small white tablet page - red ink

Rodney Link

loose spiral notebook page

side l

James Earl

Ray has two Brothers

no one has talked to them. Ray gives 3 birthplaces.

Miton III, Quincey, III, Decatur III different next of kin. Mother Mrs. Lucille Ryan Grandmother Mary Maker 1913 Hickory St. St. Louis

Walter Terry Rife picked up with Ray in \$55 on forgery - went 3 yrs. in Leavenworth. gave Quincey Hotel

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also said Mother was Lucille Roy, Elton Ill

people knew him as Raynes.

Mo. State Penn. Jeff. City, Mo.

Billy Daniels - Ray's best friend in prison.

Carl Drake knew Ray better. He got out in 165. He was from St. Louis. St. Louis cops might know where he is.

Ray never talked about outside, didn't smoke, never interested in music, wouldn't kill anyone, except maybe for money. apolitical, not a Negro hater. He read a lot, liked spy stories, Bond.

sheaf of yellow tablet pages

Thursday(?) Irr. mutorist? _(?) calls police press room - saw white Mustang with CBer 90 mph -NE on AP license # (Shelby) B 3 4447 or 8 2. CB Monitors we know 1. John Singleton of 112 Wellsville 685 - 11302. John Benryhill 2598 Dunn Street 323 - 25743. Harold Greshaw of Landis J: 4. V. T. Watson of Cherry Road 5. Grandpa Ed Callins 3. Glenn Allen "clique" 300 Popular Dr. 525-6782 1. Tranis(?)Travis(?) Taylor Mercury Monterey (Shelby) # AU 7057 4 dr off white Dan Pontiac green Safari(?) Stn Wgn # JM 2615 __(?), Miss or Helena, __(?) H. - 43424 or 9 __(?) Allen 17 or 18, Harding Academy - JK/p)? (?) kids too Camaro '68 sport coupe, Blue with(?) white(?) vinyl top Shelby BU 0314 3. Donald Odell - 401 Sullivan 397 - 5013 4. Rodney Linn - 3535 Stewart (323 - 1017)
'57-'8 Chevy blue paku! (?) tan Tenn. PB - 3639

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5. John Singleton

Is My Film for Newsweek or Black Star

Monday March

Grogier - He heard shost SOB on balcony, better not come(?) by(?) place(?) after he's done it.

- 4. FCC(?) Engineers to contact
 - C. O. Hudson, Marrietta, Ga.
- 5. "Rollen"(?) "Roller"(?) 398 2943 or 452 2153 Chuck Walker 3993 Hwy 51 S.

6. (hum) (?)

- 1. Mrs Freeman Beauty Parlor 150 N Avalon
 Lems(?)Leris(?)"Laurie X" say
 gave(?) # of beauty shop 275 0214
- 2. Realtor tells(?) sells(?) N
- 3. Blind Charlie goes to meeting at Sheraton Union hears _
- 7. Skip's(?) friends
 - 1. Chuck Fuller of Bluff CCity
 - 2. Robert Rollen(?)
 - 3. Frank Gaia GL 29045 hm
 - neighbors 323 1919 ofc 4. Robert S.(?)St.(?) Piorpe(?)

what we know - - -

city officials had preknowledge poney express F. D. P. D.

C. B. Minutemen - likely - Skip's friends & Associates

Mac the Knife & friends

Grocer & friends

need informants - right wing

drawing (cylindrical -bullet??)

Political - Kunstler - Maxine Smith

N. E. Wallace 2365 Perry Road.

I'm a fireman at engine # 2, at 474, S. Main, Memphis. My service will be 13 years in July. I've been at engine # 2 since Aug. 24, 1966.

Details are run on the basis of longest time working on a particular piece of equipment. Newsome works out of engine # 2 on truck # 5. I work on pumper # 2. Normally details would be rotated. On 1st of April I drew a detail to engine house # 3. Normally 4 men would pull a detail before it would be my time again. But on April 3rd, my next duty day, I pulled a detail again at 10:30 P.M.in the middle of my shift. I was sent to engine house # 33 and I've been there ever since, and normally I would have returned on the 5th to engine house # 2.

I would say I wasn't needed at 33. The company I was detailed to, rides with 4 men. I made the 5th man. On Friday April 5 I understand the the man who would be scheduled to be detailed after me was supposed to be detailed to engine # 3. Instead he was returned to engine # 2 so our unit would not be short handed. On April 10 I called personnel to find out where I should be detailed & they assigned me again to engine # 33.

It seems like they was trying to get rid of me for some reason.

On April 3rd two Negro officers were observing the Loraine Motel through the rear windows of the engine house #2. They arrived somewhere in the neighborhood of 1:00 pm. Wednesday. One watched through the window of the southmost rear door and the other lay up on top of a row of lockers along the back wall looking out the window. They were relieved sometime that night. I overheard them say they were going to Mason Zemple. One said, Hell I sure hate to go down to that temple tonight"

Two more three came in later, went back to the locker room and stayed 2 or 3 minutes and then left. One of the officers was Lieut. Papier. The Negro officers were Estes Reddick and officer Richardson.

