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INVESTIGATION

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)

DATE: 4-22-68

FROM : SA JOHN L. PUDDISTER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

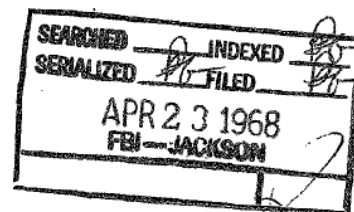
On April 11, 1968, Inspector JOSEPH A. SULLIVAN telephonically advised that he did not desire that any negative type investigation, which eliminates local Jackson suspects, be sent to Memphis. He advised that negative type information should be indexed and filed at Jackson rather than be furnished to Memphis.

In view of above, the attached investigation results have been marked for indexing for Jn files

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)

DATE APRIL 22, 1968

FROM : SA J. L. MARTIN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

The following investigation was conducted by SA J. L. MARTIN on 4/19/68 in an effort to identify and eliminate WILLIAM GRANTHAM, Route 3, Sumrall, Miss., who holds Miss., Driver's License [REDACTED] date of birth [REDACTED] and who is described as a white male, brown eyes, black hair, 5 feet 9 inches tall, weight 159 pounds, as a suspect in this case.

NELL EATON, Hattiesburg Credit Bureau, Hattiesburg, Miss., advised that her files reflect that WILLIAM DAVID GRANTHAM, Route 3, Sumrall, Miss., wife EVELYN GRANTHAM, was employed at Tom Black, Inc., Hattiesburg, Mississippi, and had a bank account at the Lamar County Bank, Purvis, Miss. EATON advised that her files did not reflect the age of GRANTHAM.

DON FAUSE, Tom Black, Inc., Highway 98 West, Hattiesburg, Miss., advised that DAVID GRANTHAM is employed by him as a bulldozer operator. FAUSE advised that GRANTHAM is approximately 36 years of age, approximately 5 feet 10 inches in height, would weigh approximately 165 or 170 pounds. FAUSE advised that he did not have an application or any record which would reflect GRANTHAM's date of birth or full description. He stated, however, that GRANTHAM is employed by him in Picayune, Miss., and that he has worked regularly during the month of April, 1968.

O. B. BLACK, Assistant Vice President, Lamar County Bank, Purvis, Miss., advised that DAVID GRANTHAM, wife EVELYN, maintains a bank account at the Lamar County Bank, however none of his records reflected the exact age, date of birth, or description



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of DAVID GRANTHAM. BLACK stated that WILLIE STUART, owner, Stuart's Farm Supplies, Purvis, Miss., would probably know DAVID GRANTHAM as he had cosigned notes for GRANTHAM.

WILLIE STUART, owner, Stuart Farm Supplies, Purvis, Miss., advised that he was well acquainted with DAVID GRANTHAM and that he believed GRANTHAM's first name was WILLIAM inasmuch as he was the son of W. L. GRANTHAM who was known as BILL GRANTHAM. STUART described DAVID GRANTHAM as being approximately 35 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches tall, weighing approximately 165 pounds.

The records of the Lamar County Health Office as reviewed by SA J. L. MARTIN reflect that a male child was born to W. L. GRANTHAM in Lamar County, Miss., on [REDACTED] and that this child has birth certificate number [REDACTED]. The child was not named at birth and the birth records do not reflect a name for this child.

T. S. SAUCIER, Circuit Clerk, Lamar County, Miss., advised that his records reflect that DAVID GRANTHAM is a registered voter in Lamar County, Miss., in Beat Four, and that GRANTHAM was 24 years of age when he registered to vote in 1955.

CARL PARKER, Postmaster, Sumrall, Miss., advised that his records reflect that DAVID GRANTHAM receives mail at Route 3, Sumrall, Miss., under the name of W. D. GRANTHAM and DAVID GRANTHAM. PARKER advised that he was sure that GRANTHAM's name was WILLIAM DAVID GRANTHAM.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)

DATE: APRIL 22, 1968

FROM : SA DONALD J. CESARE

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/15/68 LEONARD WARREN, owner, Warren's Grocery Store, located on Highway 21, north of Philadelphia, Miss., telephonically contacted the Meridian Resident Agency and stated that on the morning of 4/15/68 an unknown white male about 50 years of age weighing approximately 170 to 180 pounds with sandy brown hair driving a 1958 or 1959 light Ford with 1968 Tennessee license, number unknown, came into his store and wanted to trade three cases of "Mr. Terrific" cleaner for three gallons of gasoline. WARREN related that this unknown person later came back into his store and wanted to trade one can of the cleaner for a package of cigarettes.

WARREN stated that this person looked something like the picture in the newspaper that was the person that killed Rev. MARTIN LUTHER KING. WARREN further related that he would not be in his store on 4/16 and 4/17/68 but would be available for interview on 4/18/68.

On 4/18/68 WARREN viewed photographs of MURKIN suspects exhibited to him by SA DONALD J. CESARE at his place of business in Philadelphia, Miss. He advised at this time that none of the photographs exhibited to him were identical to the individual who attempted to trade him the cases of cleaner for merchandise on 4/15/68.

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DATE: APRIL 22, 1968

FROM : SA DONALD J. CESARE

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re all agents memo dated 4/11/68.

AT PHILADELPHIA, MISSISSIPPI

The following sources and records were checked on 4/17/68 for any information regarding suspects in Murkin matter with unsuccessful results:

1967 Philadelphia City Director;
Philadelphia Telephone Director
(May 1967);
Local Board Number 54, Selective
Service System;
Neshoba County Marriage and Divorce
Records;
Voter Registration Records, Neshoba
County;
Philadelphia Utilities (Electric and
Water);
Motor Vehicle Registrations, Neshoba
County;
Colonial Motel and Delphi Courts.

In addition, confidential sources in the Philadelphia, Miss., area were contacted during the period 4/4/68 to 4/19/68 and advised to be on the alert for any information regarding Murkin. However, no information has been reported to date.



