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URGENT 7-15-63
TO DIRECTOR
FROM SAC MEMPHIS 151801

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL, FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL, VICTIMS, CR.

RE BUREAU AIRTEL JULY 10, 1963, ADVISING TO ARRANGE TO TAKE PHOTOGRAPHS WITHOUT CONSENT OF OFFICERS IN EVENT PHOTOGRAPHS NOT AVAILABLE FROM OTHER SOURCES. NEWSPAPERS AND OTHER LOGICAL SOURCES OF PHOTOGRAPHS HAVE REFUSED TO MAKE PHOTOGRAPHS AVAILABLE. ARRANGEMENTS MADE WITH ATLANTA OFFICE TO OBTAIN CONFIDENTIAL TRUCK FOR USE IN OBTAINING PHOTOGRAPHS. SURVEY WINONA AREA REFLECTS NO SUITABLE STATIONARY SITES AVAILABLE FOR PHOTOGRAPHIC PURPOSES AND NO OTHER MEANS AVAILABLE WHICH WOULD PRECLUDE EMBARRASSMENT TO BUREAU.

ACCORDINGLY, ABOVE BEING DONE UACB.

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ATLANTA	MEMPHIS	6/14/63	6/13/63

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UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; FANNY LOU HAMER; ETAL - VICTIMS	SA ROBERT R. NICHOLS	:elt
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REFERENCES:

Atlanta telephone call to Memphis 6/13/63.
Atlanta teletype to Bureau and Memphis dated 6/14/63.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

Victim HAMER advised that FBI had taken her photograph in Greenwood, Mississippi, and had made an appointment to interview her at 10:00 a.m. 6/13/63 but she had to break the appointment and come to Atlanta, Ga. Victim HAMER was not located until 8:30 p.m. on 6/13/63. The interview was arranged and completed at 11:30 p.m. since she advised that she was catching a late plane out of Atlanta that night. Victim HAMER would not advise of her destination; however, WYATT T. WALKER, Executive Director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, said HAMER was going to Washington, D. C., to see some Justice Department officials. At the conclusion of the interview victim HAMER advised she did not have time for a written statement to be prepared for her to sign regarding her account of the events that happened in Winona, Mississippi. The reason she gave for not having time for the

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NOTATIONS
Enclosed photos of victims Hamer and Ponder taken 6-14-63.

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written statement to be prepared was that she had to catch her plane.

During referenced telephone call Memphis advised that victim HAMER had been examined by a physician in Greenwood Mississippi, and that the doctor diagnosed injuries. In view of this, Atlanta is not submitting an FD 302 to set forth results of observations of injuries.

FD-204 (Rev. 8-3-59)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1- U. S. Attorney, Jackson, Mississippi

Report of: SA ROBERT R. NICHOLS
Date: June 14, 1963

Office: Atlanta, Georgia

Field Office File No.: 44-1452

Bureau File No.:

Title: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
FANNY LOU HAMER; ETAL -
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Synopsis: Victim HAMER arrested by Unsub believed to be a Sheriff or Deputy on June 9, 1963, Winona, Mississippi, bus station. Victim did not use facilities at terminal but was arrested when she inquired about other victims being arrested. She was not furnished the nature of the charges until her appearance in court June 11, 1963, when she was charged with immoral conduct and resisting arrest. She was released on two hundred dollars bond, June 12, 1963. Victim claims she did not resist arrest at any time and she was kicked by Unsub Sheriff or Deputy when entering his car to go to jail. After being placed in jail victim was beaten by two Negro male prisoners with blackjack on instructions from Unsub, Mississippi Highway Patrolman in the presence of 2 other white males, one of whom was seen later in the uniform of Winona, Mississippi, Police Officer. The third white male in the cell struck victim with his hand in attempt to quiet her screaming when being beaten by the prisoners. No medical treatment afforded her.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date June 14, 1963

FANNY LOU HAMER, Ruleville, Mississippi, housewife and Voter Registration Worker for Southern Christian Leadership Conference, was interviewed at 1389 Lansing Street, S. E., Atlanta, Georgia.

