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You must have the stuff on RFK. Tonight I will try to call Lillian. I will ask her to send the stuff to you. It is simple: Sirhan said he knew a guy in the kitchen. The guy is on the SS PRS list, and his car keys were in Sirhan's pocket. Sirhan's keys to his own car were in the car which was several blocks away. The kitchen employee's car was in the alley! She got the license plate from a photo of the car and had it checked out. Also on RFK, Sirhan probably could not have fired the fatal shot, which came from point blank range--and again, no ballistics on that bullet. Then the girl in the polka dot dress.

On King: Shots from the bushes--1. Solomon Jones, King's Chaufeur said they came from there and a guy with a white hood rushed out--remember that a white sheet was found in the mustang. 2. Cornflake Carter said shots came from there 3. Cops and firemen across street also thought so. Again, no ballistics.

Assailant: 1. Sketch doesn't resemble Ray 2. The only eyewitness to identify Ray was drunk according to his wife (ie like Brennan's bad eyesight) She said that the guy was about 125lbs and smaller than Ray. Clothes found in mustang were for small man (Ray is about 5'11"), maybe around 125lbs. [also note cigaret buts all over car, and Ray doesn't smoke] 3. Rifle carefully laid against building--carefully wrapped in blanket inside of box so as not tosmudge prints

Car: Witnesses reported two mustangs. 1. Witnesses on first floor of building across street said man from rooming house went south to the other mustang 2. 2nd mustang had whiplash antenna--used for radio transmissions--remember the false radio reports!

I suggest beefing up the King stuff. I will find citations for this stuff and enlarge upon it so you can use--see Hane's article in Look--he covers most or all of it, and his article was the best summary of the stuff I had gotten from newspapers--in fact, it is better than my notes in some respects.

——Do not count me out yet on getting money for Coup. I have some more ideas. How long can I borrow this? I will start approaching some rich people. Have you tried any Jew's—this is as natural for them as it is for the blacks, and the ~~Jews~~ blacks are not good for money now.

Take it easy and let me know what I can do.

Gary

PS: There are 3 copies of my memo on the JD and the Washington proceedings—send them to Wecht and Forman or whoever you deem it advisable to send to. Omit Dan's name if you see fit. I will send it to no one. It is yours to use as you please.

PSS: My memo on Sirhan—I can't emphasize enough how badly the MMPI, the only objective and empirically based personality test was misused. Individual item responses mean absolutely nothing, and never were expected to mean anything. We don't know how or why the test works, but only that it does. I can enlarge on this if you like. Bear in mind that I probably know more about the test, being trained here, under Meehl, and Hathaway who devised the test, than any of those nuts on the West Coast. My professional qualifications are more where I have studied, and under who, than by degree. But, I do know the literature cold, and that is what counts. If there is no research which supports their testimony, then it has no validity. What interests me here is what Sirhan's MMPI looks like. It sounds as though it is not psychotic, otherwise they would never have gone off the deep end with individual items. If it is normal, then he could be faking craziness, for the MMPI is the only one which corrects for faking in either direction. In other words, either patients or students or professors, when told to fake in either direction (crazy or normal), come out with the same rough scores, due to a readjustment which is automatic. (Meehl developped this scale, the K scale, a % of which is added to each clinical scale.) Unless Newsweek is way off, it sounds like there is something very fishy here. My colleagues agree with me on this. We smell a rat.