I saw Richardson today. he said officer Taylor was resigning from the force to become a U.S. Deputy Marshall. I think he's being moved out of town.

On the third there were 2 unmarked cruisers on Butler St. E. of Mulberry. There was one on Mulberry in front of the hotel. At one time there were police on the motel parking lot. (drawing)

Man who owns equipment parking lot, locks his lot at sundown and leaves key at the fire station.

I estimate I saw about 10 police around the motel on Wednesday.

The only hint I got of why I was transferred was a fireman said somebody told the motel people there were policemen in the fire station. Maybe they thought I was that person.

I have never drawn more than one day detail in succession in my 13 years experience as a fireman.

Detail assignments are normally made by the company officer, Capt. Richard Johnson.

Floyd Newsome complained to his deputy chief Barnett that he didn't like his detail and asked why he was being detailed for so long. Barnett told him he didn't know, that the orders were coming from over his head. This would probably mean from Chief of Fire dept. Hamilton or from Holloman.

I have listened to the above statement made by me. It is correct to the best of my knowledge.

The Negro officers observing from the fire dept. were observing the rooms people walked into. They were writing down the numbers of the rooms people walked into. I heard him say "that room (second from Butler St. on top deck of Lorainne Motel) must be headquarters. There's more of them going in and out of that room.

Over the window of the door they put newspaper. I gave them the masking taps to put it up. They tore two holes in the newspaper to look through. Reddick was standing in the door. He said "Hell, they can see me as easily as I can see them." Then he asked me for some newspaper to put over the door. They had a pair of binoculars. I even used them. Reddick named off 3 or 4 names. The only one I remember was a man they called "baby Jesus."

I have read the above and it accurately reflects what I said.

Notebook (Each division --- - is a page. beginning with inside front cover)

People to Know

David Caywood Lawyer - Prexy ACIU Berch, Porter, Johnson Ct Sq Bldg 128 N Court

527 - 6385

Judge Ben Hooks

942 - 9104 Dr. Peter Cocco 1916-8--15th-St--1637 Wolf. 19148

Ben EN 9 - 0919

V ----LO 7 - 7520 LO 3 - 2347

Charlie Hanley

Jenny Lee Murphy UAW Int. 1190 Walker found Blind Charlie

Bill Rows
Ex sec. Memphis Labor Council
joint council AFL-CIO
1362 S Second

hates KKK

Rev. Dixon Archer War on Poverty

Tenche Bldg - Jefferson

Albert Charlie Haines

prop south (?) or map south (?) 138 S'4th 526 - 8596

948 - 5851

1922 Riverside

Newsweek - drop as. (?)
drop us. (?)

1 Want to stay on this (?) =
suggest B. S. pick up
expenses.

think there are stories.

Threat of arrest

Pay status for Keisling

Memp Assn for Adv for The Blind.

Memp. Citiz. Council for The Blind.

Monthly Mtg. at Sheritan (?)
Mtr ldge.
luncheon 12:00 pm
April 4.

Audrey Branks (?) Hall

|) | (?) for | [Ada.] (?) Human (?)

| Development. Similar to Civil
| Rights.

Mr. Lathum
Dir of City & Cy Welfare

Mr. Graham.

Prog. Guild for the Blind

Mr. Bob MacKnight
A. P. Miles (?) or Mills (?) Industry
for the blind.

Tawn Team (?)

Mr. Winfield Prex of Memph. Citizens Com (?) or Cou (?) for the blind.

Mr. Bob Folley (?)
Senator from Shelsby (?)
Cty (?) or Cy (?) state legis.

also a Dr. from Memph. State

at 11:40 talked about the King March.

McKnight - King thinks he's going to march but there was a man at my house from N. Miss. said King would never live to conduct that march. Graham (?) & Lathum covered.

There was a white frame

bldg directly across from hotel (?) or motel (?) where this person would be station.

car went to fire sta. & vanished.

Poney express

Tall Negro postal worker Thin with glasses shiny temples. Medium light skin. was on Walking North on Main Street wagen (?) S.

6:09 - Sp Del 6:11 - Spec-Del

Reg. pick up. going(?) S. 6:12 Spec Del wagon going S.

3 (?) or Z (?) Mail Truck with White Drivers ____(?) 6:04 - 6:09

couple Owns (?) Co.

No Suitcase dropped
he saw a box it was a gun
carton and said Brownin (?)
The deptey was there so
quickly that he must have
passed the car. The deptey
was there less than 1 sec.
3 car parked in Front.
1 white Corvair
2 - ?
3 Mustange

Brian Hitchen London Daily Mirror

10:30 Allegheny.

