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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, MEMPHIS

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) (P 1)

MURKIN, CIVIL RIGHTS.

RE BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES, APRIL EIGHT, LAST AND BUREAU  
TELEPHONE CALL TO SPRINGFIELD INSTANT. *On 4/9*

PURSUANT TO RE PHONE CALL, DISCREET INVESTIGATION  
CONDUCTED RE WILLIAM LOHMEYER, ROUTE ONE, STRAWN, ILLINOIS.  
INFORMATION DEVELOPED LOHMEYER HAS BEEN IN THE STRAWN, ILLINOIS,  
AREA, DURING PERTINENT PERIOD RE CAPTIONED MATTER. LOHMEYER  
DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, AGE FORTYTHREE, HEIGHT FIVE FEET  
NINE INCHES, WEIGHT ONE HUNDRED SIXTYFIVE, COMPLEXION RUDDY,  
HAIR BROWN, IN A BURR CUT, MEDIUM TO STOCKY BUILD WITH ROUND  
FACIAL FEATURES, OCCUPATION FARMER, WELL RESPECTED IN THE  
COMMUNITY. SPRINGFIELD INDICES CONTAIN NO DEROGATORY INFO  
CONCERNING LOHMEYER OR ANY OF HIS FAMILY. P.

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TO SPRINGFIELD MEMPHIS 44-1987

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

MURKIN; CIVIL RIGHTS.

RE SPRINGFIELD ROUTING SLIP, APRIL SEVEN.

LATENT FINGERPRINTS AND PALM PRINT THIS CASE

NOT IDENTICAL FINGERPRINTS AND PALM PRINTS BILLY RAY

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SUBJECT BELIEVED TO BE DRIVING A WHITE MUSTANG.

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AVE., MEMPHIS REFLECT THE FOLLOWING:

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LICENSE NO. RA NINE SEVEN FOUR ONE ONE, STATE UNKNOWN.

ELIMINATE TRARES AS SUSPECT.

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*RA 97411 - not an Illinois license.*

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FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 1P

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TO: DIRECTOR (MAIL) AND MEMPHIS

FROM: JACKSON (157-9586) "

MURKIN 44-564

SPRINGFIELD TEL TO BUREAU, MEMPHIS, NEW ORLEANS AND  
JACKSON, APRIL SEVEN, LAST.

JERRY WILSON, OFFICE MANAGER, KGW TOWING COMPANY,  
GREENVILLE, MISS., ADVISED INSTANT DATE THAT BILLY RAY KING  
IS PRESENTLY EMPLOYED BY KGW AS A BOAT HAND. WILSON  
STATED THAT HE SAW KING AT FIVE P.M., APRIL FOUR, LAST, IN  
GREENVILLE, MISS., AT WHICH TIME HE ADVANCED KING MONEY  
ON HIS NEXT PAY CHECK. AT SEVEN FIFTYFIVE P.M. THAT  
DATE, HE PUT KING ON A GREYHOUND BUS AT GREENVILLE, MISS.,  
EN ROUTE TO QUINCY, ILL. WILSON STATED THAT KING ARRIVED  
IN CLARKSDALE, MISS., AND WAS TOLD THAT THE BUS WOULD NOT  
BE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE TO MEMPHIS. KING OBTAINED A ROOM

1 - BUREAU (AM)  
1 - BIRMINGHAM (AM)  
1 - NEW ORLEANS (AM)  
① - SPRINGFIELD (AM)  
1 - JACKSON  
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AT THE DOWNTOWNER MOTOR HOTEL IN CLARKSDALE. WILSON EXHIBITED A RECEIPT FROM THE DOWNTOWNER INDICATING THAT KING OBTAINED THE ROOM AT TEN TWELVE P.M., APRIL FOUR, LAST. WILSON STATED THAT KING TRAVELED TO LAKE PROVIDENCE, LA., APPARENTLY ON APRIL FIVE, LAST, AND RETURNED TO GREENVILLE, MISS., ON APRIL FIVE, LAST, AT WHICH TIME HE TOOK A SOUTHERN AIRLINES FLIGHT OUT OF GREENVILLE EN ROUTE TO MEMPHIS. IN MEMPHIS HE TOOK A BUS TO ROCK ISLAND, ILL. HE SIGNED ONTO THE GEORGE WEATHERS AS A DECKHAND AT THREE A.M., APRIL EIGHT, INSTANT, AT ROCK ISLAND, ILL.

BUREAU, BIRMINGHAM, NEW ORLEANS, SPRINGFIELD ADVISED AIRMAIL.

