

## British Charges Filed

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LONDON, June 10 — A provisional warrant was issued today for the extradition of James Earl Ray from Britain to face trial on a murder charge in Memphis in the killing of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. last April 4.

This first step in the complex extradition procedure was taken after Ray was virtually whisked through a magistrate's court and remanded to Brixton Prison,

where two officers will be permanently stationed in his cell.

The next step will be the formal application for extradition, which will be submitted with supporting evidence to the chief magistrate, who will then decide whether the evidence submitted by the United States is sufficient to justify Ray's trial.

It is possible that this application will be made Thursday,

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## Galt Alias Taken in Toronto

By Ray Biggart

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TORONTO, June 10—Eric S. Galt, the alias used most commonly by James Earl Ray, is the name of a man living in a suburb of Toronto.

Galt lives within a mile and a half of the two other men whose names Ray used during the month he was hiding here after the shooting of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

This revelation is adding further spark to a Royal

Canadian Mounted Police search for three people who were believed connected with Ray while he was here.

And the revealing of the real Galt is making officials think Ray may have visited Toronto before.

Ray used the name Eric Starvo Galt last July when he signed an apartment lease in Montreal on St. Germaine Street. He has been identified there both in last July

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The real Eric Galt, an Inspector at Union Carbide Canada Ltd., lives on Leahann Crescent in Scarborough, near both Constable Ramon George Sneyd and Paul Bridgman, whose names Ray also used. Scarborough is about 15 miles from the downtown Toronto rooming houses used by Ray during April and May of this year.

The Toronto Galt's middle name is St. Vincent, not Starvo, which is the name Ray used.

The real Galt is at a loss to explain how Ray knew about him. "But it seems like more than a coincidence that he used that name," he said.

Galt said he was very relieved that Ray had been arrested.

"There were so many similarities between Ray and myself that I was afraid someone might be tempted to think I really was the one and take a pot-shot at me.

"And about the time Eric S. Galt was revealed as one of the names of the suspected King killer I got a lot of crank phone calls," he said.

He also got a visit from the RCMP and the FBI, who gave him a thorough grilling.

Galt is 5 feet 11 and Ray is 5 feet 10. Both have scars on their foreheads just above their noses, and both have scars on the palms of their right hands.

Galt is 53 and Ray is 40, but the Toronto man looks to be in his early 40s.

Galt said his name and picture had appeared in an employe magazine sometime ago in connection with his scuba diving activities, and this might have been the source of the alias, he thinks.

He also took a Tennessee vacation two years ago (Dr. King was killed in Memphis) but could not recall losing any identification papers.

Galt is secretary of the Viking Gun Club here. He is a crack rifle marksman, but is a poor shot with handguns.

were dubious about their claims that Galt was working seven days a week at the time of the King murder, and could not possibly have been in Memphis. They were said to have suggested that people where he worked were lying to protect him.

The RCMP have full identification, including finger-

prints, of Galt, because he worked on a secret Canadian government contract some years ago.

Officials here now suspect Ray may have come to Toronto last fall after his stay in Montreal.

The three other persons police are looking for are a "fat man" who came to one of Ray's rooming houses with an envelope for Ray; a husky fair-haired man with whom Ray drank beer several times in a sleazy tavern, and a woman who, one source said, applied for one of Ray's phony birth certificates and said she was his aunt.

The Mounties say they doubt Ray managed here without help.

"He didn't do all this without help," an RCMP inspector said. "We know he had help, but we don't yet know much about it."

The police here point to Ray's apparent knowledge of the loopholes in Canada's passport laws and in the regulations on the issuing of Ontario birth certificates. Police say Ray probably had someone go through back newspaper files before he arrived here, to pick out the names he would use.

Police also revealed today that Ray crossed the border to this country at Fort Erie, Ont., across the Niagara River from Buffalo. They say he came in a car but won't say whether he was alone or accompanied by someone. They say the crossing was made four days after Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was shot on April 4.

The fat man in the case appeared May 2 at the Dundas Street West boarding house of Mrs. Sun Loo, where Ray was staying under the name Ramon George Sneyd.

Mrs. Loo, whose English is not good, went to get him from his locked up room. Ray went to the front door, exchanged a few words with the fat man, took an envelope from him, put it in his pocket and returned upstairs.

Mrs. Loo said the fat man was about 40 and quite tall. He had black hair combed back and wore a white T-shirt tucked into black pants.

The fair-haired man was seen with Ray at least three times in the Silver Dollar tavern, a hotel bar that features go-go dancers and female impersonators.

A Negro go-go girl there remembers Ray stared at her "the way some white men stare at a colored girl dancing."

Waiters remember that Ray paid for his beer—he always drank Molson's Canadian—with U.S. \$20 bills.

The husky man, they say, wore bright-colored, tight-fitting T-shirts, and rarely spoke.

The women who claimed to be the aunt of Paul Bridgman, and another Ray alias, went to the Provincial Registrar's Office and asked for a birth certificate for Bridgman, a source there said.

The source said the certificate was refused because the woman could not prove her identity or a connection with Bridgman. They offered to mail the certificate to Bridgman, and this was done.

But at the Ossington Avenue address the woman gave, Ray was using the name Sneyd, and the landlady there returned the letter containing the birth certificate as unknown. It sat unclaimed in the Registrar's office until the RCMP came after it last week.

### Secrecy Expected In Ray Extradition

MEMPHIS, June 10 (UPI)—Secrecy and swiftness apparently will be the order of the day when, and if, James Earl Ray, the accused assassin of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., is returned to Memphis to stand trial for murder.

District Attorney Phil Canale, Shelby County Sheriff



...and data here before  
the world learned of his re-  
turn.

It was reported that Morris will bear the chief responsibility for Ray's safety. This led to the conclusion that the prisoner would be lodged in the four-story, gray concrete Shelby County Jail, a building that houses both the jail and, on a lower floor, the five county criminal courtrooms.

Although Tennessee law requires the death penalty in a conviction of first-degree murder without extenuating circumstances, it appeared unlikely that any convicted killer would be put to death.

Since the last execution in

1960, the nine cells on death row at State Prison have remained virtually full. But there have been no executions, at first because of questions raised about the law and civil rights, and later by the personal convictions of two governors.