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## The Search For King's Killer

# MANHUNT OR HOAX?

ATLANTA -- Police officers in Memphis and Atlanta have issued statements which support The Councilor's claim that the manhunt for the man who killed Martin Luther King is a gigantic federal hoax. Fantastic?

Those glibbie people who believe everything they hear on T.V., in the daily papers, and federal news releases will have to ignore the facts in order to swallow this new oversize pill from the Justice Department. It would be easier to believe that Peter Pumpkin-Eater consumed Cinderella's Coach in a



'SURE DANGEROUS' Maj. Barney Ragsdale

fit of pique.

### Two Sets

Latest development: Georgia police officers confirm the fact that the Justice Department has given them two different sets of fingerprints purportedly from the suspect.

Major Barney Ragsdale, director of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, has confirmed this strange discrepancy.

"It sure is dangerous," Ragsdale commented, "to put something like that in our files and ever expect us to find James Earl Ray for them. This is a state identification bureau."

Ragsdale said he contacted Frank V. Bitt, special agent in charge of the Justice Department's Atlanta FBI Office and informed him of the discrepancy. Ragsdale said he was promised a corrected

Atlanta FBI Office and informed him of the discrepancy. Ragsdale said he was promised a corrected set of prints but it never arrived.

"If they fail to send us one it stands to reason they didn't send it to others."

The Justice Department contends that Ray, alias Eric Galt, felled Martin Luther King in Memphis, and escaped to Atlanta in a white Mustang. Attorney General Ramsey Clark claims that the killer was a "loner like Oswald." If so, he had the remarkable talent of being able to drive two different white Mustangs in different directions at the same time.

Justice Department and Warren Commission contend that Oswald as "a loner" drove to the rear of General Edwin Walker's home in Dallas and took a porch at the general. Elsewhere, the same Justice Department contends Oswald didn't know how to drive at the time of the Walker assassina-

tion attempt. A witness reports that the "loner" who shot at Walker left hastily in two cars at the same time ---another amazing demonstration of driving skill for a "loner".)

### Something Rotten

Other strange decisions of the Justice Department in the King case prompted a ranking Memphis police officer to say "Somebody has muddled the waters."

The Memphis statement came from Asst. Chief Bill Price. He referred to conflicting and obviously phony information put out by the Department of Justice regarding the legendary "Eric Starvo Galt."

One theory within the Memphis Police Department is that Galt - Ray is a myth, created by conspirators as a smoke screen.

Price cited "a whole lot of discrepancies" in official Justice Department descriptions of the man sought as the sniper slayer of the communist agent, King.

"You don't know what to look for," Price said.

One federal news release described the suspect as having a rural Southern accent. The next says he is from Illinois, and acquaintances claim he spoke with a Northern brogue.

One description says the suspect is sloppy and the next says he maintains a neat appearance.

One describes him as under 30, the next as over 40.

One describes him as being addicted to beer and vodka, and the next as a virtual nondrinker.

Photos of the suspect (s) bear no resemblance to each other. Friends of "Galt" fail to see any resemblance to "Ray" and vice

versa, but Justice Department contends that they are the same man. Finally, when the photo discrepancy produced guffaws as well as disbelief, the FBI tried to close the credibility gap by distributing to daily and weekly newspapers sets of retouched photos.

### Life Magazine

Then Life Magazine, the same publication which glorified "Dr." Fidel Castro and "Dr." Martin Luther King, entered the act. Life ran a class picture of Galt - Ray

showing him as a youngster in public school. But only one member of the entire class was hidden from view.

Guess which one?

Galt - Ray, of course.

All you could see in this cover picture was a shock of boyish hair and no face!

The only other photo of Galt-Ray published by Life was many years old, which prompted one reader to ask, "Why is it that a man who was in and out of prison all of his life left such a poor choice of photos?"

Councilor investigators working on this case are the same men who publicly announced David Ferrie as a suspect in the JFK assassination just a few days after the Dallas death. They ask:

(1) What clues do we have that Ray was still alive on the day that Martin Luther King was liquidated?

(2) If MLK was shot by a high-living penitentiary escapee who paid cash for at least one white Mustang (if not two), and took expensive dance lessons, who supplied the money? Justice De-

partment indicates that the suspect was not employed.

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The Councilor investigators believe at this time that the killer WAS employed, and WAS paid handsomely, and that his name was neither Galt nor Ray. The skill of the liquidation and escape suggests that the real killer was highly professional and had skilled support on the scene, but unskillful support in an area which will surprise most Americans. When and if more facts become known.