

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-1987)

FROM : SA FRANKLIN L. JOHNSON

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR

DATE: 4/10/68

RE: GENE PEARSON CRAWFORD
32-B WESTWOOD GARDENS
JACKSON, TENNESSEE

Submitted herewith are the following:

- (1) An insert reflecting that CRAWFORD was stopped as a general suspect by the police on the morning of 4/5/68;
- (2) FD-302 showing interview with CRAWFORD.

In substance, according to Lt. J. D. HAMBY, Homicide Bureau, Memphis Police Department, some of the employees in Jim's Restaurant, located just north of Canipe's Amusement Company, 424 South Main, pointed out CRAWFORD as a stranger who was eating sausage, eggs, and iced lemonade in that restaurant sometime prior to the shooting on 4/4/68 and uniformed officers at the scene referred CRAWFORD to Lt. HAMBY for interview. Lt. HAMBY stated that CRAWFORD had been stopped on the street by uniformed officers, at which time he was carrying an attache type case and a cardboard box containing a new portable radio.

As will be noted from the FD-302 of CRAWFORD, his presence near the scene around the time of the shooting

~~_____~~ indicated the desirability of his being questioned as a general suspect. After a brief interview at the scene, Lt. HAMBY had him taken to the headquarters for further interview, and he was released, the Police Department feeling that he did not meet the description available concerning the Unsub, and his

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