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-9586) (P)

DATE: APRIL 22, 1968

FROM : SA WILLIAM C. MEARN S

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/18/68, SHERIFF JAMES L. HUFFSTICKLER, Humphreys County, Belzoni, Miss., advised that the names ERIC STARVO GALT (or GAULT), HARVEY LOWMEYER (or LOWMYER), and JOHN WILLARD are not listed in the Humphreys County Motor Vehicle Registration Records. He further asserted that he had never heard of any individuals having any of these names residing in Humphreys County.

On 4/18/68, ~~HILDA SHAPERO~~, Deputy Chancery Clerk, Humphreys County, Belzoni, advised that she has never heard of any individuals living in Humphreys County having the names ERIC STARVO GALT (or GAULT), HARVEY LOWMEYER (or LOWMYER), or JOHN WILLARD. She further stated that she has never heard the names before. She advised that no individuals having the above names or any names approximating those above names have been divorced in Humphreys County during the past 22 years.

On 4/18/68, Mr. ~~GEORGE HOOD~~, Circuit Clerk, Humphreys County, Belzoni, Mississippi, advised that the names ERIC STARVO GALT (or GAULT), HARVEY LOWMEYER (or LOWMYER), or JOHN WILLARD are not listed in the Humphreys County marriage records or voter registration records. He further advised that he believes he is acquainted with every white man living in Humphreys County and that no individuals having these names have ever resided in Humphreys County.



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On 4/18/68, Mrs. MARION SHANNON, Clerk, Local Board Number 30, Selective Service System, Belzoni, advised that her records reflected no listing during July, August or September, 1949, for any individuals having the names ERIC STARVO GALT (or GUALT), HARVEY LOWMEYER (or LOWMYER), or JOHN WILLARD. She further stated that the records during July, August or September, 1949, reflected no entries which were similar to the above three names. She advised that as far as she knows, no individuals reside in Humphreys County having any of the above three names.

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SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

APRIL 22, 1968

SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)

MURKIN

Enclosed for Memphis are two FD-302's, 15 copies of each, total 30 enclosures, concerning interview of HENRY BOYETTE of Tupelo, Mississippi, and WILLIAM E. REYNOLDS of Burnsville, Miss., both of whom were in Memphis, Tenn., on 4/4/68. Both interviews appear to be purely negative.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 19, 1968

WILLIAM E. REYNOLDS, Route One, Burnsville, Mississippi, after being advised of the nature of the inquiry and the identity of the interviewing Agent, advised that on April 4, 1968, he visited Memphis, Tennessee, and stayed at the Linden Lodge Motel in Room 206 and checked out of the motel on April 5, 1968. Mr. REYNOLDS recalled that when he checked into the motel, he listed his license number as Mississippi N1126 inadvertently and stated that his correct license number is F/6 N1128. He described his vehicle as a 1965 black Ford pickup.

Mr. REYNOLDS stated that his reason for being in Memphis, Tennessee, was for an appointment he had at the Kennedy Veterans Administration Hospital, Memphis, Tennessee. He stated he is drawing 100 percent disability social security benefits plus 40 percent Veterans Administration benefits.

Concerning his whereabouts on April 4, 1968, he stated that at approximately 6:00 p.m., he was in his room watching television. Mr. REYNOLDS denied any knowledge of the individual(s) responsible for the shooting of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING and stated that he did not know anything about the shooting until he saw it on television at approximately 6:00 p.m.

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

Name	WILLIAM E. REYNOLDS
Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	5 feet 11½ inches
Weight	185 pounds

On 4/12/68 at Burnsville, Mississippi File # Jackson 157-9586

by SA FRANCIS G. HONAN /blw Date dictated 4/16/68

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Hair	Brown (brush cut)
Eyes	Blue
Date of Birth	
Place of Birth	Springfield, Missouri
Residence	Route One Burnsville, Mississippi
Military Service	U. S. Marine Corps, Serial No. [REDACTED]
Father-in-law	ERNEST F. SMITH Route One Burnsville, Mississippi
Automobiles	1965 black Ford pickup truck; 1968 Mississippi License F/6 N1128.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 4/15/68

HENRY BOYETTE, after being advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents and the purpose of the interview, was interrogated at 819 Harrison Street, Tupelo, Mississippi.

Mr. BOYETTE advised that he normally just uses the name HENRY BOYETTE but his full name is HENRY JUNIOR BOYETTE and he currently resides at 1003 Van Buren Street, Tupelo, Mississippi.

Mr. BOYETTE advised that he is District Sales Manager in Tupelo, Mississippi, for the American and Efird Thread Mills, Incorporated, 819 Harrison Street, Tupelo, Mississippi, with their home office in Mount Holly, North Carolina. He stated that on April 3, 1968, he left his home with his wife and drove to Memphis, Tennessee, where he registered at the Holiday Inn on Lamar Avenue, since he had business with the Inn Keeper Supply Company, 3762 Lamar Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee.

On this particular date, he also had a meeting with the Vice-President of the company from Mount Holly, North Carolina, EDWARD WOWELL. He said this meeting took place at the airport in Memphis, Tennessee, during the early evening hours.

BOYETTE advised that on April 4, 1968, he had business with ROY GILLIA, of Inn Keeper Supply and also with a representative of the Operman Manufacturing Company, 706 Royal Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee. He related that he believes it was somewhere between 9:00 and 9:30 P.M. when he and his wife checked out of the Holiday Inn and his wife traveled with him in the automobile around Memphis and he believed he made his last contact sometime prior to 3:00 P.M. on April 4, 1968, after which time he and his wife

On 4/10/68 at Tupelo, Mississippi File # Jackson 157-9586

SA DONALD H. GREENE

by SA JOHN S. CASTLES JSC/wgj Date dictated 4/11/68

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departed Tupelo, Mississippi, in his 1967 Ford Galaxie 500, chartreuse in color, bearing 1968 Mississippi License M5297.

