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# Kennedy Dies in Los Angeles Hospital 25 Hours After Being Shot by Assassin

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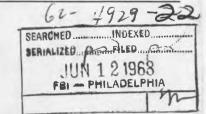
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LOS ANGELES (UPI). — Sen. Robert F. Kennedy died this morning, 25 hours after he was shot by an assassin.

Sen. Kennedy, who was killed while seeking his party's Presidential nomination, died four and a half years after his brother, President John F. Kennedy, befell a similar fate.

With the 42-year-old Senator when he died were his wife, Ethel, and Mrs. Jacqueline Ken-

nedy, the former President's widow.

Sen. Kennedy succumbed of extensive brain damage caused when his assassin fired eight shots at point-blank range.

Death came at 1:44 A. M. PDT (4:44 A. M. EDT) and was attributed to a "bullet that

entered his head behind the right ear."

"He was not able to build back up tissue after the trauma of last night and the surgery this morning," said Frank Mankiewicz, Kennedy's press secretary who made the official announcement.

President Johnson was informed immediately of the death and proclaimed a day of national mourning.

An unidentified priest was also with the New York Senator at the time of death, as were his brother, Sen. Edward Kennedy; his sisters, Mrs. Stephen Smith and Patricia Lawford, and his brother-in-law, Stephen Smith.

Deputy Police Chief Noel Mc-Quown of the Los Angeles Pol-Quown of the Los Angeles Police Department said he assumed charges against Sirhan Bishara Sirhan, the 24-year-old Jordanian immigrant accused of the shooting, would be changed to nurder.

At 5:20 P. M. PDT (8:30 P. M. EDT), 17 hours after the 42-year-old Kennedy entered the hospital, doctors said they were concerned over his failure to show improvement in his "extremely critical condition."

miles fro mthe hospital where nedy's condition." the Senator died.

5 was the first aniversary of the to form. start of the six day Israeli-Arab Dr. Henry Cuneo, who assist

Serhan, an outspoken Arab sym- the spinal cord. pathizer, may have been angered by Kennedy's campaign remarks that the U. S. should supply the Jewish State of Israel with weapons as long as the Arab world continued its

At 5:20 P. M. PDT (8:30 P. M.

McQuown said he did not noted that the "results of a now whether Sirhan had been series of tests undertaken by in for med of Sen. Kennedy's the medical team are incondeath. He was held in the Los clusive and do not show measAngeles county jail, about five urable improvement in Sen. Ken-

Authorities pondered an entry right side of Kennedy's head written in a notebook found in just behind the ear, severed sevthe accused man's apartment: eral major arteries, caused ex-"KENNEDY has to be assassi- tensive loss of blood and oxygen nated before June 5, 1968." June and caused several blood clots

ed in the operation, said Ken There was speculation that nedy also suffered injuries to

SIRHAN, suspected of being ing his victory in the California he gunman who emptied eight whots at Kennedy from a .22-baliber revolver from a distance of three feet, was an Arab refusee who came to the U.S. refugee who came to the U.S.

statements about assassinating case."

Sen. Robert F. Kennedy," the Reddin said Sirhan broke a tify himself to police and was mayor said, as well as "state-finger and sprained an ankle therefore arraigned officially

the Southern California chapter and not the man to the treat-solute knowledge that Sirhan of the American Civil Liberties ment."
Union, said he "regretted" LOS ANGELES police turned book contents, implying the County Sheriff's Department shooting until we're absolutely statements could make it more vesterday.

difficult to find an impartial "If the Sheriff is doing what "If the Sheriff is doing what "ALTHOUGH TWO of Sirhan's

injured in the shooting only minwies after Kennedy snoke to

No newsmen were present individual who talked about "everything the District Attorney and a reparer clipping critical of Ken-Chief Thomas Reddin.

No newsmen were present individual individual the proceedings, with the proceedings, with the control of the proceedings, with the proceedings and the proceedings are proceedings.

nedy and four \$100 bills in his The police chief, who would He was arraigned on six possession when he was apprenot elaborate on the Mayor's counts of assault with intent to hended seconds after the shoot-disclosure of the notebook with commit murder and bail was set ing in a small room directly be- the implied assassination threat, at \$250,000. hind the main ballroom of the said his men were no longer Arrangements were to be Ambassador Hotel.

Ambassador Hotel. The notebook contained "many interview may damage the on murder charges.

ments saying the suspect is in the struggle that broke out as "John Doe." sympathetic to Communism, moments after the shots were Sirhan's identity was tracely whether it be Russian, Chinese fired. The injuries were minor, through the pistol used during and so forth.

Reddin said, adding, "We'll the shooting. A. L. Wirin, chief counsel of take the treatment to the man Reddin said police had no ab-

Yorty's disclosure of the note-Sirhan over to the Los Angeles person was involved in this

we did he (Sirhan) is in a cell

the cell sating on a chair watch-

Sirhan had refused to iden-

acted alone.

"We'll never say only one

ALTHOUGH TWO of Sirhan's FIVE OTHER persons wereby himself with an officer in brothers were questioned extensively by police, they were later released without being charged.

> Neighbors said the Sirhan family was "quiet and very normal."

> Sirhan, however, was known to his friends and a former employer as a passionate Arab partisan.

"I think he did this for his country, not necessarily this country," said John H. Weidner, proprietor of a health food store where Sirhan worked for a short time early this year as a clerk. "He was a man who said, 'Don't step on my toes' Weidner said. "He fought for what he thought was right."



KENNEDY CHILDREN FLOWN HOME—Six of the 10 Kennedy children, accompanied by their dog, Freckles, leave Beverly Hills en route to Los Angeles International Airport. They were flown to Washington aboard Air Force plane supplied by Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey. Children were accompanied by former astronaut John Glenn and his wife.

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# Sen. Kennedy Shot at Calif. Victory Rally, Receives Brain Surgery; Gunman Soized

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LOS ANGELES (UPI). — Sen. Robert F. Kennedy was critically wounded early today by a gunman who mingled with the crowd at his victory celebration after the California primary election.

Five other persons also were wounded in the shooting shortly after

midnight.

A team of six neurosurgeons this morning was operating on the 42year-old Senator to remove a bullet from his brain.

Kennedy was shot in the head near the right ear and also suffered

a lesser wound in the shoulder.

