

Dear Bill,

6/24/00

Yesterday, in the midst of a very much enjoyed visit from Dennis MacDonald and his wife, I saw your letter of the 21 and could not remember whether I'd answered it. On reading it I became more concerned that you would be about to damage your reputation. There is no question about it from the Atlanta FBI records I got in CA 75-1996, Wilson is not truthful. If I remember correctly, and those days that is a question, I indicated my doubts and asked that he get in touch, which he did not do. However, it could make an interesting story, with abundant criticism of the newest DJ lie about the King case, if Abbott could tape some by phone. I no longer hear a phone ring when I'm abed. The bag job was assigned by SAC Hitt to an ~~agent~~ agent named, as I recall, Stewart, J.S. I could not ~~lay~~ lay hands on ~~all~~ the records yesterday, ~~if~~ even with Dennis' help. Stewart himself flew what headquarters wanted to the FBIHQ lab that very day and the HQ later instructed the SAC to perjure himself and swear there was no black bag job.

The DJ report is both tricky, ignorant as intendedly dishonest, as I can prove without reading it, from the direct quotes in the ~~Wash~~ Wash Post. I also wrote Reno about it, expecting no answer but to make that record for history.

There is much else that is very wrong with what Wilson is quoted as saying that I do not here go into but I've marked the pages you sent.

These things can get pretty complicated even with much detailed knowledge and it is necessary to remain ~~in~~ ^{at} skeptical until there is what can be taken as fact is in hand.. People ~~go~~ ^{up} nuts and some want to settle grudges.

If Wilson used the word "hotel" he is even a bigger faker. That was a flophouse, a low-grade one and run by an alcoholic and it is incorrect to say that what he searched was Ray's "room." There were two ~~hand~~ and the claimed haul was from other than the room in which Ray slept.

Too tired for more now. Best- and be careful!

Harold

Part of June 2000

Justice Dept.
Report

Even assuming Wilson accurately described the Mustang's condition, his description is not probative of whether he was at the scene, opened the car, or took documents from it. Wilson had the opportunity to learn about the car's condition elsewhere. In fact, he told our investigation that he saw the Mustang at the garage where it was impounded. He also could have acquired information about the Mustang's condition from other accounts that were in the public domain before he made his revelation. For example, in the 1995 book, Orders to Kill, Dr. Pepper reported that an unnamed witness described the ashtray using the exact same word as Wilson -- "overflowing." Accordingly, even if the contradictory accounts relating to the condition of the Mustang's interior were reconciled, it would not resolve whether Wilson's claims are true.

6. Wilson's Claim that He Participated in the Search of Ray's Room
Wilson also claims to have participated in another aspect of the FBI's investigation of the assassination. He told both District Attorney Howard and our attorneys in March and September 1998, respectively, that he was involved in a "black bag" burglary(58) of the room James Earl Ray had rented in Atlanta shortly before the assassination. He said that he acted as a courier for the undercover FBI agents who conducted the search and delivered to an Assistant Director of the FBI a large envelope containing materials taken from Ray's room.

Information from FBI records and interviews of agents reflect that the FBI conducted a surreptitious search of Ray's room in Atlanta nearly two weeks after the murder. At the time, Ray, then known as Eric Galt, had been identified as a suspect. Nothing corroborates Wilson's claim that he was involved. Both agents who participated in the search unequivocally told our investigative team that Wilson had no part in the "black bag" job and one specifically recalls delivering the fruits of the search to the FBI field office himself. Since each has admitted participation in the unauthorized activity, neither has a motive to deny Wilson's involvement. Nor would it have been unusual for Wilson to have learned of the activity from office gossip afterwards.

During our investigation, several former agents also reported that the FBI did not have agents with less than a year of experience participate in potentially sensitive operations like a "black bag" job of Ray's room. Indeed, the two agents involved in the search were both experienced agents. Thus, even if a courier had been required -- which was not the case according to the undercover agent who actually found and transported the evidence -- an experienced, reliable agent, not Wilson, most probably would have been chosen.

7. Conclusions regarding the Evidence

We found no evidence to support Wilson's accounts that he either took documents from Ray's car or participated in a search of Ray's room. Accordingly, his claims about his participation in the investigation of Dr. King's assassination remain unsubstantiated.

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In addition, we found substantial, independent evidence to contradict important aspects of Wilson's claims. First, we found reliable evidence to contradict Wilson's allegation that the passenger-side door was ajar or unlocked. Documents, photographs, eyewitness accounts, and expert opinion uniformly establish that neither door was ajar and that the passenger-side door was locked when FBI agents were on the scene. In addition, had the passenger-side door been ajar as Wilson claims, Atlanta police detectives would not have reported finding the car locked and used a coat hanger to unlock the driver-side door.

