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4-11-68

SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) - P -

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC

DATE: 4/12/68

FROM : S/A E H Davis

SUBJECT: MURKIN

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA ELYON H. DAVIS:

No record of ERIC STARVO GALT could be located at Quincy, Illinois PD where HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER FBI #730979 A arrested on August 10, 1950 and April 11, 1954. No record of GALT at Adams County SO, Quincy, Illinois, where HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER, arrested on 5/19/51.



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TO MEMPHIS 44-1987 LOS ANGELES SACRAMENTO 100-427 SAN DIEGO SAN
FRANSICXO 173-65 SPRINGFIELD
FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 3P

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FBI IDENTIFICATION RECORDS AND RECORDS OF CALIFORNIA
BUREAU OF CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION AND INVESTIGATION DISCLOSE
FOLLOWING ARRESTS FOR HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER, FBI NUMBER
SEVEN THREE ZERO NINE SEVEN NINE A.

QUINCY, ILLINOIS, PD, AUGUST TEN FIFTY, ROBBERY. 7✓

QUINCY, ILLINOIS, SHERIFFS'S OFFICE, MAY NINETEEN

FIFTY-ONE, RIOTING.

Carroll STATE FARM, VANDALIA, ILLINOIS, THEIR NUMBER THREE

THREE THREE ONE SIX, JUNE FIVE FIFTY-ONE, RIOT.

QUINCY, ILLINOIS, APRIL ELEVEN FIFTY-FOUR, DESTRUCTION

PRIVATE PROPERTY.

Beallville STATE PEN, MENARD, ILLINOIS, THEIR NUMBER TWO FOUR

FIVE TWO FIVE, MAY NINETEEN FIFTY-FIVE, BURGLARY.

SAN DIEGO SHERIFF'S OFFICE, THEIR NUMBER ONE SIX

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SA C. Wood, E. Davis + C. Cheatham
advised 9⁵⁶ p.m., 10¹⁵ p.m. + 10³⁰ p.m. respectively
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EIGHT SEVEN THREE SEVEN, OCTOBER TWENTY FIFTY-EIGHT,
ATTEMPTED BURGLARY.

POLICE DEPARTMENT, ES CONDIDO, CALIFORNIA, THEIR
NUMBER/EIGHT NINE EIGHT ZERO, OCTOBER SEVENTEEN, FIFTY-EIGHT,
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STATE BUREAU, SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, THEIR
NUMBER A FIVE ONE THREE FOUR TWO, FEBRUARY TWENTY
FIFTY-NINE, ATTEMPTED BURGLARY.

POLICE DEPARTMENT, SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, THEIR
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SIXTY-TWO, DRUNK DRIVING.

POLICE DEPARTMENT, SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA,
THEIR NUMBER SEVEN FOUR SIX SEVEN, JUNE EIGHTEEN SIXTY-TWO,
TWO FOUR TWO PC WARRANT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT, SAN LEANDRO, CALIFORNIA, THEIR
NUMBER ONE EIGHT ONE ZERO EIGHT, JUNE TWENTY-FIVE
SIXTY-TWO, BATTERY.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, THEIR
NUMBER SIX TWO-SIX NINE THREE FOUR, AUGUST THREE
SIXTY-TWO, VIOLATION OF PAROLE.

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STATE BUREAU, SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, SAME
NUMBER, SEPTEMBER TWENTY-FOUR SIXTY-TWO, PAROLE
VIOLATOR.

POLICE DEPARTMENT, SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, OCTOBER
THIRTY-ONE SIXTY-FIVE, NO NUMBER OR CHARGE GIVEN.

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92PM URGENTS 4-12-68 KIP

RECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1987), BIRMINGHAM (44-1740)

AND SPRINGFIELD.

FROM SAN DIEGO (44-387) 2PG

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RE SAN DIEGO TELETYPE TO BUREAU APRIL NINE LAST.

FOR INFORMATION SPRINGFIELD, SAN DIEGO DIVISION
LOCATED AN ARREST RECORD FOR ONE HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER, REPEAT
LOHMEYER, SAN DIEGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NUMBER ONE SIX
EIGHT SEVEN THREE SEVEN, REFLECTING HE WAS ARRESTED FOR ATTEMPTED
BURGLARY AND SENTENCED FEBRUARY EIGHTEEN, NINETEEN FIFTY NINE,
TO AN INDETERMINATE SENTENCE, CHINO STATE PRISON, CHINO,
CALIFORNIA.