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Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

DATE: 4/9/68

FROM : SA CHARLES E. SMITH

SUBJECT: MURKING

Re Springfield Telephone call this date.

The following investigation was conducted by

SA CHARLES E. SMITH:

AT PRINCETON (BUREAU COUNTY), ILLINOIS

Mr. TONY FENOGLIO, Bureau County Clerk, Bureau County Court House, Princeton, Illinois, advised on 4/9/68 that Bureau County Recorder Office records of Voter Registrants, both active and inactive, disclosed no record under the names HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER.

The following individuals at the indicated agencies advised on 4/9/68 that the records of their respective agencies failed to disclose any record or information pertaining to HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER:

CHARLES L. EUSTICE, Office Deputy, Bureau County Sheriff's Office, Princeton, Illinois.

Mrs. MARY POWERS, Clerk, Credit Bureau of Princeton, Princeton Illinois.

GEORGE EGGERS, Chief of Police, Princeton, Illinois Police Department.

The City Directory for Princeton, Illinois area disclosed no listing for HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER.

AT TOULON (STARK COUNTY), ILLINOIS

Mr. JAMES T. JACKSON, County Clerk and Recorder, Stark County, Toulon, Illinois, advised on 4/9/68 that the Voter Registration Records for Stark County, Illinois contained no record for HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER.

Sheriff ROBERT BRADLEY, Stark County Sheriff's Office, Toulon, Illinois advised on 4/9/68 that the records of his office

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contained no reference to HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER.

Sheriff BRADLEY stated that Stark County, Illinois has no reporting Credit Bureau and further that the police department at Toulon, Illinois consisted of one constable who maintained no records.

The city directory for Toulon, Illinois area failed to disclose any listing for HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER.

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TO : SAC SHRINGFIELD 44-561

DATE: 4/9/68

FROM : SA CONNELLEY

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
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re telephone call

The name HARVEY LOWMEYER or LOWMYER was checked at the following locations with negative results:

KEWANEE, ILL.

Kewanee P.D.

Kewanee Credit Bureau

CAMBRIDGE, ILL.

Records, Sheriff Office, Henry County

Voters Registration Records, Henry County

GALESBURG, ILL.

Records, Galesburg P.D.

Records, Sheriff Office, Knox County

Voters Registration Records, Knox County

City directories and telephone directories were also checked for the area.

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DATE: 4-9-68

FROM : SA ROBERT A. WICKWIRE

SUBJECT: HURKIN

RE TELEPHONE CALL TO RA.

ON THIS DATE--- BY Writer and SA DAUWALDER in Rock Island Co.

MRS. THEODORA EKONOMOS, Supervisor, Rock Island Co. Voter Registration office check active files of every eligible voter in Rock Island County, and she also checked her inactive voter registration list. NR of name HARVEY LOWMEYER or LOWMYER.

Following records were checked for name HARVEY LOWMEYER or LOWMYER and there was no record found.

ROCK ISLAND POLICE - Mary Kropp, clerk.

MOLINE POLICE DEPT. LT. RAY ZELNIO, Ident officer.

EAST MOLINE PD-- ASST. CHIEF OF POLICE HAROLD BLOOMQUIST.

SILVIS ILL. PD-- Chief LEO COOKSEY

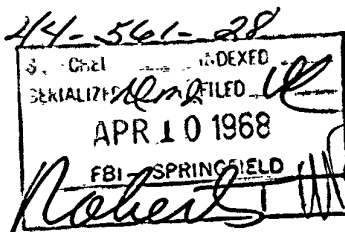
MILAN ILL PD-- WES. GREENWOOD- Chief-

SA DAUWALDER at Rock Island PD check Rock Island-Moline area City Directories from years 1941 through 1967.

He also check the telephone directories form Rock Island -Moline and surrounding communities for years 1957 to date.

NR . of name HARVEY LOWMEYER or LOWMYER.

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FROM : SA JOE A. COPELAND

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
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On 4-9-68, the following individuals were contacted in attempt to determine if name HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER could be located in files. These attempts met with negative results;

## AT DANVILLE, ILLINOIS

Stanley Kentner, Lt., Danville PD  
James Woodyard, Investigator, Vermilion Co. SO  
Dorothy Freeman, Credit Bureau of Danville  
Eula Froman, Chief Clerk, Voter Registration for Danville  
Eldon Moreman, Dept. Clerk, County Voter Registration

In addition to above the current city and telephone directories for Danville were checked with negative results

## AT PARIS, ILLINOIS

Larry Wilson, Dept. Sheriff, Edgar Co. SO  
Stanley Sims, Chief of Police, Paris  
Mildred Strick, Credit Bureau of Paris

In addition to the above the current city and telephone directories for Paris were checked with negative results. Also, Dept. Wilson of the SO checked the Edgar CO. voter registration list with negative results.