We also found substantial evidence to contradict Wilson's claim that he opened the Mustang because uniformed officers were debating whether to open the car. Our investigation revealed that all of the Atlanta detectives at the scene, including the two who initially unlocked the Mustang, were in plainclothes. Moreover, we found no reliable evidence to suggest that there was a disagreement between uniformed officers at the scene about unlocking the car. Even if there were one, any such discussion would have occurred long before any FBI agents arrived.

Furthermore, the contradictory evidence regarding the condition of the Mustang's interior does not corroborate Wilson's claims that he was at the scene, opened the door, or took the documents. Because Wilson could have learned about the condition of the car without being at the scene, his description does not shed light on the truthfulness of his account. In addition, although we could not definitively resolve whether Wilson was at the scene, his failure to appear in any photographs, which depict several other agents and local police officers, suggests that he was not.

Wilson's allegation that he participated in the "black bag" job of Ray's room is likewise unsubstantiated and contradicted by the agents who actually participated. It thus casts further doubt on Wilson's credibility and suggests that he may have aspired to having had greater involvement in the FBI's investigation of the King assassination than he actually had.

On balance, the evidence makes it substantially more likely that Wilson's claim that he took documents from Ray's car is false. Wilson's allegations that he took evidence from Ray's car and participated in a search of his room both remain uncorroborated and are contradicted by reliable information. In fact, important aspects of his accounts cannot be reasonably squared with well-documented information from several sources. Consequently, while the evidence does not make it impossible that Wilson's claims are true, it strongly indicates that they are not. *The actual witness does prove fabrication*

E. Implausibilities In Wilson's Account

It is impossible to determine with absolute certainty the truth of certain details of Wilson's varied accounts. Aspects of his version of events *nonetheless seem so improbable as to be unbelievable.*

1. Wilson's Purported Motive for Tampering with Ray's Car

Wilson told the District Attorney that he opened the Mustang's door because the police were arguing and he thought it "was silly" that "no one [had]

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(502) 429-0266

June 21, 2000

Dear Harold and Lil;,
Hope today finds you both feeling well. It is hot and humid here in Louisville.

I have the 150 page Justice dept. findings on the Dr. King murder. The main surprise to me is that in one section, former FBI agent Don Wilson, claims he went on black bag jobs with the FBI into one of James E. Ray's old hotel rooms. But the FBI refutes that, saying they did not take new agents on black bag jobs! Admitting they do such things!

If you want a copy, let me know. Got it off the computer.

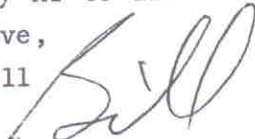
This past weekend, Kentucky Speedway opened 55 miles from my house. Larry and I did a radio show there, and got VIP press treatment.. My other brother John was up there with some customers and got the van stuck in the mud, had to wait 2 days to tow it out! They got 3inches of rain, which muddied up the parking lots.

Betsy is 2/3 through her PHD program. She gets to take some of the summer off. We are teaching at National Business College again. This semester, I am teaching political science. Whether I teach history, economics or poly sci, I show the class "Reasonable Doubt." Betsy's other class was impressed at her being in "Never Again".

I may try to get Don Wilson and myself on JOe Arnold after midnight. WHAS radio. Let me know if you have any interest in being on. It would probably be at 1 am some morning. I have not talked to Arnold yet.

Say HI to Lil and the McKnights.

Love,
Bill



1 - Mr. McGowan, 2712
1 - Mr. Conrad
1 - Mr. Griffith
1 - Mr. Mortimer 4/16/68

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Airtel

To: SACs Memphis (44-1987) (Enclosures 2)
Atlanta (44-2386) (Enclosures 2)
Los Angeles (44-1574) (Enclosures 2)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/15/68

On this date JAMES D. GARNER, Manager, Rooming House 113 Fourteenth Street, Atlanta, Georgia, consented to a search of the storage room formerly occupied by suspect ERIC STARVO GALT. The following items were on top of a desk in the room:

- 1) Booklet "What is the John Birch Society?"
- 2) a Gulf Oil Company map of Atlanta
- 3) An Arrow map of greater Atlanta
- 4) Box of Nabisco saltine crackers
- 5) a jar of French's mustard
- 6) one coffee cup
- 7) one water glass
- 8) A small can of Carnation evaporated milk
- 9) Jar of Maxwell House instant coffee
- 10) One box of "C & H" sugar
- 11) One knife
- 12) One pencil, National's Citation
- 13) One wire electric cup water heater
- 14) One portable Zenith television

Found behind the desk was a booklet "Your Opportunities in Locksmithing."