FOLLOWING BACKGROUND REGARDING LOHMEYER SET FORTH:

WHITE MALE AMERICAN, BORN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AT QUINCY, ILLINOIS, BROWN HAIR, BLUE EYES; FIVE
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CLOSEST LIVING RELATIVE ALICE FENTON, SISTER, ROUTE BOX ONE EIGHT EIGHT, EL CAJON, CALIFORNIA; SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

INVESTIGATION AT SAN DIEGO TO LOCATE ALICE FENTON, SISTER, ROUTE BOX ONE EIGHT EIGHT, EL CAJON, CALIFORNIA, NEGATIVE. HOWEVER, CRIMINAL RECORD UNDER SAN DIEGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NUMBER ONE EIGHT FOUR NINE FIVE EIGHT REFLECTS DURING JUNE, NINETEEN SIXTY, ALICE M. FENTON LISTED BLANCHE LOHMEYER, MOTHER, AT FOUR ONE NINE NORTH FOURTH STREET, QUINCY, ILLINOIS.

INVESTIGATION ALSO INDICATES ALICE FENTON MARRIED TO ROBERT BRUCE FENTON, WHO DURING NINETEEN SIXTY LISTED HIS FATHER AS CHARLES FENTON, FIVE ZERO ONE AND ONE HALF NORTH FIFTH STREET, QUINCY, ILLINOIS.

SPRINGFIELD AT QUINCY, ILLINOIS. CONTACT BLANCHE LOHMEYER AND OR CHARLES FENTON AND DETERMINE PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF HARVEY EDWARD LOHMEYER SO HE MAY BE INTERVIEWED TO DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL WITH UNKNOWN SUBJECT THIS CASE.

OTHER OFFICES ADVISED SEPARATELY.

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TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES

FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 1P

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

DATE: 4/12/68

FROM : SA QUENTIN P. STINSON - P -

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On this date, April 12, 1968, KENNETH NEWBLE, 1817 North North Street, Peoria, Illinois, telephone number 682-1577, telephonically contacted the Peoria Resident Agency to advise that he had heard a radio broadcast from a Springfield station, Springfield, Illinois, not identified, while driving from Springfield to Peoria on this date. He recalled the commentator said the FBI was trying to locate an individual (FNU) GALT who was a seaman working out of Birmingham, Alabama. He advised that he is a former seaman, and he immediately recalled an individual known to him as RICHARD GALT (phonetic) whom he had sailed with on the SS HUDSON of the Victory Transportation Line, New York City in December of 1961 to February of 1962, on a voyage to Spain and return to Port Arthur, Texas. He advised he and this individual known to him as RICHARD GALT were both members of the Seafarers International Union, Mobile, Alabama, whose national office is Brooklyn, New York.

He advised he and another seaman named TOBY DANCY of Mobile Alabama, and also a member of the said union, discussed racial matters and religious matters and politics at length, during the above voyage. He stated there were four Negroes in the crew of approximately 40 men and that he, NEWBLE and DANCY were the only two who associated with GALT (PHONETIC).

He described this individual as follows:

Age	Approximately 40-42 years of age at this time
Height	6'
Weight	165
Build	Thin
	Casual dresser, had excellent knowledge of hand guns and had excellent knowledge of European countries.

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NEWBLE advised that this individual had related that he had studied for the priesthood in Chicago, Ill., during his early years. He also advised that he was an experienced veteran seaman.

NEWBLE was contacted in person by SAs ELIAS WILLIAMS, Jr., and (the writer) and he could add no additional information to the above.

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Kenneth Allen Newble 75-8534
Kenneth A. Newble 166-433
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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DATE: 4/12/68

FROM : SPC KUNTZMAN

SUBJECT: UNSUB;
MURKIN

At 10:10 P.M., April 12, 1968, JACK RUSSELL, truck driver, Box 111, Canton, Illinois, telephone number 647-7604, (next door neighbor's phone), telephonically advised that he picked up an individual who resembled the picture of MARTIN LUTHER KING's assassin, which picture he had seen on television. He advised he picked this individual up on the outskirts of Urbana, Illinois, Route 24, and dropped him off at Mapleton, Illinois 4/12/68 which is just south of Peoria, Illinois.

