAY OVER DARK GRAY TWO-DOOR NEW MODEL CHEVROLET BEARING TENN. LICENSE D R-ZERO EIGHT TWO FOUR, BEARING WORD MONTGOMERY, IN VICINITY OF SHEBOYGAN, WIS.

VEHICLE'S DRIVER DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, MID TO LATE THIRTIES, NOT CLEAN SHAVEN, WEARING DARK SHIRT OR SWEATER, SHORT JACKET HANGING IN REAR OF CAR. CALVERT STATED PHOTOGRAPH APPEARING IN MORNING NEWSPAPER OF SUBJECT GALT BEARS STRONG RESEMBLANCE TO DRIVER OF VEHICLE.

MEMPHIS, AT MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TENN., DETERMINE REGISTERED  
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facts pertinent to  
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FROM MOBILE (157-2627)

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RACIAL INFORMANT, MOBILE DIVISION, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED TODAY HE OBSERVED INDIVIDUAL IN BAR AT HOLIDAY INN, SELMA, ALA., WHO "LOOKS LIKE" THE ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF SUSPECT IN CAPTIONED CASE. INFORMANT LEARNED NOTHING CONCERNING INDIVIDUAL WITH EXCEPTION HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY SHORT DARK HAired WOMAN AND WAS REGISTERED IN ROOM ONE TWENTY.

INVESTIGATION, HOLIDAY INN, REFLECTS JAMES MOORE, JR., POST OFFICE BOX NINETY THREE, WAUKESHA, WISCONSIN, REGISTERED IN ROOM ONE TWENTY AND ALSO REGISTERED IN ROOM ONE EIGHTEEN INDICATING FOUR PERSONS, INCLUDING SELF, IN PARTY. ON REGISTRATION CARD, MOORE INDICATED HE WAS DRIVING SIXTY SIX FORD, WISCONSIN LICENSE B TWO FOUR - TWO FOUR ONE, HOWEVER, CHECK OF PARKING LOT DISCLOSES ONLY ONE VEHICLE  
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