## AT MARSHALL, ILLINOIS

Lester Litteral, Sheriff, Clark Co. SO  
Joe Ryan, COP, Marshall

All credit records for Clark Co. are maintained in Paris, Illinois. The current telephone directory of Marshall was checked with negative results. Marshall does not have a city directory. Sheriff Litteral checked the Clark Co. Voter registration list with negative results.

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FROM : SA ROBERT A. WICKWIRE

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RE. SI Telephone call this date.

RE laundry marking from thermo-seal marking machine.

H. L. CHRISTINSON, owner of the Carlson Laundry 1136 4th Moline Ill. and MARTHA STOUT, of the Happy Day Laundry Rock Island Ill. advised writer that they use different markings. Only laundry in area to use this type of marking is crescent laundry of Davenport Iowa, with pick up stations in Moline.

SA LAWRENCE CONNELLEY telephonically contacted following.  
LEWIS cleaners and laundry. Rock Island Ill.  
Model Cleaners Rock Island  
One Hour Cleaners. Rock Island.  
Parker's laundry Rock Island.  
7th St. Launderette Rock Island  
Wee Wash- Moline  
Vander Beke Cleaners- Moline Ill.  
Yerbury-Dana Cleaners- Rock Island  
Rock Island Launderers Rock Island.

None about mark there laundry with this type of mark, and all advised that only laundry in area with this type of mark in Crescent in Davenport Iowa.

SA CASTELMAN, Davenport RA contacted he advised that he had a recent BR case in which clothing with this same type of mark was recovered. He had covered leads with this same type of mark before. He added only laundry in area is Crescent- He called ~~xxxxxx~~ person he called before and they are starting there search and cannot have it completed until tomorrow. He also used his WATS line and called Omaha and they were locating this file ~~xxxx~~ as it had the name of all cleaners and laundries that used this mark. He will advise.

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FROM : SA Charles R. Wood, Jr.

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Following checks accomplished for the Centralia, RA territory were negative concerning the name HARVEY LOWMEYER, or HARVEY LOWMYER.

At Mt. Vernon - Jefferson County  
City Directory  
Telephone Directory and Information  
Sheriff's Office, JOHN RICHARDSON  
Police Department, Sgt. ROBT SNOW  
Credit Bureau - Clerk LOIS BUNDY  
Voter's Registration, County Clerk, Deputy Clerk,  
Mrs. ROBERTA WEBB

At Centralia  
City Directory  
Telephone Directory and Information  
Police Department -- Asst Chief C. SANDERS  
Credit Bureau -- BERNICE STASSICK, Clerk  
Voter's Registration, City Hall, Mrs. MARJORIE  
ABRAMS, Payroll Clerk.

At Salem - Marion County

City Directory  
Telephone Directory and Information  
Police Department -- Chief R. WESTMAN  
Sheriff's Office, -- Office Deputy BETTY BRASEL  
No Credit Bureau at Salem, included in Centralia Area.  
Voter's Registration, County Clerk, ROBERTA VOGT,  
Deputy Clerk.

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At Nashville - Washington County

Telephone Directory and Information  
Sheriff's Office ( includes PD CR checks) Shf. J. BERRY  
Voter's Registration, County Clerk, VIRGIL MAY, former  
Sheriff advised re one family at Okawville a widow  
named ELLA ELIZABETH LOHMEIER, an elderly person whose  
family are life long residents of the county.

At Carlyle - Clinton County

Telephone Company - information  
Sheriff's Office - Deputy B. HAMEL  
Police Department - Chief B. ROBERTS  
Voter's Registration - County Clerk, Deputy Clerk RUBY  
WARREN, checking separately 32 precincts.

VANDALIA - Fayette County

City Directory  
Telephone Directory and information  
Sheriff's Office - Office Deputy MARIE CRIPE  
Police Department - Chief DALE SLATER  
Voter's Registration - County Clerk, by MARIE CRIPE

At Illinois State Prison Farm record of HARVEY LOHMEYER,  
Inmate # 33316, received 6-5-51 for six months for "Riot",  
released 10-20-51 to Sheriff Adams County for "Robbery" charge.  
Previously served at St. Charles School for Boys, (1947).  
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White, Male, 5'9½", wt. 127 and 134 lbs, DOB 2-4-32, age 19,  
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Above immediately furnished SA ROBERTS who advised he was  
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AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS  
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MEMPHIS DIVISION

At Memphis, Tennessee.