"The operation will take about 45 minutes to an hour," said Frank Mankiewicz, Kennedy's press secretary. He said the Senator was unconscious and "doctors describe his condition as very critical."

The shooting occurred at the Ambassador Hotel as Kennedy left the Embassy Room where he had been cheered enthusiastically by his backers minutes after he took the lead over Sen. Eugene J. McCarthy in the Presidential preference voting.

It was four years and six months ago that Kennedy's brother, President John F. Kennedy, was slain by two bullets from an assassin's rifle while riding in a motorcade in Dallas, Tex.

"We do not have information at this point to lead us to believe that any conspiracy was involved, although we have not ruled that out," said Police Inspector Robert Rock.

The inspector said that a suspect, who was not immediately identified, was taken into custody moments after the shooting. Rock said the suspect, a black-haired youth wearing a sweatshirt and blue jeans, "put up a good fight" before being subdued.

"As of now, he has declined to tell us who he is or anything about himself," Rock said. "We have the gun in custody."

POLICE CHIEF Thomas Reddin said at a news conference this morning that "as near as we can tell, there's only one person involved."

Reddin said the suspect was a white male, 25 to 28 years old, 5 feet 6, 125 to 140 pounds and with a swarthy complexion. He said the weapon was a .22-caliber pistol and all eight shots had been fired before the suspect was seized.

Reddin said the suspect's fingerprints had been sent to the FBI in Washington. He said the man had no identification in his possession, "just some scraps of paper."

"He does not respond to que

ticking but apparently under stands questions put to him," Reddin said. He doesn't appear Johnson, sports star members to be under the influence of drugs. Nobody has any idea of the support attempted to the support attempted to the start of a stroke several years ago.

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Room was the scene of the shooting. Kennedy was felled ahead of his wife, Ethel, when the bullets while walking the shooting occurred.

It was a "cursory examina- and we turned the guy over to tion," Dr. Miller said, but on the police," La Hive said. by the bullets while walking the shooting occurred. toward the freight elevator. At kitchen toward a corridor going describe his condition as criti-decathlon champion now aiding first, many witnesses thought to the freight elevator," said cal."

The first condition as critically called the Kennedy campaign. crackers.

As word of the shooting feet behind the Senator. Shouts that "Bobby has been all like gunfire.

nedy were Paul Schrade, a union crush of people. William Weisel, 30, a TV news- them came in. man; Irwin Stroll, 17, and Mrs. Elizabeth Evans.

Goldstein were hit in the legs. Weisel ws seriously hurt with a fullet in the abdomen.

The Senator was a half step heart beat."

someone had set off fire- Norbert Schlei, a prominent Los

shot" resounded around the "It sounded like a cap pistol room and aides grabbed the or someone popping a paper the podium and said, 'He's been microphone to plead for a sack. There were four people shot,'" Chambers reported. lying on the floor after the shots " 'They've shot Kennedy.' " Those wounded besides Ken. . . there was a tremendous

"Sen. Kennedy lay on the floor is needed urgently!" lizabeth Evans.

and his face was tense and Don Shulman, an employe of gunman wearing a workshirt TV station KNXT, said the and his hair tousled, fired one

SCHLEI, former assistant at mediate confirmation of this.

transferred within an hour to the hotel kitchen. nearby Good Samaritan Hospisummoned.

The shooting occurred about Warren Wilson, a

12:15 A. M. PDT (3:15 A. M. porter, reported that Remedy EDT) as Kennedy pulled a bare was conscious and talking after 1000 votes ahead of McCarthy. the shooting.

Sen. Edward M. (Ted) Kennedy (D., Mass.) telephoned his

Mrs. Joseph P. Kennedy, were thing and the most helpful thing not immediately informed of the would be to leave the room." shooting, according to Ann Gar- Joe La Hive, a member of gan, a niece of the elder Ken- Kennedy's headquarters staff in THE SUSPECT was grabbed nedy. The father is a semi-invalid Los Angeles, said he and an-

drugs. Nobody has any idea the suspect attempted to nide Kennedy immediately after the then we both grabbed the gur-who he may be." be hind a steam table in a Senator was shot, said Kennedy man and threw him up on A KITCHEN off the Embassy kitchen off the Embassy Room. had a head wound, but a "good table. The guy grabbed his gus

"He was walking through the its basis "I would be forced to

Miller said Kennedy's pulse Angeles Democrat who was 10 was "rapid but strong and full." spread to the ballroom, the "He stopped to shake hands crowd that had just heard Kennedy with the kitchen help and I nedy vow "to rid the country of violence" erupted into bedlam. clap, clap, like gunfire.

Shouts that "Robby has been all like gunfire."

was walking near Kennedy when the shooting occurred. He said he was a few steps away when he "heard several loud noises like popping fire."

Goldstein, 19, a radio newsman; a doctor and about three of a doctor in the house? Is there out of the hotel to the hospital. a doctor in the house? A doctor

ered scalp wounds; Stroll and I didn't hear him say anything." gunman was shot by Kennedy's shot, then five more in quick bodyguards. There was no im- succession. A woman screamed,

torney general under Kennedy, GABOR KADAR, who said he said an ambulance crew took was waiting at the rear exit to Ross Miller, then three other him away on a stretcher by the room to shake hands with doctors arrived." way of the freight elevator. He the Senator, heard four or five said. said there was blood on the shots and saw Kennedy and a woman fall to the floor.

"Sen. Kennedy was holding

Kadar said he saw Kennedy's country. Kennedy was taken first to wife, kneeling beside the Sena-

Senator was lying.

SMITH, speaking calmly moments after the shooting, said:

nedy (D., Mass.) telephoned his family in Hyannis, Mass., from can do here is in an orderly California and said his brother fashion leave the room. Would you please do that? In an order-The Senator's parents, Mr. and ly way clear the room. The best

and handed it to Rafer Johnson

Johnson is a former Olympic

David Jayne, an ABC pro-JOHN CHAMBERS, a UPI was walking near Kennedy when ducer in Los Angeles, said he

ment "there was pandemonium." crackers," and dived to the ground. When he looked up he saw Kennedy fall in front of

ONE NEWSMAN said a priest Kennedy's brother - in - law, rushed up to Kennedy and hand-Stephen Smith, rushed to the ed the Senator a rosary. Kenofficial in Kennedy's party; Ira "I ran out and shouted for podium and shouted, "Is there nedy clutched it, then was taken

Dr. Marcus McBroom of Lo Angeles, an eyewitness, said the "Get a doctor!"