Found in the left hand drawer of the desk were the following items:

- 1) A jar of Kraft's Catalina French dressing
- 2) Package of golden grain California lima beans

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1 - Birmingham (RM)
1 - Memphis (RM)

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- 3) Can of "Iris" ground black pepper
- 4) Box of five National's Citation pencils
- 5) A Gulf map of Southeastern USA
- 6) A Shell map of Texas and Oklahoma
- 7) A map of Mexico
- 8) A city map of Los Angeles published by Mitock & Sons
- 9) A map of Los Angeles
- 10) A Shell map of Louisiana
- 11) A map of California
- 12) A Enco map of Arizona and New Mexico
- 13) A Standard Oil map of Birmingham and vicinity

The FBI Laboratory, Latent Fingerprint Section, is requested to process the enclosed items for any prints of value to this investigation.

Upon completion of this examination, it is requested that the enclosed items be returned to the Atlanta Division.

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FBI

Date: 4/17/68

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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Re: GARNER's Roominghouse, 113 14th St., NE, Atlanta.

Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory are the following items which were located in Room 2 of 113 14th Street, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia, which may have belonged to ERIC STARVO GALT:

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- 3 - Bureau (Encs. 6)
 - 1 - Atlanta
- DPR:rjb

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Y. J. [unclear]
E. T. [unclear]

EX-116 REC-15 44-38861-1167

Approved: *[Signature]* Bishop
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

AT 44-2386

1 business card reading as follows:

"Custom Length
Gutters
Vents & Metal Roofs

"Aluminum
Screen & Doors
Custom Maae

"HANEY'S SHEET METAL
Gutters Cleaned & Repaired

"Free Estimates
Work Guaranteed

"Phone 436-4581
Smyrna, Georgia"

On the reverse side of above card is written:

"RAY DIXON
436-6675"

EXAMINATION REQUESTED:

FBI Laboratory is requested to examine and preserve the above items. Appropriate items should also be examined by the Latent Fingerprint Section for any prints they may contain.

False swearing related to rather than in C.A. 575-1996

HW 6/27/77

I do not intend the attached extra copies of Serials 2877 and 2879 for use Thursday. Not that if you want to you cannot.

This is a new aspect of FBI false swearing.

With Hitt the SAC and able to claim no personal knowledge, this is not new. Nor is hearsay affidavits.

Garner was a drunk.

My earlier notes show what did happen.

An agent or agents under cover rented Room 2 from Garner. When it was known that Garner would not be interrupting they took the hinges off the adjoining room and stole what was in it.

There is never a time the FBI can't find an agent who will produce precisely the affidavit required of him.

If he cares about what is good for him.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: May 15, 1970

FROM : A. Rosen

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. McGowan
- 1 - Mr. McDonough
- 1 - Mr. Bishop

SUBJECT: MURKIN

This is the case involving the murder of Martin Luther King, Jr.

James Earl Ray, who is serving a 99-year sentence in a Tennessee State Prison on his guilty plea to the murder of King, on 4/15/70, filed a petition under the Tennessee "Post Conviction Relief Act" charging conflict of interest among his previous attorneys Arthur Hanes and Percy Foreman and writer William Bradford Huie; that he was deprived of full and free access to his attorney while in the Shelby County, Tennessee Jail and that the death of trial judge Preston Battle, deprived him of his right to a new trial.

On 5/7/70, an amended petition for Post Conviction Relief Act was filed in the Shelby County Criminal Court Clerk's office, Memphis, Tennessee, on behalf of Ray. Bernard Fensterwald, Jr., appears on this petition as one of Ray's attorneys. Fensterwald apparently replaced Attorney Robert W. Hill, Jr., of Chattanooga, Tennessee, and is reportedly the same Fensterwald who heads the private group called "National Committee to Investigate Assassinations" and who formerly worked for the Senate Judiciary Committee. He has clearly shown himself to be unscrupulous, untrustworthy and anti-FBI

In this amended petition it is alleged that the FBI conducted an illegal search and seizure of Ray's rental premises at 107 Fourteenth Street, Northeast, Atlanta, Georgia, and that the fruits of this search and seizure were introduced in evidence at Ray's trial. This undoubtedly refers to evidence voluntarily made available by Jimmie Delton Garner, manager of a rooming house at 107 Fourteenth Street, Northeast, Atlanta, which had been left there by a tenant known to him as Eric S. Gale who had vacated her room.

