

CIA-Ring Section 47, serials 3877-3890 31 documents, 236 pp. released

3873 is <sup>133</sup>402 numbered pages <sup>Miami</sup>Memphis report of 1/23/68. It is a truly impressive if compressed account of the most intensive inquiry into the irrelevant. All the Galt and Gaults and "ohmeyers are traced, all the airlines and many other offices checked, all for the one man, Ray and almost without exception where there could not possibly be relevance. An exception is a former fellow prisoner, who said he did not know Ray to be a racist and besides, all the white MoPen prisoners were against the blacks there because of their militancy.

What this shows is that a month and a half after the crime, with the largest man-hunt in history running wild, the FBI had not the slightest idea what to do and as a replacement from figuring out what to do did everything and hopelessly lost itself in a quicksand of immaterial paper.

This is not because there were not a few heads that worked well. Memphis so politely suggesting the FBI spend some time on the notion that Ray had fled to country. Other suggestions that the Canadian passport records be searched before they were, etc.

Still no field office or anyone at headquarters willing to consider that there as an assassin other than Ray and no serious thought given to co-conspirators. One his prints were identified all other possibility rejected by HQ except as possible co-conspirators. No possibility of any co-conspirator figured out from the facts of the crime itself.