RUSSELL further advised this individual was carrying a canvas overnight bag and mentioned he had hitchhiked from Alabama.

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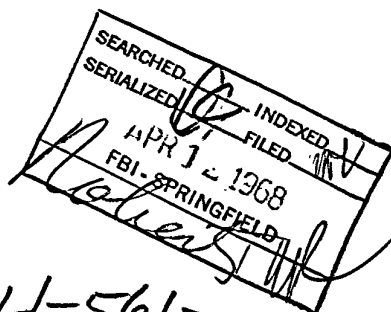
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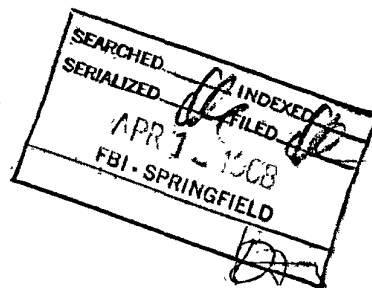
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Date: 4/12/68

Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT
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(Priority)*Send 4 times*TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861) AND SACS, CHICAGO, MEMPHIS
AND MOBILE

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

MURKIN.

RE SI TEL CALLS TO MEMPHIS AND CHICAGO INSTANT.

KENNETH NEWBLE, NEGRO, PEORIA, ILLINOIS, ADVISED TODAY HE HAD WORKED AS SEAMAN WITH ONE RICHARD GALT FROM BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA SAILING ON S.S. HUDSON OF VICTORY TRANSPORTATION LINE, NY, NY, DECEMBER SIXTYONE TO FEBRUARY, SIXTYTWO ON VOYAGE TO SPAIN WITH RETURN TO PORT ARTHUR, TEXAS. NEWBLE AND GALT WERE BOTH MEMBERS OF SEAFARERS INTERNATIONAL UNION, MOBILE, ALABAMA WITH NATIONAL OFFICE LOCATED, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK. TOBY DANCY, NEGRO, MOBILE, ALABAMA WAS MEMBER OF SAME UNION AND SAILED ON S.S. HUDSON WITH THEM. DURING VOYAGE, RELIGIOUS, RACIAL AND POLITICAL MATTERS WERE DISCUSSED AT LENGTH. GALT RELATED HE HAD STUDIED FOR PRIESTHOOD, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, DURING EARLY YEARS AND WAS EXPERIENCED VETERAN SEAMAN.

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[NEWBLE ARRESTED IN GAMBLING RAID, PEORIA, ILLINOIS PD, DURING SIXTYSEVEN.]

BUREAU REQUESTED CHECK IDENT RECORDS TO DETERMINE IF RICHARD GALT, BORN APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED] [REDACTED], DESCRIBED ABOVE HAD U.S. COAST GUARD Z NUMBER ASSIGNED DURING SIXTYONE - SIXTYTWO. IF SO, FURNISH IDENT RECORD WITH LEADS TO LOCATE AND ELIMINATE.

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TO ASSIST IN LOCATING FOR ELIMINATION.

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NEW YORK, CHECK RECORDS VICTORY TRANSPORTATION LINE
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INFORMATION TO ASSIST IN LOCATING AND ELIMINATING GALTLE.

COPIES MAILED BIRMINGHAM, HOUSTON AND NEW YORK. P.

Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

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FBI MEMPHIS

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (440561)

FROM : SA CHRISTIAN DAUWALDER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/11/68

On 4/11/68, the following banking and saving and loan institutions have been contacted; however no information of any positive value was developed. All institutions report no record of ERIC STARVO GALT.

