

FBI File #44-38861 Section 50 (Serials 3988-4060)

Serial #
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Houston Report 5/17/68 - two white males on Delta flight Memphis to Houston 4/5/68 - used names Davis and Chidlaw on plane but Walker and Rand at hotel. Lookalikes checked a John Willard dance studio patron identified. Telephone calls on route # listed. [redacted] ex-con from Mo State Prison say Ray worked in bread room as slicer. Bartender school, labor unions etc. checked neg.

3989 Airtel re suspect

3990 Memo 5/14 on Cleveland woman's report of meeting a Roland Chesley Talbott, Jr. who said he had knowledge of King's death and that Adam Clayton Powell, Stokely Carmichael and H Ray Brown were scheduled. We will take care of Bobby Kennedy etc

3991 Airtel 5/28 176 applications to Locksmithing Inst. sent to lab

3992 LA sends check and gas invoices signed W.L. DeLuca to lab

3993 Airtel 5/29 Det. to Memphis: no visitors didn't see Ray at hotel

7 3994 Artists conception requested and sent - 3 items in file on this number

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not in
file

3996 Airtel 5/22 suggests check of Dale Carnegie Inst records in N.Y.

Airtel request N.Y. SAC to have " " check made

3997 Airtel with RCMP reports re stolen caddie and one Daoust who used stolen credit card of Michael St Pierre

not recorded that Life article in May 3 issue be printed field in
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3998 Tele to Legat in Mex. City for check of report of Ray working in kitchen of hotel in on Isla Mujeres 5/23/68

(b)(7)(D) (b)(7)(D)
3999 Airtel 5/17 [redacted] aka [redacted] in

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- 4015 El Paso reports - credit checks, lookalike checks rumor followups, etc.
- 4016 Tele re St. Francis Mgr. has informant who fingers James C. Harden as friend of Ray
Radiogram on Manager Thompson - squeeze him
- 4017 Tele 5/29/68 La to locate a Frances E. Ray in Calif. who called Jerry Ray in Wuincy Ill. 5/27
- 4018 Tele from Sacramento on researching all Calif. drivers lic. from 4/1 to date
- 4019 Tele possibly mentally disturbed citizen gives overheard conversation by two white males about hiding James Ray Starvo in C rk's house in Dallas - sent to Dallas to check
- * 4020 KC tele says [redacted] (b)(7)(D) saw Ray read Time Magazine quoted U.S. News world Report read Nietzsche - impressed by Geo Wallace's p tform; Didn't think Ray would put ad in paper for "passionate woman" except to get message to another person
- 4021 Western Union money order check 2/14-3/20 '68 shows no order emanating from Atlanta in name of Ray or his aliases
- 4022 Tele close prison associate [redacted] (b)(7)(D) has landlady in Leamington, Ill.
- 4023 Tel Denver withdraws request for phone call check
- 4024 Tele advises Wm. Len Hotel card prints neg.
- 4025 Telephone San Antonio call checked neg as to Ray
- 4026 Prank story checked to completion
- 4027 LA Airtel relates belief of Mos Almena Lomax that former Tuskegee, Ala. sheriff Sneller might have knowledge of King killing
- 4028 Airtel Edgar Eugene Badley checked and dropped
- 4029 Followup of Serial 4019 Clerk is ardent NAACP supporter and is a black - no further check of suspect said to be at Clark's home
- 4030 Interview of driver of Greyhound bus Tulsa to Dallas, says no one like person described by Mos Kirkpatrick no loud or unruly passenger
- 4031 Laundry marks check neg