She furnished the following information:

She was traveling with a group of ten individuals on June 9, 1963, by Continental Trailways Bus enroute from Charleston, South Carolina, to Greenwood, Mississippi. The group had attended a Citizenship Training Class in Charleston and was returning home. The bus stopped at the terminal in Winona, Mississippi, about 11:15 a.m. on June 9, 1963. Several of the group got off the bus to get something to eat but Mrs. HAMER remained on board. About 15 minutes after arriving, Mrs. HAMER saw one of the group, ANNELLE PONDER, and two or three of the other girls come out of the bus station restaurant quickly with Winona Police and Mississippi Highway Patrolmen. She saw the officers put ANNELLE and several others in police cars. Mrs. HAMER got off the bus and asked ANNELLE what was wrong. At this time Mrs. HAMER was ordered by (Unknown Subject Number One), a Sheriff or Deputy Sheriff, who was wearing civilian clothes and a badge to get into his car, that she was under arrest. There was another white male (Unknown Subject Number Two) who rode in the car to the Winona County Jail with Mrs. HAMER and Unknown Subject Number One.

When entering the car Mrs. HAMER said that Unknown Subject Number One kicked her and she asked him why he had done this. His only answer was curses. Mrs. HAMER said she did not resist arrest but only asked what the charge was against her but neither Unknown Subject One or Two would tell her the nature of the charges.

There were six of the group of ten who were arrested including Mrs. HAMER and Mrs. HAMER believes the cause of the trouble was the group attempting to eat at the bus terminal restaurant; however, she never heard any of the officers actually state that this was the reason for the arrest being made.

On 6/13/63 at Atlanta, Georgia File # Atlanta 44-1452

by SA CHARLES T. HAYNES and SA ROBERT R. NICHOLS :elt Date dictated 6/14/63

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Included in the group of six were ANNELLE PONDER, JUNE JOHNSON, EUVESTER SIMPSON, JAMES WEST and Mrs. HAMER.

After arriving at the County Jail in Winona, Mrs. HAMER was placed in a cell with EUVESTER SIMPSON and she heard one of the policemen say something to the effect they had been disturbing the peace but no formal charges were brought at this time. Soon after being placed in the cell Mrs. HAMER said that JUNE JOHNSON was beaten in her cell. She said she did not see this but she could hear JUNE screaming. A little later, Mrs. HAMER observed that ANNELLE PONDER was taken from her cell to another cell where she was beaten. She did not see anything but could hear ANNELLE screaming. After the beating she saw ANNELLE with her mouth bloody staggering back to the cell she had been placed in originally.

A short time later Mrs. HAMER was taken from her cell to another cell where there was a State Highway Patrolman (Unknown Subject Number Three). Also in this cell were two other white men, Unknown Subject Number Two and Unknown Subject Number Four. Unknown Subject Number four was recognized a day or two later by Mrs. HAMER wearing a Winona, Mississippi, Police Officer's Uniform; however, while he was in the cell on June 9, 1963, he was wearing a light blue shirt and Navy blue pants with nothing to identify him as an officer.

A Mississippi State Highway Patrolman questioned Mrs. HAMER about where she had been and why she had been in Charleston, South Carolina. She told him she had gone to a Citizenship Training School and he contradicted her saying "you went to march" and "you went to see MARTIN LUTHER KING" and "we are not going to have it." The Highway Patrolman then gave a blackjack to one of the Negro prisoners and told Mrs. HAMER to lay on the bed in the cell. The other prisoner then say on Mrs. HAMER's feet and the first prisoner was ordered by the Patrolman to beat her. The Highway Patrolman said they were not going to kill her but she would wish she were dead before it was over. Unknown Subject Number Two who was wearing dark trousers and white shirt and nothing that would identify him as an officer, hit Mrs. HAMER in the face and on the head a couple of times with his hand when she was

screaming from the blows of the blackjack and told her to shut up. After the first prisoner finished beating her the second prisoner was ordered by the Highway Patrolman to take his turn and then Unknown Subjects Two, Three and Four left the cell during the second beating. At an unrecalled later time the Highway Patrolman came back to the cell and told the prisoner to stop the beating. The Patrolman then lead Mrs. HAMER back to her cell where she had originally been placed with SIMPSON. No medical treatment was afforded although she had been beaten severely with the blackjack over her entire body including her arms, legs and head.