En route to Tupelo, he and his wife stopped at his mother-in-law's home, Mrs. VIRLIE TUNES, at Wallerville, Mississippi, near New Albany, to pick up their two year old child who was being kept by Mrs. TUNES while he and his wife were in Memphis. He said when they left Mrs. TUNES' house they drove directly to Tupelo, Mississippi, and went to their residence where they had sandwiches for the evening meal and then went to a gospel singing at the Community Center in Tupelo.

Mr. BOYETTE related that neither he nor his wife were aware of the murder of Doctor KING until after they returned home in Tupelo from the gospel singing sometimes after 9:00 P.M. in the evening.

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

Name	HENRY BOYETTE
Also Known As	HENRY JUNIOR BOYETTE
Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of birth	
Place of birth	Meridian, Mississippi
Height	Six feet three inches
Weight	Two hundred fifteen pounds
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Brown-mostly bald
Education	High school
Marital status	Married
Wife	FAYE
Wife's occupation	Telephone operator Tupelo, Mississippi

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Employment

(Currently on maternity
leave)
American and Efird Thread
Mills, Incorporated, ten
years.

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SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

APRIL 22, 1968

SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)

MURKIN

Enclosed for Memphis are four report inserts,
15 copies of each, total 60 enclosures, concerning
investigation in Mississippi related to dance studios and
1966 white mustang.

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1966 WHITE MUSTANG

The following investigation was conducted by
SA FRANCIS G. HONAN:

EUGENE SPENCER, Sheriff, Itawamba County, Fulton, Mississippi, advised on April 11, 1968, that there are no private or public airports in Itawamba County, Mississippi.

BOBBY GREENE, Manager, Belmont Airport, Belmont, Mississippi, advised on April 11, 1968, that he has not noticed a 1966 white Mustang, bearing 1968 Alabama license 1-38993, at his airport since April 4, 1968.

A physical observation was made of the airport and no 1966 white Mustang could be located.

A physical observation was made of the Iuka, Mississippi, airport, on April 11, 1968, and no 1966 white Mustang was noted at the airport. It should be noted that the Iuka, Mississippi, airport has no permanent buildings, and consists of just one runway.

Sheriff JAMES BISHOP, Tishomingo County, Iuka, Mississippi, advised on April 11, 1968, that he periodically passes the airport, and has not seen a 1966 white Mustang at the airport.

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DANCING STUDIOS

On April 18, 1968, DOROTHY SHATTIEMORE, 1800 West Beach, Biloxi, Mississippi, advised that she is the operator of the Arthur Murray Dance Studios at Biloxi and at Pascagoula, Mississippi. She said that she has viewed a picture of ERIC STARVO GALT which appeared in the local newspaper and that this photograph does not resemble anyone who has worked at either of these studios in the past eight years which is the period during which she has operated them.

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The following investigation was conducted at Vicksburg, Mississippi on April 15, 1968, by SA JACK G. WILSON:

Each of the individuals noted below advised her dancing school is for children only. No adults are accepted:

~~ELEANOR BEAUFIT, Eleanor Beaufait School of Dance, 1710 Monroe;~~

~~WILLI HOFFMANN, Willi Hoffman's School of Dance, 918 Farmer Street;~~

~~AMANDA A. SWETT, Amanda A. Swett School of Dance, 1020 1/2 Jackson Street.~~

No other dancing schools are listed in the telephone directories of Port Gibson, Vicksburg, Rolling Fork, or Yazoo City, Mississippi.

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DANCE STUDIOS

The following investigation was conducted
by SA DANIEL J. CONNELL on April 15, 1968:

DOT BARRETT, Owner, Jackson Studio of Dance and Baton, Cook Center, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that her school is only for young children and that she has never had adult students. BARRETT added that to the best of her knowledge there is no ballroom type dance schools in Jackson which would have adult students. She did not recognize the names JOHN WILLARD, HARVEY LOWMEYER, HARVEY LOWMYER or ERIC GALT.

GLADYS VELSOR, Owner, Studio of the Dance, 663 North Jefferson Street, Jackson, advised that she only has young children as students and that she has never taught dancing to adults. She did not recognize the names JOHN WILLARD, HARVEY LOWMEYER, HARVEY LOWMYER or ERIC GALT.

JEAN SHANBURGER, Jean's Dance Studio, 4159 North-view Drive, Jackson, advised that her studio is only for school-age children and that she has never had adult students. SHANBURGER added that to the best of her knowledge there are no adult dance studios in Jackson. She did not recognize the names JOHN WILLARD, HARVEY LOWMEYER, HARVEY LOWMYER or ERIC GALT.

SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

APRIL 22, 1968

SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)

MURKIN

Enclosed for Memphis are eight report inserts, fifteen copies of each, total 120 enclosures, concerning, for the most part, record checks with agencies in the State of Miss., under the names GALT, LOWMEYER and WILLARD.

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LARGE TOWING COMPANIES, PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI

The following investigation was conducted at Pascagoula, Mississippi, on April 15, 1968:

Mr. J. F. WALKER, F. B. Walker and Sons, advised that his company has not employed anyone named GALT either in his shipyard or as a towboat operator or employee.

MIKE FLECHAS and HAROLD CHRISTIANSEN, F. and F. Towing Company, Pascagoula, Mississippi, advised that the F. and F. Towing Company has not employed anyone named GALT within their memory. They both stated that most deck hands who they employ are drifters and most are of a rough appearance. They said they do not recall having employed anyone in the past year who could be described as similar to the description of the unknown subject furnished to them.

Mrs. E. DAcETT, Colle Towing Company, Incorporated, Pascagoula, Mississippi, advised that this company has employed no one within her memory named GALT and that she has no record of any employee under this name. She was unable to recall having employed anyone who fit the general description of the unknown subject as it was furnished to her.

