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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-117290)
(ATTN: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT,
RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION)

FROM: SAC, ST. LOUIS (62-5097) (c)

SUBJECT: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

Re Bureau teletype to St. Louis, 2/10/78, captioned as above.

Enclosed under separate cover for Headquarters is a Xerox copy of each serial in SL 170-1767 and SL 170-1767 Sub A as was requested in retel. Also enclosed is destruction memoranda concerning SL 1495-E (former) substantive file. Case closed in St. Louis.

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TO ST. LOUIS (ROUTINE)

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

REFERENCE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ST. LOUIS DATED

JANUARY 25, 1978; ST. LOUIS TELETYPES TO BUREAU JANUARY 27, 1978, AND JANUARY 31, 1978.

ON FEBRUARY 8, 1978, G. ROBERT BLAKEY, CHIEF COUNSEL AND DIRECTOR, HSCA, ADVISED HIS STAFF HAD CONTACTED FORMER SL 1495-E, WHO HAS AGREED TO COOPERATE WITH THE HSCA. ON FEBRUARY 9, 1978, STAFF ATTORNEY MICHAEL EBERHARDT, HSCA, ADVISED THAT SL 1495-E HAS EXECUTED A SIGNED WAIVER AUTHORIZING HSCA ACCESS TO ALL FBI INFORMATION CONCERNING HIM, INCLUDING THAT PERTAINING TO HIS INFORMANT ACTIVITIES.

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ST. LOUIS PROMPTLY FURNISH FBIHQ ONE XEROX COPY OF EACH SERIAL IN INFORMANT'S MAIN FILE AND SUB A FILE (170-1767) AND ONE COPY OF ANY VOUCHER OR DOCUMENT WHICH CONCERNS ANY ASPECT OF SOURCE'S OPERATION AND ANY PAYMENT WHICH WAS MADE TO HIM. ADDITIONALLY, PROVIDE FBIHQ WITH ONE COPY OF ANY MAIN FILE OR REFERENCE IN YOUR OFFICE WHICH MAY BE IDENTIFIABLE WITH INFORMANT. (S) u

THIS MATERIAL SHOULD BE FORWARDED BY COVER AIRTEL TO FBI HEADQUARTERS, ATTENTION CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT, RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION. UPON RECEIPT AT FBIHQ, THE MATERIAL WILL BE PROCESSED FOR ACCESS OF STAFF MEMBERS OF HSCA, PROVIDED THE WAIVER DESCRIBED AS ABOVE IS RECEIVED.

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NOTE: SL 1495-E (former) (Bureau file 134-19686) was operated from January, 1970, to approximately September, 1971, primarily targeted against White Hate Groups. In 1971, he traveled to Savannah, Georgia, at which time he reported on activities of the National States Rights Party office and that Jerry Ray, brother of James Earl Ray, stated he knew there was another party involved in the killing of King and that his brother was the one who pulled the trigger. This is the apparent HSCA interest in informant.

Referenced communications concern previous informal requests by the HSCA that we contact SL 1495-E to determine if he would be willing to be interviewed by the Committee. St. Louis contacted informant on 1/27/78 and he agreed, but two days later submitted a letter to St. Louis declining to be interviewed by the HSCA. Subsequently, the HSCA determined informant's identity through its investigation and contacted him, at which time, according to the HSCA, he agreed to interview. By letter to the Attorney General dated 1/26/78, the HSCA has asked for all information at FBI Headquarters and in the field concerning informant.

This matter has been coordinated with SA D. O. Coulson, Legal Liaison and Congressional Affairs Unit, Legal Counsel Division, and SA M. V. Hale, Top Echelon and Criminal Informant Unit, Criminal Investigative Division.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-117290)
(Attention: Congressional Inquiry Unit,
Records Management Division)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (62-7385) (C)

SUBJECT: HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE
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ReButelcall to Chicago 2/1/78.

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies each of ten letters from JERRY RAY to MARJORIE LOUISE FETTERS.

