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August Meyer

The following letter was received by the Attorney
General of the United States:

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"The Hon. Robt Kennedy
U. S. Attorney General.

"Sir.

"On 11-16-63 while sitting in the Continental
Bus Depot in Lincoln, Nebraska, at about 2-30 - 3.
P.M. Sat a man walked into the bus depot on the P
Street entrance. he wore a dark gray top coat, real
dark gray suit, white shirt short brim hat real dark
gray with a colored feather in it if I remember the
hat correctly.

"He was carrying a reddish brown piece of airplane
type luggage and two rifles. which he wanted to check to
Dallas Texas.

"Due to the fact they were not broke down but were
enclosed in rifle cases the bus co refused to check them
to Dallas Texas.

"Then he put his suitcase on the floor an was
going to put the rifles in the bottom 25 ct locker and
as I held the door open for him I noticed that one
was shorter than the other rifle. The longer rifle
had a insigna of the riseing sun across the trigger
to the gun stock. and were in a metal gun case for
each rifle. the smaller one was definetly bolt
action and the larger one was the same as the carbine
automatic. while he was trying to get the rifles in
the locker diagonaly he looked up at me and said they
won't fit they won't go in will they. so he took them

"back out and had to pieces of cloth. over the trigger part and stock and Barrel of both of them and said he was an exchange student and he headed for the 10th street exit. I noticed he was to old for that college part but I also noticed the way he walked and talked that he was not what he claimed to be from Viet Nam. The way his hair was combed it seemed that he was using black hair dye on heavy because I noticed at the color part of his neck he had some pretty heavy splotches of gray hair showing.

"The week of Nov. 26 I was in Cedar Rapids Iowa I walked into a tavern for a glass of beer and I thought I was seeing double because a man who resembled the one above was standing away from the bar with his arms outstretched just like trying to imitate as though he was lifting something heavy on his shoulders then I was told not to pay any attention to him as he was in shock as his brother was in deep trouble in Dallas Texas. Enclosed you will find the picture of a person who looks similar to the one with the 2 rifles

"Sitting in the booth as you open the door to enter the tavern was a dark skinned lady with two children She had on a black head band around her head to hold her hair back and I doubt if she was over five ft tall.

"If you think that this has anything to do with the murder of your brother I will gladly help all I can.

"I called the Provost Marshall of the Lincoln Air base. Lincoln, Neb on the phone about the 12-2-63 Capt Siburg and he made an apt with the U.S. Marshal in Lincoln and who I talked with. I decided to forget it but after seeing these pictures. I can't forget it there is to close a resemblance of what I saw in Lincoln, 11-16-63

"I authorize you to look up my A.S.N. 6428381. 32670649 You will notice that I carry 2nd & 3rd degree phenal burns on both shoulders, back right side, both buttocks and right leg that was in 1935 to keep me in line so as not to squeal. The Weyerhauser kidnap case I believe I now who they are and some have been taken for a P.N.R.

"I carry a 12 gauge shot gun slug in the lobe of my left ear. Yes you will find that George Morgridge of Morgridge Inn was fined \$1,000 and put on probation accused me of being an informer when he took a shot at me on Buffalo Rd east of Whittier Rd.

"Sheriff Klienkans will verify that if he is still alive. That was indirectly involved with the Lindburgh kidnap case from the soldiers home at Gd. Rapids, Michigan. yes they are all alive by nature not by name to the best of my knowledge. Jafsie Condo Alvas Joe Pedro, Ruth Meyers, Charlotte Schenk her mother I believe, and her brother the driver of the ford sedan The carpenters tool box against the back of the front seat the way the baby was laying and crying and I offered to get the baby some milk from the road house but they just wanted to find out how to get to the Rochester Airport they were supposed to make contact there but lost their way and came to the private airport on the Norman Stadt farm across from the 100 Atlantic Gas Station I was running for George Morgridge. This was about 9:30 A.M. the day before the kidnaping was broadcast over the radios, March the 1st, 1932 I remember how the five were dressed and what the baby wore when I saw it alive.

"How do I know the names. they used to work for Mrs Lindburgh who was a school teacher in Detroit the 3 women used to trade at my brothers store and I waited on them in Inkster Mich.