On the night of June 10, 1963, all the group was taken out of the cells for a short time and the Highway Patrolmen made photographs.

On the morning of June 11, 1963, the group was taken out of jail to appear in court. Mrs. HAMER rode with a Police Officer (Unknown Subject Number 4) who was driving a marked police car. She did not recognize any number or identifying mark on this car.

When Mrs. HAMER appeared in court she was charged with immoral conduct and resisting arrest and the only testimony against her was given by Unknown Subject Number Three, the Highway Patrolman, and Mrs. HAMER pled not guilty. She was given a choice of paying a $100 fine or posting $200 bond. Mrs. HAMER was taken back to her cell immediately after this session in court. On the afternoon of June 12, 1963, she posted bond and when she left to go to Greenwood, Mississippi, JAMES WEST was the only one of the group still in jail. She said that WEST wanted to stay there at this time with his friend (First Name Unknown) GUYOT who had come over to Winona from Greenwood, while they were in jail in order to try to help him. GUYOT became involved in some trouble with police and he was pt in jail.

Mrs. HAMER said that since she was about ready to catch a plane out of Atlanta she would not have time for a written statement to be prepared although she had no objection to signing one. She stated that the FBI had taken her photograph in Greenwood, Mississippi, after her release from Winona Jail.

Unknown Subject Number One was described by Mrs. HAMER as follows: White male, age late 50's or 60, height 5'10", weight 160, build medium, complexion, hair and eyes unknown, Wearing white shirt, beige Panama hat with a darker brown band, wearing glasses, badge number not noted. Car Number or license not observed. Scars, maks and tattoos - none observed.

Unknown Subject Number Two white, male, age about 30, height 5'9", weight 170 pounds, medium build, dark almost black hair, wearing dark pants, white shirt and no hat. No identifying marks, scars or peculiarities.

Unknown Subject Number Three, white male, age early 30's height 5'9", weight possibly 200 pounds, build stocky, hair light brown, suntanned complexion, wearing State Highway Patrol uniform, no identifying rank or badge number noted.

Unknown Subject Number Four, white, male age 30-35, height 6'-6'1", weight 170-175, build slender, hair brown, complexion fair. Wearing Winona, Mississippi, Police Officer's Uniform, on June 11, 1963, wearing on June 9, 1963, light blue shirt and Navy blue pants. No identifying badge number or rank or police car number noted.

The following is a description of Mrs. HAMER as obtained through observation and interview:

Name	FANNY LOU HAMER
Race	Negro
Sex	Female

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Born	October 6, 1917 Mississippi
Height	5'3"-4"
Weight	185
Complexion	Dark Brown
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown
Build	Heavy
Residence	Home residence 626 East Lafayette Street, Ruleville, Miss.
Telephone #	756-4838
Occupation	Housewife and Voter Registration Worker for Southern Christian Leadership Conference in Ruleville, Miss.
Education	8th Grade
Husband	PERRY HAMER cotton gin worker.
Children	Two adopted children, girls age 18 and age 19.

Photographs taken of
Gary Proctor

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To: SACs, Memphis (Enclosures - 2)
New Orleans (Enclosures - 2)

From: Director, FBI

KARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL.;
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Enclosed are two copies of a letter from the Department dated 7/2/63.

You should expend every effort to obtain photographs of Patridge, Surrell and Stidham through any source available. Since Sheriff Patridge ran for office of sheriff, it would appear that possibly some campaign fliers or other material issued in connection with his campaign may have contained a photograph of him. If these photographs cannot otherwise be obtained, you should arrange to take appropriate photographs of Patridge, Surrell and Stidham without their consent but in such a manner that the individuals will not be aware that they are being photographed. This should be handled in a circumspect manner in order to preclude any embarrassment to the Bureau.

