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After leaving Clarence, he went alone to St. Louis where he had various employments. He was employed as a service station attendant for the Site Gasoline Station on Lemay Ferry Road.

He stated he owned an old store building with sleeping rooms upstairs, that he rented, operated a second hand store, and a dry cleaning store.

He sold this property in St. Louis and bought the small acreage at Center, Missouri, last September (1967). He added he is drawing social security and is retired.

He stated that he does no approve of subject's actions, is afraid of him, and what the publicity is doing to his daughter, CAROL, and her family. He stated that if he should hear anything about the subject's whereabouts he will advise the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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JERRY RAYNES advised that he is the stepfather of JAMES EARL RAY as JAMES EARL RAY was born in at Alton, Illinois, and Mr. RAYNES stated he married LUCILLE MAHER at Jacksonville, Florida, in the spring of 1929, 1930 or 1931. He believes he was 30 years of age at that time and that she was 23 years of age. Following their marriage, they lived in Quincy and Galesburg, Illinois, and in St. Louis and Ewing, Missouri. It was his understanding that LUCILLE was born in Bridgeton, New Jersey.

Mr. RAYNES stated he believes he was the father of all of the other children born to LUCILLE MAHER and himself. Their son, JERRY, was born in Quincy, Illinois, date unknown, under the name JERRY RAYNES. Several of the other children were born in Ewing. Missouri. His daughter, CAROL, was born there on

Mr. RAYNES stated he had received a telephone call from his son, JERRY, in Chicago, Illinois, on April 19, 1968, advising him that it appeared JAMES EARL RAY was involved in the KING assassination.

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L.	SA JAMES A.	DUFFEY HRD/pjh	Date dictated	4/22/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 23, 1968

Mr. JERRY RAYNES, Route 2, Center, Missouri, was contacted at his residence. Both interviewing agents identified themselves to him by exhibition of their credentials and he was advised by SA DUFFEY that they desired to interview him concerning JAMES EARL RAY, who was believed to be his son. He was told of the seriousness of the investigation and of the provisions of the harboring statute by SA DUFFEY.

Mr. RAYNES stated he would willingly cooperate and conducted the agents through the bedroom and into the kitchen in order that they might see no one else was at the home.

Mr. RAYNES stated he is 69 years of age having He was married to one LUCILLE been born MAHER, now deceased. Eight children were born to this marriage. Mr. RAYNES stated that his memory was somewhat fuzzy and that he experienced difficulty in recalling specific events. He stated that he doubted that all the children were his but was of the opinion that JAMES EARL, who had been born in Alton, Illinois, in 1928, was his own child. He stated he knew nothing whatever of JOHN. One son, FRANKLIN, also known as 'BUZZY', or 'BUZZ', was killed in an accident at Quincy, Illinois, in about 1958. He has another son, JERRY, who is currently living in Chicago, Illinois. He has a daughter, CAROL PEPPER, who lives on Belleview Avenue in Maplewood, Missouri, and another daughter, MELBA RAY, whom he believed currently resides in Quincy, Illinois. He stated that MELBA was a mental case who had received treatment in the Illinois State Hospital at Jacksonville, Illinois. He recalled that there were two other children, and SUSIE, who were given away by their mother after his separation from her. There current whereabouts are unknown to him.

Mr. RAYNES stated he had little contact with his children during the past 17 years, except for CAROL. To the best of his recollection he last saw JAMES EARL RAY, 17 years ago and has had no direct contact with him since. He was aware that subject had been in the penitentiary from news items and from information he had received from the children's mother, LUCILLE, He stated that she had become an alcoholic

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when the family resided in Ewing, Missouri, and later in Quincy, Illinois. They separated at Quincy, but he was unable to recall the year.

Mr. RAYNES stated he has always used the name of RAYNES but he knew that some of the children had shortened the name to RAY. He was aware that subject had used several aliases.

Mr. RAYNES stated he knew nothing concerning subject's implication in this case until he received a telephone call from his daughter, CAROL in which she stated that the FBI had contacted her concerning subject. He stated he had received two telephone calls that evening, one from CAROL, and the other from MELBA, each stating the news items indicated their brother, JAMES was involved in the KING murder. He stated he did not know how MELBA learned of his whereabouts as he had not seen her or heard from her for the past seven or eight years. She had indicated she was calling from Quincy, Illinois.

Mr. RAYNES stated that he had no knowledge or information as to subject's whereabouts. He stated he was afraid of subject and was concerned that subject might attempt to contact him. He stated he wanted no part of the subject and that he had consequently barred his doors. Mr. RAYNES stated that he would gladly cooperate with the FBI and would immediately bring to the attention of its agents any information he received concerning subject or his whereabouts.

EDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATI

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April 24, 1968

BOBBY JAMES, Wardell, Missouri, advised upon interview that he is approximately the same age as J.D. DAILEY and recalled J.D. and other members of the family working intermittently on farm land operated by his father from the time they were small children until they became grown. He also worked for several years for the Acom Cotton Gin at Wardell, Missouri, where J.D. DAILEY's father, BARNEY DAILEY, worked for a number of years until he passed away a few years ago.

JAMES stated that J.D. DAILEY married ome of the GASKIN girls of WARDELL and that her brother, HARLEY B. GASKIN still resides in the Wardell area. Another brother, CLEO GASKIN reportedly resides somewhere in St. Louis. A brother-in-law of J.D. DAILEY, one EWELL DE PRIEST, presently resides north of Wardell on Highway B. A sister-in-law, Mrs. STANLEY (ELIZABETH) BLURTON, is also believed to still be residing in the Wardell, Missouri, area.

According to BOBBY JAMES he has never heard of any members of the DAILEY family, the GASKIN family, the DE PRIEST or the BLURTON family being land owners in the Wardell, Missouri, area.

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 be	SA JACK J. FISHER SA CLETIS B. BIDEWELL	CBB/1eh Date dictated 4/24/68	m

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Date April 24, 1968

WO. JAMES, residing approximately two miles south of Wardell, Missouri, on County Highway B, advised upon interview that he has known the family of J.D. DAILEY since the time J.D. DAILEY was approximately five years of age. At about this time DAILEY's father, BARNEY DAILEY and the other members of his family began working as cotton choppers and cotton pickers on land farmed by Mr. JAMES in the vicinity of Wardell, Missouri. This type of irregular employment by the members of the BARNEY DAILEY family continued intermittently until the time J.D. DAILEY quit high school and drifted out of the Wardell area. On various other occasions subsequent to this time, J.D. DAILEY would return to the Wardell area and work for a short period of time on land operated by JAMES.

According to JAMES neither BARNEY DAILEY who is deceased or any of his children have ever owned or even share-cropped any land in the Wardell area to his knowledge. During the last several years of his life, BARNEY DAILEY operated a gin at Wardell, Missouri. He recalled that J.D. DAILEY was always considered a trouble maker and was always in some difficulty with the law in the local area and he heard that he was in similar trouble in the St. Louis area after he left Wardell.

Mr. JAMES furnished the name of other members of the DAILEY family as being HAZEL RANDELL TERRELL, presently residing a couple of miles north of Wardell; ADA JILES and LILLIAN DAILEY present addresses unknown.