"I went out and brought Dr. McBroom

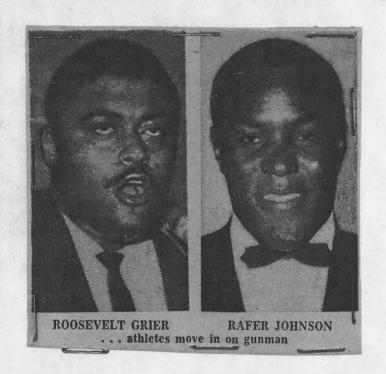
McBroom said the man who was captured "was yelling some of nearly 500 persons knelt in the right side of his chest and thing about saving the country prayer around the fountain in there was blood on his head," or something. What he said was the main lobby of the hotel.

Kadar said. something like, 'I did it for my

When hospital attendants car-Central Receiving Hospital and tor as he lay on the floor of ried the Senator from the hotel on a stretcher his wife was Aides quickly blocked the en-holding a handkerchief to his tal. Several specialists were trance to the room where the head. Mrs. Kennedy's face was drawn but she did not appear to be weeping.



SHOT IN HEAD, SEN. ROBERT F. KENNEDY lies on floor of room just off main ballroom of Los Angeles' Ambassador Hotel shortly after attempted assassination, and campaign aides try to assess extent of wound.



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RE NEWARK TELETYPE TO BUREAU, LOS ANGELES, NEW YORK AND PHILA. SIX THIRTEEN LAST.

SABASTIAN FRANCIS DONNARUMMA, ONE SEVEN TWO EIGHT MEMPHIS ST., PHILA., ADVISED SIX FOURTEEN INSTANT THAT HE KNOWS NO ONE BY THE NAME OF FRANK DONNARUMMA AND FURTHER HE KNOWS NO ONE BY THE NAME OF HENRY DONALD RAMISTELLA. SABASTIAN ADVISED SALVATORE DONNARUMMA IS HIS BROTHER AND THAT HE KNOWS OF NO OTHER DONNARUMMA IN THE HORSE RACING BUSINESS. SABASTIAN ADVISED HE TRAINS HARNESS RACE HORSES ON THE FARM OF ANTONIO PUTORTI, MICKELTON, N.J. FOR INFORMATION SABASTIAN FRANCIS DONNARUMMA IN NO WAY MATCHES THE DESCRIPTION OF HENRY DONALD RAMISTELLA, WHICH IS AN ALIAS OF FRANK DONNARUMMA.

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RE LA TEL TO BU AND NEWARK. JUNE ELEVEN LAST.

RE BURMINGHAM TEL TO BU, JUNE TWELVE LAST.

FOR INFORMATION OF NEW YORK AND PHILADELPHIA SIRHAN SIRHAN WORKED AT GRANJA VISTA DEL RIO FARMS, RIVERSIDE CO., FROM JUNE TWO, SIXTY SIX, TO DECEMBER TEN, SIXTY SIX AS EXERCISE BOY WITH THOROUGHBRED HORSES.

THE TRAINER WAS A FRANK DONNARUMMA. INFO FROM THE FARM AND FROM OTHER SOURCES INDICATED THAT DONNARUMMA WAS FAIRLY WELL ACQUAINTED WITH SIRHAN. ONE PERSON ADVISED THEY BELIEVED SIRHAN LIVED PART TIME WITH DONNARUMMA AND HIS WIFE.

BERT ALTFILLISCH, MANAGER OF FARMS, STATED DONNARUMMA AND HIS WIFE, NAME UNKNOWN, WERE BOTH ALCOHOLICS. ABOUT THREE MONTHS AGO, HE RECEIVED LONG DISTANCE CALL FROM DONNARUMMA.

HE STATED HE WAS INQUIRING ABOUT TRAINERS JOBS, BUT WAS

PRESENTLY LIVING AND WORKING IN EITHER NEWARK OR WEST NEW SERV

YORK, NEW JERSEY. HE CLAIMED HE WAS WORKING AT A TIRE

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MANUFACTURING CO. ALTFILLISCH SAID THAT DONNARUMMA WAS HOPELESSLY IN DEBT WHEN LEFT RIVERSIDE AND IS PROBABLY IN THE SAME SITUATION IN THE NEVARK AREA.

RECORDS, RIVERSIDE SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHOW DONNARUMMA TO
BE WHITE MALE, BORN MARCH TWENTY ONE, THIRTY TWO, NYC, NY, FIVE
FEET SIX INCHES, ONE THREE ZERO POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, BLUE EYES,
SSN ZERO FIVE EIGHT DASH TWO EIGHT DASH SEVEN EIGHT FIVE TWO,
FBI NUMBER THREE SIX FIVE SIX NINE SEVEN C, ALIAS HENRY DONALD
RAMISTELLA, LAST KNOWN ARRESTED JULY FOUR LAST, RIVERSIDE FOR
DRUNK AND DRUNK DRIVING. SENTENCED TO WEEKENDS IN JAIL, BUT
DID NOT SHOW FOR WEEKENDS AND MISDEMEANOR WARRANT OUTSATNDING.
DONNARUMMA ARRESTED UNDER NAME RAMISTELLA BY POLICE DEPT., WEST
NEW YORK, NJ, JUNE TWENTY FOUR, FIFTY EIGHT, THEIR NUMBER
TWO THREE ZERO FIVE.

ON JUNE TWELVE LAST, MANAGER OF LOCAL FIRESTONE TIRE STORE ADVISED THERE ARE NO TIRE MANUFACTURING COMPANIES IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

RECORDS OF NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE CONCERNING HORSE TRACK EMPLOYEES, TRAINERS AND OWNERS REFLECTS A SALVATORE DONNARUMMA, BORN DECEMBER FOURTEEN, TWENTY SIX, RESIDENCE OF NINE EIGHT DASH THIRD PLACE, BROOKLYN, NY., AS AN OWNER AT FREEHOLD RACEWAY AND A SABASTIAN F. DONNARUMMA, BORN MARCH FOUR, TWENTY NINE, AT BROOKLYN, NY., RESIDENCE OF ONE SEVEN TWO EIGHT MEMPHIS ST., E N D PAGE TVO.....