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Robert

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# Memorandum

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DATE: 4/10/68

FROM : SA RONALD M. KLOWFFER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

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CHARLES TALBOTT, Chief of Police, Charleston Police Department, Charleston, Illinois

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GENE MILLER, Sheriff, Douglas County, Tuscola, Illinois

Captain BILL MOSER, District 10, Illinois State Police, Pesotum, Illinois

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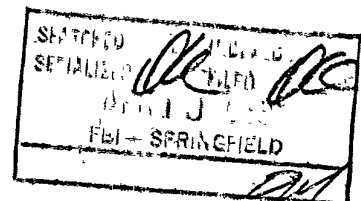
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# Memorandum

TO : S AC SPRINGFIELD

FROM : SA WILLIAM C. RITT (44-561) -P

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4-10-68

Re Butel to all continental offices dated 4-9-68  
(pertaining to check of laundry tags)

## MONTGOMERY COUNTY, ILLINOIS

The following laundries and cleaners in Montgomery County were contacted by SA WILLIAM C. RITT on 4-9-68, and all stated they had no knowledge to laundry tags of the type described in referenced teletype.

## HILLSBORO - NOKOMIS AREA

Butlers Speed Wash (2 locations)  
Glosecki Laundry  
Mar. Marfellsd Coin Laundry  
Rainbow Wash House  
Nokomis laundry and Dry Cleaning Center  
Schramm City Laundry

## LITCHFIELD AREA

Helpee-Selfee Coin Laundry  
Raymond Handy Wash  
Suds Center  
Waynes Laundry & Dri Cleaners

## MT. OLIVE AREA

Coffeen Coin Laundry  
Mt. Olive Self Service Laundry

WAYNE MARFELL, Waynes Laundry, Stated that to his knowledge there were no other laundries in Montgomery, Macoupin or Christian Counties that did custom weashing - all other laundries in the area were coin operated according to this source.

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Date: 4/10/68

Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) AND SAC, MEMPHIS

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

MURKIN, CR:

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES APRIL EIGHT LAST AND  
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LAST.

<sup>BUREAU</sup>  
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Approved: C/DTB  
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Date: 4-10-68

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Vid TELETYPEURGENT

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) & MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
FROM SPRINGFIELD (44-561) 1P

MURKIN

RE BIRMINGHAM TEL TO DIRECTOR AND ALL SACS, TODAY.

MOTOR VEHICLE BUREAU, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, RECORDS NEGATIVE  
REGARDING SIXTYSIX MUSTANG DESCRIBED RETEL, AND REGARDING SUSPECT.

SPRINGFIELD INDICES NEGATIVE RE VEHICLE, LICENSE AND SUSPECT.

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Approved: *[Signature]*  
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FBI BIRMGHAM

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TO DIRECTOR AND ALL SACS  
FROM BIRMINGHAM (44-1740) 1P

MURKIN

*Starvo Galt  
44-561-24*

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NINE THREE, IS PRIME SUSPECT IN THIS CASE.

ALL OFFICES CHECK ABOVE VIN FOR POSSIBLE RE-REGISTRATION.

NO INDICATION TO BE GIVEN THAT THIS LEAD IS IN CONJUNCTION  
WITH MURKIN CASE.

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JC*

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-561)

DATE: 4/9/68

FROM : SA Charles Travelstead

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/9/68, Sheriff MAX G. WILKINSON, Piatt Co. S.O., Monticello, Ill., advised he could locate no arrest record, city directory listing, telephone directory listing or voter registration for Harvey Lowmeyer or Lowmyer.

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Robert



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# Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-561)

FROM : SA C-R. Cheatham

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/10/68

Re: ERIC STARVO GALT

on 4/10/68 the following were contact re  
Gault with negative results. (Monroe County, Ill.)

~~RED~~ HECKER, ILL., Post Office, LEONARD MERZ

RED BUD, ILL. " " , ELMER BRAUN

1<sup>st</sup> State Bank, Red Bud, A.F. RATHER, Pres.

1<sup>st</sup> Nat'l Bank, Red Bud, CARL GROSS, TELLER

Monroe County Sheriff, JOE MC CARTHY, WATERLOO, ILL.