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA EDGAR C. FORTENBERRY:

AT HATTIESBURG, MISSISSIPPI, FORREST COUNTY

On April 16, 1968, the following persons
checked the files of their offices without locating
any record for ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER, HARVEY
LOWMYER or JOHN WILLARD;

~~FRANK V. BLAKELY~~, Manager, City Water Department,
for City of Hattiesburg, Mississippi;

~~JAMES F. CARRAWAY~~, Division Auditor, Mississippi
Power Company;

~~Mrs. JOHNNY BROWN~~, Clerk, Wilmut Gas and Oil
Company.

AT PETAL, MISSISSIPPI, FORREST COUNTY

Mr. C. G. HIGGASON, Clerk, United Gas Company,
(it is to be noted that this office covers both Petal
and Hattiesburg, Mississippi);

Mrs. DORIS T. PETERSON, Clerk, Dixie Electric
Power Association.

AT RICHTON, MISSISSIPPI

Mrs. MARGIE PHILLIPS, City Clerk, Town of
Richton, Mississippi, checked records of Town water
works, Town Marshal's Office, and tax records.

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Mr. CHARLES BUSH, Manager, Mississippi Power
Company;

O. B. BOURN, Vice President, Richton Bank
and Trust Company;

On April 16, 1968, a check was made of the
Telephone directory for the town of Richton,
Mississippi, without locating any record of ERIC STAVO
GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER, HARVEY HOWMYER or JOHN WILLARD.

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The following investigation was conducted at Hattiesburg, Mississippi, on April 16, 1968, by SA J. L. MARTIN.

The following persons, who are employees of the indicated banking institution, were contacted and they advised that the records reflect no account under the name of ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER or LOWMYER or JOHN WILLARD:

Mrs. J. C. TOMPKINS, Bankers Trust Savings and Loan Association, 312 Central Avenue, Petal, Mississippi;

ALFRED MOORE, First Federal Savings and Loan Association;

Miss PAT WIGGINS, First Guaranty Savings and Loan Association;

JOHN TONEY, Hattiesburg Federal Savings and Loan Association;

CLARENCE TOLAR, Pine Belt Savings and Loan Association.

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA WILLIAM P. LAWLER, JR., on April 12, 1968:

AUBREY HOWE, Chief of Police, Batesville, Mississippi, advised that he could not recall having any business with an ERIC GALT, JOHN WILLARD, or HARVEY LOWMEYER.

BETTY GREENLEE, Clerk, Tallahatchie Electric Power Association, Batesville, Mississippi, advised that a review of their records contained reference to no one identifiable with ERIC GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER, or JOHN WILLARD. GREENLEE stated that their service covers Panola, Yalobusha, and Tate Counties.

JOHN GEE, Deputy Sheriff, Panola County, First District; and GEORGE HOLLEY, Deputy Sheriff, Panola County, Second District, both advised that the names JOHN WILLARD, ERIC GALT, and HARVEY LOWMEYER were unfamiliar to them.

IKE SHANKLE, Circuit Clerk, Panola County, Second District, made available the voter registration and marriage records for this district of Panola County. A review of these records failed to disclose any individual identifiable with GALT, WILLARD, or LOWMEYER.

LOUISE JOHNSON, Clerk, Chancery Clerk's Office, Panola County, Second District, made available divorce records of the Second District of Panola County. A review of these records failed to reflect any information identifiable with GALT, LOWMEYER, WILLARD.

EVELYN PATTON, Circuit Clerk's Office, First District of Panola County, made available the voter registration and marriage records for the First District of Panola County. A review of these records failed to

reflect any information identifiable with GALT, LOWMEYER, or WILLARD.

ROSA LADD, Chancery Clerk, First District of Panola County, made available the divorce records for the First District of Panola County. A review of these records failed to reflect any information identifiable with ERIC GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER, or JOHN WILLARD.

Mrs. C. C. JENNINGS, Clerk, Local Board 59, Sardis, Mississippi, advised that a review of her records failed to reflect any information identifiable with GALT, LOWMEYER, or WILLARD. Mrs. JENNINGS advised that her records include the northern half of First District of Panola County.

ROGER L. WOODS, Circuit Clerk, Marshall County, Mississippi, made available the voter registration and marriage records for Marshall County. A review of these records revealed no information identifiable with ERIC GALT, JOHN WILLARD, or HARVEY LOWMEYER.

JESSIE M. ASH., Chancery Clerk, Marshall County, made available the divorce records for Marshall County. A review of these records reflected no information identifiable with GALT, WILLARD, LOWMEYER.

MYRA PRYOR, Southern Bell Telephone Company, Holly Springs, Mississippi, was contacted in an effort to determine if ERIC GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER, or JOHN WILLARD had ever been serviced by Southern Bell Telephone in Potts Camp, Ashland, or Holly Springs, Mississippi areas. PRYOR advised that no one using any of the three aforementioned names had ever left Southern Bell Telephone in that area owing them money. PRYOR stated that the only way to determine if any of these individuals had ever had a telephone in that area would be if the number was known.

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The following investigation was conducted on
April 15, 1968:

JOYCE PRUITT, Circuit Clerk's Office, Tate County, made available voter registration and marriage records for Tate County. A review of the voter registration records revealed no one identifiable with GALT and a review of the marriage records revealed no information identifiable with GALT, LOWMEYER, or WILLARD.

BILL L. MC CLURE, Chancery Clerk, Tate County, made available divorce records for Tate County. A review of these revealed no information identifiable with GALT, LOWMEYER, or WILLARD.

RICHARD DAVIS, Clerk, DeSoto County, made available the voter registration and marriage records for DeSoto County. A review of these record revealed no information identifiable with GALT, LOWMEYER, or WILLARD.

SAM FERGUSON, Circuit Clerk, DeSoto County, made available the divorce records for DeSoto County. A review of these records revealed no information identifiable with ERIC GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER, or JOHN WILLARD.