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PHILADELPHIA, PA., AS TRAINER AT FREEHOLD.

RECORDS OF WEST NEW YORK, NJ, POLICE DEPT.

REFLECT THAT HENRY RAMISTELLA, FBI NUMBER THREE SIX

FIVE SIX NINE SEVEN C, WAS ARRESTED JUNE TWENTY FOUR,

FIFTY EIGHT, FOR ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF NARCOTICS, RECEIVING

ONE YEAR PROBATION. RAMISTELLA DESCRIBED WHITE MALE, BORN

MARCH TWENTY FIVE, THIRTY FOUR, BRONX, NY, FIVE FEET SEVEN

INCHES, ONE THIRTY LBS., SLIM BUILD, MEDIUM COMPLEXION, BLUE EYES,

BROWN HAIR, OCCUPATION EXERCISE BOY - HORSES, PRIOR RESIDENCE

OF SIX SIX ZERO ONE BROADWAY, AND ONE TWO ZERO FIVE BOULEVARD

EAST, BOTH WEST NEW YORK, NJ. NEW JERSEY CREDIT RECORDS

NEGATIVE.

INVESTIGATION AT ONE TWO ZERO FIVE BOULEVARD EAST, WEST NEW YORK, NJ, REFLECTED IT TO BE A NONEXISTENT ADDRESS AND SIX SIX ONE ZERO BROADWAY, WEST NEW YORK, NJ, TO BE APARTMENT BUILDING.

MRS. FRIEDA DAMMEYER, SUPT. OF THIS BUILDING
FOR OVER EIGHTEEN YEARS, ADVISED NAMES DONNARUMMA AND
RAMISTELLA WERE UNFAMILIAR TO HER. PHOTO OF RAMISTELLA
WAS EXHIBITED TO HER AND SHE REPLIED THAT SHE HAD NEVER SEEN
HIM NOR DID HE LIVE AT THIS ADDRESS.

NEWARK INDICES REFLECT THAT HENRY RAMISTELLA IN NINETEEN FIFTY EIGHT WORKEDAS AN EXERCISE BOY FOR A HORSE OWNED BY JOSEPH ARTHUR ZISARELLI, WELL-KNOWN LA COSTA NOSTRA MEMBER IN NEW JERSEY, (BUFILE NINE TWO-THREE ONE ZERO SEVEN).

THIS DATE, SYLVIA FOGELSON, FORTY FIVE A
LINN DRIVE., VERONA, NJ, ADVISED THAT ON MAY SIXTEEN OR
SEVENTEEN, SHE WAS A MEMBER OF A TOUR, NAME NOT RECALLED,
IN JERUSALEM AND WHILE IN THE JORDANIAN SECTION AN
UNKNOWN ARAB MALE TOLD THEM THAT SENATOR ROBERT KENNEDY
HAD BEEN SHOT. MRS. FOGELSON SAID THE MAN GAVE NO FURTHER
DETAILS AND WAS NOT SEEN AGAIN. SHE SUPPOSED IT TO BE A
HOAX AND LATER AFTER SENATOR KENNEDY WAS SHOT DECIDED TO NOTIFY
AUTHORITIES OF THE ABOVE.

MISS ELIZABETH SINTON, TWENTY-NINE GRANT STREET, MT.
HOLLY, NJ., ADVISED SHE WAS ON THE BROWNELL TOUR IN JERUSALEM DURING MAY, NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT, BUT AT NO TIME HEARD THEIR
GUIDE OR ANY OTHER PERSON MENTION THAT SENATOR KENNEDY HAD BEEN SHOT.

NEW YORK, AT BROOKLYN, NY, WILL INTERVIEW SALVATORE DONNARUMMA, NINETY EIGHT DASH THIRD PL., AND DETERMINE IF FRANK DONNARUMMA, AKA HENRY RAMISTELLA IS KNOWN TO HIM.

PHILADELPHIA, AT PHILADELPHIA, WILL INTERVIEW SABASTIAN

F. DONNARUMMA, ONE SEVEN TWO EIGHT MEMPHIS STREET, CONCERNING

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ROLAND KAISER, CONCESSION MANAGER, BARTOK CIRCUS, BERLIN,
NJ, ADVISED JUNE THIRTEEN LAST THAT IN ONE NINE SIX SIX AND
ONE NINE SIX SEVEN HE WAS CONCESSION MANAGER FOR RINGLING
BROTHERS AND BARNUM AND BAILEY CIRCUS. IN APPROXIMATELY
AUGUST, SIX SIX WHEN RINGLING SHOW WAS PLAYING AT LOS ANGELES
ONE HASSON SHAHIB EMPLOYED BY KAISER WITH SHOW AS A BUTCHER
BROUGHT A YOUNG MAN TO HIM WHO APPEARED TO BE OF LEBANESE
EXTRACTION, SLENDER BUILD, FIVE FEET FIVE INCHES, FOR
EMPLOYMENT WITH THE SHOW. A BUTCHER IS A CIRCUS EMPLOYEE
WHO SELLS CONCESSIONS DURING THE PERFORMANCE. THE INDIVIDUAL
BROUGHT TO HIM BY SHAHIB WAS HIRED AS A BUTCHER AT LOS
ANGELES BUT ONLY WORKED ONE DAY AS HE WAS CAUGHT CHEATING AND
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STEALING MONEY. IN ONE NINE SIX SEVEN THIS SAME INDIVIDUAL APPEARED AT THE RINGLING CIRCUS LOT IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, AND REQUESTED EMPLOYMENT OF KAISER AS BUTCHER WITH SHOW. KAISER DETERMINED THAT THIS INDIVIDUAL HAD STOLEN A WATCH FROM ANOTHER CIRCUS EMPLOYEE AND HE WAS NOT HIRED. KAISER HAS SEEN PHOTOGRAPHS IN NEWSPAPER OF SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN WHO KILLED SENATOR KENNEDY AND ALTHOUGH HE CANNOT BE CERTAIN HE FEELS THAT AFOREMENTIONED INDIVIDUAL BROUGHT TO HIM FOR EMPLOYMENT BY SHAHIB IS IDENTICAL TO SIRHAN. KAISER DID NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT CONTACT WITH THIS INDIVIDUAL IN ONE NINE SIX SIX OR ONE NINE SIX SEVEN TO LEARN ANYTHING RELATIVE TO HIS ASSOCIATIONS OR TO OBTAIN INFO RE HIS BACKGROUND. KAISER ADVISED THAT AS THIS INDIVIDUAL WAS ONLY HIRED ON ONE OCCASION FOR ONE DAY THERE WOULD BE NO RECORD OF EMPLOYMENT OF HIM WITH RINGLING BROTHERS CIRCUS. KAISER STATED THAT HASSON SHAHIB COMES FROM TOLEDO, OHIO, AND HE LAST SAW THIS INDIVIDUAL LAST WEEK AT THE SPECTRUM IN PHILADELPHIA. PA.. WHERE SHAHIB WAS WORKING AS A BUTCHER AT RINGLING CIRCUS. END PAGE TWO