All of the above letters were originally received from the Newark Division in a Xeroxed condition thus the quality of the above enclosures is not entirely satisfactory. However, per referenced Bureau telephone call, Chicago will maintain the original Xerox copy in its file 44-1114.

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TO DIRECTOR (62-117290) ROUTINE

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA); BUDED: JAN. 13, 1978.

REBUTEL, DEC. 27, 1977.³⁵¹

1) SA STEPHEN M. CALLENDER OF THE NEW ORLEANS DIVISION WAS THE NEW ORLEANS FIELD OFFICE CASE AGENT ASSIGNED TO THE "MURKIN" INVESTIGATION. AT THE TIME SA CALLENDER WAS ASSIGNED THE "MURKIN" CASE, HE WAS ASSIGNED TO THE NUMBER SIX SQUAD IN THE NEW ORLEANS OFFICE. THIS SQUAD HANDLED CR, RACIAL AND RELATED MATTERS. "MURKIN" WAS UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF FORMER ASAC JOSEPH T. SYLVESTER, JR. THE NATURE OF CALLENDER'S ASSIGNMENT IMMEDIATELY

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PRIOR TO HIS INVOLVEMENT IN THE "MURKIN" INVESTIGATION WAS IN THE FIELDS OF CR, RACIAL AND RELATED MATTERS.

II) THE FILES OF THE NEW ORLEANS OFFICE FAIL TO REVEAL THAT THIS OFFICE EITHER CONSIDERED OR ENGAGED IN ANY COUNTERINTELLIGENCE (COIN TEL PRO) EFFORTS DIRECTED AGAINST KING OR THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC).

NEW ORLEANS FILES WHICH INVOLVE THE SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF KING (NO 100-16800) AND THE SCLC (NO 100-16849) HAVE BEEN THOROUGHLY REVIEWED. NEW ORLEANS WAS MERELY AN AUXILIARY OFFICE IN THESE INVESTIGATIONS, WITH ATLANTA BEING THE OO. THE EXTENT OF INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY NEW ORLEANS WAS THE COVERING OF LEADS IN LA., SET FORTH BY ATLANTA OR OTHER OFFICES. THESE TWO FILES WERE REVIEWED SERIAL BY SERIAL AND NOWHERE IS THERE ANY INDICATION WHERE COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES WERE EITHER CONSIDERED OR CARRIED OUT AGAINST KING OR THE SCLC BY THE NEW ORLEANS OFFICE.

DURING THE PERIOD OF 1965 - 1968, THE KING FILE IN THE NEW ORLEANS OFFICE WAS REOPENED AND ASSIGNED AND THEN RUC'D AT LEAST SEVEN TIMES AND THE SCLC FILE WAS REOPENED AND ASSIGNED AT LEAST FIVE TIMES DURING THIS SAME PERIOD.

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AIR MAIL COPY SENT ATLANTA DIVISION.

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ATTENTION CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT, ~~RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION~~

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA) ⁴⁴

RE BUREAU TEL TO ST. LOUIS, JANUARY 25, 1978, CAPTIONED AS

ABOVE.

SL 1495-E (FORMER) CONTACTED THIS DATE. HE WAS ADVISED OF HSCA'S EXISTENCE AND ITS DESIRE TO INTERVIEW HIM CONCERNING CONTENTS OF LHM DATED MAY 28, 1971, CAPTIONED "NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY, RM - NSRP".

SOURCE (FORMER) WAS ADVISED THAT HSCA HAS INTERVIEWED OTHER INDIVIDUALS IN CONNECTION WITH THIS MATTER AND WILL BE ISSUING SUBPOENAS. INITIAL REACTION OF SOURCE WAS THAT HE HAD NO STRONG OBJECTION TO BEING INTERVIEWED BY HSCA.

SOURCE (FORMER) WAS THEN ADVISED THAT CONFERENCES WITH HSCA

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AND DOJ WOULD BE UNDERTAKEN TO WORK OUT DETAILS RE PROTECTION,
CONFIDENTIALITY, LOCATION AND SCOPE OF INTERVIEW.