With respect to the request for interview of Haithcock, you should cover any items not previously developed during the interview with him conducted by the New Orleans Office. New Orleans Office should, of course, conduct this interview if Haithcock is located in the New Orleans territory. This is also the case with respect to the interviews with the other bus drivers.

Handle promptly and advise any persons contacted that this investigation is being conducted at the specific request of Mr. Burke Marshall, Assistant AG, Civil Rights Division,

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COMM-FBI

Airtel to SACs, Memphis, New Orleans
RE: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL.

Department of Justice. Handle pursuant to Manual of Instructions, Section 27. Keep Bureau currently advised of efforts to obtain requested photographs.

Surep within five days of receipt of this airtel.

NOTE: See memo Rosen to Belmont, same date and caption, EJM:clb.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

TO : Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: JUL 2 1963
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FROM : Burke Marshall
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Rights Division

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SUBJECT: Earl Wayne Patridge, et al, Fannie Lou Hamer, et al, Victims, Civil Rights

It is essential to completing the investigation in this case that the following two items be obtained:

1. Photographs of Earl Wayne Patridge, William Surrell and Alden Stidham. These photographs should be of sufficient clarity to permit identification of each subject by the various victims. If the photographs can not otherwise be obtained, they should be procured by photographing these subjects with or without their consent.

2. The identity of the unknown subject described as having a "crew-cut". In interviews by agents of the FBI and by attorneys of this Division, this subject has been described by witnesses Annell Ponder, Fannie Hamer and June Johnson as being of "short" to "medium" height (5 ft. 4 to 5 ft. 10); medium build (weight about 160 lbs.); "young" (30 to 36 years); having brown hair with a definite "crew-cut" or "flat top"; not wearing glasses; wearing a white shirt, dark pants, no gun and no badge on June 9, 1963. The victim Lawrence Guyot gives a similiar description of one of the officers that beat him later on the same day (5 ft. 5 inches, 155 lbs., medium build, 25 - 27 years, dark hair with "flat top" cut, no glasses). Guyot, however, describes this person as being in the uniform of a Mississippi State Highway Patrolman at the time he was beaten. The possibility that the "crew-cut" man described by victims Hamer, Ponder and

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Johnson is a member of the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol is reinforced by the fact that the witnesses Hamer and Evelyn Ford state that a second Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol car pulled into the bus terminal at the time the victims were arrested on June 9. Additionally, Mrs. Hamer states that it was a white Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol car in which she rode to the Montgomery County Jail on June 9, together with the "crew-cut" man and Sheriff Patridge. Mrs. Hamer further states that the man with the "crew-cut" was in the company of Sheriff Partridge at the Montgomery County Jail on June 12 at a time when your agents were interviewing the victims in the jail. In addition to determining the identity of this unknown subject, the Bureau should obtain one or more photographs of him to display to the victims for identification purposes.

In addition to the above two items, the following investigation is requested:

1. Interview B. E. Haithcock, operator of Bus 5208 on Run Number 1729 on June 9, 1963, regarding full details of the incident at the Winona Bus Terminal. This interview should be conducted, if necessary, in the presence of a representative of the Continental Southern Lines, Inc. In addition to details regarding the incident involving the victims, determine whether Mr. Haithcock knows by sight any state or local law enforcement officers assigned to the Winona area, whether he has seen such officers on this or other occasions at the bus terminal, whether any law enforcement vehicles were at the terminal on June 9, and what information he has regarding the "young man" who is reported by the victims to have briefly boarded the bus at Kilmichael, Louisiana and again briefly at Winona when the bus first pulled in.

2. Identify and interview, in the presence of a representative of the Continental Southern

Lines, Inc. if necessary, the drivers of the busses arriving in Winona on June 9, 1963 at the following times:

8:59 AM - From Greenville
9:35 AM - From Jackson
10:40 AM - From Grenada

Full details should be obtained from each driver regarding the presence of any law enforcement officers or vehicles at the terminal on June 9, as well as any incidents in the terminal area involving Negro passengers.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 7/10/63

ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

FROM : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1063)(P)

SUBJECT: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE; UNSUBS,
ET AL; ROSIE MARY FREEMAN;
FANNIE LOU HAMER; ET AL - VICTIMS
CR - IMPERSONATION

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There is being forwarded under separate cover one dress and one brassiere obtained from JUNE JOHNSON, Greenwood, Mississippi. JOHNSON alleged that she was wearing these items of clothing when she was beaten at the Montgomery County Jail in Winona, Mississippi, on 6/9/63.