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HE DOES NOT KNOW WHETHER SHAHIB WAS EMPLOYED BY THE SPECTRUM OR IS TRA ELING WITH RINGLING SHOW WHICH IS NOW SHOWING AT JOHNSTOWN, PA.

PHILADELPHIA CONTACT SPECTRUM OFFICIALS AND CHECK

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DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587) (& SAC LOS ANGELES 56-156)

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RE NEWARK TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU DATED JUNE THIRTEEN \

ON JUNE FOURTEEN INSTANT, SALVATORE PAUL DONNARUMMA, NINE EIGHT DASH THIRD PLACE, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK, WHITE MAKE, BORN DECEMBER FOURTEEN, NINETEEN TWENTY SIX, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK, FIVE FEET SEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY FIVE POUNDS, WIFE THERESA, DENIED KNOWING FRANK DONNARUMMA OR SIRHAN SIRHAN. SAL DONNARUMMA EMPLOYED AS CHAUFFEUR, BROWNS LIMOUSINE, KENNEDY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, PART TIME INACTIVE HORSE TRAINER, HONORABLE DISCHARGE, UNITED STATES ARMY AIR CORPS JANUARY NINETEEN, NINETEEN FORTY SEVEN, SERIAL NUMBER ONE TWO TWO THREE THREE NINE ONE NINE. DENIED ARRESTS.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, ALBANY

DATE: 6/14/68

FROM SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

SUBJECT: KENSALT

On 6/13/68, Bureau authority granted to furnish all continental offices with a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN to assist in covering leads.

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HUGH MC DONALD, SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY'S OFFICE, NEW SENATE OFFICE BUILDING, ADVISED INSTANT FOLLOWING CORRESPONDENTS WERE WITH OFFICIAL KENNEDY PARTY AT AMBASSADOR HOTEL, LOS ANGELES, AT TIME OF ASSASSINATION.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (62-36/)

FROM:

SAC, DENVER (62-2416)(P)

RE:

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INFORMATION CONCERNING

On 6/13/68 Attorney DAN EDWARDS, firm of Love, Cole, and Murphy, Colorado Springs, Colorado, advised SA RANSOM A. WHITTLE, Colorado Springs Resident Agency, that he was defending one EDWARD POLE and intended pleading POLE guilty to a forgery charge on that date. He stated POLE had indicated to him that he had information affecting the assassination of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

On 6/14/68 ID Officer TOM BUTLER, Colorado Springs Police Department, advised that EDWARD HUGH POLE, Colorado Springs Police Department number 20937, had FBI number 554068D, and was incarcerated Lewisburg Penitentiary, Lewisburg Y-33186-NE.

POLE was interviewed by Bureau Agents at El Paso County Jail, Colorado Springs, 6/14/68. POLE at first did not desire to discuss his information in view of fact he claimed it involved La Cosa Nostra and he feared for his life. He eventually furnished information stating that around Memorial Day, 1967, during breakfast meal at dining hall, Lewisburg Penitentiary, he was sitting at table next to JAMES HOFFA and overheard HOFFA make statement to his table companions, one described as (FNU) DeJOSEPH, WMA, early 40's, Italian descent, 5'10" tall, heavy build, heavy dark beard, even after shaving, and second individual described as name unknown, Italian descent

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with same height and build as JAMES HOFFA, 55-58 years of age, and who used to run at the penitentiary track with HOFFA. Conversation overheard was "I have a contract out on KENNEDY and if he ever gets in the primaries or ever gets elected, the contract will be fulfilled within 6 months."

Witnesses to this conversation at POLE's table were JAMES JOSEPH O'BRIEN, transferred from Lewisburg Penitentiary in early June, 1967, to Federal Penitentiary in Atlanta, Georgia; and name unknown, a bank robber who had robbed a bank at Cleveland, Ohio, had been in Lewisburg for 7 years, subsequently paroled, and after 2 years was back at Lewisburg for parole violation. This individual was originally from St. Louis and may currently be on parole to that city. He was described as a white male American, in his early 30's, 5'8" tall, slender build, black hair, and in July, 1967, was assigned to D cellblock.

Two weeks after this conversation, POLE was at clothing store and just prior to store being opened, HOFFA was at the gate of the store, waiting to get in. POLE asked HOFFA how he felt about KENNEDY and HOFFA began a tirade concerning KENNEDY's wire-tapping tactics and on this occasion, allegedly stated to POLE, "Right now KENNEDY's in no danger; but if he gets into a primary or gets elected, I won't say how or when, but he'll get knocked off." POLE stated there were no witnesses to this statement.

FD-302s will be promptly furnished Atlanta, Philadelphia, St. Louis, and Los Angeles.

Offices receiving this communication except Los Angeles conduct logical investigation to verify above conversations upon receipt of FD-302, UACB. PROTECT POLE'S IDENTITY.



Date 17, 1968

EDWARD HUGH POLE was interviewed at the El Paso County Jail, Colorado Springs, Colorado. On this occasion, POLE described himself as follows:

Date of Birth
Place of Birth
Height
Weight
Hair
Eyes
Marital Status
Wife

May 25, 1941
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
5'9½"
160 pounds
Brown
Blue

Separated from wife
KATHLEEN KRAFT, age 22, street
address unknown, Phoenixville
Pennsylvania

Son Permanent Address One son, 22 months& Route #1, Box 257, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Parents Deceased:

POLE stated he has resided at Colorado Springs for the past six months, residing at 117 South Limit Street, and has been employed by the El Paso Garage, Security, Colorado, as an auto mechanic.

