

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-10673)

FROM : ASAC SYLVESTER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/25/68

Mrs. THERESA STONE resides at 4019 Royal Street, having telephone number 944-8318. At the same residence were located DALE RODRIGUEZ, (daughter-in-law of Mrs. LORRAINE CALLOWAY,) aka DELIA RODRIGUEZ and wife of HERBERT RODRIGUEZ.

THERESA STONE works at the Backstage 500 Bar in the French Quarter as a barmaid.

HERBERT STONE is a carnival worker, presently unemployed.

KENNETH STONE, husband of THERESA STONE, is currently confined at Angola State Pen.

HERBERT RODRIGUEZ, son of LORRAINE CALLOWAY and husband of DALE RODRIGUEZ, is an ex-prize fighter and bar bouncer in the French Quarter, and is presently unemployed.

Above all reside at 4019 Royal Street.

MARIAN de GRASSE resides at 2529 Cambronne Street, New Orleans. (need to determine who she is residing with and telephone number.)

In Los Angeles report of SA LEROY W. SHEETS dated 4/18/68, page 157, an interview with CHARLES J. STEIN, STEIN indicated that during the time in December, 1967, he was in New Orleans, he talked on the telephone to ERIC S. GALT from his sister's residence in New Orleans. His sister's residence at that time was 1429 Burgundy. STEIN identified his sister as MARIA LEE, who has since moved from the Burgundy address to 2001 Clair Avenue, Gretna, La.

Los Angeles teletype 1:35 a.m., 4/25/68, contains a reinterview of MARIE MARTIN on 4/24/68. She advised she believes RAY and STEIN were gone from Los Angeles approximately seven days on their trip to New Orleans in December, 1967.

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RAY came to MARTIN's room in St. Francis Hotel shortly after he graduated from the bartender's school. MARTIN gave RAY a box of phonograph records to deliver to her mother, LORPAINE CALLAWAY, 611 Bartholomew Street. MARTIN stated she learned on 3/25/68 RAY left the box at the residence of her sister THERESA in New Orleans. MARTIN said RAY said he stayed at some friends who lived at or near the Chef Menteur Highway in New Orleans; RAY and STEIN went there to pick up RITA STEIN's children in December, 1967. (Provincial Motel records show RAY stayed at that motel December 17, 18 and 19, 1967).

Los Angeles advised RAY checked out of the St. FRANCIS Hotel 3/17/68, rather than in February.

RITA STEIN furnished the following background info on 3/25/68 to the Los Angeles Office.

Married at 18 in New Orleans to ALBERT DEMEN; to the best of her knowledge still lives in New Orleans. Had twin girls by this marriage. Later married STAN ROSA of New Orleans, used car salesman in business with brother CHARLES STEIN in New Orleans and in Los Angeles. Two boys by this marriage. STEIN stated ROSA died two years ago in Hollywood due to overdose of narcotics.

Neither STEIN nor brother CHARLES STEIN are employed. Receive Social Security payments from deceased husband.

RITA STEIN has no personal knowledge of second trip to New Orleans. MARIA MARTIN told he did make it in March.

KIMY and CHERYL DEMEN, RITA STEIN's eight year old twin girls, questioned about December trip; recalled nothing except RAY used to hum loudly accompanying car radio music, sounding like a train whistle. Stayed in no motels, children ate in car. Remembered they stopped to throw snowballs somewhere in Texas during trip.

Los Angeles teletype of 10:41 p.m., 4/24/68, advised that CHARLES STEIN on reinterview advised there were about six telephone calls all during trip, mostly in Texas area. One call he believed completed was just west of Houston at a service station type establishment, just off Interstate 10 and it was at night.

STEIN also recalled person whom RAY was to contact in New Orleans was a contractor or engineer whose business was located near Industrial Canal. STEIN said in talking to MARIA MARTIN he learned a better location, that this individual may be located near Chef Menteur Highway and Jackson Barracks area.

According to STEIN, he stated he learned from LOMAX that RAY allegedly dated a white female named JERI.