He advised that BARNEY DAILEY was an individual who drank to excess when he was not working and the three daughters named above were generally considered in the community as being women of loose morals.

JAMES stated he was positive that JD DAILEY never owned, operated or sharecropped a farm in the area of Wardell and he knew of no individuals residing on farms in the general area who were close friends of DAILEY.

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Date April 24, 1968

JAMES A. SELLERS, who resides on County Highway B, one mile north of State Route 84 in Pemiscot County, Missouri, advised he is chairman of the Pascola Township Agriculture Stabilization Committee of Pemiscot County, Missouri. In this capacity he had in his possession a Pemiscot County map reflecting the various townships of Pemiscot County with the names of the land owners written in on the land plots of the various farms within the townships of that county.

The maps of Pascola Township covering the area surrounding Pascola, Missouri; the Little River Township covering the Wardell, Missouri, area; and the Peach Orchard Township covering the Bragg City area were examined.

There were no farm owners by the name of DAILEY listed in any of the three above-named townships.

Mr. SELLERS advised he is 95 percent familiar with all of the land owners in the Pemiscot County area west of U.S. Highway 61 and north of State Highway 84 and there is no land owner by the name of DAILEY operating in that area.

He went on to state that in his capacity of town-ship committee chairman, he is also familiar with tenants and sharecroppers in this area and he has never heard the name DAILEY mentioned in this capacity.

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Mrs. HAZEL TERRELL, Wardell, Missouri, advised that she is the sister of J. D. DAILY who currently owns and operates a restaurant that he recently purchased in Portageville, Missouri.

Mrs. TERRELL pointed out that in addition to J. D. DAILY being her brother she has two other sisters; namely, ADA GILES who formerly resided at 1812 North Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois, but who recently moved and can be contacted through her daughter, VITA NEWTON, telephone number 421-2853 in Chicago, Illinois. Another sister LILLIAN JOHNSON resides at 2012 Sidney Street, St. Louis, Missouri. She pointed out that both parents are deceased.

She stated that their father, BARNEY DAILY was a ginner for a Mr. ACON's cotton gin, Wardell, Missouri, and they never resides on or owned a farm. She stated that she has never known her brother, J. D. DAILY, to own, operate or lease a farm noting that most of his life has been spent in a tavern business in St. Louis, Missouri.

Mrs. TERRELL pointed out that she has never heard her brother speak of JAMES EARL RAY and she has never heard him mention any persons acquainted with anyone allegedly connected with the Doctor KING assassination.

Mrs. TERRELL pointed out that in event she should learn that J. D. DAILY has any personal knowledge of JAMES EARL RAY she would immediately contact the FBI.

She also noted that she knew of no close friends or associates of J. D. DAILY's who lived on a farm or owned a farm in this area.

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SHELBY TERRELL, Wardell, Missouri, advised that he is the brother-in-law of J. D. DAILY being married to J. D.'s sister HAZEL.

He stated that he has known J. D. DAILY since 1946, although he has not closely associated with him because until about a month ago J. D. DAILY operated a tavern in the St. Louis area and only infrequently visited in Wardell, Missouri.

Mr. TERRELL stated that J. D. DAILY now operates a restaurant in Portageville, Missouri, and lives in that town having recently purchased this restaurant.

He stated that he has never known J. D. DAILY to own, operate, lease, rent or visit for any length of time on a farm nor does he know of any of J. D.'s close friends who own farms.

Mr. TERRELL stated that he has never heard DAILY mention JAMES EARL RAY nor has he talked about the assassination of Doctor KING. Mr. TERRELL noted that he has seen J. D. DAILY more frequently in the past month since DAILY owns a restaurant in Portageville than he has in the past fifteen years.

Mr. TERRELL noted that J. D. DAILY had three sisters; namely, HAZEL (SHELBY TERRELL's wife), ADA GILES of Chicago, Illinois, and LILLIAN JOHNSON of St. Louis, Missouri.

Mr. TERRELL noted that in the event he hears any information at all that would indicate that J. D. DAILY had any contact with or any personal knowledge of JAMES EARL RAY he would immediately notify the FBI.

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TO

SAC, ST. LOUIS (44-775) ATTENTION: SA BURTON

DATE:

5-16-68

FROM :

SA E. E. BROWN

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

J. D. DAILEY is alleged to have harbored subject immediately after his escape from MSP. DAILEY denies knowing subject. He moved from SLMO, about 3-1-68, Prior to moving a call was made from his bome phone to:

MA 8-3421, Wardell, Mo.

Identify subscriber and determine if call bears on whereabouts or activities of subject, completely protecting phone co.

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TO

SAC, ST. LOUIS (44-775)

DATE:

5-16-68

FROM :

SA E. E. BROWN

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

The GRAPE VINE TAVERN, SLMO, is operated by CAROL PEPPER, subject's sister, and operated by JOHN LARRY RAY, subject's brother.

The following calls have been made from a coin phone at the tavern:

1/24	864-8017, Florissant, Mo. (unlisted)
3/2	326-3658, Fenton, Mo. (unlisted)
3/20	848-3332, Bridgeton, Mo. (Top Flight Service Statton).

It is believed no inquiry need be made at this filling station, but it is recommended that the identity of the subscribers to the unlisted numbers be obtained for the purpose of determining whether these calls bear upon the whereabouts or activities of the subject.

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TO ST. LOUIS

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RE ST. LOUIS TELETYPE TO ATLANTA MAY SIXTEEN LAST.

ST. LOUIS REQUESTED TO IMMEDIATELY PROCESS CAPTIONED
AUTO FOR LATENT PRINTS AND CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION
IN ATTEMPT TO ESTABLISH IF UNKNOWN SUBJECT RENTING AND
ABANDONING CAPTIONED CAR POSSIBLY IDENTICAL TO JAMES EARL
RAY OR HAVING ANY CONNECTION WITH MURKIN INVESTIGATION.

ATLANTA CONTACTING NATIONAL CAR RENTAL AND OBTAINING NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO BE SENT TO LAB FOR HANDWRITING COMPARISON RE MURKIN.

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FBI CHICAGO

319PM URGENT 5/17/68 JLS

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), ST. LOUIS (44-775) AND SPRINGFIELD (44-561)
FROM CHICAGO (44-1114) 2P

MURKIN.

RE ST. LOUIS TEL TO BUREAU ET AL MAY SIXTEEN LAST.

RE BLACKIE DE CORE (PH). CHICAGO INDICES SEARCHED UNDER

NUMEROUS VARIATIONS OF SURNAME CAPTIONED INDIVIDUAL, NEGATIVE.

NOT KNOWN TO MEMBERS FBI CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM SQUAD

CHICAGO NOR TO GAMBLING UNIT, INTELLIGENCE UNIT, CRIMINAL

INTELLIGENCE UNIT ALL CHICAGO PD, PLUS RECORDS CHECK AT BUREAU

OF RECORDS AND COMMUNICATIONS CHICAGO PD AND ILLINOIS STATE BOARD

OF PAROLE NEGATIVE.

UNKNOWN TO HIM BUT THAT ONE BLACKIE DE COOK IS A KNOWN FENCE.

GAMBLER AND CONFIDANT OF THIEVES IN SOUTHERN COOK COUNTY AREA.