REQUEST OF LABORATORY

The Laboratory is requested to examine instant items of clothing for blood stains.

It is requested that these items of clothing be returned to the Memphis Office when examination is completed.

Clothing of June Johnson
Q Pink & white striped dress
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FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /44-22262/ AND SAC, NEW ORLEANS /44-1810/

FROM SAC, MEMPHIS /44-1063/ 2P

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL, FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL DASH VICTIMS, CIVIL RIGHTS.

REBUTEL TODAY AND MEMPHIS TELETYPE TO NEW ORLEANS/INTER-OFFICE/, JULY TWELVE, NINETEEN SIXTY THREE.

PHOTOGRAPHS DISCREETLY OBTAINED OF OFFICERS ALDEN STIDHAM, FNU [redacted] AND FNU THOMAS, WINONA, MISS. PD. NEW ORLEANS PREVIOUSLY HAS OBTAINED PHOTOS OF SUBJECT PATRIDGE AND COP HEROD. SPOT CHECKS AT WINONA DURING THE PAST THREE DAYS HAS FAILED TO REVEAL WHEREABOUTS OF WILLIAM SURRELL AND HE HAS NOT BEEN OBSERVED ON DUTY DURING THIS PERIOD. DISCREET EFFORTS CONTINUING IN AN EFFORT TO OBTAIN PHOTO OF SURRELL.

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UNSUB DESCRIBED AS HAVING QUOTE CREW CUT UNQUOTE, DESCRIBED BY VICTIM GUYOT AS BEING IN UNIFORM OF MISS. HIGHWAY PATROLMAN AT THE TIME OF HIS BEATING, AND BY OTHERS IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES AT TIME OF ARREST, NOT IDENTIFIED.

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CHARLES PERKINS, WHO WAS SUSPENDED AND RECENTLY INTERVIEWED IN MACON, MISS. BY NEW ORLEANS OFFICE. PERKINS INTERVIEWED BY NEW ORLEANS OFFICE PRIOR TO RECEIPT OF REFERENCED MEMPHIS TELETYPE REQUESTING PHOTOGRAPH BE OBTAINED. PERKINS DENIED PARTICIPATION IN INCIDENT. DESCRIBED AS AGE TWENTY SEVEN, SIX FT., ONE HUNDRED NINETY SEVEN LBS., BROWN EYES, BLACK, CREW CUT HAIR.

VICTIMS PREVIOUSLY DESCRIBED UNSUB WITH CREW CUT AS BEING TWENTY FIVE TO THIRTY SIX YEARS OF AGE, AND FROM FIVE FT. FIVE INCHES TO FIVE FT. TEN INCHES IN HEIGHT.

SINCE PERKINS APPEARS TO BE POSSIBLE SUSPECT AS UNSUB, NEW ORLEANS REQUESTED OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPH OF PERKINS EXPEDITIOUSLY.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: **FBI, Memphis (44-1063)**

Date: **July 17, 1963**

Re: **EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE; UNSUBS, ET AL; ROSIE MARY FREEMAN; FANNIE LOU HAMER; ET AL - VICTIMS**
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J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.
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Examination requested by: **Memphis**

Reference: **Letter 7/10/63**

Examination requested: **Chemical Analyses**

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REPORT of the FBI LABORATORY

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: FBI, Memphis

Date: July 17, 1963
FBI File No. 44-22262
Lab. No. PC-76234 GX

Re: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE; UNSUBS, ET AL; ROSIE MARY FREEMAN; FANNIE LOU HAMER; ET AL - VICTIMS
CR - IMPERSONATION

Specimens received 7/13/63

CLOTHING OF JUNE JOHNSON

Q2 Pink and white striped dress
Q3 White brassiere

Results of examination:

The reddish-brown stains that are present on specimens Q2 and Q3 were identified as stains of human blood. Attempts were made to group this blood; however, the results of these tests were inconclusive.