"Yes there are a lot of other things I know, about, kidnapers, murders, bank robbers, their method of operation those that have been taken for one way rides. Yes I can even tell how they used to brag the way they put the money in the right places and the law cant touch them, and I am and have been on that list for extermination but I keep moving so that I cant get caught by them.

"Ask for protection from the law thats a joke, an assistant State Attorney General told me in 1937 I was a nobody but the man going through the door was a somebody, he sure was fleecing the public.

"If anything comes from that ad I have told David Brinkly everything goes to the crippled childrens hospital.

"I understand that uncle sam has some expert hangman I would rather have him hang me for trying to make a honest liveing. I cant even aford to have the highly infected throat taken care of with the slug in it. let alone pay taxes.

"Sorry to have bothered you with this letter but what I said stands

"Sincerely.

"Army Serial 6428381
Number 32670649

"End August Meyer

"P.S. This is not a crank letter"

August Meyer appeared at the Omaha Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation October 31, 1963, at which time he advised he was an itinerant mechanic living at the Conant Hotel in Omaha. He made claims about being able to solve murder cases and said he had been a witness in the Lindberg kidnaping case. At this time he was incoherent and talked in circles. He would furnish no information relative to his background. He had no information of value to the division.

On December 3, 1963, August Meyer contacted Special Agent Harmon J. Ogren at the Lincoln, Nebraska, Resident Agency of the FBI. He was a man about 65 years of age and stated he was an itinerant sewing machine mechanic. He advised he possessed some information, but probably should not take up the FBI's time with it. He stated that on November 16, 1963 (he is sure of the date), he was in the Continental Bus Depot in Lincoln and while there assisted a "foreigner," a foreign student from Viet Nam, or one of those Eastern countries, put a rifle into a locker. He advised this student was going to Dallas, Texas, and they would not let him check a rifle through. At this time he described the student as very definitely a young man, of student age, who was wearing all dark brown clothing. He stated the rifle was in a case, which was brown in color, and had a rising sun on the outside of the case. He was asked how he knew it was a rifle and he said because the student said so and because it was a rifle case. He advised he had not seen the rifle. He then went on to relate the number of times he had been of service to the FBI in solving some of its bigger cases. He started a rambling story of his knowledge of the Lindberg kidnaping case and of the fact he could solve any big crime, past or present, that

the FBI was investigating. He spoke of having gun shot wound in the leg and other parts of his body which had been put there by gangsters who were trying to kill him because of his knowledge. He asked the interviewing agent to mention some big crime and he would help solve it, with his past knowledge, or he, with his connections, could find the answer. He advised he would not furnish any background information or information as to how he could be reached because the underworld was still after him and he did not want anyone to know how to contact him. He was thanked for his information.

Following the interview, a check was made with Leo R. Luken, Assistant Secretary and Treasurer, Continental Trailways parent company, the American Bus Lines, who advised that according to his records no tickets were sold to Dallas, Texas, from November 15 through 18, 1963, by the Lincoln terminal.

In his letter to the Attorney General, Meyer advised the man was wearing grey clothes and was older than the usual student as he had dyed black hair with patches of grey. He stated there were two rifles and two cases and that they were out of their cases as he saw a rising sun on a trigger guard and was able to describe them as to type. Although the interview at Lincoln, Nebraska, took place following appearance of the photograph of Ruby in the newspapers, at that time he made no mention of the incident at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, or the belief that this student looked like Ruby.

Contact at the Conant Hotel, Omaha, Nebraska, on February 29, 1964, failed to disclose that Meyer resides there. The Lincoln, Nebraska, Police Department and the Lincoln Credit Bureau checked on March 2, 1964, contained no reference to Meyer.

Henry F. Theimer, The Lincoln Leather Company, Lincoln, Nebraska, advised on March 2, 1964, that Meyer is a very good sewing machine mechanic who constantly travels throughout the Middlewest. He knows nothing about Meyer's background or where he can be reached. Meyer is self-employed. He goes to a leather dealer in a major town, gets a list of machines which may need repair, and when done moves on to another town. He comes to Lincoln about every ninety days. The last time he was here he told Mr. Theimer it would be some time before he would be back. He was last in Lincoln during the first week of December, 1963. Mr. Theimer advised that as a person, Meyer is mentally disturbed and makes very irrational statements which any knowledgeable person would know not to be true on their face. He also said Meyer at times becomes very emotional.

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