Bank of Silvas, MRS SHERON SMITH
Black Hawk State Bank, Milan Illinois, MR. JOHNSON
Colona Avenue State Bank, East Moline, Ill., MISS MARGARET AVITT
First Natl Bank of Moline, MRS CARLSON
First Natl Bank of Rock Island, MR. DON FISHER
Henry County Bank, Green Rock, Illinois, MR. ASH (Bank Not Open for bus.)
Midwest Natl Bank, Moline, Illinois, MRS MARY WILLIAMS
Moline Natl Bank, MRS SCOURK
Port Byron State Bank, MR MULERY.
Rock Island Bank & Trust, MR GRIFFIN
South East Natl Bank of Moline, MARY NOLAN
State Bank of Orion, LAVENE JOHNSON
Uptown Natl Bank, Moline, ROBERTA JOHNSON

SAVINGS AND LOANS

Black WHawk Savings and Loan, Rock Island, MRS KRUSE
Community Savings & Loan, East Moline, MRS DIETERICK
First Federal Saving & Loan, Moline, MR. LARSON
Rock Island Savings and Loan, MR M. WILKEN
Union Federal Savings & Loan, Kewanee, Illinois, MR HANSEN, PRES.



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FBI Kills Pickup Order On Man in King Killing

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — The FBI distributed a teletype pickup order to Florida police yesterday for Eric Starvo Galt, then withdrew the message four hours later because it had been released by mistake.

The message gave a description for Galt matching the description they circulated for the killer of Martin Luther King and said he was driving a white Mustang similar to that believed driven by King's assassin.

Then asked by The Associated Press if they were releasing the identity of the suspect in the King murder, FBI Special Agent John Hanlon said, "I cannot comment."

In Atlanta yesterday, federal agents impounded a white Mustang, the Atlanta Constitution reported in today's editions.

The license number on the car

could not be learned immediately. The Memphis getaway car was thought to have Arkansas tags. Both Arkansas and Alabama have red and white tags.

The newspaper said the automobile, believed to bear an Alabama license tag, has been parked since last Friday at a public housing project near the Georgia State Capitol. King was murdered the night before that in Memphis, Tenn.

FBI agents would not comment on that report but residents of the project were questioned closely by agents and other agents swarmed around the car photographing it and dusting for fingerprints, said the story by Duane Riner.

The newspaper said the car was taken to a federal building and locked up.

Peoria Journal Star 4-12-68 Morning Edition

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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Peoria Journal Star

Peoria, ILL.

Date: 4/12/68

Edition: Morning

Author:

Editor:

Title: Peoria Journal
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Character:

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Classification: 44-561

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

DATE: 4/13/68

FROM : SA FRANK E. CORN, SR. - P -

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

Re Memphis teletype to Springfield at 11:56 P.M.
dated 4/12/68.

On April 13, 1968, LEONARD KORMORNY, Manager, Lipsett Steel Products Company, 2520 East 23rd Street, Granite City, Illinois, advised that D. L. PETERSON is actually a D. L. Peterson Leasing Company, Baltimore, Maryland, and the automobiles for Lipsett Steel Products Company are leased through the D. L. Peterson Leasing Company.

He advised that the Lipsett Steel Products Company and the Luria Brothers and Company are the same company, operating out of 2520 East 23rd Street, Granite City, Illinois.

He said A. J. CONSTANTINO was an employee of the Lipsett Steel Products Company and that CONSTANTINO was residing at the Executive Apartments at 10038 Executive Drive North, St. Louis, Missouri, and would not be returning back to the company until April 15, 1968. He further advised that CONSTANTINO was the only employee of the company who took travelling assignments. He advised that he did not have any information concerning the 1968 Illinois license [REDACTED] at the present time.

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DATE: 4/11/68

FROM : SA JIMMIE C. WHITAKER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/9/68, the following individuals and departments were contacted by SA JIMMIE C. WHITAKER for information concerning HARVEY LOWMEYER, aka. HARVEY LOWMYER, with negative results:

EFFINGHAM COUNTY

Effingham City Police Department
Effingham County Sheriff's Dept.
Credit Bureau of Effingham
Voter Registration Records

ADOLPH NUXOLL, Chief
A. P. DITTER, Sheriff
JANE ANN TOLCH, Clerk
LAWRENCE SUR, County Clerk

JASPER COUNTY

Newton Police Department
Jasper County Sheriff's Dept.
Jasper County Credit Bureau
Voter Registration Records

NEAL WOODS, Patrolman
JOE PIERCEFIELD, Deputy
MARY SMITH, Clerk
ALMER LAFEVER, County Clerk