DE COOK RESIDES MIDLOTHIAN, ILLINOIS, EMPLOYED AT U. S. STEEL.

SOUTH WORKS, CHICAGO. DESCRIBED AS WMA, AGE FORTY EIGHT TO

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FIFTY TWO. SIX FEET ONE INCH. IWO FORTY POUNDS BLACK HAIR AND HAS NO KNOWN ARREST ALCORD.

ST. LOUIS RECONTACT OWENS FOR POSSIBLITY DE COOK IDENT WITH INDIVIDUAL MENTIONED.

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403PM URGENT 5-17-68 SAB

TO DIRECTOR 44-38861 AND ST. LOUIS 44-775

FROM MEMPHIS 44-1987 1F

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R RE ST. LOUIS TEL MAY SIXTEEN LAST.

ON PAGES SIXTY AND SIXTY ONE OF KANSAS CITY REPORT
DATED MAY FIFTEEN LAST, A FORMER INMATE OF THE MISSOURI
STATE PERITENTIARY, JEFFERSON CITY, MO., ADVISED THAT BOB
POWERL WAS A CLOSE FRIEND OF SUBJECT AND WAS AWARE OF PLANS
FOR ESCAPING PRISON PRIOR TO THE ACTUAL ESCAPE. ADDITIONAL
INFO RECEIVED FROM THIS INMATE WOULD INDICATE THAT POWELL
WAS MORE CLOSELY ASSOCIATED WITH RAY THAN POWELL ADMITS;
THEREFORE, IT IS REQUESTED THAT ST. LOUIS REINTERVIEW POWELL
IN DETAIL REGARDING HIS ASSOCIATION WITH RAY AND KNOWLEDGE
OF ANY PLANS RAY MAY HAVE HAD UPON EFFECTING HIS ESCAPE.

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FBI ST LOUIS

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Date: 5-18-68

Transmit the following in

TO DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS

FROM ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN - SUMMARY

RE JOHN LARRY RAY

IDENTIFIED PHOTO OF JAMES DAVID DAILEY AS PERSON KNOWN TO HIM ONLY AS J.D., WHO HAD TAVERN ON MORRISON ST., SLMO, AND WHO HE BEAT UP IN SIXTY. DAILEY DOES NOT KNOW HIM. DOES NOT KNOW WHETHER SUBJ ECT AND DAILEY EVER KNEW EACH OTHER. STATES TWO OR THREE MONTHS AGO HE SPENT NIGHT AT MACARTHUR HOTEL, SL, WITH NIGHT BARMAID, NAOMI REGAZZI. REGISTERED AS MR. AND MRS. JOHN RAY, OF FICTITIOUS ADDRESS. ADDRESS ONE EIGHT EIGHT SIX WYOMING HAS NO SIGNIFICANCE TO HIM

STATES IN EARLY FALL SIXTY SEVEN . FATHER JERRY RAYNES SOLD SL PROPERTY AND GAVE HIM ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS TO HOLD FOR HIM. HAD SAVED VICINITY OF THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM VARIOUS EMPLOYMENTS. CLAIMED ALL OBTAINED IN COMPLETELY LAWFUL MANNER. USUALLY CARRIES FIVE OR SIX HNDRED DOLLARS ON PERSON. PAYS HELP WITH CASH. EARLY AUGUST DECIDED TO DRIVE TO SAN FRANCISCO TO SEE IF DESIRABLE TO INVEST IN BAR OR OTHER BUSINESS THERE. STAYED SEVERAL DAYS AT VARIOUS CHEAP HOTELS, NAMES NOT REMEBERED. FAILED TO FIND BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY. ENROUTE SL. HE DECIDED TO DRIVE TO TIAJUA KNEW THEY ROBBED PEOPLE THERE, SO BOUGHT SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY DOLL YIN TRAVELERS CHECKS OT SMALL WYOMING TOWN, NAME NOT EME

Special Agent in Charge

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DROVE TO TIAJUANA, WAS UNABLE TO UNDERSTAND LANGUAGE, DIDN'T LIKE DLACE, BECAME DISGUSTED, AND WITHIN TWO HOURS OF ARRIVAL LEFT ENROUTE SL. ON ARRIVAL SL, ESTIMATED LAST OF AUGUST SIXTY SEVEN, OPENED BANK ACCOUNTS AT MANUFACTURERS BANK AND JEFFERSON GRAVOIS BANK AS COMBINED BUSINESS HOURS BOTH BANKS COMPATIBLE WITH HIS OWN. DE-POSITED TRAVELERS CHECKS AND CASH. ENTIRE TRIP REQUIRED APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKS. EMPHATICALLY DENIED ANY KNOWLEDGE OF OR CONTACT WITH SUBJECT DURING TRIP OR ANY TIME FOLLOWING MSP ESCAPE. NEVER KNEW SUBJECT IN CALIFORNIA UNTIL CURRENT PUBLICITY.

REITERATED PREVIOUS RECOLLECTION OF STOTEMENTS MADE BY SUBJECT DURING MSP VISITS THAT IF HE GOT OUT WOULD LEAVE COUNTRY. ASSUMED SUBJECT HAD SUFFICIENT MONEY TO DO SO. DENIED KNOWLODGE OF ANY SOURCES OF INCOME FOR SUBJECT. ASSUMES IF SUBJECT ENGAGED IN SALE OF AMPHETAMINE AND LOAND BUSINESS WHILE AT MSP AS ALLEGED HE WOULD THEREBY PRESUMEABLY HAVE MADE. SOME MONEY. DENIED ANY KNOWLEDGE OR INFO THAT ANYONE OWED SUBJECT MONEY OR WAS HOLDING MONEY FOR HM OUTSIDE.

RE CAROL PEPPER AND JERRY RAYNES:

SOURCES AND SPOT CHECK FAIL TO INDICATED SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY.

POWELL MAY HAVE LEFT AREA. PERSONNEL RECORDS. CITY HOSPITAL REMARY SAWYER. FRIEND OF ASSOCIATE ANDREW WILSON DECORE. NOT AVAILABLE WILL MONDAY.

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TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS, AND CHICAGO

FROM ST.LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN

RE SI AIRTEL MAY NINE LAST RE CORRESPONDENTS OF JERRY RAY.

SL UNABLE TO DATE TO IDENT OR LOCATE JERRY RAY CORRESPONDENTS

PAT WITT AND RUBY DOBYMS, THREE NINE SEVEN ONE WESTMINISTER, SLMO.

OWNER OF THAT ADDRESS PAST THREE YEARS IS COLORED, HAS NOT RENTED

TO WHITES AND DOES NOT KNOW NAMES. PREVIOUS OWNER FOR EIGHTEEN YEARS

RENTED ONLY TO MALES OR MARRIED COUPLES, NO SINGLE FEMALES. DOES

NOT RECALL THEM. THEY HAD NO CREDIT RECORDS SL. ON ASSUMPTION THEY

WERE PROSTITUTES SLPD VICE SQUAD CHECKED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

SAME RESULTS AS TO ALLEGED CORRESPONDENT JERRY LANCASTER, FOUR
FOUR THREE ONE NORTH NINETEENTH, SL. SLPD INDICATE PERSON BY THAT
NAME RESIDING FIVE TWO FOUR SIX WATERMAN, SL, IN SIXTY SEVEN, BUT UNKNOWN TO NEIGHBORS AND NO RESPONSE AT THAT ADDRESS ON NUMBEROUS ATTEMPTS
AT DIFFERENT HOURS.