POLE advised that on June 13, 1968, he pled guilty to a charge of forgery involving the theft of a payroll check from his employer and expects to receive an extensive sentence to the Colorado State Penitentiary, Canon City, Colorado. He pointed out he was previously convicted in July, 1961, U. S. District Court, Lake Charles, Louisiana, for a violation of the Dyer Act. He stated under the Federal Youth Corrections Act, he received a sentence of 60 days to 6 years. He pointed out he served 29 months at the Federal Reformatory, Chillicothe, Ohio; was paroled; violated his parole four months later; was sent back to Chillicothe and served approximately one year; again was released on parole; was out 7 months; violated his parole again; and on December 31, 1966, was incarcerated at the Lewisburg, Pennsylvania of Federals Penitentiary, from which he was released after completion of his

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On 6/14/68 of Colorado Springs, Colorado Denver 62-2416

SA ALVIN W. BERRY; SA RANSOM A. WHITTLE: pmb

Date dictated 6/14/68

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sentence on July 19, 1967.

He stated that on or about Memorial Day, 1967, he was in the dining hall at the Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary and at the table next to him was JAMES HOFFA, who was talking to the two following-described individuals:

### #1;

Race White Sex

Nationality American, of Italian descent

Name Unknown

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Height & Weight Approximately the same height and weight as JAMES HOFFA

He pointed out that this man used to run at the prison track with Mr. HOFFA.

### #2

Race White Sex

Nationality American, of Italian descent Name (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) deJOSEPH

Age Early 40's

Height 5'10"

Build Heavy build

Peculiarities. Heavy, dark beard even after

shaving

He stated on this occasion, he overheard HOFFA state to these two individuals that, "I have a contract out on KENNEDY and if he ever gets in the primaries or ever gets elected, the contract will be fulfilled within six months."

He pointed out that sitting with him, POLE, and who also overheard this conversation, were the following individuals:

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JAMES JOSEPH O'BRIEN

O'BRIEN was being transferred in June, 1967, to the Federal Penitentiary in Atlanta, Georgia. DN 62-2416 AWB & RAW: pmb

#2:

Name Unknown Sex Male White Race 'Nationality " American' Early 30's Age 51.811 Height : Build Slender Black Hair'

He stated this individual had robbed a bank at Cleveland, Ohio had been at Lewisburg for seven years; had been paroled; and after two years on the outside, had violated his parole and was back at Lewisburg. He pointed out this individual resided in D cellblock and was originally from St. Louis, Missouri, and would have been eligible for parole back to St. Louis about the present time.

Approximately two weeks after this conversation,
POLE stated he was working in the clothing store and was there earl
in the morning prior to the store opening, and that JAMES HOFFA
came to the gate. Recalling the prior conversation, he asked
HOFFA what he thought about KENNEDY. He stated HOFFA immediately began an emotional tirade over KENNEDY's use of wiretapping and HOFFA's conviction, and incarceration at Lewisburg.
He neded the conversation by stating, "Right now KENNEDY's in
no danger; but if he gets into a primary or gets elected, I
won't say how or when, but he'll get knocked off." POLE stated
there were no witnesses to this conversation.

POLE advised that in view of HOFFA's power and influence in this country, he feared for his life and under no circumstances would he testify to the above information.

Director, FBI

6/17/69

SAC, Denver (62-2418)

KEUSALT INTERNATION CONCERNING (OD: LOS AMGELES)

Re Denver airtel to the Eureau 6/14/58, cc's Atlanta, Los Angeles, Philadelphia and St. Louis.

Enclosed for Los Angeles are 9 copies, and for Atlanta, Philadelphia and St. Louis 2 copies each of FD-302 interview with EDWARD HUGH POLL.

One copy of FD-302 enclosed for information of Bureau.

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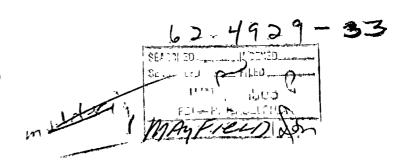
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TO :

SAC, (62-4929)

DATE: 6/18/68

FROM:

SA ROBERT F. SAVARD, JR.

SUBJECT:

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On 6/5/68, Attorney ARTHUR GOLDBERG, Blackstone Building, Harrisburg, Pa., advised that he represented MANUEL MARROQUIN, who was arrested on a gambling charge several months ago. MARROQUIN appeared in Dauphin County Court on 6/5/68, when he was sentenced to serve 2 to 12 months on charges of "Bookmaking" and "Possession of gambling paraphernalia." When GOLDBERG presented his argument to the court he had discussed with Dr. J. J. SNYDER, the physical condition of MARROQUIN who was about 60 years of age; and during the conversation with Dr. SNYDER, GOLDBERG learned that MARROQUIN's wife had made a remark to Dr. SNYDER three or four weeks ago to the effect that "BOBBY KENNEDY would not live to be President." GOLDBERG did not have any additional details regarding the statements made by Mrs. MARROQUIN but did know that Mrs. MARROQUIN had left Pennsylvania about a week or ten days ago to visit relatives in Mexico or to attend a funeral in Mexico.

On 6/5/68, Dr. JOHN J. SNYDER, 2716 Derry Street, advised that he treated Mrs. MANUEL MARROQUIN about three weeks ago. During the time he was examining her in his office, Dr. SNYDER, for the sole purpose of starting a conversation, stated to Mrs. MARROQUIN, "Well, I guess BOBBY KENNEDY will be our next President." Mrs. MARROQUIN, "He will not live to be President, "or words to that effect. Dr. SNYDER described Mrs. MARROQUIN as a white female about 37 years of age who was born in Mexico. He further described her as extremely attractive and who speaks English very fluently. She had told Dr. SNYDER three weeks ago that she was going to Mexico to visit a brother who was a Professor at some University in Mexico. Dr. SNYDER knew that it was not true that Mrs. MARROQUIN was going to Mexico for a funeral, as she had planned the trip to Mexico over three weeks ago.

Weeks ago.