(One HOWARD GALT, resides in trailer near J.C.

Bridge - wife employed as school teacher Valmeyer, Ill.

He formerly managed airport at Columbia + is now  
a drunk -)

1<sup>st</sup> Nat'l Bank, Waterloo, Ill., ROBERTA GOKER

State Bank of Waterloo, CLARENCE RUFF

1<sup>st</sup> Nat'l Bank, Columbia, Ill.

COLUMBIA Police Dept. (Red Bud

HOWARD GALT - Has no known  
ERIC)

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

DATE: 4/8/68

FROM : SA JIMMIE C. WHITAKER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/8/68, Mr. JACK HAGEDORN, City Counselman, Grayville, Ill., telephonically contacted the writer and advised that EARL MODE of Rural Route 1, Grayville, Ill., had contacted him and advised he had information to furnish the authorities of possible interest concerning the murder of KING. MODE requested that the interviewing agent be accompanied by Mr. BERNARD STERM, City Counselman and HAGEDORN.

Accompanied by Mr. STERM and HAGEDORN, EARL MODE was contacted at his home, Rural Route 1, Grayville, Ill.

MODE related that at approximately noon to 1 PM on Saturday, 4/6/68, he met CARL HARVEY whom he has known for approximately one year in Grayville, Ill.

HARVEY inquired if MODE had heard of KING being killed and advised that he had been in Memphis on Thursday. He stated he had experienced trouble in getting out of Memphis as three Negroes had tried to turn his car over while he was stoped for a traffic signal. HARVEY allegedly split the head of one Negro with a tire iron and the other two retreated. When MODE began to ask about HARVEY's activities in Memphis, HARVEY shut up and would not say anything else.

HARVEY was described by MODE as follows:

White, Male, 6', 180-190 lbs., eyes believed to be blue, Hair sandy, worn long in front, age 27-29, characteristics long nose, friendly, frequently wears dark suit with white shirt and dark tie.

HARVEY frequently exhibits a large roll of money although he is unemployed and has no visible means of support.

He is believed to have been in Memphis, Tenn. approximately two - three weeks ago about the time KING was there previously.

When questioned as to any statements previously made by HARVEY concerning Negroes or civil rights activities, MODE stated that HARVEY on one occasion had remarked "they'll get KING".



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*K. J. [Signature]*

Investigation at Carmi, Illinois, determined that CARL HARVEY, aka. Carl E. Harvey, Carvil Harvey, Carvil Litton Harvey, has been involved in several burglaries in the area and is suspected in numerous others.

A copy of Identification record for HARVEY under Illinois State Bureau No. 610327 and FBI No. 768 690 C is attached.

Discussion with SA JOHN PEARSON, Springfield Office, determined that HARVEY does not meet the description of the subject presently being sought in this case.

No further action being taken at this time.

ROSS V. RANDOLPH  
DIRECTOR

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
BUREAU OF CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION AND INVESTIGATION

JOSEPH D. NICOL  
SUPERINTENDENT

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The following record is furnished for official use only.

Illinois State Bureau Number 610327

F.B.I. Number 768 690 C

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
SF., Vandalia, Ill.	Carvil Harvey #45194	2-2-56	Reckeless Driv.	90 das. Fined disch exp sent 4-17-56 TOT White Co. Ill. "Check to defraud
SO., Pontiac, Ill.	Carvil Bitten Harvey #--	12-28-57	Burg.	
SF., Vandalia, Ill.	Carvel Harvey #51661	10-3-58	PL	1 yr.
SPen, Joliet, Ill.	Carl Harvey #43158	12-4-58	Burg.	1-3 yrs.
SPen, Pontiac, Ill.	Carl Harvey #23028	1-16-59	burg.	1-3 yrs.
		5-31-61	DISCHARGED	
SO., Springfield, Ill.	Carl E. Harvey #1650	8-3-67	Hold for White Co.	

Due to the fact that you did not  
furnish fingerprints, we cannot  
guarantee that the enclosed  
record belongs to the subject  
of your inquiry.

*Joseph D. Nicol*  
Superintendent  
Illinois State B. of I

For completion of our records, please supply dispositions to this Bureau in any of the foregoing cases where they do not appear.  
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	<p>WANTED: Carvel Harvey For escape 10-17-58 (will extradite) notify Warden, Ill. St. Farm Vandalia, Ill. per inf. rec. 10-27-58 IN CUSTODY, Per Print No. 43158 SPen, Joliet, Ill.</p>			

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ADDRESS ALL REQUESTS AND COMMUNICATIONS TO: SECRETARY, AIR FORCE

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

DATE: 4-10-68

FROM : SA ROBERT A. WICKWIRE

SUBJECT: HURKIN

On this date following contacted by writer for a record of ERICK/ STARVO GALT.