IT IS NOTED THAT SOURCE (FORMER) UNDERWENT MAJOR HEART AND
ABDOMINAL SURGERY DURING OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER, 1977, IS CURRENTLY
RECOVERING AND UNDER DOCTOR'S CARE. HE RESIDES 12350 OLD HALLS
FERRY ROAD, FLORISSANT, MO., (314) 355-1500 AND IS UNEMPLOYED.

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1. IN ACCORDANCE REFTEL, WE PASSED ON TO THE HOME OFFICE THE REQUEST OF THE HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS FOR ACCESS TO BRITISH POLICE RECORDS AND KNOWLEDGEABLE PERSONS CONCERNED WITH THE ARREST OF JAMES EARL RAY WITHOUT THE COMMITTEE RESPONDING FIRST TO THE QUESTIONS RAISED PREVIOUSLY BY BRITISH OFFICIALS.

2. THE HOME OFFICE INFORMED THE EMBASSY ON JANUARY 26 THAT IT IS CONSULTING THE LONDON METROPOLITAN POLICE ABOUT THE COMMITTEE'S REQUEST AND WILL LET US KNOW THE OUTCOME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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Select Committee on Assassinations

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January 30, 1978

The Honorable Griffin B. Bell
Attorney General of the United States
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20530

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch
Deputy Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., a request was made by letter dated November 30, 1977, for FBI files relating to Dr. King. These files included the following:

1. The main security file on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., for the period January 1, 1967 through May 1, 1968.
2. The main file on the Southern Christian Leadership Conference for the period January 1, 1967 through May 1, 1968.
3. The file on the Memphis Sanitation Strike for the period January 1, 1968 through May 1, 1968.
4. The file on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr./Poor People's March for the period December 1, 1967 through May 1, 1968.
5. All materials pertaining to Martin Luther King, Jr., and the SCLC in the COINTELPRO file.

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We have been advised that all of the above files are now available for review by the Committee.

It is now requested, however, that the foregoing files, except for the Memphis Sanitation Strike, be prepared for Committee review for the following extended dates:

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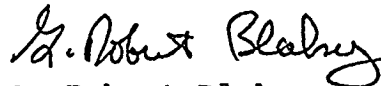
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1. The main security file on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., for the periods:
 - a. October 1, 1962 - December 31, 1966
 - b. May 1, 1968 - April 1, 1969
2. The main file on the Southern Christian Leadership Conference for the periods:
 - a. October 1, 1962 - December 31, 1966
 - b. May 1, 1968 - April 1, 1969
3. The COMINFIL and COINTELPRO files as such relate to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., for the periods:
 - a. October 1, 1962 - December 31, 1966
 - b. May 1, 1968 - April 1, 1969
4. The files on the Poor Peoples' March from May 1, 1968 to the closing date of this file.

Your prompt attention to these matters will be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,



G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

GRB:med

✓ cc: Danny O. Coulson

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The Honorable Griffin B. Bell
Attorney General of the United States
Department of Justice
Washington, D.C. 20530

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Keuch
Deputy Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division, Room 2113

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In connection with the investigation by this Committee into the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., it is requested that the FBI provide the Committee with photographs of all Atlanta agents assigned to the security investigation of Dr. King during the period 1967-68. To the extent possible, these photographs should depict the agents involved as they appeared in 1967-1968 or as close thereto as possible.

Your prompt attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

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Sincerely,

G. Robert Blakey

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

GRB:mej
cc: Mr. Danny O. Coulson *FBI*

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TO ST. LOUIS (ROUTINE)

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1 - Criminal Intelligence Div.
(Attn: Mr. J. E. McHale,
Jr.)

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HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA)

REFERENCE ST. LOUIS AIRTEL AND LHM TO BUREAU DATED
MAY 28, 1971, CAPTIONED, "NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY, RM-
NSRP."

THE HSCA IS CURRENTLY CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION INTO THE
ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. IN THAT CONNECTION,
VARIOUS DOCUMENTS, INCLUDING REFERENCED COMMUNICATION, HAVE
BEEN MADE AVAILABLE FOR HSCA REVIEW.

