

King Suspect in Court

RAY WILL FIGHT RETURN.



Above, the passport photo of "Ramon George Sneyd" and below, the FBI picture of James Earl Ray.



## 82-Second Hearing in King Case

### Suspect Held Without Bail

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LONDON — A scowling James Earl Ray appeared in Bow Street Court today and indicated he will fight the U. S. attempt to seek his extradition on a charge of killing Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

London's chief magistrate ordered Ray held without bail for another court appearance June 18.

Ray asked the court to appoint an attorney for him, and this was taken as an indication he will fight being returned to America.

American legal officials said they hope to return Ray to the U.S.

#### BRIEF HEARING

In an 82-second hearing, Ray, half dragged to the dock by 12 police guards, spoke twice.

Ray said "no" both times. Once he was asked by Magistrate Frank Milton if he objected to limiting press coverage of his hearing. The second time he was asked if he had a lawyer.

Milton granted him a free attorney.

#### BRIXTON PRISON

He wore a dark blue suit with dark brown checks and a blue shirt. Ray's dark hair was flecked with gray at the temples, and his face was tanned.

Bundled into a patrol wagon, escorted by police cruisers, Ray was taken from the

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court to Brixton Prison, a grimy brick compound.

The 40-year-old escaped convict, who had been on the run since the Negro civil rights leader was killed April 4 in Memphis, was arraigned under the alias of Ramon George Sneyd and was charged with carrying a false passport and a loaded revolver without a license.

A heavy police escort brought Ray secretly to the court three hours before the preliminary hearing began. A crowd of 300 laid siege to the courtroom later, and everyone entering was searched for weapons.

Ray has been under heavy guard since his arrest Saturday.

He had been in Canada, Portugal and Britain before the two-month hunt ended with his arrest at London airport. Informed sources gave credence to reports he had been hiding out in London since mid-May.

#### 'A CAGED MAN'

"He's been like a caged man sensing the trap was closing in on him and looking desperately for an escape," one informant said.

One report was that when picked up he was bound for Brussels, hoping to contact recruiters for mercenary troops in Africa.

Ray is wanted on a Tennes-

see charge of murder, a federal charge of conspiring to deny King his civil rights, and a Missouri count of escaping from prison.

U.S. Assistant Attorney General Fred M. Vinson Jr. flew to London and spoke with Ray in his cell yesterday, but in Washington Attorney General Ramsey Clark said Ray had made no statement.

Clark said he could not estimate how soon Ray might be returned to the United States. It is possible, he said, Ray might waive extradition or he might be deported.

The extradition procedure normally would take two or three weeks, but if Ray fought the case, it could take much longer.

He was arrested under the name of Sneyd, but the Justice Department in Washington said the man definitely is Ray.

He was held in an 8-by-10-foot cell under constant watch by two Scotland Yard men at Cannon Row police station, 200 yards from the Houses of Parliament.

Crowds milled in the narrow street leading to the station Saturday after word of Ray's arrest, but the street was deserted yesterday.