CRAWFORD COUNTY

Robinson Police Department
Crawford County Sheriff's Dept.
Crawford County Credit Bureau
Voter Registration Records

N. T. RICHARDS, Chief
ROBERT V. STEWART, Sheriff
Mrs. COURTS FERRIS, Mgr.
FAY JENNINGS, County Clerk

CLAY COUNTY

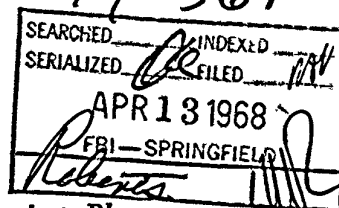
Flora Police Department
Clay County Sheriff's Dept.
(Credit Bureau)
Voter Registration Records

JAMES MCGEHEE, Chief
E. L. GUYOTT, Deputy Sheriff
none in Clay County
ROBERT VAN DIKE, County Clerk

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RICHLAND COUNTY

Olney Police Department
Richland County Sheriff's Dept.
Credit Bureau of Olney
Voter Registration Records

CARL WESTON, Chief
PATRICIA SAYRE, Clerk
Mrs. GLADYS B. McCOLLUM, Clerk
WAYNE SEELY, County Clerk

LAWRENCE COUNTY

Lawrenceville Police Dept.
LAWRENCE County Sheriff's Dept.
Lawrenceville Credit Bureau
Voter Registration Records

JOHN FAHNESTOCK, Chief
PAUL GEHR, Deputy Sheriff
E. L. CORNELL, Mgr.
WILLIAM HENSLEY, County Clerk

WAYNE COUNTY

Fairfield Police Dept.
Wayne County Sheriff's Dept.
(Credit Bureau)
Voter Registration Records

ELMER BROWN, Chief
LOREN MAUCK, Deputy Sheriff
none in Wayne County
H. E. AUSTIN, County Clerk

EDWARDS COUNTY

Albion Police Department
Edwards County Sheriff's Dept.
(Credit Bureau)
Voter Registration Records

MORRIS CLARK, Chief
F.D. Curtis, Sheriff
None in Edwards County
CLAUDINE AULVIN, clerk, County
Clerk's Office.

WABASH COUNTY

Mt. Carmel Police Department
Wabash County Sheriff's Dept.
Merchant's Credit Bureau
Voter Registration Records

DONALD PRICE, Chief
ROBERT MAIR, Sheriff
Coraene Laughton, Mgr.
WILLIAM HIGGINS, County Clerk

WHITE COUNTY

Carmi Police Department
White County Sheriff's Office
White County Credit Bureau
Voter Registration Records

VERNON LODGE, Chief
Robert DUCKWORTH, Deputy Sheriff
WANDA LEE, Clerk
MARLYN GRAY, Clerk, County
Clerk's Office

GALLATIN COUNTY

SHAWNEETOWN Police Department
Gallatin County Sheriff's Office
(Credit Bureau)
Voter Registration Records

GEORGE JAMES, Chief
NOBLE MOYE, Sheriff
None in Gallatin County
RALPH COLBERT, County Clerk.

The available city directories for the above counties were checked with negative results.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)

DATE: 4/11/68

FROM : SA JIMMIE C. WHITAKER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

The following cleaners and laundries were contacted on 4/10/68 in an effort to locate an establishment utilizing tags and or Thermo-Seal Marking Machine which is manufactured by the Textile Marking Machine Company, Syracuse, New York,

Rex Cleaners, Mt. Carmel, Ill.
Risley's Cleaners, Mt. Carmel, Ill.
Seibert Cleaners, Mt. Carmel, Ill.
Gilkerson Cleaners, Mt. Carmel, Ill.
Bachelor's Cleaners, Palestine, Ill.
Gall's Fashion Cleaners, Robinson, Ill.
Helvie Cleaners, Robinson, Ill.
Robinson Dry Celaners, Robinson, Ill.
Redmond Cleaners, Oblong, Ill.
Lawler's Cleaners, Newton, Ill.
Modern Cleaners, Teotopolis, Ill.
Spencer Cleaners, Newton, Ill.
Campbell Cleaners, Grayville, Ill.
City Cleaners, Carmi, Ill.
City Cleaners, McLeansboro, Ill.
Delux Cleaners, McLeansboro, Ill.
NuWay Cleaners, Carmi, Ill.
Superior Cleaners, McLeansboro, Ill.
Palace Cleaners, Carmi, Ill.
Tate Cleaners, McLeansboro, Ill.
Unique Cleaners, Carmi, Ill.
West Side Cleaners, Carmi, Ill.
Peerless Laundry, Carmi, Ill.
Frigidair Quick Clean Center, Effingham, Ill.
Guffey's Quality Cleaners, Effingham, Ill.
Holmes Laundry & Dry Cleaners, Effingham, Ill.
Metten's Cleaners, Effingham, Ill.
NuWay Cleaners, Effingham, Ill.
Wiedman Dry Cleaners, Effingham, Ill.
Shawneetown Cleaners, Shawneetown, Ill.

