

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 11, 1967

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ALFRED JOSEPH KAMINSKI, was observed walking north on North Main Street at Temple Court, by ALBERT D. O'NEIL, Captain, Mansfield Police Department and SA ANDERSON, at which time he was approached; was advised by SA ANDERSON of the identities of the interviewing officers; further advised of his rights and told that he was not under arrest. He admitted his identity as ALFRED JOSEPH KAMINSKI and agreed to voluntarily accompany the interviewing officers to the Mansfield Police Department for questioning in regard to a Federal matter involving a possible Civil Rights violation.

At the police department, he was again warned of his rights by SA ANDERSON and he waived them as shown on an executed Warning and Waiver Form, which waiver also discloses that he accompanied the interviewing officers to the Mansfield, Ohio Police Department on his own choice and that he knew that he was not under arrest and could leave the office if he so desired.

On this occasion, he advised Captain O'NEIL and SA ANDERSON as follows:

He is an itinerant traveler and maintains a residence address as that of his sister, Mrs. RITA FRIEND, 5 Pavonia Court, Bayonne, New Jersey.

The recent winter months have been spent by him in San Marcos, Texas where he worked for Rhea B. Merritt, 4613 Chaipero Trail, Austin, Texas.

He departed San Marcos January 2, 1968 en route to the home of his sister in Bayonne, New Jersey, where he contemplated spending a day or two before renewing his travels.

He had a spiral ring notebook on his person disclosing his daily whereabouts from March 1, 1967 to date, and the following was made known by him as to his specific locations on the indicated dates set out below:

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On 4/8/68 at Mansfield, Ohio

File # Cleveland 44-565

by SAS A. JAMES ANDERSON, JR. & LA VERN C. STOVER 'AJA:mkr

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Location & City</u>
3/29/68	Salvation Army Springfield, Illinois
3/30/68	Salvation Army Decatur, Illinois
3/31/68	Salvation Army Champaign, Illinois
4/1/68	Salvation Army Kankakee, Illinois
4/2/68	Salvation Army Kokomo, Indiana
4/3/68	Christian Center Mission Anderson, Indiana
4/4/68	Mission, Muncie, Indiana
4/5/68	Indiana Hotel Marion, Indiana
4/6/68	Mission Findlay, Ohio
4/7/68	Mission Marion, Ohio

Shortly after his arrival in Marion, Indiana, he claims he was taken to the police department based on a complaint by a citizen that he had been hitchhiking. While at the police department he was interrogated by two detectives as to his whereabouts and location on the day Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. was assassinated. Upon these detectives becoming convinced he was not involved in this assassination, he was photographed and released.

KAMINSKI denies he has ever been in Memphis, Tennessee at any time; denies he shot MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.; claims no knowledge concerning this incident except what he has learned through the news media. He claims to have never used any names except his own.

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A search of his person and personal property by SAS LAVERN C. STOVER and A. JAMES ANDERSON, JR., with KAMINSKI's consent, met with negative results. He had no money, claiming he spent his last two dollars when staying at the hotel in Anderson, Indiana.

Six colored polaroid photographs were taken of him by Captain O'Neil in the presence of SA STOVER.

He was photographed and fingerprinted in the presence of SA ANDERSON by Captain RAYMOND KARSMIZKI, Identification Officer, Mansfield Police Department, having been assigned Mansfield Police Department # [REDACTED]

Major case fingerprint impressions were also obtained of him by SA ANDERSON.

On termination of the interview, he was transported to the Volunteers of America, where he desired to spend the night.

The following physical description was obtained by observation and interview by Special Agents STOVER and ANDERSON:

Name	ALFRED JOSEPH KAMINSKI
Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	March 20, 1916
Place of Birth	Bayonne, New Jersey; admits also having used March 16, 1961, Bayonne, New Jersey
Height	5'8"
Weight	145 lbs.
Hair	Light Brown - Blond; combed straight back; receding at temples
Eyes	Light Blue
Scars and Marks	Large wart left shoulder; mole on right side bridge of nose; 1/2" circular scar, left inner forearm; upper front teeth missing (has only 8 upper teeth, 4 back molars on each side); has 6 front lower teeth only (all teeth badly stained)

Remarks:

Heavily tanned;
pointed nose;
cleft - chin;
large ears;
stutters when excited;
right handed;
neat and extremely fastidious
in his mannerisms;
rolls own cigarettes from
Half and Half smoking tobacco;
smokes Chesterfield cigarettes
when he has money;
member of Alcoholics Anonymous
since February 24, 1968, joining
at Ft. Smith, Arkansas;
when previously drinking, consumed
Shaeffers Bottled Beer

Marital Status

Single

Education

10th grade, Bayonne High School,
Bayonne, New Jersey

Social Security #

Occupation

[REDACTED]
Painter, short-order cook, transit
and traveler

Military Service

U.S. Army, July 25, 1935 -
September 21, 1937;Serial Number RA [REDACTED]
(1941 - 1945; Serial # [REDACTED])
(1948 - 6/4/65; Serial #RA [REDACTED])

Residence Address

5 Pavonia Court
Bayonne, New Jersey

Relatives:

Father

WALTER KAMINSKI
Same Address

Step-mother

MARY KAMINSKI
Same Address

Half-sister

Mrs. RITA (GILL) FRIEND,
Same Address

Brother

MATTHEW KAMINSKI
Unknown number
16th Street
Bayonne, New Jersey

Admitted Arrest
Record

San Diego, California
1965 - Intoxication

Wearing apparel at
time of interview

Dark grey single-breasted,
three button suit coat with
Robert Hall label.
Name: "H. ANDREWS"
printed in ink-on label.
Light tan-grey topcoat with
label, "Cranes Mayo".
States suitcoat and topcoat
obtained from the Mission,
Muncie, Indiana, April 4, 1968.
Dark black trousers; white long
sleeve shirt, open collar, no tie;
cotton sweatshirt with wording,
"San Marcos Rattlers";
black leather belt with silver
buckle, black oxford shoes;
blue cotton socks; white T-shirt;
white jockey shorts.

Was carrying light tan cloth travel
bag with broken zipper. Contained
therein were miscellaneous articles
of clothing; shaving equipment;
white shirt with stenciled name,
"PACKER" which he claims he obtained
an unrecalled mission house.