SHIRLEY MULLINS, Clerk, Local Board 18, Hernando, Mississippi, advised a review of her records revealed no information identifiable with GALT, LOWMEYER, or WILLARD.

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On the dates indicated, the following individuals advised SA BURTON R. DEZARN that there respective agencies had no record or file identifiable with JOHN WILLARD, HARVEY LOWMEYER or LOWMYER, or ERIC STARVO GALT:

Captain HARRY M. MERRITT
Identification and Training Officer
Yazoo City Police Department
Yazoo City, Mississippi
April 11, 1968

Deputy Sheriff
CHARLES KNOTT
Yazoo County Sheriff's Office
Yazoo City, Mississippi
April 11, 1968

Sheriff J. A. DARNELL
Issaquena County Sheriff's Office
Mayersville, Mississippi
April 16, 1968

Office Deputy J. A. WARNOCK
Sharkey County Sheriff's Office
Rolling Fork, Mississippi
April 16, 1968

Mrs. LUCY E. FISHER
Clerk, Yazoo County Circuit Court
Yazoo City, Mississippi
April 11, 1968

Mrs. MARY VANDEVENDER
Clerk, Issaquena County Circuit Court
Mayersville, Mississippi
April 16, 1968

DON H. COLLINS, Clerk
Sharkey County Circuit Court
Rolling Fork, Mississippi
April 16, 1968

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Miss MONZELLE WOOTEN, Clerk
Selective Service Local Board 81
Vicksburg, Mississippi
April 12, 1968

Mrs. JUANITA STRICKLAND, Clerk
Selective Service Local Board 88
Yazoo City, Mississippi
April 15, 1968

E. M. MOORE, Clerk
Selective Service Local Board 68
Rolling Fork, Mississippi
April 16, 1968

Mrs. LOUISE HOLLY
Credit Bureau of Yazoo City
Yazoo City, Mississippi
April 11, 1968

Mrs. BESSIE THORNTON
Office Manager
Vicksburg Water and Gas Administration
Vicksburg, Mississippi
April 12, 1968

Miss CECELIA TUCKER
Office Manager
Mississippi Power and Light Company
1205 Monroe Street
Vicksburg, Mississippi
April 12, 1968

Mrs. JODIE M. MELTON
Bookkeeper
Mississippi Valley Gas
941 Calhoun Street
Yazoo City, Mississippi
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J. W. WEAVER
Office Manager
Yazoo Valley Electric Power Association
1408 Grand Avenue
Yazoo City, Mississippi
April 15, 1968

FRANK TINDALL
Office Manager
Public Service Commission
125 Commercial Street
Yazoo City, Mississippi
April 15, 1968

Mrs. MARGARET BROWN
Cashier
Twin County Electric Power Association
Rolling Fork, Mississippi
April 16, 1968

~~CARROLL L. QUINN~~
~~Accountant~~
~~Yazoo Motel~~
~~Highway 49 East~~
~~Yazoo City, Mississippi~~
~~April 11, 1968~~

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA RALPH D. GARDNER:

AT KOSCIUSKO, MISSISSIPPI

On April 10, 1968, Mrs. HAZEL GANT, Manager, Credit Bureau of Kosciusko, advised that a review of all of her trade records for HARVEY LOWMEYER, also known as Harvey Lowmyer, JOHN WILLARD, and ERIC STARVO GALT was negative.

On April 10, 1968, a review of the 1965 thru 1967 Poll's Kosciusko, Mississippi City Directories for HARVEY LOWMEYER, JOHN WILLARD, and ERIC STARVO GALT was negative.

On April 10, 1968, a review of Attala County Motor Vehicle Registration records for HARVEY LOWMEYER, JOHN WILLARD, and ERIC STARVO GALT was negative.

On April 10, 1968, Attala County Sheriff W. B. MONTAGNE advised that his arrest records do not contain names of HARVEY LOWMEYER, JOHN WILLARD, or ERIC STARVO GALT.

On April 10, 1968, HERBERT HARVEY, Chief of Police, advised that a review of his arrest docket failed to reflect a listing for HARVEY LOWMEYER, JOHN WILLARD, or ERIC STARVO GALT.

On April 10, 1968, J. L. CLARK, President, Attala National Bank, advised that a review of his active and inactive savings and checking accounts, as well as closed and open loans, failed to produce name of HARVEY LOWMEYER, JOHN WILLARD, or ERIC STARVO GALT.

On April 10, 1968, R. A. LOCKE, Vocational Counselor, Mississippi State Employment Service, advised that a review of the active, inactive, Manpower Development and Training

Act school records, was negative for HARVEY LOWMEYER, also known as Harvey Lowmyer, JOHN WILLARD, and ERIC STARVO GALT.

On April 10, 1968, Mrs. ~~SPENCER WALKER~~, Clerk, Campbell's Motel, Highway 12, advised a review of their guest registration records for the last 30 days was negative for HARVEY LOWMEYER, also known as Harvey Lowmyer, JOHN WILLARD, and ERIC STARVO GALT.

On April 10, 1968, GRANVILLE MYRICH, Cashier, M and F Bank of Kosciusko, advised a review of his savings and checking accounts, as well as outstanding loans, was negative for HARVEY LOWMEYER, also known as Harvey Lowmyer, JOHN WILLARD, or ERIC STARVO GALT.

On April 10, 1968, HILLIARD JORDAN, Postmaster, U.S. Post Office, advised a review of his general delivery and change of address notices for September, 1967, through April 1968, was negative for HARVEY LOWMEYER, also known as Harvey Lowmyer, JOHN WILLARD, or ERIC STARVO GALT.

On April 10, 1968, telephone directories for Kosciusko, Ethel and McCoöl, Mississippi, for August, 1967, were negative for HARVEY LOWMEYER, also known as Harvey Lowmyer, JOHN WILLARD, and ERIC STARVO GALT.