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Carter Cleaners, Fairfield, Ill.
City Cleaners, Fairfield, Ill.
Hill L. A. Cleaners, Fairfield
Lik-Nu Cleaners, Fairfield
Peerless Laundry and Dry Cleaning, Fairfield
Tracy's Cleaners, Fairfield
Talbert's Laundry, Wayne City
Waynco Laundry, Wayne City
Hill Cleaners, Norths City
Altamont Cleaners, Altamont
Pride Cleaner's and Frabricks, St. Elmo
City Cleaners, Albion
Quality Drive-in Cleaners, Albion
Fessel's Cleaners, Olney
Nu-Way Cleaners, Olney
Olney Cleaners, Olney
Millers Lauder-rite, Olney
Sunshine Laundry, Olney
Barnhouse Cleaners, Bridgeport
Jiffy 39 minute Cleaners, Lawrenceville
Lawrence Cleaners, Lawrenceville
Laundrateria, Lawrenceville
Weiss Cleaners & Shoe Repair, Lawrenceville.

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4-10-68

SA ROBERT A. WICKWIRE

MURKIN

On this date following contacted by writer for a record
of ERIC/ 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.

CC 2--1-44-561
1-- directy to SA DAUWALDER.

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At Mansfield, Ohio

The following investigation was conducted by SA
A. JAMES ANDERSON, JR. on April 8, 1968:

Captain ALBERT D. O'NEIL, Mansfield Police Department, related that THOMAS TUCKER, owner of Tucker Furniture, Park Avenue West, telephonically advised that approximately 1:30 P.M. or shortly thereafter, he observed an individual at Prince's Lunch, who strongly resembled a commercial artist sketch of the suspect in the killing of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., which sketch appeared in the "News Journal", Mansfield local newspaper, April 6, 1968. Lunch was purchased with a salvation army meal ticket.

It was immediately determined the only Salvation Army meal ticket presented at this establishment was Salvation Army ticket #4734, having the name ALFRED KAMINSKI written thereon. It was also verified through the Salvation Army that such a meal ticket had been issued to one ALFRED KAMINSKI.

The Salvation Army, Mission Houses, Volunteers of America, cheap bars and cheap hotels were checked for ALFRED JOSEPH KAMINSKI with the assistance of the Mansfield Police Department. KAMINSKI was found on the streets by Captain O'NEIL and SA ANDERSON after which he was interviewed.

At a later hour, THOMAS TUCKER, identified above, examined Polaroid colored photographs of KAMINSKI as displayed to him by Captain O'NEIL. O'NEIL commented TUCKER immediately identified the photograph of KAMINSKI as being identical to the individual he observed in Prince's Lunch as mentioned above.

On the evening of April 8, 1968, the Springfield and Indianapolis Divisions telephonically advised the Cleveland Division that investigation verified that one ALFRED JOSEPH KAMINSKI had stayed at the Salvation Army, March 29, 1968 in Springfield, Illinois; at the Mission House, Muncie, Indiana, April 4, 1968.

The fingerprint classification of KAMINSKI's fingerprints as taken at the Mansfield Police Department were telephonically made known to the Identification Division of the Bureau. Subsequently, the Identification Division advised the Mansfield Police Department fingerprint classification concerning the fingerprints of KAMINSKI is a classification similar to the classification of the known fingerprints of ALFRED JOSEPH KAMINSKI, as on file in the Identification Division; that the known fingerprints of KAMINSKI

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on file are not identical to latent fingerprints in this matter.