ON JANUARY 23, 1978, G. ROBERT BLAKEY, CHIEF COUNSEL AND
DIRECTOR, HSCA, ADVISED THAT THE HSCA DESIRES TO INTERVIEW THE
FBI INFORMANT WHO PROVIDED INFORMATION IN REFERENCED LHM.

BLAKEY REQUESTED THAT INFORMANT BE CONTACTED AND ADVISED OF
THE HSCA'S INTEREST IN ORDER TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT

INFORMANT HAD ANY OBJECTIONS TO BEING INTERVIEWED BY

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REPRESENTATIVES OF THE HSCA.

INFORMANT IS SL]495-E (FORMER), WHO WAS OPERATED FROM JANUARY,]970, TO APPROXIMATELY SEPTEMBER]97]. INFORMANT WAS PRIMARILY TARGETED AGAINST WHITE-HATE GROUPS AND WAS SUBJECT OF BUREAU FILE]34-]9686 AND ST. LOUIS FILE]70-]767.

ON JANUARY 24,]978, SUPERVISOR JAMES HAGGERTY DETERMINED THAT INFORMANT IS LISTED IN THE CURRENT ST. LOUIS TELEPHONE DIRECTORY AND THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO CONTACT WITH INFORMANT SINCE HE WAS CLOSED IN]97].

ST. LOUIS PROMPTLY CONTACT FORMER SL]495-E. ADVISE HIM OF THE HSCA'S EXISTENCE, AND ITS DESIRE TO INTERVIEW HIM APPARENTLY CONCERNING THE CONTENTS OF REFERENCED LHM. ADVISE HIM THE HSCA HAS INTERVIEWED OTHER INDIVIDUALS IN CONNECTION WITH REFERENCED LHM AND WILL BE ISSUING SUBPOENAS IN CONNECTION WITH THIS MATTER. DETERMINE AT THIS POINT ONLY HIS INITIAL REACTION TO BEING INTERVIEWED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE HSCA. IF HE HAS NO OBJECTIONS TO AN INTERVIEW, HE SHOULD BE TOLD THAT CONFERENCES WITH THE HSCA AND DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WILL BE UNDERTAKEN TO WORK OUT ADDITIONAL DETAILS

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REGARDING THE EXTENT OF PROTECTION AND CONFIDENTIALITY
THE HSCA IS WILLING TO EXTEND AS WELL AS DETAILS REGARDING
THE LOCATION AND SCOPE OF INTERVIEW.

SUTEL RESULTS TO FBIHQ, ATTENTION CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY
UNIT, RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION.

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NOTE The HSCA plans to submit a formal request regarding this matter, but requested informant be contacted for his initial reaction to interview. The Congressional Inquiry Unit, Legal Liaison and Congressional Affairs Unit and Mr. Robert L. Keuch, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, agree this approach is best prior to continuing discussions to resolve legal and other issues.

The apparent interest of the HSCA involves informant's travel to Savannah, Georgia, in 1971 at which time he reported on activities at the NSRP Office in Savannah, as set forth in referenced communication. Informant reported that Jerry Ray, brother of James Earl Ray, and J. B. Stoner, National Chairman, NSRP, were in the office when Jerry said that the FBI and he knew there was another party involved in the killing of King and that his brother was the one who pulled the trigger. The HSCA has requested FBI information on the NSRP, Stoner, Jerry Ray and other individuals identified as being in attendance in the NSRP Office in Savannah during that time. One of the individuals present, Richard Geppert, was later developed as an informant of the Springfield Office. Geppert has been interviewed by the HSCA and has furnished a signed statement in which he gives authority for HSCA review of all FBI information concerning him, including that pertaining to his confidential relationship with the FBI.

This matter has been coordinated with Legal Liaison and Congressional Affairs Unit and the Organized Crime Section, Criminal Investigative ~~Unit~~ Division

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TO DIRECTOR (62-117290)

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ATTN: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY UNIT, SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION.

