

RE: JAMES FREDERICK MURPHY

The following investigation was conducted by SAS HENRY J. OLIVER and LOUIS M. KELLEY:

Examination of the city directory for 1963 of Dallas, Texas, on December 18, 1963, reflects that there is no address of 1715 Canton Street, Dallas, Texas.

By physical observation, on December 18, 1963, it was determined that the Dallas Power and Light Company is located at 1711 Canton Street and occupies the entire block. It was noted, however, that the Salvation Army is located just down and across the street from the Dallas Power and Light Company.

WAYNE WALKER, Salvation Army, 800 Browder, Dallas, Texas, advised on December 18, 1963, the records of the Men's Social Center contain the following information:

The transient file reflected JAMES FREDERICK MURPHY was referred on October 13, 1963, from the Salvation Army Headquarters for a free bed. WALKER stated a bed is only furnished for one night free, but MURPHY paid 90 cents per night for his bed on the nights of October 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 21, 26 and 31, 1963. WALKER stated that apparently MURPHY had obtained a job and a free bed was furnished to him until he received his first pay.

The records were examined from November 1, 1963, to December 18, 1963, and no further reference to MURPHY was located.

VERNON SPACEY, Night Watchman, Salvation Army Men's Social Center, 800 Browder, Dallas, Texas, advised SAS HENRY J. OLIVER and LOUIS M. KELLEY, on December 18, 1963, he recalled MURPHY had stayed off and on during October and November, 1963, but did not know anything about him except that MURPHY worked for a while for the Statler Hilton Hotel. He said MURPHY did not become friendly with anyone at the Salvation Army.

Mrs. AMBROSE MARTINEZ, Welfare Department, Salvation Army, 500 Ervay Street, Dallas, Texas, advised SAS HENRY J. OLIVER and LOUIS M. KELLEY, on December 18, 1963, that the records of that Department reflect JAMES FREDERICK MURPHY first appeared on March 17, 1962. He stated to the Salvation Army he had come from New Orleans and was on the way to Los Angeles, California, to locate work. He returned on October 13, 1963, at which time he advised the Salvation Army he was en route from Los Angeles, California, to New Orleans, Louisiana. He was again referred to the Men's Social Center, 800 Browder, but returned on October 14, and again on October 19, 1963, at which time he stated he had a spot job but was out of work. He was denied free lodging on these occasions. On November 1, 1963

MURPHY returned and stated he had worked at the Haskell Drive In, 2010 North Haskell, Dallas, but now had obtained a job at the Statler Hilton Hotel.

C. STEVENS, Haskell Drive In, 2010 Haskell Street, Dallas, Texas, advised SAs HENRY J. OLIVER and LOUIS M. KELLEY, on December 18, 1963, that JAMES MURPHY had worked there about three or four days a couple of months ago, but he knew nothing about MURPHY or his whereabouts.

CARL GRAVES, Physical Director, Downtown YMCA, Dallas, Texas, advised SAs HENRY J. OLIVER and LOUIS M. KELLEY on December 18, 1963, that the records reflected JAMES MURPHY employed by the Statler Hilton Hotel, Commerce Street, Dallas, was assigned to room 917 on November 21, 1963 and checked out on November 26, 1963.

MURPHY furnished the following information:

Parents's name	FRANK JAMES MONROE MURPHY
Age	27
Health	Good
Marital status	Single
In Dallas	3 months
In Case of Accident Notify	MRS. JEAN MURPHY, 1309 Bourbon Street, New Orleans, Louisiana
Business Reference	DONALD ALONZO, Coach, Cathedral High School, Pine Street, Natchez, Mississippi
Character Reference	CHARLIE YOUNG, 1715 McCollie Avenue, Chattanooga, Tennessee (correct address - 414 Bonewood, Hermitage, Tennessee)

ALONZO advised by letter the following could also provide information concerning MURPHY:

Monsignor FULLAN, St. Mary's Cathedral, Natchez,  
Mississippi  
Bishop R. O. GEROW, Jackson, Mississippi

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KELLEY:

MRS. THELMA BREG, Personnel Department, Statler  
Hilton Hotel, Dallas, Texas, advised on December 19, 1963,  
that JAMES MURPHY was not employed by that hotel long enough  
for him to have hospitalization insurance. She said he was  
employed only a short time and it was necessary to be employed  
for six months before the insurance was effective.