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Rosen to DeLoach Memorandum
RE: MURKIN

ACTION:

1. It is recommended that SAC, Frank V. Hitt, Atlanta, be instructed to prepare an affidavit and furnish it to the Criminal Court of Shelby County, Tennessee, refuting this allegation in order that the record may be set straight.

2. SAC, Memphis will be instructed to advise Tennessee State Prosecutor of action being taken regarding this allegation.

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Date: 5/22/70

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Via AIRTEL _____ (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (44-3386)(P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Bureau airtel, 5/18/70.

Enclosed for Bureau are three (3) copies of affidavit prepared by SAC, Atlanta in response to instructions in reairtel. In addition, enclosure to Atlanta in reairtel is attached. — *Mark A. CARD 44-3386-2 5/18/70*

Original and two copies of above-described affidavit are enclosed for Memphis. Original should be furnished to Criminal Court, Shelby County, Tenn. by Memphis Office.

ENCLOSURE ATTACHED 44-3386-5879

- 2 - Bureau (Enc. 4)
- 2 - Memphis (44-1987)(Enc. 3)
- 2 - Atlanta
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Special Agent in Charge

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A F F I D A V I T

I, Frank V. Hitt, having been duly sworn, make the following statement to Jack Keith, Jr., who is qualified to administer oaths.

I am Special Agent in Charge of the Atlanta Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and occupied that position on April 15, 1968.

On April 15, 1968, in connection with the Civil Rights investigation following the murder of Martin Luther King, Jr., I instructed Special Agents of the FBI to interview James D. Garner, operator of a rooming house at 113 14th Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia.

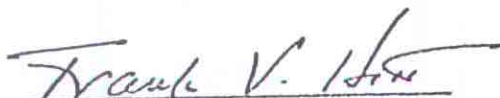
On April 15, 1968, Garner advised these Special Agents that Eric S. Galt rented Room Number 2, 113 14th Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia, from March 24, 1968, to April 7, 1968. Garner stated Galt was offered an adjoining storage room in which to place his surplus belongings. This storage room had two doors, one off of the hall and one off of Room Number 2. Garner continued to utilize this room for storage while Galt was using it. Garner last saw Galt on March 31, 1968. On

April 5, 1968, Garner entered Room Number 2 to change the bed linen and found an undated note from Galt, which he destroyed, stating Galt had gone to Birmingham. The note further stated Galt had left his television set and would try to return for it in about one week. Galt left his key to Room Number 2 with the note.

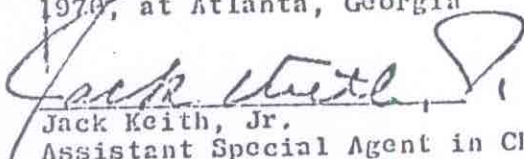
Garner advised that Galt's rent expired April 7, 1968, and Galt had not returned to claim any of his belongings that he left behind. Garner stated after April 7, 1968, the exact date unknown, he had his employees clean Room Number 2 in order to rereat it.

All items left by Galt were placed in the storage room according to Garner.

With Garner's consent and in Garner's presence, Agents searched the storage room, which was under Garner's care, custody and control as landlord. Several items which were located during this search were voluntarily turned over to Agents, by Garner, for transportation to and examination by the FBI Laboratory in Washington, D.C.


Frank V. Hitt
Special Agent in Charge
Atlanta Division, FBI

Sworn and subscribed before
me this 22nd day of May,
1970, at Atlanta, Georgia


Jack Keith, Jr.
Assistant Special Agent in Charge
Atlanta Division, FBI

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 17, 1968

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Gutters
Vents & Metal Roofs

"Aluminum
Screen & Doors
Custom Made

"HANEY'S SHEET METAL
Gutters Cleaned & Repaired

On 4/17/68 at Atlanta, Georgia File # Atlanta 44-2386 -676
by SA DONALD P. BURGESS :rjb Date dictated 4/17/68

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

AT 44-2386

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"Free Estimates
Work Guaranteed

"Phone 436-4581
Smyrna, Georgia"

On the reverse side of above card is written:

"RAY DIXON
436-6675"

This card was found concealed behind the upper left hand side of door molding leading from Room 2 to Room 4.

It is to be noted that the lock to Room 2 is a Yale lock, the lock to the front door of Building 113 is a Schlag lock, the padlock on the door leading from Room 2 to Room 4 is a Yale padlock, and the padlock on the outside of Room 4 is a Slaymaker.