STEIN further advised LOMAX had learned that RAY made a second trip to New Orleans about Valentine's Day, having picked up clothing from MARIA MARTIN which belonged to MARIA MARTIN's daughter. The daughter was identified by STEIN as MARION EISMAN (ph).

MARIA MARTIN said she gave RAY a box of records and wearing apparel to be delivered care of LORRAINE CALLAWAY, 609 Bartholomew, New Orleans, and that she, MARTIN, telephonically contacted her mother in New Orleans (on the 24th or 25th?), who advised some clothing had arrived in the mother's absence, time not recalled, which were taken from someone sent by MARIA by her sister, THERESA STONE, who was at the mother's home.

She then stated she recalled hearing RAY making reference to someone he knew who was located on Chef Menteur and Jackson Barracks, New Orleans. She had no idea as to whom RAY was referring.

UNRESOLVED QUESTIONS

Mrs. LORRAINE CALLOWAY, mother of MARIA MARTIN, on 4/24/68 advised she recalled CHARLES STEIN appearing at her house in possibly February, 1968, leaving a box of clothing belonging to MARIAN de GRASSE, 18 year old daughter of MARIA MARTIN.

STEIN was driving a small white car, no further description recalled. Accompanied by white male who did not leave car. STEIN left immediately. CALLOWAY did not observe STEIN's companion.

This appears to be December and Los Angeles has not furnished information indicating STEIN drove anywhere but to his mother's residence on Royal Street.

deGRASSE received call from mother on 3/16/68 saying box of clothing would be delivered in a couple of days by a friend she called ERIC. deGRASSE said she got the second box on 3/24/68 from grandmother CALLOWAY.

(on 3/24/68 RAY paid first week's rent in Atlanta rooming house. On 3/17/68 he checked out of the St. Francis Hotel in Los Angeles)..

Mrs. DALE RODRIGUEZ advised in New Orleans her husband HERBERT received a telephone call in either February or March from a man advising he was bringing a box of clothing from MIMI in Los Angeles. At 10:30 the same night DALE answered knock on front door and took clothing. Furnished no description.

(MARTIN says sister THERESA accepted clothing at mother's residence for her mother. DALE said she got them. DALE, according to Agents, was reluctant and appeared to be lying).

QUESTION: How did RAY get address of 4019 Royal to deliver clothing.

NEW ORLEANS leads:

1) Interview HERBERT RODRIGUEZ, THERESA STONE and reinterview DALE RODRIGUEZ for full accounting of alleged phone call received at STONE residence from individual who claimed he had box of clothing to deliver from MIMI and who, according to DALE, did deliver same at about 10:30 that same night.

2) Develop arrest history of KENNETH STONE, currently incarcerated Angola.

3) Contact Weather Bureau to determine rain and wind conditions 3/19 thru 3/24/68 in the City of New Orleans.

4) Reinterview LORRAINE CALLOWAY and reconstruct all information concerning delivery of second box on or about 3/19/68 at 4019 Royal.

5) Reinterview CLOVINA ALONZO, 1907 1/2 Royal St.

6) Review all records at the Provincial Motel.

7) In connection with interviews of all individuals mentioned herewith, obtain the names and addresses of all relatives of this family.

8) Locate and interview MARIA LEE, 2001 Clair Avenue, Gretna.

9) Locate CHARLES deCARVELHO. deCARVELHO used to reside on Iowa Street in New Orleans, number unknown; currently at sea in Merchant Marines. STEIN said that deCARVELHO during time STEIN was at his mother's residence, 1907 Royal in December, 1967, had visited with STEIN at his mother's kitchen. (page 157, report of SA LEROY W. SHEETS, 4/18/68, Los Angeles, serial 402.)

10) Bureau teletype lead (7:43 p.m., 4/24/68. Conduct appropriate investigation at all hippie rooming houses and similar establishments to obtain any information whatsoever concerning RAY.

11) Obtain from MARIAN deGRASSE the diary she maintained during approximate period of early February until late March.