

# FBI May Be Chasing Phantom

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., April 16 (UP) — An artist's conception of the man wanted in the sniper slaying of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. "looked exactly like" Eric Starvo Galt, the elusive central figure in a nationwide manhunt, according to Galt's landlord.

Federal agents, still refusing comment on the having a southern drawl and a pointed nose—the investigation, appeared no closer to locating Dr. King's assassin yesterday.

As agents continued to follow cold trails, it seemed more likely that Galt may have been an elaborately devised alias and that such a person existed only in a Birmingham rooming house in certain Alabama state records.

Galt cannot be traced before he took a Birmingham room last August or after his abandoned car was impounded by the FBI in Atlanta last week.

Galt, claiming to have come to Alabama from Louisiana, bought his white Mustang in Birmingham and applied for and was granted a state driver's license.

Little else is known of the figure, described as having a southern drawl and a pointed nose—the same general description as Dr. King's assassin.

The car, found in an Atlanta housing project, fits the description of one seen leaving a Memphis flophouse from where the fatal shot was fired at Dr. King April 4.

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