1 - Mr. McGowan, 2712
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Eric Starvo Galt
[Handwritten signature]

EX-116 REC-15 44-38861-1167

APR 18 1968

Approved: *[Signature]* Bishop
Special Agent in Charge

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Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach
RE: MURKIN

Two Agents have rooms in Garner's rooming house in an undercover capacity. One is in Room 2 and noted that Room 4 has a new padlock. In casual conversation with Garner, Garner told the Agent about one week ago a clean cut young man said he would be gone over a week and rented room 4 for storage of personal effects. By taking the hinges off the connecting door from Room 2, the Agent examined Room 4. There is no bed in this room. There is a brown Zenith portable television set. Marie Martin, Los Angeles, has stated she traded a white General Electric portable television set to Galt; however, she is color blind and her description of the controls matches the Zenith set in Room 4. Also in Room 4 is a brand of sugar sold in California but not in Georgia, a map of Atlanta with four circled areas, one of which is the general area of King's home and one of which is the general area of SCLC headquarters. There was also a John Birch Society pamphlet. Except for a desk and an easy chair, there is nothing else of monetary value but there are a few minor items of food, a bread knife, a coffee warmer and a clip-on tie.

To avoid compromising the Agent in Room 2, Garner was not questioned about the items found in Room 4. The rooms alleged by Garner to have been occupied by Galt have been treated for fingerprints, some paper and other items of unknown value were recovered from one of the rooms that has not been re-rented, and sheets allegedly used by Galt in the second room have been obtained. They are being forwarded the Laboratory.

Galt advised [REDACTED] that he was taking a course from American Business Consultants, Long Beach, California. Xavier Von Koss, owner of American Business Consultants, stated he has been in business since May, 1966, teaching self-hypnotism and "powers of the mind." He teaches by consultation only, keeps no records and does not recall Galt either by name or by the artist's concept of the subject.

In correspondence [REDACTED] Galt listed as references Mrs. Rita Steen and Mrs. Marie Deninno, Los Angeles. Charles J. Stein has advised that on 12/14/67 he was in the Sultan Bar, St. Francis Hotel, Los Angeles, accompanied by

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PAGE TWO..

CHARLES STEPHENS, UNITED CAB COMPANY, ATLANTA, REPORTED APRIL TWELVE LAST PICKUP OF PASSENGER NEAR SIXTYSIX MUSTANG RECOVERY AREA. DISPLAYED GROUP OF PHOTOS, INCLUDING TWO OF GAULT THIS DATE, AND ADVISED PASSENGER HE TRANSPORTED APRIL FIVE LAST AT EIGHT FORTYONE A.M. FROM MEMORIAL DR. TO GREYHOUND BUS STATION NOT IDENTICAL WITH ANY PHOTOS DISPLAYED HIM.

RE UNDERCOVER AGENTS AT ONE ONE THREE FOURTEENTH STREET. AGENTS ASSIGNED UNDERCOVER AS RESIDENTS IN ROOMING HOUSE FORMERLY OCCUPIED BY GALT WITHDRAWN THIS DATE.

RE CHECK OF BANKS FOR SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES.

CHECK OF BANK SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX RENTALS IN AREA OF RESIDENCE FOR RENTAL IN NAME OF GALT NEGATIVE.

RE BIRTH RECORDS OF PERSONS NAMED GALT AND GAULT.

CHECK OF RECORDS, STATE DEPARTMENT OF VITAL STATISTICS, FOR BIRTH OF PERSON WITH NAME OF GALT AKA GAULT NINETEEN TWENTYNINE TO NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN COMPLETED. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING TO IDENTIFY THREE PERSONS WHOSE BIRTHS RECORDED UNDER NAME OF GAULT.

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How about bank money orders?

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- (1) Will report results of Laboratory examination re material previously forwarded thereto.
- (2) Will follow all logical investigation toward the location and apprehension of subject.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Inside fisur coverage of 113 - 14th St., NE, was maintained by SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] from 4/13-17/68 under suitable pretext.

Photographs referred to in FD-302 of SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] reflecting interview of JIMMIE DELTON GARNER, on 4/17/68 are maintained in 1-A Section of Atlanta file.

Results of all negative investigation conducted are maintained in Atlanta file.

During this investigation, all informants and sources of the Atlanta Office were contacted with negative results.

A copy of this report for the United States Attorney Birmingham and Memphis has been included with copies for these offices but not marked as such. Dissemination should be held in abeyance pending Bureau authority.

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