- 4032 Airtel 5/28 [redacted] at Clarksville, Va. says overheard (b)(7)(D)
[redacted] and former speak of on 4/3/68 of big (b)(7)(C)
mouth not living to do what he aims to do day after
tomorrow a man will take care of him to be checked
- 4033 Nothing to report today from Memphis
- 4034 Ng report on search for former inmate Murphy
- 3035 Airtel - Chicago - reports former inmates [redacted] (b)(7)(D)
(no recollection) and [redacted] (not friend) says (b)(7)(D)
Wanoen Ray and Jim Bradley were friends of Ray
- 4036 Efforts to identify person picked up and released
on credit card theft
- 4037 Route 10 telephone check
- 4038 " " " "
- 4039 Locksmithing school offered correspondence
courses - only two applicants from 4/1/68 - 5/27/68
none Ray
- 4040 Ex-con [redacted] (b)(7)(D)
interviewed suggests other names
of associates
- 4041 Airtel on Lafayette Dilts and Dewey Lock
- 4042 Tele on Jan G. Ashmore
- 4043 KC St. L f Spgfld to check out Alton, Ill. bank robbery
to see if Ray involved with Gawron
- 4044 Further check in Houston on Walter & Rand
[Davis & Chidlow]
- 4045 N.O. wants to spend up to \$60 on IOs
- 4046 No need for duspector Joe Sullivan to be in
Atl or Memphis - report to Detroit via SOG
- * 4047 [redacted] and three others (b)(7)(C)
checked as possible con-conspirators
- 4048 [redacted] (b)(7)(D)
San Francisco to review syphilis records
- 4049 dead body Mahony [see antel]
- 4050 Mo St Prison x-rays copies and returned
- 4051 Calif drivers license applications impossible to review
- 4052 San Antonio can't check tex auto drivers lic. appl

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Serials: 4061-4142

4061 W. Davis, B. Chidlow, Vincent Walker, Lawrence Rand

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4066 [redacted] (b)(7)(D) MSP - negative; MSP inmates don't remember Ray transistor radio but Ray bought radio April 21; Bureau to locate etching tool putting number on radio.

4067 Edgar Eugene Bradley and Rex Basinger

4068 See 4067

4069 Belsaw Locksmithing Institute, Channel Master Transistor Radio

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* 4071 [redacted] (b)(7)(D) MSP - told [redacted] (b)(7)(D) that a MSP guard gave Ray escape uniform; also guard John Stout supplied Ray with amphetamines.

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4073 Atlanta Summary May 28 - "Bob" conspiracy and Frank William Brickley

4074 Dale Whitman

4075-4077

4078 Letter from Mary Chortas - spotted Ray Columbus, Ohio

4079 Rosen to DeLoach - re Chortas letter above; interviewed negative

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4081 Molena - Ray look alike Merda, Mexico

4082 John Farrell

4083-4085

4086 [redacted] (b)(7)(C) (Denver) - possible King conspirator;

"Emergency Tea Cup"; Bureau to follow up

4087 Bob conspiracy - fabricated

4088 James C. Hardin - N.O.

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** 4090 James C. Hardin - called Galt to St. Francis Hotel from Atlanta and N.O. and came to hotel according to manager Allan Thompson. Discussed also with another individual who Thompson refused to name.

4091 [REDACTED] (b)(7)(C)

4092 [REDACTED] (b)(7)(D) interview - John Stout sold speed to Ray but no knowledge on escape; F.N.U. White (Negro) and F.N.U. Sheppard also involved with Ray in drugs

4093 Billy Mack Wisdom; James P. Thornton

4094-4095

* 4096 James Wilbourn Ashmore alias James C. Hardin in Memphis files re desegregation U. of Miss.

* 4097 Re James C. Hardin - Allan Thompson identified other individual (from #4090) as "Fitx"; letters to Eric S. Galt from C.A. Toni in February, 1968..

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4101 Jerry Ray - now in Chicago

4102 Letter to Galt from Toni C.A.

4103 James H. Anderson

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4111 James H. Anderson

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4113 James P. Thornton - negative

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* 4115 Missing - Abstract says from Albany - get this

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4118 James Paul Thornton

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Serials: 4144-4250 Approx. dates: 5/24/68 - 6/6/68

4144 Report by State Department re Ray in Rhodesia

4145 Report by New Orleans Field Office

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4147 Report on TCR-1, "Report of Currency Transactions"

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4149 reinterview of John Larry Ray and others by St. Louis Field Office

4150-4152

Unrecorded serial on report of Ray's capture in London

4153-4156

5157 Report on Daniel Patrick Moynihan's comments against FBI

4158-4160

* 4161 Summary Report at HQ regarding report by RCMP in Canada that passport issued in name of Ramon George Sneyd may be photograph of Ray; also, Allen, Thompson, James Hardin and Fitz persons discussed

4162-4166

4167 Internal memo on passport of Sneyd

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4171 Sneyd - resident at 968 Dundas, Toronto

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* 4174, 4175 Laboratory report on physical evidence believed to be written by Galt