No Record was found.

PAT STIMPSON, Supervisor Betterbusinessmens Credit, Moline Ill.  
MARY KROPP, Ident. Rock Island PD.  
LT. RAY ZELNIO, Moline Ill. PD  
HAROLD BLOOMQUIST, Asst. Chief East Moline Ill. PD  
LEO COOKSEY, Chief, Silvis Ill. PD  
WES GREENWOOD, Chief Milan Ill. PD.  
IVAN PENDLETON, Ident Rock Island Co. Sheriff's Office.

All City Directories for years 1941 through 1967 were reviewed. No, Listing for ERIC STARVO GALT.

It is to be noted that all Banks in this area are closed on Wednes

SA DAUWALDER will check all banking institutions in this area on 4-11-68 for any kind of record of ERIC STARVO GALT.

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1-- directly to SA DAUWALDER.



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*Robert A. Wickwire*

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TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD(44-561)

DATE:4-10-68

FROM : SA JOE A. COPELAND

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CR

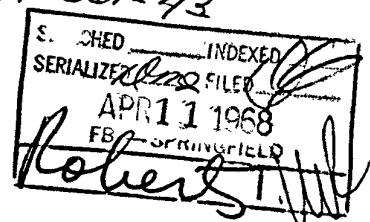
The following were telephonically contacted by writer on 4-9-68, regarding knowledge of laundry mark 62B-6 and D2B-6, with negative results.

Binkley Nelson Inc., 317 S. Gilbert, Danville  
Fonner's 1 Hour Drive-Thru, 817 N. Vermilion, Danville  
O'Brien's Model-Star Services, 208 E. Van Buren, Danville  
Lane's Three Way Cleaners, 213 N. Logan, Danville  
One-Hour Martinizing Cleaners, 16 E. Main, Danville  
Stephens Cleaners, 511 E. Fairchild, Danville  
Son Ray Cleaners, 1460 Warrington, Danville  
Shields Cleaners, 121 E. Main, Danville

The following were telephonically <sup>contacted</sup> 4-10-68 with negative results

Danville Cleaners, 4 W. Main, Danville  
Illinois Dry Cleaners, 143 N. Vermilion, Danville  
Mel Sons, 810 N. Vermilion, Danville  
Midway Cleaners, 1201 E. Main, Danville  
~~The following were telephonically contacted on 4-10-68~~  
Lloyd's Cleaners, 111 E. Attica, Rossville  
Supreme Cleaners, 232 W. Court, Paris  
Stover Cleaners, 507 Plum, Marshall  
Ray's Cleaners, 332 N. Main, Paris  
Quality Cleaners, 1202 Ash, Marshall  
Fallowfield Cleaners, 112 Andrew, Paris

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Via TELETYPE URGENT  
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TO DIRECTOR, FBI  
 SACS, ST. LOUIS + MEMPHIS

*Send 3 times*

FROM SAC SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

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TO: MEMPHIS (44-1987); BIRMINGHAM (44-1740); CHICAGO

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

DATE: 4/11/68

FROM : SA WILLIAM ROBERTS, III - P -

SUBJECT: MURKIN  
CR

At 2:30 p.m., 4/7/68, writer was advised by SA ROBERT A. WICKWIRE, Rock Island RA, that information received from Rock Island PD indicated that one BILLY KING, W/M, Age 22, 6'1", 185 pounds, dark brown hair, thin build, was being held for possible questioning re captioned matter.

KING allegedly was from Monroe, La., but was in Memphis, Tenn., on 4/4/68 and made derogatory remarks concerning negroes, etc.

SA WICKWIRE was inquiring as to information re suspect in captioned case, and a call was placed to the Memphis Office, and ASAC HALTER advised the following, which information was in turn furnished to SA WICKWIRE:

## COMPOSITE DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	26-40
Height	5'8" - 5'11"
Weight	150- 170 pounds
Hair	Dark brown or sandy (combed straight back)
Eyes	Blue or green
Build	Medium
Complexion	Average
Appearance	Neat

## IMPORTANT DATES AND TIMES:

UNSUB purchased murder weapon on 3/30/68 in Birmingham, Alabama.

UNSUB purchased binoculars at 4:00 p.m. 4/4/68 at sporting goods store in Memphis.

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