IF, IN CONSIDERED JUDGEMENT OF CHICAGO, QUESTIONING OF JERRY RAY

AS TO WHO THESE INDIVIDUALS ARE, THEIR CONNECTION WITH HIM OR TO THIS

CASE, WOULD NOT IN ANY MAY ALIENATE OR AFFECT HIS CURRENT COOPERATION

WITH THAT DIVISION, IT IS REQUESTED TO DO SO.

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TO DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS

FROM ST. LOUIS (44-775)

MURKIN SUMMARY

RE JERRY RAYNES, JOHN LARRY RAY, CAROL PEPPER.

SOURCES AND SPOT CHECKS FAIL TO DISCLOSE SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY.

RE FELLOW PRISONER WALTER E. NOLANT SOURCES INDICATE NO VISITORS AND NO MAIL PAST WEEK.

MISC: INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE FELLOW PRISONER ROBERT LYNN POTELL.

AND RESOLUTION LOCAL LOOK ALIKES CONTINUING. DIFFICULTY EXPERIENCED

IN IDENTIFYING AND LOCATING FORMER CORRESPONDENTS OF JERRY. RAY.

ATTENTION DIRECTED TO TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR SL MAY SEVENTEEN LAST SUMMARY.

LAST WORD LINE THREE PAGE ONE SHOULD BE CARL, NOT EARL, THUS MAKING

FULL NAME JAMES CARL OCONNOR UNDER WHICH ACCOUNT BELIEVED TO BE SUBJECT:

WAS OPENED AT MANUFACTURERS BANK, SLMO, IN MARCH FIFTY NINE. TO SL

KNOWLEDGE, THIS IS FIRST INSTANCE OF USE OF CARL AS PART OF ALIAS.

SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM:

SAC, DALLAS (44-2649) (P)

SUBJECT:

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OO - MEMPHIS

Re Jackson teletype dated 4/24/68, St. Louis airtel dated 4/30/68 and Oklahoma City airtel dated 5/8/68.

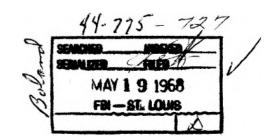
Enchand for Hemphis are 15 copies of investigative insert reflecting investigation conducted at Fort Worth, Texas.

RE: SUSPECT - ROBERT G. BOSHERS

The files of the Federal Records Center, Fort Worth, Texas, were reviewed regarding ROHERT G. BOSHERS, Immate File #Y-26381-SV, Federal Referentory, El Reno, Cklahoma. The file shows BOSHERS was sentenced on 1/2/59 in the Eastern District of Missouri, St. Louis, Missouri, to serve an indeterminate period under the Youth Corrections Act following conviction for mail theft, forging and uttering a U. S. Check. Probation was revoked and he was committed to the Federal Referentory, El Reno, Oklahoma, on 7/13/59; paroks 4/1/61; parole violator's warrant executed 10/5/63, and subsequently returned to Federal Reformatory, El Reno, on 10/24/63, and released 12/12/63 at the expiration of his sentence.

BOSHERS' file fails to reflect any information of any sentence in the State of Michigan nor does it show any record of him ever being wanted in that state.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

ro : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

DATE: 5-16-68

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

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Birmingham teletype to Bureau, 5-1-68.

On 5-1-68, SA's FRANK E. CORN, SR., and ROBERT C. HAINES, interviewed HILLIARD ALLEN SANDERS, at 137 East Acton Street, Wood River, Illinois.

SANDERS stated that he was incarcerated in the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, on 1-20-52, upon conviction of an armed robbery charge at St. Joseph, Missouri. He said he was released on parole on 9-1-64.

SANDERS advised that he never became acquainted with or had knowledge of JAMES EARL RAY during the time he was incarcerated in the Missouri State Penitentiary. He said that while he was in the penitentiary, he worked at several trades and that the last two jobs he had in the penitentiary had to do with the sewing machine mechanical section and that the last job he had was a halltender from 1963 to 1964.

SANDERS said that upon parole he went to Gadsden, Alabama, where he lived and worked for approximately 18 months; that he then went to Camden, South Carolina, where he was employed by the firm of E. I. DUPONT for 9 months. SANDERS said that he then came to Wood River, Illinois, where he has been working on construction at the Shell Oil Company Plant in Wood River. He said that he arrived in Wood River in 7-67 and has resided in Wood River since that time.

SANDERS concluded by stating that when national publicity was released concerning the identification of JAMES EARL RAY, he viewed photographs appearing on television and in the news media and determined that he had never known RAY while both were at the Missouri State Penitentiary.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM:

SAC, CRICAGO (44-1114) (P)

SUBJECT:

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He Bureau sirtel to Chicago, et al, dated 5/16/68.

Referenced sirtel set forth information concerning JOHN EUGENE GAVRON's reading of a \$50,000 bank was like in the Chicago "Tribune" on or about 6/23 - 24/67.

The investigation requested of the Chicago Office has already been conducted and results thereof set forth in Chicago teletype to the Bureau, St. Louis and Hemphis dated 5/10/68, 5:13 p.m.

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INMATE JAMES WALLACE, MSP, REINTERVIEWED AND ADVISED THAT HE DID NOT WANT TO GET INVOLVED HE IS SORRY HE EVER SAID ANYTHING TO THE FBI, BUT STATED THAT HE GREW UP IN THE SOUTH SIDE OF ST. LOUIS WITH OWENS, KNEW HIM SINCE HE WAS APPROXIMATELY FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE AND THAT MIS WIFE WAS AT THE BANK WITH HIM AND HER NAME IS BETTY W. WALLACE AND SHE REPORTEDLY RESIDES AT TEN THIRTY ONE LYNCH, ST. LÓUIS. WALLACE AGAIN STATED THAT HE IS CERTAIN IT WAS THE SUMMER OF SIXTYSEVEN AND NOT ANY TIME PREVIOUS.

RICHARD L. MNENARD, CURRENTLY INCARCERATED USP-LEAVENWORTH, KS., ADYLSED THAT SUBJECT'S CLOSEST FRIEND AT MSP WAS A CARL DRAKE. HE HAS BEEN RELEASED AND IS CURRENTLY RESIDING AT TWENTYSIX THIRTY FOUR ST. VINCENT, ST. LOUIS, MO.

ST. LOUIS, INTERVIEW CARL DRAKE FOR ANY INFO HE MAY HAVE REGARDING SUBJECT.

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TO ST. LOUIS

FROM LITTLE ROCK (157-1215)

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RE UR TEL DATED MAY FIFTEEN, SIXXYEIGHT AND MYTEL DATED MAY SIXTEEN SIXTYEIGHT, RE: JOHN EUGENE GAWRON.

DISCONTINUE INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE JAMES HENRY RAMSEY AT POPLAR BLUFF AND CAPE GIRARDEAU, MO. RAMSEY LOCATED IN JAIL ON PD CHARGE AT NEWPORT, ARKANSAS.