Poney Express Wednesday
05:50 Negro truck
Son movine (?), For (?)
Wance (?).
5:57 - 54190
3 pickup trucks at 6:00
H. B Robinson
527 - 6888
Mr. Hall
Miny (?) Boyd says he was off
says he was stopped
lower down -

6:15 44151 Boyd. Black on edge of movement. Ming knows

Call Lawson see Lawson Call King see Floyd (?) or Lloyd. (?) 4

site. (?)

call Howard at 3.

Solomon

told to a white person close to Lawson. telling * happened on Monday. Funeral Tuesday.

who went to Atlanta Funeral Tues. King doesn't know went to police

him. He is liberal

- Charley -

Reduce to writing 2 originals sworn statement.

Poney express

Charlies Aunt.

Kings James 9 am 25?

Committee

handling Charlie Break (?)

Solomon.

"Walter" Nicky Warehouse 289 W. Olive.

Timothy Carter 1500 Britton Ave.

Mr. John Eskridge 517 Rosewood.

"Nick" ?

Negro C.B.

Napoleon Williams Chelsea St. prexy Negro C. B.

Mr. Wallace

397 - 9250Fire dept.

A man named LOFTON,

tried to organize the fire department last year & was fired.

Can't publicize without permission.

Newsom -Floyd Newsome 1814 Kingsview Dr. ---- 946 - 5564

Transfer was very unusual one. Two Negros, both transfered - as other Negroes.

Floyd B Shift N. E Wallace A Shift

Transfer occurred at 10:00 pm of A shift. He went to work at 7:00 AM for 24 hours was moved 10:00 pm Wednesday April 3. Floyd due to go to work Thurs AM

Wed night when I returned home about 11:00 - recd. message to call Lieut Jack Smith at fire station regardless of time.

I called him. He told me not to report Thursday but go to Engine Company #31 in Frazier - 4200 blk of Overton (?) Crossing. What irritated me most was Wednesday AM I talked to Wallace - he said, say did you know your hog was here. Reddick Reddith is black policeman who was attending Sanitation Workers meetings.
What is he doing there.

He & another black policeman W. B. Richman were there watching the motel. through the back door window of the locker rooms. They had a paper covering window with holes in it. One on top of locker with binoculars. I denit know why

I protested that Thursday morning when I went to

work. It was hard to understand. I work on a company of seven men. Cannot operate with less than 5 men. On this day we only had 5 men. I was one of them. One man on day off - other on vacation. The company could not detail (transfer) because it would mean detailing another man to the company. They detailed a private. This tells me even more that the transfer was not necessary because

there was no need for an officer.
The company I was detailed to had-been
for a recompany. They cannot ride
with less than 4. They already had 4, although
a normal number would be 5.

Next: We are detailed in rotation, and I had had the last detail. It wasn't my time. Previous detail was previous Friday.

had Capt
I called dist. chief on Thursday from Frazier,
& asked him to come out, I wanted to talk to him.
Said I didn't feel comfortable out there. Did I
have to stay? I was in an all white suburb. Also
the killing Also nature of the detail made me
uncomfortable. He didn't come, & didn't mention
it again.

I've been there a week.

My next day to work was the 6th. I didn't go because I overslept. When you don't report you have to see the dept. chief.

I saw him & told him I overslept. He said I know what's on your mind. The Capt out there (31) said you mentioned you didn't want to go. I'm going to be honest, I think you didn't come deliberately.

But I can't prove any different. He then checked your record. out of 13 years this is the <u>only</u> time you've been late.

I agreed to make up by working my off day.

Next day was 8th. I reported. We had 5 men. We worked 8, 9, 10. But on 10th when I reported we had 6 men. The regular 5 and me.

So they detailed one of their regular men to another company. The man they detailed was W. J. Morris(?). He went to 11 Truck Co.

Transfer -

Unless some emergency arises you would be told the day before unless it is an emergency. Even if an emergency, all they did was swap privates.

At the time of sanitation workers walkout. - Redditt approached me, asked, Is there a Negro fireman by name of Hall - I said no. he said yes, he lives on Kingsview - I said, that's me. R: They're checking up on Hall. N(?): I'm the only Negro Fireman lives on Kingsview. Another policeman asked him if he was still in the F. D. Most recent City Council-meeting. Walked in with p d radio in ear. Heard them talking with about Nims(?). trying to get a picture.

Him?

Cab Driver
Lives out in Frazier
Menute(?) Mark
Hollywood & _____(?) rd. Selling liquor over
Counter Sunday

Walace, Nowell 2365 Perry Rd. Area before Floyd's.

<u>56ffe</u> - Sheridan Peabody 526 - 7766

Ted Radatobie(?)
397 - 5144
Be there tonite or will leave word.

278 5000

drawing on back cover - notebook (can't decipher)