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA PETER J. RYAN:

On April 18, 1968, CARRA HUGHEY, Bureau of
Vital Statistics, Mississippi State Board of Health,
Jackson, advised that she could locate no record of a
birth certificate for the names ERIC STARVO GALT, JOHN
WILLARD, HARVEY LOWMEYER, or HARVEY LOWMYER, or any
variations of these names, for all males born on [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] in the State of Mississippi.

Mrs. HUGHEY also advised she checked the birth
certificates for all males born on [REDACTED] in
Mississippi whose mother's maiden name was GALT, WILLARD,
LOWMEYER, LOWMYER, or any variation of these names
with negative results.

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA EDGAR C. FORTENBERRY:

AT LEAKESVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

On April 15, 1968, a check was made of the telephone directory for the town of Leakesville without locating any listing for ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER, HARVEY LOWMYER, or JOHN WILLARD.

AT NEW AUGUSTA, MISSISSIPPI

On April 15, 1968, a check was made of the telephone directory for the town of New Augusta, Mississippi, without locating any listing for ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER, HARVEY LOWMYER, or JOHN WILLARD.

AT BEAUMONT, MISSISSIPPI

On April 15, 1968, a check was made of the telephone directory for the town of Beaumont, Mississippi, without locating any listing for ERIC STARVO GALT, HARVEY LOWMEYER, HARVEY LOWMYER, or JOHN WILLARD.

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Enclosed for Memphis are six FD-302's and one report insert, 15 copies of each, total 105, concerning a survey of motels, Standard Service Stations and investigation re brown paper bags.

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Date 4/22/68

GROVER KINNY, Stock Manager, Pettis Company, Oxford, Mississippi, was contacted concerning the distribution of a Number 20 brown paper bag with the name "Homestead Stubby" written on it, at which time KINNY furnished the following information:

KINNY advised that Pettis Cigar Company buys a Number 20 brown paper bag bearing the name "Homestead Stubby" from the Graham Paper Company in Memphis.

KINNY advised that distribution to stores in the extreme northern part of Mississippi is handled by Senatobia Tobacco Company, in Senatobia, Mississippi, which is a branch of Pettis Cigar Company, and that specific information concerning the sale of this bag would have to be obtained from Senatobia Tobacco.

On 4/18/68 at OXFORD, MISSISSIPPI File # Jackson 157-9586

by SA WILLIAM P. LAWLER, JR. /jdh Date dictated 4/19/68

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Date 4/22/68

Mr. V. P. WAIT, Manager, Senatobia Tobacco Company, was interviewed concerning the distribution of a Number 20 brown paper bag with the name "Homestead Stubby" written on it, at which time WAIT furnished the following information:

WAIT advised that Senatobia Tobacco Company is a branch of Pettis Cigar Company and that they (Senatobia Tobacco) do handle a Number 20 brown paper bag with the name "Homestead Stubby" on it.

WAIT advised that the Southaven Minnow Shop, located on Route 51, adjacent to the Mississippi - Tennessee State Line, is the only store that is presently purchasing this bag. WAIT stated that the Southaven Minnow Shop has presently been purchasing about 250 of these bags every two weeks.

WAIT further advised that the Southaven Minnow Shop is the only store that is presently buying that particular bag in that area. WAIT stated that the "Market Place", located on Route 51, across from the Southaven Minnow Shop, had purchased this particular bag around Christmas of 1967, but this had only been a one time order.

WAIT advised that the closest store to the Southaven Minnow Shop that is presently using this particular bag is Treadways Grocery, which is in Cockrum, Mississippi, in the southern part of DeSoto County.

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LEW HOUSTON, Manager of Service Beverage, a Schlitz Beer Distributor, Clarksdale, Mississippi, advised that all their beer is brewed and sent to them from their Schlitz Brewery in Longview, Texas.

HOUSTON said that GUS THOMPSON is their truck salesman to the Southaven, Mississippi, area and does deliver Schlitz Beer to the Southaven Minnow Shop in Southaven, Mississippi.

HOUSTON said on March 15, 1968, his company received 2100 cases of the twelve-ounce pop-top Schlitz Beer from their Longview, Texas, brewery and all of that beer has been distributed.

HOUSTON said that on March 20, 1968, his company was shipped 924 cases of that beer from Longview, Texas, and that he has 35 cases of that particular beer left, which was brewed at Longview on March 15, 1968, which date is recorded on the cans. HOUSTON said that this particular shipment was sent on March 15, 1968, from Longview to him.

HOUSTON said that therefore all Schlitz beer brewed at Longview, Texas, on March 15, 1968, was received by him on March 20, 1968, and that of the 924 cases received, he has 35 cases remaining. HOUSTON said that from his records, the Southaven Minnow Shop on March 21, 1968, received four cases of the twelve-ounce pop-top Schlitz Beer; on March 28, 1968, five cases; and on March 30, 1968, twelve cases. HOUSTON said that that beer received at the Southaven Minnow Shop would have been a portion of the beer brewed in Longview, Texas, on March 15, 1968, and received by him in Clarksdale on March 20, 1968.

On 4/17/68 at Clarksdale, Mississippi File # Jackson 157-9586

by SA JAMES W. SAMMON/bls Date dictated 4/19/68

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Located at the Southaven Minnow Shop, Highway 51, just south of the Tennessee State Line in Mississippi, were numerous six packs of Schlitz twelve-ounce beer in the pop-top can, held together in the six pack with a plastic ring, which beer was brewed by the date March 15, 1968. A can of this beer was obtained.

Also located in that minnow shop was a brown paper bag stamped "Homestead. Stubby. 20". One of the brown paper bags was obtained.

BILL and JANE MC LAUGHLIN and their son WILLIE MC LAUGHLIN, the proprietors of that minnow shop, were all interviewed in this matter, and composite photographs of GALT exhibited to them with negative results. Neither they nor LAWRENCE PARKER, a frequent customer to the minnow shop, could identify GALT by photograph, nor did they recall an individual driving a white Mustang with an Alabama license purchasing a six pack of twelve-ounce pop-top Schlitz beer from their minnow shop.