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TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND KANSAS CITY

FROM ST. LOUIS (44-795)

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RE CAROL PEPPER:

REINTERVIEWED. FATHER, JERRY RAYNES SOLD TWO STORY RESIDEN* TIAL BUILDING, SLMO, SUMMER SIXTY SEVEN, FOR TWENTY EIGHT HUNDRED TO THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS. SHE HAS, FROM TIME TO TIME DEPOSITED HIS MONEY IN HER ACCOUNT. HE PURCHASED PRESENT FARM NEAR CENTER MO., TWENTY SIX HUNDRED DOLLARS. IF SHE GAVE CHECK FOR NINETEEN HUNDRED SHE IS SURE IT WOULD HAVE BEEN RETURN OF HIS MONEY OR LOAN. AS SHE IS CERTAIN SHE BOUGHT NO PART OF FARM. HIM EVERY WEEKEND IF POSSIBLE. TAKES GROCERIES. IS ONLY MEMBER; OF FAMILY WHO LOOKS AFTER HIM IN ANY WAY. WHEN FATHER LIVED IN SL WAS EMPLOYED AT FILLING STATIONS AND AT ONE TIME HAD JUNK SHOP.

BEFORE MARRIAGE IN SIXTYONE, SHE WAS KNOWN AS CAROL RYAN AND LIVED WITH FATHER AT ONE SEVEN TWO SEVEN SOUTH ELEVENTH, CLAIMS POOR MEMORY FOR DATES AND ADDRESSES. BROTHER BUZZ LIVED WITH PART TIME. SUBJECT NEVER LIVED WITH THEM. HAS HAZY MEMORY OF SUBJECTS RETURN FROM ARMY WHEN SHE WAS SMALL GIRL. UNABLE TO 44-776-733 RECALL HAVING SEEN MORE THAN FEW TIMES IN SL OR ELSEWHERE.

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DENIES ANY FINANCIAL DEALINGS ANY TIME WITH SUBJECT. NOT AWARE OF ANY BANK ACCOUNTS OF HIS. UNABLE TO RECALL EVER RECEIVING CHECKS FROM HIM UNDER TRUE NAME OR ALIASES. UNABLE TO RECALL RECEIVING CHECK TO ALBERT PEPPER STATIONERY CO. IS POSITIVE THERE NEVER WAS SUCH CO. Y OR V.P. WEBBE UNKNOWN TO HER.

HER MATERIAL POSSESSIONS INCLUDING HOME RESULT OF FRUGAL LIV-ING. WORKED FROM MARRIAGE UNTIL MOVED TO PRESENT HOME.

NEVER HEARD OF JOHN RAYS TRIP TO SAN FRANCISCO. NO KNOWLEDGE FATHER EVER GAVE JOHN MONEY TO HOLD.

RE JERRY RAYNES:

REINTERVIEWED. SOLD HOUSE IN SL SUMMER SIXTY SEVEN FOR THIRTY TWO HUNDRED. TURNED MONEY OVER TO CAROL PEPPER. NEVER LOANED SON JOHN RAY ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS, BUT LOANED HIM SEVEN THRU CAROL. WAS VAGUE RE DATES AND SPECIFICS GENERALLY. RE FELLOW PRISONER WALTER E. NOLAN.

REINTERVIEWED. DENIED ANY CONTACT WITH OR KNOWLEDGE OF SUB-JECTS WHEREABOUT AFTER MSP ESCAPE. POINTED OUT RAY WOULD HAVE NO WAY OF KNOWING OF HIS RELEASE. KNEW RAY HAD FOUR FOR THREE LOAN BUSINESS, MSP, AS RAY ASKED IF HE NEWDED ANY MONEY SEVERAL TIMES.

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RAY ONCE TOLD HIM HE HAD PAID OFF DEBT OF UN*NAMED INMATE AND ASKED HOW TO GET REPAYMENT INMATE HAD ARRANGED WITH SOMEONE OUT* SIDE PAST WARDEN, AS WARDEN HAD QUESTIONED HIM SEVERAL TIMES RE MONEY HELD FOR HIM IN BELIEF IT WAS PAYMENT FOR NARCOTICS. IT SEND WAS SUGGESTED OUTSIDE PERSON SNEET REPAYMENT IN RAY BROTHERS NAME. RAY MAY HAVE USED AMPHETAMINE BUT NOLAN NEVER KNEW HIM TO SELL OR DEEL IN THAT OR ANY NARCOTIC. IN HIS ESTIMATION RAY PROBABLY HAD NO MORE THAN THREE OR FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS ON ESCAPE.

RAY WORKED WITH HUNDRED FIFTY INMATES IN BAKERY. NOLAN DOUBTS OVER SIX OF THEM EVER HELD CONVERSATIONS WITH HIM TOTALING OVER HALF HOUR. CLOSE MOUTHED. NO FOREIGN LANGUAGE ABILITY DIS* PLAYED. NO TALK OF TRAVEL OUTSIDE U.S. MENTIONED WEST COAST TRIP ONCE. PLACE SPOKEN OF MOSTLY WAS ILLINOIS. NO CLOSE TIES TO FAMILY INDICATED.

NINETY FIVE PERCENT OF TALK WAS ABOUT GETTING OUT LEGALY OR ILLEGALLY. RECALLED ONE FRIDAY OR SATURDAY RAY STATED HE HAD BEEN GRANTED PERMISSION TO ACCOMPANY ATTORNEY TO MO. SUPREME COURT HEARING. ASKED TRUTH AS TO ANY RELAXATION OF SECURITY. NOLAN ASSURED HIM NO OPPORTUNITY FOR ESCAPE. RAY REPLIED QUOTE THAT'S OK. I'VE GOT SOMETHING ELSE UNQUOTE. FOLLOWING SUNDAY END PAGE THREE

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NOLAN HEARD INMATE NAME NOT KNOWN, COMPLAIN SOMEONE HAD STOLEN

SET OF HIDDEN CIVILIAN CLOTHING. FEW HOURS LATER PRISON SCUTTLESS
BUT WAS SOMEONE HAD WALKED OUT. NOLAN CONJECTURED IF SUBJECT.

HAD CHANGED TO CIVILIAN CLOTHES, MINGLED WITH WEEKEND VISITORS,

AND IF GUARD ON DOUBLE GATE WAS NEW, RAY PROBABLY COULD HAVE

ESCAPED IN THIS MANNER.

NOLAN POSITIVE RAY WOULD NEVER HAVE COME TO SL AS PD AND FBI NOTORIOUS FOR DEVELOPING NETWORK OF INFORMANTS FROM EXCONS.

BELIEVES RAY NOT GUILTY OF KING KILLING AS CRIME COMPLETELY

FOREIGN TO PERSONALITY. DOES NOT BELIEVE RAY WOULD KILL EXCEPT TO AVOID RETURN TO PRISON.

RE FELLOW PRISONER ROBERT LYNN POWELL.

INTENSIVE INVESTIGATION CONTINUING TO LOCATE POWELL AS PRINCIPAL SUSPECT IN BR, BANK OF LEADVILLE, MO. MAY EIGHTEEN LAST.

RE JOHN LARY RAY. SOURCES AND SPOT CHECKS DECEMBED NO SIGNIFICANT A CTIVITY.