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA). BUDED

JAN. 13, 1978.

THE MURKIN INVESTIGATION WAS ASSIGNED TO SA JOE C. HESTER, NOW RETIRED, ON APRIL 4, 1968, AND WAS REASSIGNED TO SA BURL F. JOHNSON ON AUG. 1, 1977. THE MEMPHIS OFFICE DID NOT HAVE A SQUAD BREAKDOWN AT THE TIME THE CASE WAS ASSIGNED TO SA HESTER. SA HESTER WAS ASSIGNED GENERAL CRIMINAL WORK IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO HIS INVOLVEMENT IN THE MURKIN INVESTIGATION. SA JOHNSON WAS ASSIGNED DOMESTIC SECURITY AND CORRUPTION OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS INVESTIGATIONS IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO THE TIME THE MURKIN CASE WAS REASSIGNED TO HIM.

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MEMPHIS FILE 100-4542 ENTITLED "COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM, BLACK NATIONALIST HATE GROUPS, RACIAL MATTERS," WAS FIRST OPENED ON AUG. 28, 1967, AND ASSIGNED TO SA JOSEPH H. KEARNEY, JR., NOW RETIRED, UNTIL IT WAS REASSIGNED TO SA HOWELL S. LOWE ON MARCH 7, 1968. IT REMAINED SO ASSIGNED UNTIL IT WAS CLOSED ON MAY 1, 1971. MEMPHIS OFFICE HAD NO SQUAD BREAKDOWN DURING THE PERIOD 1965-68. IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO THE ASSIGNMENT OF THIS CASE, SA KEARNEY WAS INVOLVED IN CIVIL RIGHTS AND SECURITY MATTER INVESTIGATIONS, AND SA LOWE WAS INVOLVED IN RACIAL AND SECURITY MATTER INVESTIGATIONS.

MEMPHIS FILE 100-4704 ENTITLED "NEW LEFT, COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM", WAS OPENED ON MAY 15, 1968, AND ASSIGNED TO LAWRENCE J. OLSON. IT WAS REASSIGNED TO SA BURL F. JOHNSON ON FEB. 29, 1971, AND REMAINED SO ASSIGNED UNTIL IT WAS CLOSED ON APRIL 12, 1971. SA'S OLSON AND JOHNSON WERE INVOLVED IN SECURITY MATTER INVESTIGATIONS IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO ASSIGNMENT OF THIS CASE.

MEMPHIS FILE A100-4046 ENTITLED "COMMUNIST PARTY, USA, COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM" WAS ASSIGNED TO SA WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE, NOW RETIRED, ON THE FOLLOWING OCCASIONS:

OPENED JULY 23, 1964, PLACED IN RUC STATUS APRIL 29, 1966; REOPENED AUG. 24, 1966, PLACED IN RUC STATUS AUG. 30, 1966; REOPENED MARCH 31, 1967, PLACED IN RUC STATUS JUNE 13, 1967; REOPENED OCT. 18, 1967, PLACED IN RUC STATUS DEC. 20, 1967. IT REMAINED IN RUC STATUS UNTIL DEC. 26, 1974.

SA LAWRENCE WAS INVOLVED IN SECURITY AND RACIAL MATTER INVESTIGATIONS IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO ASSIGNMENT OF THIS CASE ON EACH OCCASION.

MEMPHIS FILE 157-576 ENTITLED "COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM, DISRUPTION OF HATE GROUPS" WAS FIRST OPENED ON SEPT. 4, 1964, AND ASSIGNED TO SA WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE, AND SWAS PLACED IN RUC STATUS ON JUNE 15, 1965. THIS CASE WAS REOPENED JUNE 18, 1965, AND PLACED IN RUC STATUS ON SEPT. 9, 1965. IT WAS REOPENED JAN. 2, 1966, AND ASSIGNED TO SA LAWRENCE. IT WAS REASSIGNED TO SA MERRILL F. MC CLOUGHAN ON JUNE 3, 1966. SA MC CLOUGHAN IS NOW RETIRED. IT WAS

