

Young Aides Leaked Files, Lane Says

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said. "He posed as a militant black radical and infiltrated a group called The Invaders. McCollough was the first man to reach Dr. King on the balcony and he was to be the Government's key witness, strangely enough, in determining where the shot came from."

But Rev. Jesse Jackson, who was with King when the Civil Rights leader was shot, said "no one was giving him mouth-to-mouth resuscitation." He added that he had never heard the name Merrill McCollough although there was a Justice Department official on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel that day. He did not know the official, he said. He said he thinks Lane's connection of Young to the case is just another "grandstand play" by the lawyer.

Ray's attorney said McCollough, who will be his key witness, was now work-

ing for the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) in Langley, Va., near Washington.

"We know that Hoover issued a hit order on Dr. King," Mrs. Ray said. She said the Atlanta FBI office "was the home of the get-King FBI squad." She also said "The Memphis police department is in this up to their necks."

Mr. Lane said evidence included in the affidavits to be presented will show former Memphis Police and Fire Director Frank Holloman was involved. Mr. Holloman, who testified Friday before the House Assassinations Committee in Washington, worked for the FBI before joining the Memphis police department.

"When we make application for a new trial, the Court of Criminal Appeals must allow us a hearing. At that hearing," Mr. Lane said, "we will call Merrill McCollough, Frank Holloman and Walter Fauntroy as key witnesses."

"Mr. Fauntroy knows a lot about this FBI business and he has received threatening calls and things," Mrs. Ray said, adding that Mr. Fauntroy has told Government officials his phone is bugged.

Mr. Holloman testified Friday in Washington that charges of a Memphis police-FBI conspiracy were "ludicrous" and "slanderous." The theory was first revealed in a book by Mr. Lane on the assassination. "It is unbelievable to me that the FBI would entertain such an idea," he testified to the committee.

Mr. Lane responded, saying, "We'll see what Mr. Holloman says under oath in a court of law while under intelligent cross examination. The House committee

has been taken over by the intelligence community, the FBI and the CIA. The FBI and CIA didn't even have to buy the committee. They are just renting it.

"James Earl Ray will not get a fair trial until he is tried by a jury of 12 men or women, black and white, in Memphis, Tenn."

Mrs. Ray and Mr. Lane agreed that members of the committee know who killed Dr. King and why.

Mrs. Ray also said Dr. King's chauffeur, Solomon Jones Jr., "saw a man wearing a white helmet running from some bushes by the motel after the shot was fired. Jones has told us that while he was sitting in his car, two Memphis policemen walked up to the car and said, 'That's a dead nigger in there.' About that time," Mrs. Ray said, "Mr. Jones said he heard a shot and then saw the man running away."

Mrs. Ray said Memphis policemen wore white helmets at the time.

Solomon Jones is in the Shelby County Jail awaiting transfer to the state prison in Nashville after being convicted of fraudulent breach of trust and larceny.



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