Specimens Q2 and Q3 are being returned to you under separate cover by registered mail.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: **EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE; UNSUBS, ET AL; ROSIE MARY FREEMAN; FANNIE LOU HAMER; ET AL - VICTIMS CR - IMPERSONATION**

File # 44-22262-73
Lab. # **PC-76234 GX**

Examination requested by: **SAC, Memphis (44-1063)** **(Let. 7/10/63)**

Examination requested: **Chem. Anal. (Bioc.)**

Date received: **7/13**

Result of Examination:

Examination by: **BIDEZ**

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Specimens submitted for examination

CLOTHING OF JUNE JOHNSON:

Q2 Pink and white striped dress
Q3 White brassiere

		Benz	H	AH	Cup	
Q2	1	+	+	+	incon AorO	} up R front
	2	+	+	+	AorO	
Q3	1	+	+	+	incon AorO	} all controls absorbed on B semen
	2	+	+	+	AorO	} No color in any of the
	3	+	+	+	AorO	} samples -

R T cup -

Q2 Q3 Retd to Memphis 7/18/63
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BLOOD GROUPING

DATE 7-16-63

SPECIMEN	SERUM	CELLS	STAIN	CONTROL	GROUP	REMARKS
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TO : Mr. Rosen

DATE: July 17, 1963

FROM : C. L. McGowan

SUBJECT: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL.
FANNY LOU HAMER, ET AL. - VICTIMS
CIVIL RIGHTS

SAC Karl W. Dissly, Memphis, telephonically contacted the Bureau and advised that Agents of the Memphis Office were unsuccessful in their efforts to obtain desired photographs of law enforcement officers at Winona, Mississippi, today.

SAC Dissly suggested that in view of the difficult circumstances under which these photographs must be taken it is his feeling that they may be better obtained through use of the Bureau's robot camera which [redacted] He requested permission to use this camera for this assignment and, if permission granted, that it be sent to Memphis on the next plane flight if possible.

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Supervisor Edward J. McDonough, Civil Rights Section, was informed of Mr. Dissly's request and advised if the camera is available that it be forwarded immediately to Memphis.

Night Supervisor Jay Cochran, Jr., of the Laboratory advised that this camera was available and that it would be prepared for shipment immediately and thereafter transported by Bureau courier service to National Airport for shipment by air express to Memphis. It is noted that American Airlines flight 625 departs Washington National Airport at 2:25 a.m., 7-18-63, and arrive at Memphis at 4:34 a.m.

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Security Clerk Kirby Fudge of the Memphis Office was advised to inform SAC Dissly to arrange to have the camera picked up at the Memphis Airport. He was also instructed to advise SAC Dissly that the camera was to be immediately returned upon completion of the aforementioned assignment in this matter.

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI

SUBJECT: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE ET AL;
FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL - VICTIMS
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ADVISE STATUS OF EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY "CREW CUT" INDIVIDUAL AND IF IDENTIFIED STATUS OF EFFORTS TO OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPH OF HIM.

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TO SAC MEMPHIS

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

SUBJECT. EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL FANNIE LOU HAMER ET AL - VICTIMS CIVIL RIGHTS

RE NEW ORLEANS AIRTEL JULY NINETEEN LAST ENCLOSING PHOTO OF PATRIDGE AND MEMPNIS TEL JULY EIGHTEEN LAST ADVISING PHOTOS OBTAINED OF STIDHAM AND TWO OTHER OFFICERS. YOU SHOULD HAVE AGENTS WHO HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH PHOTOGRAPHED OFFICERS INCLUDING PATRIDGE, VIEW SUCH PHOTOS AND ADVISE IF THEY ARE GOOD LIKENESSES OF THESE INDIVIDUALS AS THEY LOOK AT THIS TIME. SUTEL.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, MEMPHIS /44-1063/ 1P

FROM SAC, NEW ORLEANS /44-1810/ /P/

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ETAL , FANNY LOU HAMER, ETAL DASH VICTIMS, CR. OO MEMPHIS.

RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO MEMPHIS, JULY TEN LAST AND MEMPHIS TELETYPE TO NEW ORLEANS, JULY TWELVE LAST.

A REVIEW OF QUOTE THE WINONA TIMES UNQUOTE, ISSUES OF NINETEEN FIFTY NINE ONLY AT THE STATE ARCHIVES AND HISTORY DEPARTMENT, JACKSON, MISS., TODAY REFLECTS A SUITABLE PHOTO OF SHERIFF EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE FOR IDENTIFICATION AND A POOR QUALITY PHOTO OF TOMMY HEROD, CHIEF OF POLICE, WINONA, MISS., OF POSSIBLE USE IDENTIFICATION. EFFORTS CONTINUING TO LOCATE PHOTOS OF OTHER FIVE PERSONS MENTIONED IN REFERENCED MEMPHIS TELETYPE.

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TO SAC MEMPHIS

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL, FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL. DASH VICTIMS. CIVIL RIGHTS.

ADVISE STATUS OF EFFORTS TO OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPH OF SURRELL. IF OBTAINED, FORWARD COPIES IMMEDIATELY TO BUREAU.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, MEMPHIS /44-1063/

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ETAL, FANNIE LOU HAMER, ETAL, VICTIMS, CR.

REBUTEL TODAY.

PHOTO OF PATRIDGE RECEIVED FROM NEW ORLEANS OFFICE IS GOOD LIKENESS ACCORDING TO AGENTS FAMILIAR WITH SHERIFF PATRIDGE. FILM TAKEN OF STIDHAM AND OTHER TWO OFFICERS SENT TO BUREAU FOR DEVELOPING JULY NINETEEN LAST. PHOTOS WILL BE EXHIBITED TO AGENTS WHEN PRINTS RECEIVED FROM BUREAU.

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TO DIRECTOR FBI

FROM SAC NEW ORLEANS /44-1810/ 1-PAGE

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, UNSUBS, ET AL., ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL DASH VICTIMS. CR DASH IMPERSONATION.

REBUTEL JULY TWENTYFOUR INSTANT.

AGENT WHO PREVIOUSLY INTERVIEWED PERKINS STATES PHOTOGRAPH IS A GOOD LIKNESS OF PERKINS AS HE LOOKS AT THIS TIME.

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To: SAC, Memphis

From: Director, FBI

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL.
FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL - VICTIMS
CR

Upon receipt of prints from photo lab and proper identification of these prints by your office, if they are found to be good likenesses of the individuals involved, the Department desires that you display them to appropriate victims for identification purposes. If photograph of Surrell has not been obtained prior to the time that the above preliminary steps are taken, you should not delay the displaying of the appropriate photographs to victims pending the obtaining of a photo of Surrell. However, you should continue efforts to obtain a photograph of Surrell for later viewing by the appropriate victims. You are already in possession of photos of Patridge, Herod and Perkins.

When photographs of possible subjects are displayed to victims, they should, of course, be shown for viewing in such a manner as to insure objective identifications if such are made by the victims.

Where identifications are made you should thoroughly interview the particular victim who makes the identification to obtain the full and current facts as to the activities and participation of the subject identified in this incident. In this connection, the Agents conducting these interviews must be fully familiar with the previous information given by the victims relative to the entire incident and the participation of the subject identified in the incident in order to resolve any possible inconsistencies which may arise.

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The Department has advised that the current whereabouts of the victims possibly can be obtained through SNCC

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headquarters in Greenwood, Mississippi.

Upon receipt of prints from photo lab, if they are good likenesses, proceed with investigation indicated above and complete within five days thereafter. This matter must be continuously and vigorously pursued to a logical conclusion.

Insure that when photographs are displayed that they include photographs of other individuals not connected with case and if possible that some of them have similar characteristics to that of the subject to be identified such as "crew cut" haircuts, in order that any identification made is done as objectively as possible.