MISC: NURSE MARY SAWYER KNEW RAY ASSOCIATE ANDREW WILSON DECORE ONLY AS HOSPITAL PATIENT. NOT AWARE OF WHEREABOUTS. SUBJECT UNKNOWN.

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TO : SAC, SL (LL-775) ATT: SA HAROLD DOBSON DAT

DATE: 5-20-68

FROM : SA AAMES A. DUFFEY(P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

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on 5-20-68
A spot check was maintained/at the residence of Mr. JERRY RAINES, RFD Center, Mo. It was noted that the red Plymouth was not/in it's usual parking spot, but nearby, indicating it had been moved.

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No one appeared/at the house. Acheck was made and the interior was viewed through the windows. One place setting was at the table and no person was in the house.

Mr. RAYNES was located, operating his tractor in the SE field.

He stated that he had gone to New London, Mo thas morning and purchased his seed corn. This explained the change in position of the Plymouth.)

on 5-20-68

Mrs. HAROLD MAIDEN. RFD Center, Po. advised/that Mr. RAYNES daughter and two children visted at the RAYNES Farm over the weekend, but no other cars have been noted there.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS, ST. LOUIS
FROM KANSAS CITY (44-760) 1P

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RE J. D. DAILY PHONE CALL.

JEFFERSON CITY: MO. TELEPHONE NO. SIX THREE FIVE

SEVEN ONE SIX SXX ASSIGNED GRAHAM AND HAWKINS LAW OFFICES.

ONE OF THE ATTORNEYS IN THIS FIRM, DAVID BRYDON: ADVISED THAT

J. D. DAILY CONTACTS HIM OFTEN TRYING TO GET A PAROLE FOR AN

INMATE SERVING LIFE IN MO. STATE PENTITENTIARY WHO IS INFLICTED

WITH TUBERCULOSIS. BRYDON COULD FURNISH NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

REGARDING DAILY OR THE SUBJECT.

MAMIE HOOKER, LACLEDE COUNTY, MO. ADVISED THAT JAMES

DAVID DAILY WAS THE SON OF HER HALF BROTHERSHESTATEDTHAT

SHEHASNOTSEENHIMFORA-TLEASTNINEYEARSHASNOCONTACT

ORASSOCIATIONWITH HIM AND DOES NOT KNOW ANY OF HIS FRIENDS

OR ASSOCIATES OR ACTIVITIES. SHE COULD FURNISH NO INFORMATION

REGARDING SUBJECT.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), MEMPHIS (44-1987), ST. LOUIS (44-775), SAN FRANCISCO (173-65), AND SPRINGFIELD (44-461).

FROM CHICAGO (44-1114) P 1P

MURKIN.

RE SPRINGFIELD TEL MAY SEVENTEEN, LAST AND CHICAGO
TEL TO SAN FRANCISCO, MAY TWENTY, LAST.

RE ALLEGED ASSOCIATE ANDREW WILSON DE CORE, AKA BLACKIE.

DECORE'S SISTER, MRS. MARTHA BUTTITTO, NINE

TWO FOUR ONE NORTH MAPLE COURT, MORTON GROVE, ILLINOIS, ADVISED TODAY ANDREW WILSON DE CORE WILL BE AT HER HOME EVENING MAY TWO TWO, NEXT, FOR INTERVIEW BY BUAGENTS. CHICAGO WILL HANDLE.

DISCONTINUE INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE DE CORE.

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RE IMMATE JAMES WALLACE ALLEGATION OF SEEING RAY AND JAMES LOAMA OWENS AT JEFFERSON GRAVOIS BANK SL SUMMER SIXTYSEVEN. WALLACE'S WIFE BETTY ADVISED OF LETTER FROM HIM DATED APRIL TWENTY FIFTH LAST STATING IN PART QUOTE I COLORS YOU SHOULD REMEMBER THE ONE GUY THAT WE MET THAT TIME AT THE BANK. HE'S THE ONE THAT THEY ARE TRYING TO RAP THAT KING DEATH ON UNQUOTE. SHE UNABLE RECALL INCIDENT TO WHICH HE REFERRED.

WALLACE ON EAROLE SPRING SIXTY FIVE TO MARCH SIXTY EIGHT.

LIVED VICINITY OF JEFFERSON GRAVOIS BANK APRIL TO DECEMBER SIXTY

SEVEN. NO REASON TO GO TO BANK BEFORE OPENING ACCOUNT LATE JULY

SIXTY SEVEN. NEVER WENT IN CAR AS LIVED NEARBY. RECALLS ONCE

THEREAFTER, ON LEAVING BANK, HUSBAND WAVED TO UNKNOWN WHITE MALE

OUTSIDE. SAID HE WAS FROM MSP. SHE MERELY GLANCED AT AND IS UN*

ABLE TO DESCRIBE. UNABLE TO RECALL ANY CONVERSATION WITH.

VABLE
TO IDENT PHOTOS OF OWENS OR RAY, BUT BELIEVES RAY

NOT RELATE

VAGUELY FAMILIAR. DOES HOT SHATE TO MAN SEEN ABOVE. NO IDEA

WHERE SHE MAY HAVE SEEN, BUT ATTENDED SALVATION ARMY SERVICES

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SEVERAL FORMER SL RESIDENCE ADDRESSES VERIFIED. FORMER GRAPEVINE NIGHT BARMAID AND MACARTHUR HOTEL PARTNER NAOMI REGAZZI INTERVIEWED. EMPLOYED JANUARY TO MAY SIXTEENTH LAST TERMINATION DUE TO HER FEAR OF NEGRO REPRISALS SHOULD JOHNS! RELATIONSHIP TO SUBJECT BECOME GENERALLY KNOWN. CAROL PEPPER OWNS GRAPEVINE, VISITS INFREQUENTLY, NEVER STAYS. JOHN IS MANAGER. PRIOR TO KING KILLING HE MENTIONED HE HAD BROTHERS JIM AND JERRY, BUT MADE NO OTHER COMMENT. NEVER MENTIONED SUBJECT WAS ESCAPEE, OR INDICATED IN ANY WAY HE WAS BEEN'T IN CONTACT WITH WIM, OR HAD ANY IDEA OF WHEREABOUTS. SHE HAS MET JERRY DURING RECENT VISITS. REGARDS BOTH JERRY AND JOHN AS BEING OF LOW INTELLECT. DESCRIBES GRAPEVINE CLIENTEEE AS HOOSIERS. SOURCES AND SPOT CHECKS INDICATE NO SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY ON PART OF JOHN RAY OR CAROL PEPPER TODAY ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE FELLOW PRISONER ROBERT LYNN POWELL, RE-SOLUTION TOLL CALLS AND LOOK ALIKES. EXCON INTERVIEWS CONTINUING.

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Re St. Louis teletype to Director, Memphis and Dallas, 5/15/68.

Telephone call made from pay telephone at LaFont's Sinclair Station, Highway 61, Portageville, Misseuri, telephone No. DR 9-2502 to Fort Worth, Texas, telephone No. WA 6-1908, made on 12/6/67.