Mr. MC LAUGHLIN advised that GUS (last name unknown), a salesman for the Service Beverage Company of Clarksdale, Mississippi, delivers their beer to them, and that from his records, on April 1, 1968, he purchased 17 cases of twelve-ounce Schlitz pop-top beer; on April 10, eight cases; on April 11, six cases; and on April 15, 1968, two cases.

It was noted that the Southaven Minnow Shop is one-half mile south on Highway 51 from the Tennessee State Line in Mississippi and exactly three miles south of the Oliver Rexall Drug Store on Highway 51, Whitehaven, Memphis, Tennessee.

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DONALD DICKSON was located in Stray Horn, Mississippi, at the sight of the construction of a Water Tower. DICKSON said that he has been in the Senatobia, Mississippi, area for the past three weeks and that he is employed for R. D. Cole Manufacturing Company of Newnan, Georgia, which company constructs water towers. DICKSON said he has been so employed for the past nine years and is a foreman of that company.

DICKSON said that on April 4, 1968, he was in bed asleep at the Thrift Courts Motel in Senatobia, Mississippi, when one of his employees came into the room advising him that Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING had been shot and killed in Memphis, Tennessee. DICKSON said that an employee, TOM CANNON, and DOUG IVEY can vouch for his presence at the motel when KING was assassinated. DICKSON said that his 1967 white Mustang automobile was parked at the motel at that time.

DICKSON said that he is not responsible for the assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING, nor can he furnish any information in that regard.

The following is a description of DICKSON obtained through observation and interview:

Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Age:	29
Date of Birth:	
Place of Birth:	Fayetteville, Georgia
Residence:	Route 1, Fayetteville, Georgia
Height:	6 feet
Weight:	160
Eyes:	Brown

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Hair:	Light brown, short, curly, and parted
Complexion:	Ruddy
Build:	Slender
Education:	10th grade
Marital Status:	Single
Military Service:	U.S. Army, [REDACTED] from 1961 to 1963 - honorable Foreman for R.D. Cole Manufacturing Company, Newnan, Georgia, for past nine years
Employment:	1967 white Mustang, 1968 Georgia license 112-D-484
Automobile:	No admits
Previous Arrests:	

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 4/22/68

DONALD SEWELL, employee, 7-11 Store, Number 34, 6099 Millbranch, Southaven, Mississippi, after being advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and the nature of the investigation, furnished the following information:

He stated that the 7-11 Store purchases its beer from the Service Beverage Company at Clarksdale, Mississippi.

He stated that the Schlitz delivery man appears at that store every Wednesday.

He advised after examining his stock of Schlitz 12 ounce pop top cans that he had two six packs in his refrigerator with the date March 15, 1968. He stated that this 7-11 Store uses Toreador paper sacks. He advised they do not utilize a number or size 20 paper sack.

He was displayed artist's conception drawings from Birmingham and Memphis, Tennessee.

SEWELL recalled that in the latter part of March, 1968, a white male approximately 5'9" to 5'10" in height, age 27 to 28 years of age, small frame, with a dark crew hair cut, wearing a gray suit with black pin stripes, glasses with black rims, purchased beer at that store.

SEWELL stated that he could not recall what brand of beer this individual bought or how he paid for it.

SEWELL stated that he recalled this incident as the authorities in Memphis, Tennessee, had put a curfew on beer and liquor sales and that at the same time this individual was in the checkout line, a highway patrolman came to the store and told him to cut off beer sales.

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According to SEWELL, the patrolman advised him that the individuals in line could make their purchases but no other individuals would be allowed to purchase beer. SEWELL estimated the time at 3:30 p.m.

He stated that he recalled this incident as after this white male purchased the beer, he, SEWELL, had to request him to leave the store as he was "cursing" due to the fact that the beer sales had been cut off.

SEWELL stated that he had to tell this individual to leave the store.

SEWELL again stated that he believes this incident took place during the latter part of March, 1968, when the City of Memphis first experienced racial problems.

SEWELL stated that he had never seen this individual before and has not seen him since. He stated he did not see which way he turned when he left the store nor did he observe an automobile.

He stated that this individual vaguely resembled the artist's conception drawing from Birmingham.

SEWELL stated that he doubted he could recognize this individual if he saw him again.

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA JAMES W. SAMMON:

On the dates indicated, motels and Standard Service Stations on the below listed major highways in north central and northeastern portion of the State of Mississippi were contacted in this matter: Personnel at motels were exhibited composite drawings of ERIC STARVO GALT, also known as John Willard, Harvey Lowmeyer, received from the Memphis and Birmingham Divisions, along with a color photograph of a bedspread and bath towel received from the Memphis Division. Personnel at these motels failed to identify the composite photographs of GALT, as well as the bedspread or towel as property of their particular motel. The guest registration cards of motels contacted were personally checked by SA JAMES W. SAMMON from the period of March 29 to April 5, 1968, inclusive in an effort to determine if any guest using the name GALT, WILLARD, or LOWMEYER registered at that motel. These checks met with negative results.

Standard Service Stations on the indicated highways were also contacted and personnel at those service stations were also exhibited artist's conceptions of GALT, along with the colored photographs of the Standard Oil map of the United States and the Standard Oil map of Georgia - Alabama. Personnel at these service stations were questioned regarding a 1966 white Mustang with an Alabama tag. Contacts at these service stations also met with negative results.

April 10, 1968 - Highway 55 Interstate and Highway 51, north from Batesville, Mississippi, to the Tennessee State Line. Highway 78 southeast from the Tennessee State Line to the City Limits of Holly Springs, Mississippi.