* 4176 Sneyd - arrived London May 7, 1968, BOAC Flight 600

4177-4185

4186 (b)(7)(D) - stated Ray read Globe Democrat and Post Dispatch on daily basis

- 4187-4189
- * 4190 Sneyd - summary report of actions
- 4191-4194
- 4195 Missing serial
- 4196, 4197
- Unrecorded report on cost of Murkin 4/4/68 - 5/31/68
- 4198
- 4199 Sneyd - repetitive information
- 4200-4203
- * 4204 Ray as Paul Bridgman and Sneyd
- 4205-4208
- 4209 [REDACTED] as PS (b)(7)(c)
- 4210-4216
- 4217 Sneyd - relevant information concerning Ray's actions in Canada
- 4218-4224
- * 4225 Sneyd - Ray's actions in London and Lisbon
- 4226-4231
- 4232 Bruce Irwin Govern -- extortion notes to be used against King family re knowledge of Dr. King's assassin (See, Serial #4402)
- 4233-4237
- * 4238 Summary report at HQ on Ray's actions as Sneyd while in Canada
- 4239, 4240
- * 4241 Ray as Paul Bridgman while in Canada and also as Sneyd; Ray arrived in Canada at least by 4/8/68
- 4242-4244
- 4245 Sneyd - round trip ticket used
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Section 54 Serials 4251 through 4350

date: 5/25 p.m. 5/26 a.m.

- 4251 RCMP report Quintals state the 2 women visiting JER were older and do not resemble photo of Ms. Stein
- 4255 Bu knows JER resided in Canada 4/8/61 - 5/6/68
- 4256 Dale Whitman: Bu wants for questioning
- 4257 Continuing check on phone calls from Highway 90 and I-10
- 4260 Paul Bridgeman: Bu wants for questioning
- 4263 Bu Lab Report: (1) Handwriting on passport application of RGS=JER
(2) Photo of RGS similar to JER
- 4264 JER Canada from 4/8/68-5/6/68
under names PB and RGS
Departed for London BOAC
- Bu: Put stops out for RGS but do not mention that RGS is JER or wanted in connection w/Murkin. Only state wanted for UFAC for charge of robbery
- 4265 P.B. : prior friend of JER while at MSP
named in passport application
may be = Paul Osborn Bridgeman
- Bu: Intensive effort to locate P.B.
RGS: address 4/19/68
916 Dundas
Toronto, Canada
cheap Chinese rooming house
- 4267 Discontinue search in all state capitals for driver's license application of all w/m 30-55
- 4271 James C. Hardin
- 4272 Confine airline check to 4/5/68 - 4/8/68
- 4277 Passport obtained
- 4279 Interview w/Wayne Rothberg
- [REDACTED] (7)(C)
- questioned to locate PB

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- 4712 - Allan O. Thompson - Bu efforts to find
- 4713 - Galt ordered suit of clothes July 21, 67 while in Montreal from English & Scotch Woolen Co.
- 4714 - Re Ray's and Richard Covington's connection with Alton bank robbery
- 4715 - Bureau to try interview Ray enroute and prior to release to Memphis police to avoid any allegations re FBI harassment or interference
- 4716 - Ray in N.O.
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- 4719 - Personal effects seized from Ray
- 4720
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- 4722 - [REDACTED] (b)(7)(c)
- 4723 - Ray robbed London Trustees Savings Bank June 4 for approximately \$239
- 4724
- 4725 - Report of Ray in Lisbon May 8-17; Passport trouble; Hotel; bars visited; women; Ray basically alone, no companions
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- *4727 - Report from Legat, London re Ray's arrest; note to Yarum Chandra Dutt "Mr. Ray will meet you TWA desk" Flight 700 5-27-68
- 4728 - [REDACTED] (b)(7)(c)
- 4729
- 4730 - Account of extradition hearing London 6-27-68
- 4731 - Re Charlie Stephens

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4733 - Alton, Ill. bank robbery 7-13-67; laundry mark on -
abandoned clothing

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4736 - Allan O. Thompson agrees with artist sketch of
James Hardin

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4743 - Ray in contact with Sydney Whitaker in Toronto who
told him stay at Carnforth Hotel

*4744 - Phone call 6-11-68 Wisconsin to North Carolina concerning
Klan and money and Ray talking overheard [REDACTED]

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4747 - [REDACTED] (b)(7)(c)

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4750 - Galt letter while in LA to Friends of Rhodesia. Wanted
to go Rhodesia after Nov. '68

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