The following investigation was conducted by SA B. TOM

AT FORT WORTH, TEXAS

On 5/16/68, BILL RAY, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Protect Identity), stated that telephone Mc. WA 6-1908 is an unlisted number and subscriber is TARSON ANDERSON, residence, 3101 Binyon, Fort Worth. TARSON is a formum at the Texas Steel Company in Fort Worth, Texas, and has been employed there since 10/62.

On 5/16/68, MRS. TARSON ANDRESON, 3101 Bingon, advised that her former bushand is GENE LA FORT, and he owns LaFont's Sinclair Station in Portagoville, Missouri. She stated that

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her two sons also live with their father and she receives a telephone call from them at least once each week. She examined a photograph of JAMES KARL RAY and stated she had never seen this individual.

No further investigation being conducted re this telephone call.

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FSI (44-38851)

FROM:

SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-780)

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SUBJECT:

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Re St. Louis teletype to the Bureau, 5/16/68, re Grapevine Tavern. St. Louis, Missouri.

Kansas City Telephone Directory lists the subscriber to telephone number 931-0843 as the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers Union 553, 181 East Armour Boulevard, Kansas City, Missouri. A photograph of subject was displayed to this office, and no information was obtained as to anybody connected with that union as being identical with subject.

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FROM: SAC, LITTLE ROCK (157-1215) (P)

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(CO: ME)

Re: J. D. DAILEY -- TELEPHONE CALLS FROM
PORTAGEVILLE, MISSOURI

Re St. Louis teletype to Bureau, 5/15/68.

The two telephones listed at Blytheville, Arkansas, were determined to be, one, a hospital, and the other an auto parts company and neither are being contacted.

At Helena, Arkensas, telephone 444-6184 is listed to W. H. BERNNER. 1170 College Street, who advised that the only calls received from Portageville, Missouri, were from his wife's brother, GENE LA FONT, owner of Sinclair Service Station.

At West Memphis, Arkansas, telephone RE 5-7746 is listed to Mrs. NONA LARKIN, 1110 Spears Street, who advised the only telephone calls which she recalled she had received from Portageville, Missouri, were from GENE. LA FONTS, who owns a restaurant, service station and a car agency at Portageville.

At Jonesboro, Arkansas, telephone WE 2-9412 is listed to GAYLEN ANN KIRBY, 131 Iroquois, who advised that

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the only person she could recall receiving telephone calls from at Portageville, Missouri, was GENE LA FONTE, who operates a service station and who has been asking her for dates.

It was determined that <u>Blytheville</u> telephone number 763-9616 is a pay phone, this being the telephone to which the call to West Memphis, Arkansas, was allegedly charged.

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215PM URGENT 5-22-68 SMS

TO DIRECTOR (44-33861) & ST. LOUIS (44-775)

FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

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RE ST. LOUIS TEL TO BUREAU MAY SIXTEEN LAST AND LOS ANGELES TEL TO BUREAU SAME DATE.

RE PHONE CALL FROM GRAPEVINE TAVERN ST. LOUIS. TO
LOS ANGELES TELEPHONE NUMBER SEVEN SIX ONE DASH ZERO NINE
ONE EIGHT ON MARCH FOUR LAST.

SUBSCRIBER TO ABOVE NUMBER IS CAROL SARACENO, FOUR THREE FIVE ZERO FARMDALE AVENUE, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA. SACRACENO INTERVIEWED THIS DATE AND ADVISED SHE RECEIVED TELEPHONE CALL FROM HER MOTHER IN ST. LOUIS MARCH FOUR LAST. SARACENO STATED HER MOTHER CALLS HER CONSTANTLY FROM ST. LOUIS AREA. SHE HAD HER TELEPHONE NUMBER CHANGED BECAUSE OF NUMEROUS COLLECT CALLS FROM HER MOTHER. SHE DOES NOT KNOW WHEREABOUTS OF MOTHER IN ST. LOUIS.

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632PM URGENT 5-22-68 ENT
TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) MEMPHIS CHICAGO ST. LOUIS
FROM KANSAS CITY (44-760) 2P

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DAILY SUMMARY.

RE KANSAS CITY DAILY SUMMARY TEL MAY TWO ONE LAST, AIR MAIL COPIES CHICAGO AND ST. LOUIS.

RE INTERVIEW OF ATTORNEY PHILLIP BAKER, INDEPENDENCE, MO.

RECORDS MSP, JEFFERSON CITY, MO., REFLECT THAT FORMER INMATE, JOHN
WILLIAM, AKA. JOHN WILLIAM MYERS, MSP NO. ZERO THREE EIGHT FOUR
EIGHT, WAS DISCHARGED FROM MSP, APRIL FIVE, SIXTY-EIGHT, PROBABLE
RESIDENCE NOT GIVEN, BUT WHEREABOUTS CAN PROBABLY BE DETERMINED
THROUGH EITHER HIS MOTHER, LILLIAN MEYER, NUMBER ONE FOUR ZERO ON
ONE HUNDRED THIRTY AVE., GULFPORT, MISS., OR FRIEND, MRS. IRENE
COLLINS, FIVE FOUR FOUR SEVEN WEST CHICAGO AVE., CHICAGO. FORMER
INMATE NATHAN J. MURPHY, MSP NO. ZERO FOUR SEVEN TWO FIVE, WAS
PAROLED JULY TWO EIGHT, SIXTY-FOUR, FROM MSP, TO RESIDE WITH HIS
WIFE, NAME NOT LISTED, TWO EIGHT THREE SIX EADS AVE., ST. LOUIS.,
AND WAS DISCHARGED FROM PAROLE JAN. FOUR, SIXTY-SEVEN, AT WHICH
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TIME HE COULD BE REACHED THROUGH JOHN A. ZITZENZANICH: THREE ONE SEVEN SEVEN A OREGON ST., ST. LOUIS.

CHICAGO AND ST. LOUIS, INTERVIEW ABOVE ASSOCIATES OF MEYER AND MURPHY TO LOCATE THEM FOR INTERVIEW RE SUBJECT.

SEPARATE TEL TO JACKSON WITH INFO IN REFERENCED TEL-ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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RE JOHN LARRY RAY

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ARTICLE APPEARED, FRONT PAGE, SL GLOBE DEMOCRAT SL NEWSPAPER, INTERVIEW WITH JOHN, QUOTING HIM SAYING FAMILY CLOSE, COULD BORROW FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS ANY TIME FROM FATHER, BROTHER SISTER, FIRST NAMES ONLY GIVEN. INDICATES SISTER OWNS TAVERN HE OPERATES, AND THAT HE ALSO OWNS TRUCKING BUSINESS. BELIEF SUBJECT FALL GUY.

ON INTERVIEW BY SAS, SAID REPORTER EXHIBITED A P STORY BY LA TIMES REPORTER HE REFUSED TO TALK TO, STATING HE HATED SUBJECT, AND CONNED HIM INTO CORRECTING SAME. HAS BEEN DODGING REPORTERS AND TV SINCE. EXTREMELY FEARFUL OF NEGRO REPRISALS IF RELATIONSHIP TO SUBJECT BECOMES GENERALLY KNOWN. MAY CLOSE GRAPEVINE.

DENIED TRUCKING INTEREST. FRIEND CLARENCE HAYNES HAS TRUCK END PAGE ONE

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AND THEY HAVE CONTEMPLATED ENTERING MOVING BUSINESS. HAYNES MAY HAVE HAD BUSINESS CARDS PRINTED.

