

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 4/12/68

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HUBERT A. FERRELL, 4406 Holland Avenue, telephone 523-0716, after being advised of the identities of interviewing Agents and that information was received indicating he had information of possible interest relating to the murder of MARTIN LUTHER KING, advised as follows:

FERRELL is employed as a District Manager by United Savings Life Insurance Company and works out of his home. FERRELL has lived most of his life in Memphis, Tennessee, but moved to Dallas about 14 years ago.

Recently during a "bull session" with a large group of men, someone made a statement to the effect that during the first march in Memphis, which march was led by KING, the riot was probably started by the militant Negroes as a diversion to give them an opportunity to shoot KING, but that KING had been gotten away before they had an opportunity. This individual, identity not recalled, further remarked that if this were true they would probably try again. He stated he has repeated these remarks to many people.

FERRELL stated his wife has been very upset and emotional about the situation in Memphis as her only close relative, a sister, resides in Memphis. She is very concerned over her sister's safety.

FERRELL has three brothers and a sister who reside in or near Memphis, as well as friends. He stated he knows no one in Memphis who he would suspect of killing KING. He stated that none of his relatives or friends appear to have any unusual animosity toward members of the Negro race.

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FERRELL stated his relatives in or near Memphis are as follows:

Brother - HERBIE W. FERRELL, 3795 Macon Road, Memphis, employed by an insurance company formerly known as National Burial Insurance Company;

Brother - HARVEY PARNELL FERRELL, employed by A&P Supermarket, home address not known, but listed in Memphis telephone directory;

Brother - JAMES FERRELL, formerly residing on Raines Road, Memphis, and now residing at Searcy, Arkansas. He is a brakeman or conductor with Illinois Central Railroad out of Memphis;

Sister - Mrs. ROY MC LAIN, Argonne Street, Frazier Station Section, Memphis.

FERRELL is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Birth Data	Morrilton, Arkansas, November 7, 1919
Height	5'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Weight	190 pounds
Hair	Blond
Eyes	Blue
Military	U. S. Army, June, 1943 - February, 1946, Serial Number [REDACTED]
Wife	MARY ELIZABETH nee MC HUGHES FERRELL, same address