April 11, 1968 - Highways 78, 6, and 45 within the City Limits of Tupelo, Mississippi. Highway 45 north from Tupelo, Mississippi, to Corinth, Mississippi. Highways 45

and 72 within the City Limits of Corinth, Mississippi.

April 12, 1968 - Highway 78 East from Tupelo, Mississippi, to the Alabama State Line. Highway 45 South from Tupelo, Mississippi, to Columbus, Mississippi. Highway 82 East from Mayhew, Mississippi, to the Alabama State Line. Highways 82 and 45 East within the City Limits of Columbus, Mississippi.

April 13, 1968 - Highway 82 West from Columbus, Mississippi, to Winona, Mississippi. Highway 51 North from Winona, Mississippi, to Grenada, Mississippi. Interstate 55 and Highway 51 North from Grenada, Mississippi, to Batesville, Mississippi.

April 16, 1968 - Highway 72 from the Alabama State Line to the Tennessee State Line. Highway 78 Southeast from Holly Springs, Mississippi, to Tupelo, Mississippi.

April 17, 1968, Highway 45 East from Shannon, Mississippi, to Columbus, Mississippi. Highway 278 East from Highway 45 East from New Wren, Mississippi, to the Alabama State Line. Highway 6 West from Tupelo, Mississippi, to Batesville, Mississippi. The notes from contacts with personnel at motels and Standard Oil Service Stations are being maintained in the Jackson file regarding this matter.

The following motels affiliated with Friendship Inns were contacted on the indicated dates and personnel there were interviewed as set forth above and in addition, the color photograph containing the Friendship Inn Cashmere Bouquet soap wrapper was exhibited with negative results.

MARY MILTON, Registration Clerk, Townhouse Motel, Friendship Inn, Highway 45 South, Tupelo, Mississippi, which motel uses Camay soap with Friendship Inn wrapper, on April 11, 1968.

Mrs. BROOKS PHILLIPS, Southern Motel, Friendship Inn, Corinth, Mississippi, which motel does handle Cashmere Bouquet with Friendship Motel wrapper, on April 11, 1968.

However, Southern Motel was negative on photographs of GALT; negative on bedspread; and negative on bath towel.

Mrs. ANNIE LOUISE HUDSON, Marshall Motel, Friendship Inn, Highway 45 North, West Point, Mississippi, contacted April 12, 1968.

WILLIAM DOVES, Registration Clerk, Columbus Motel, Friendship Inn, Highway 82 East, Columbus, Mississippi, does not use soap wrapped with Friendship paper, contacted April 12, 1968.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JAMES W. SAMMON on April 15, 1968, in the Southaven, Mississippi, area, Highway 51, south of the Tennessee State Line in Mississippi.

The following dealer outlets in that area were contacted in an effort to determine if they had any twelve-ounce Schlitz pop-top beer cans with the brewery date of March 15, 1968, which was sold by them in six packs held with a plastic ring. The following beer outlets in that area were contacted on April 15, 1968, with negative results:

SHIRLEY JERET, Stop and Go Store, Highway 51 South.
MARY SNELL, Cashier, BILL RAGLAND, Manager, and LESTER ENOCHS, Stock Man, A and P Supermarket, Highway 51 South, Southaven, Mississippi.

BILL BEALE, Seven Eleven Store, Highway 51 South, Southaven, Mississippi.

MARY DRUMMOND, Drummond Drive-Inn, Highway 51 South, Southaven, Mississippi.

The composite photographs of GALT from Memphis and Birmingham were also exhibited to the above individuals at beer outlets in Southaven, Mississippi, with negative results.

In contacting motels on Highway 51 North on April 10, 1968, RAYMOND ROBINSON, owner of the Thrift Courts Motel

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at Senatobia, Mississippi, advised that for the past three or four weeks, a white male, name unknown, 25 to 30 years old, had been staying at that motel. ROBINSON said that this individual is employed in Stray Horn, Mississippi, on Highway 4 where he is employed constructing a water tower. ROBINSON said that this individual drives a white Mustang with an Alabama license.

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Re Jacksonville tel to the Bureau, dated 4/18/68.

The following investigation was conducted by SA
JOHN H. PROCTOR, JR., at Meridian, Mississippi:

On April 18, 1968, REX ROGERS, Claims Agent, GM & O Railroad, Meridian, Mississippi, advised that EVERETT GAULT is an engineer for that railroad. He stated that GAULT has been so employed for the past twenty years. He advised that GAULT has eleven children and is presently separated from his wife. ROGERS stated that GAULT left Meridian, Mississippi, that date, as engineer on a freight train, and did not expect him to return until early morning, 4/22/68. ROGERS stated that he was not able to furnish the address of where GAULT would remain overnight on April 19-21, 1968.

On April 22, 1968, EVERETT GAULT, Route 1, Meridian, Mississippi, advised that he and his wife are presently separated and that he has a family consisting of eleven children. He stated none of these children have

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the name ERIC STARVO GALT, and pointed out that his last name is spelled GAULT and not GALT. EVERETT GAULT observed photographs of ERIC STARVO GALT and advised that he had never seen this individual, and that this person is definitely not a member of his family or a relation thereof. He stated that he has a brother by the name of CURTIS HOPE GAULT, and his last known address was Pioneer, Louisiana. EVERETT GAULT stated that his brother, CURTIS GAULT, was employed by the Ford Bacon and Davis Construction Company, Monroe, Louisiana. He stated he has not been in contact with his brother for some period of time, and is not sure of his present whereabouts.

He also commented that MALCOLM A. GAULT and EZRA GAULT are both brothers of his. EVERETT GAULT stated he could furnish no information concerning anyone who resembles the person in the photograph identified as ERIC STARVO GALT. EVERETT GAULT advised his brother, CURTIS HOPE GAULT, is not identical with ERIC STARVO GALT.

No lead to locate and interview CURTIS HOPE GAULT, Pioneer, Louisiana, is being set out, and this matter is being left to the discretion of the office of origin.

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