FATHER, JERRY AND HE HAVE FREQUENTLY SENT CAROL PEPPER MONEY
TO PLACE IN HER ACCOUNT. OBTAIN MONEY FROM HER WHEN NEEDED. NO
IDEA WHO OWES WHO WHAT OR WHETHER RETURN OF MONEY OR LOAN. JOHN
USUALLY CARRIES FIVE OR SEX HUNDRED DOLLARS ON PERSON. OBTAINED
THOUSAND DOLLARS OF FATHERS MONEY FROM CAROL PRIOR TO SAN FRANCISCO
TRIP AUGUST SIXTY SEVEN. GAVE SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT VERSION OF TRIP.

FURNISHED INFO RE OWN TRAVELS SIXTY AND SIXTY TWO. CLAIMS KNOWS NO FRIENDS OF SUBJECT IN ANY PART OF COUNTRY. DENIES CONTACT WITH SUBJECT OR KNOWLEDGE OF WHEREABOUTS SINCE ESCAPE. RE JERRY RAYNES AND CAROL PEPPER. SOURCES AND SPOT CHECKS DISCLOSED NO SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY TODAY.

RE JOHN EUGENE GAWRON.

REINTERVIEW CURRENTLY IN PROGRESS. RESULTS WILL BE FURNISHED TOMORROW.

RE FELLOW PRISONER WALTER E. NOLAN

NOTE NOLAN APPEARED COOPERATIVE LAST INTERVIEW.
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POINTED OUT HE WAS RELEASED MSP LAST SEPTEMBER, AND RAY WOULD HAVE NO WAY OF KNOWING OF RELEASE OR PRESENT WHEREABOUTS.

SL HAS NO EVIDENCE OF ANY CONTACT BETWEEN NOLAN AND RAY, OR NOLAN KNOWLEDGE OF RAY WHEREABOUTS FOLLOWING ESCAPE. NOLAN TOLL CHECKS DISCLOSE TO DATE ONLY LEGITIMATE CALLS BY LANDLADY AND OTHER TENNANTS. UACB NOLAN TOLL CHECKS WILL BE DISCONTINUED BUT LIAISON WITH NOLAN CONTINUE.

RE CIRCUIT JUDGE JOHN C. CASEY.

JUDGE CASEY INTENDS PUBLIC ORDER MAY TWENTY FOUR FOR SUBJECT TO APPEAR AND PROSECUTE MOTION TO VACATE BY JUNE THREE OR FACE DISMISSAL. PLUS BENCH STATEMENT MOTION APPEARS GOOD IF PROPERLY PRESENTED AND FOLLOWED. FEARS RESULTANT PUBLICITY MAY BE INTERPRETED BY NEGROES AS KING KILLER WHITEWASH AND PRECIPITATE POCAM DIFFICULTY. BUREAU OBSERVATIONS REQUESTED BY SEPERATE TELETYPE. SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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RE SL TELS NINE TWO SEVEN AM AND TWO ZERO EIGHT PM MAY ELEVEN. AND BUTEL TEN SEVENTEEN AM MAY THIRTEEN LAST, RE SL CIRCUIT JUDGE JOHN E. CASEY.

JUDGE CASEY TODAY ADVISED CIRCUIT ATTORNEY FILED NOTICE MAY FIFTEEN TO TAKE UP STATE MOTION TO DISMISS RAY MOTION TO VACATE. ON MAY SEVENTEEN. ON THAT DATE RAY ATTORNEY, WHO HAS NEVER SEEN RAY AS WAS APPOINTED BY COURT SUBSEQUENT TO ESCAPE, FILED MEMO FOR CLERN ALLEGING INSUFFICENT NOTICE, CITING MO. FIVE DAY RULE. COURT SUSTAINED. NEW NOTICE ISSUED THAT DATE TO TAKE UP MOTION ON MAY TWENTY FOUR.

CASEY INTENDS THAT DATE TO ISSUE PUBLIC ORDER FOR SUBJECT TO APPEAR PERSONALLY AND PROSECUTE MOTION WITH ATTORNEY BY JUNE THIRD OR FACE DISMISSAL. IS CONSIDERING STATEMENT FROM BENCH THAT RAY MOTION APPEARS TO BE GOOD ONE IF PROPERLY PRESENTED AND PURSUED. END PAGE ONE

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BELIEVES THIS WILL RESULT IN PUBLICITY AND THATMAXIMUM PUBLICITY
DESIREABLE ON REMOTE CHANCE RAY MIGHT GIVE SELF UP.

IS MINDFUL OF FACT OF POCAM CONTINUING THRU END OF MAY, AND IS CONCERNED LEST ACTION BE SEIZED UPON BY MASS OF NEGROES THERE AS EVIDENCE OF ESTABLISHMENT INTENTION TO WHITEWASH KING KILLING, VIZ COME HOME ALL IS FORGIVEN, WHICH MIGHT RESULT IN CIVIL INSURRECTION.

CAN POSTPONE ORDER AND REMARKS UNTIL AFTER DISPERSAL OF POCAM IF RIOT RISK DEEMED TO GREAT.

CASEY SINCERELY BELIEVES GREATER THE PUBLICITY. THE GREATER THE POSSIBILITY OF RAY SURRENDER AS WELL AS POSSIBLE POCAM DISTRUBANCE. WHICH HE DOES NOT DESIRE TO PRECIPTIATE. EXPRESSED URGENT DESIRE FOR MORE INFORMED CONFIDENTIAL OPINION AS TO WHETHER POSSIBLE POCAM DISTURBANCE RISK MIGHT BE AS GREAT AS APPEARS TO HIM.

HE WAS ADVISED BUREAU WOULD PROBABLY NOT PRESUME TO ADVISE
HIM AS TO PROPRIETY OF POSTPONEMENT, OR OTHER ACTION IN MATTER.
AS SAME ENTIRELY WITHIN HIS OWN DISCRETION, BUT AT HIS INSISTENCE
IT WAS AGREED THAT MATTER WOULD BE BROUGHT TO BUREAU ATTENTION
FOR WHATEVER OBSERVATIONS IT MIGHT CARE TO MAKE.
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NOTE CASEY APPEARS DESIROUS OF COOPERATING FULLY WITH BUREAU
IN ANY MANNER POSSIBLE, AND IS MINDFUL OF URGENT NECESSITY FOR
EARLIEST POSSIBLE APPREHENSION OF SUBJECT.

SL NOT IN POSSESSION OF SUFFICIENT OVERALL INFORMATION RE
POCAM OR INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED, TO MAKE INTELLIGENT RECOMM
OR INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED, TO MAKE INTELLIGENT RECOMMENDATION,
BUT SINCE POSTPONEMENT TO AFTER POCAM DISPERSAL WOULD INVOLVE NO
HARDSHIP, AND SINCE PUBLICITY AT ANY TIME WOULD APPEAR HIGHLY
TENUOUS MEANS OF SECURING APPREHENSION, SL IS INCLINED TO
RECOMMEND CONFIDENTIAL SUGGESTION OF POSTPONEMENT IF ANY RISK
OF POSSIBLE POCAM DIFFICULTY APPEARS.

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