On 6/8/68, MANUEL MARROQUIN, who resides at 1320

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Norton Drive, Steelton, Pa., was interviewed at the Dauphin County Jail, Harrisburg, Pa. MARROQUIN advised that his wife's maiden name was LIBRADA DEL RIO. He met her in Mexico when she was living with her uncle, Father FRANCISCO DEL RIO, at a convent in Ario de Rosales. They were married in that same town in Mexico and then he brought his wife to live with him in Steelton, Pa. MARROQUIN was positive that his wife did not have any information whatsoever about the shooting of Senator KENNEDY and was certain that his wife made the remark about the fact that Senator KENNEDY would not live to be President based on the sole fact that his brother had been assassinated. MARROQUIN further advised that his wife could not have made the statement, as she could "hardly speak English."

The following description of MARROQUIN was obtained through observation and interview:

MANUEL MARROQUIN Name White Race Male Sex 60 Age 12/22/07 DOB Ario de Rosales, Mexico POB 515" Height 150 Weight Hair Black, turning grey Brown, wears glasses Eyes Immigrated from Mexico to Citizenship Steelton, Pa., 1926 and became a naturalized citizen in Harrisburg, Pa., 1939. Numerous arrests for gambling Arrest record in Steelton, Pa.

ABOVE IS FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

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To: DIRECTOR, PBI (56-587)

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (175-16)

RE: KRISALT

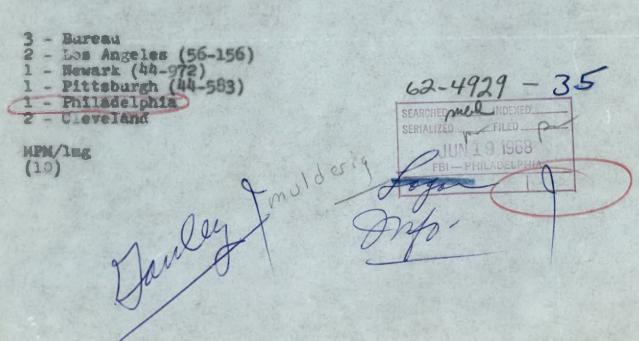
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Re Hewark tel, 6-14-68, and Pittsburgh tel, 6-15-68.

Newark tel sets forth facts that one HASSAN SHAHIB, a butcher with Ringling Brothers Circus, may in 1966 in Los Angeles have hired a man resembling SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, and requested Cleveland to conduct investigation at Toledo, Ohio, to locate HASSAN SHAHIB.

HARSAN CHEAIB of Toledo, Ohio, believed to be identical to HARSAN SHAHIB, was interviewed by Pittsburgh, and stated he knew of no one who has worked in concessions who he believed is identical to SIRHAN.

Cleveland conducting no further investigation regarding CHEAIB.



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INFORMATION CONCERNING

00: LOS ANGELES

Re Denver airtel to Bureau, 6/14/68.

Enclosed for background information of St. Louis are two copies of FD-302 reflecting interview with EDWARD POLE and one copy of re airtel.

The following investigation was conducted by SA DELMAR H. MAYFIELD, JR., at the U. S. Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pa., on June 24, 1968:

HOWARD W. MYNN, Correctional Officer, advised he is well acquainted with JAMES HOFFA inasmuch as HOFFA worked under his supervision for about nine months and he has continually been alert to HOFFA's activities. He advised he has never heard the name of (FNU) DE JOSEPH at the institution. He advised HOFFA's regular dinner companions are SAMUEL DESIST and ANTHONY PROVENZANO. He said, however, there are always a number of individuals following after HOFFA and seeking to gain his favor.

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HOWARD TWINNING, Clerk, Records Office, made available the inmate files of DESIST, USP #32928-NE, and PROVENZANO, USP #32623-NE. A review of these files disclosed DESIST is a white male, DOB 1/11/23, POB Hepzibah, W. Va., 5'6", 185 pounds, black-grey hair. He is serving 18 years for narcotics violation. PROVENZANO is a white male, DOB 5/7/17, POB NYC, 5'7", 155 pounds, black-gray hair. He is serving seven years for interference with interstate transportation and was the head of the Teamsters Union in New York. TWINNING advised there is no one in his file, past or present inmates, by the name of DE JOSEPH.

A review of the Bank Robbery Releasee file disclosed one FRED COOPER as being the best possibility for the person sitting at the table with POLE. COOPER's file was reviewed and the following information was obtained:

He was originally sentenced in the Northern District of Ohio For bank robbery on 9/12/55. He was paroled on 7/1/62 and reincarcerated on 7/25/63 for parole violation, with 4820 days still to serve. He was re-paroled on 11/13/67 and planned to live with his mother, Mrs. BERTHA COOPER, at 1238 Watts Street, University City, Mo. From 1/6/67 until his release he was assigned to living quarters in D-1 cell block. He is described as a white male, DOB 3/29/30, POB Youngstown, Ohio, 5'7", 160 pounds, brown hair and eyes, occupation - salesman.

COOPER was sent to Springfield, Mo., in August 1958, diagnosed as "Schizophrenic reaction, chronic undifferentiated type, as manifested by a history of disorientation, confusion, bizarre effect and thought content with delusions of persecution. The delusion of somatic illness persists along with his effective flattening, retarded thought processes with loosening of associations, mild depression and lethargy." By 4/62 he was diagnosed as still retaining fragments of unusual beliefs concerning his bodily reaction, but not to the point it would interfere with his adjustment on the outside.

Bureau is requested to advise Philadelphia if it is desired that DESIST and PROVENZANO or any of HOFFA's associates be interviewed.

#### PROTECT POLE'S IDENTITY

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#### LEADS

ST. LOUIS:

AT UNIVERSITY CITY, MO.

Will interview COOPER, noting his past history of mental disorder, to verify conversations alleged by POLE.

#### FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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WILLIAM DEIMER of CBS News, Philadelphia, advised that he is a sound man traveling with the CBS Camera Crew, which consists of himself; WALTER DOMBROW, the photographer; and MATT DOUGLAS, the light technican.

Mr. DEIMER said that on the 5th of June, about 12:15 a.m., Pacific Time, he and the above-mentioned men were set up in the ballroom of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, to film a speech by Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. He said their location was almost directly across from where the podium was set up, but at the opposite end of the ballroom. Mr. DEIMER said they were filming his speech and when Senator KENNEDY left the podium he was supposed to have gone out the main door of the ballroom, but then left the podium and proceeded through a door which is located near the rear of the podium.

Mr. DEIMER said he saw nothing except all of a sudden there seemed to be mass confusion as people started running back and forth in the ballroom and it was at that time he finally learned that Senator KENNEDY had been shot.

He said he heard no shots, nor did he see the actual shooting since he was quite a distance from where the assault actually took place. He said he and the other two men mentioned above arrived at the spot where the Senator had been shot, but by the time they got there, the Senator had already been carried away.

Mr. DEIMER said he has no knowledge as to why the Senator changed his plans to proceed to the Colonial Room and he did not observe the assassin at any time.

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BAC, ST. LOUIS (44-782)

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He DV airtel to Bureau, 6-14-68, and DV let to Bureau, 5-17-68, no copies to Cleveland, copies of which are enclosed herewith to Cleveland.

On 6-21-68, MR. JOHN BRENHUN, U. S. Probation and Parole office, SLMO, was contacted by SA SPURGHON J. PETERSON and agreed to check his files in an effort to identify UNSUB # 2 described in FD 302 of EDVARD HUGH POLE, dated at DV, 6-17-68. On 6-26-68, MR, BREIGHER advised one FRED COOPER, a parolee, formerly in SLMO, appears to answer UNSUB's description.

COOPER was sentenced 5-12-55, to 20 years. He was paroled 7-1-62. He violated his parole and returned to prison 7-25-63. He was re-paroled 11-13-67. He is under parole supervision until 10-3-67. He is under parole supervison until 10-3-76. Each instance that COOPER was paroled he came to SLHO, but did not stay here. His mother lived at 1238 Watts in University City, St. Louis Co., No. The family, consisting of FRED COOPER, his mother and brother, were given permission to move to Miami, Fla. About a month ago COOPER, while at Probation Office in Miami, Fla., telephoned SLMO and was given permission to move to Youngstown, Ohio. This was on 5-16-68. The Probation Officer in Miami is a MR. ROBINSON. COOPER's file was then sent to Probation Officer ROBERT M. WALKER, Youngstown, Chio, Number 310. Post Office Building.

Information copies, without enclosures, have been sent to Phila., Atlanta, Mismi and Denver because those Offices may be required to do additional investigation in this regard.

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## THE CLEVELAND OFFICE:

## AT YOUNGSTOWN, ONIO:

For assistance of Cleveland in covering lead are copies of re mirtel, letter and a FD 302 of EDWARD MUCH POLK, dated at DV, 6-17-68.

Locate FRED COOPER through his parele officer and interview him to determine if he was present at Lewisburg Federal Pen, in the company of EDWARD HUGH COLE and if he recalls remarks made by insate JAMES HOFFA against former Senator ROMER F, KENNEDY. This is the lead set out in remirtel for SL.

Cleveland see your file on FRED COOPER, ARA, ET AL, NEW WATERFORD BARK, NEW WATERFORD, ONIO, 11-24-55, BR. FRED COOPER is described as: Born 3-29-80, Ohio, Served in U. S. Navy, 1948 to 1949, has FBI # 828 743 B.

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AIR MAIL

TO:

SAC, ALBANY

FROM: WAS, SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

SUBJECT: KENSALT

Re Butel to Phoenix dated 6/20/68.

Pursuant to Bureau instructions, this is a criminal investigation and as such, unless unusual circumstances prevail, results should be forwarded on 302 Form for inclusion in investigating report by Los Angeles.

Los Angeles prepares 30 copies of each report in this matter. Each office should either forward stencils to Los Angeles, in which case an original 302 will be returned, or forward 30 copies of respective FD-302.

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Date \_\_\_\_June 27, 1968

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WALTER DOMBROW advised that he is a cameraman for CBS News in Philadelphia and that he has in his crew one WILLIAM DEIMER, a sound man; and MATT DOUGLAS, a light technican.

Mr. DOMBROW stated that on June 5, 1968, about 12:15 a.m., Pacific Time, he and his crew were filming the speech of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY at the Ambassador Hotel ballroom in Los Angeles, Calif.

He stated that he and his crew were set up clear across the ballroom on the opposite wall from where the podium was located. Mr. DOMBROW said he filmed the Senator from the time he came into the ballroom and got up on the podium, and during his speech, and also when he left the podium and went through a door near the rear of the podium.

Mr. DOMBROW said that he heard no shots nor did he observe the assassin at any time because of the distance from the podium and the fact that the Senator was actually into another room before the assault took place.

He said that after the confusion started, somebody brought out a blonde-headed woman who was bleeding from the head and they filmed her; it was then that they learned that the Senator had been shot.

Mr. DOMBROW said that at that time mass confusion took over with people shouting for a doctor and begging the crowd to leave the ballroom. He said that by the time he and his crew got to where the Senator had been shot, he had already been moved, on his way to the hospital. Mr. DOMBROW said he has no knowledge as to why the Senator changed his plans to go to the Colonial Room when he left the podium, nor did he observe the assassin at any time.

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MATT DOUGLAS advised that he is a light technican and travels with a camera crew for CBS News in Philadelphia. He said in his crew is the cameraman, WALTER DOMBROW; and the sound man, WILLIAM DEIMER.

Mr. DOUGLAS said he was working with these men on the 5th of June 1968, about 12:15 a.m., Pacific Time, in the ballroom of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, Calif. He said the purpose of their mission there was to film the speech to be made by Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. He said they did film the Senator from the time he entered the ballroom and got up on the podium until he spoke, and then left the podium and went out a door near the rear of the podium.

He stated that all of a sudden there seemed to be mass confusion and people running around and shouting for a doctor and someone whom he did not know got up on the podium and put his finger to his head, indicating that someone had been shot.

Mr. DOUGLAS said that he heard no shots, nor did he see the assassin at any time. He stated that he and the crew were set up at the opposite side of the ballroom, quite a distance from the podium. He stated that the first he really knew about what was really going on was when some woman was brought out of the back room where the Senator had gone, bleeding from the head and that he and the crew filmed her.

Mr. DOUGLAS said that by the time he and the crew got to the spot where the Senator had been assaulted, the Senator had already been moved on his way to the hospital.

Mr. DOUGLAS said he had no knowledge as to why the Senator changed his plans to go to the Colonial Room.

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SAC, PHILADELPHIA (62-4929)

SUBJECT:

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Enclosed for Los Angeles are the masters of FD-302s containing the results of interview with WILLIAM DEIMER, MATT DOUGLAS, and WALTER DOMBROW. Return any inf to Plutastilitum

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## UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC 170-260	DATE: 6/37/68
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