NOTE: This case involves an allegation that 4 Negroes were beaten upon arrest after they entered a cafe attached to the bus terminal in Winona, Miss., on 6/9/63. Another Negro was allegedly beaten when he inquired of local authorities regarding the charges against the other Negroes. The victims have been unable to positively identify some of the participating officers, since the officers did not identify themselves and the victims descriptions of the unsubs are at variance in some degree.

Pursuant to Department's request we have obtained photographs of all but one possible subject who has been out of the area and whereabouts unknown. S. J. Barrett, CRD, requested 7/25/63, that we proceed with possible identifications since victims' memories may become dim.

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TO SAC NEW ORLEANS

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE; UNSUBS;, ET AL.; ROSIE MARY FREEMAN; FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL DASH VICTIMS. CR DASH IMPERSONATION.

REURAIRTEL JULY TWENTY-THREE ENCLOSING PHOTO OF PERKINS. ASCERTAIN FROM AGENTS WHO HAVE SEEN PERKINS IF THIS IS GOOD LIKENESS OF HIM AS HE LOOKS AT THIS TIME.

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To: SAC, Memphis

From: Director, FBI

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EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL.;
FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL - VICTIMS
CR

Reurairtel 7/19/63 and Buairtel 7/25/63.

Enclosed are photographs and negatives.

Handle in accordance with Buairtel 7/25/63.

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FBI

Date: 7/19/63

Transmit the following in _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-22262)
ATTENTION: PHOTOGRAPHIC SECTION

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1063) P

SUBJECT: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL;
FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL - VICTIMS
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OO: MEMPHIS

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RE my teletype 7/18/63.

Enclosed herewith for Bureau is one roll 35 mm film containing photographs taken of police officers at Winona, Miss. on 7/18/63.

The Bureau is requested to develop these film and furnish Memphis with 5 prints of legible photographs. These photographs will be identified by Agents familiar with the case and then the prints will be furnished to the Bureau for referral to the Justice Department, CR Division.

Attention of the Lab is called to the fact that these pictures were taken with a concealed robot camera and an examination of the negatives will indicate that some of them need not be printed as they are not police officers. If there is any doubt, however, as to the identity of the subjects, all of the negatives should be printed.

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Special Agent in Charge

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EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL; FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL - VICTIMS	SA SAMUEL N. JENNINGS	SW
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REFERENCES:

New Orleans report of SA SAMUEL N. JENNINGS, 7/17/63.
New Orleans airtel to Bureau, 7/19/63.
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Report of: SA SAMUEL N. JENNINGS Office: NEW ORLEANS
Date: JULY 22, 1963

Field Office File No.: 44-1810 Bureau File No.:

Title: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL;
FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL - VICTIMS

Character: CIVIL RIGHTS

Synopsis: Efforts to locate photos of additional law enforcement officers from Winona, Miss. area through back issues of "The Winona Times" on file at Jackson, Miss., is negative. Contact with Municipal Library, members of press and newspapers at Jackson, Miss. to locate photos of these officers is negative. Photos previously obtained of EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, Sheriff of Montgomery Cnty, Miss., THOMAS J. HEROD, Chief of Police, Winona, Miss., and CHARLES T. PERKINS, MHSP, Macon, Miss.

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FD-302 (Rev. 1-25-60) FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1 Date July 22, 1963

Mr. W. C. "Dub" SHOEMAKER, Reporter, "Jackson Daily News", a Jackson, Mississippi daily newspaper, advised that a review of the alphabetical files concerning persons photographed for the paper during the past five (5) years, fails to reflect any photographs of the following individuals:

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, Sheriff, Montgomery County, Winona, Mississippi;

SAMUEL T. FOWLER, Deputy Sheriff, Montgomery County, Winona, Mississippi;

THOMAS J. HEROD, Chief of Police, Winona, Mississippi;

WILLIAM SURRELL, Patrolman, Winona Police Department, Winona, Mississippi;

ALTON or ALDEN STIDHAM, Patrolman, Winona Police Department, Winona, Mississippi;

JOHN LAFAYETTE BASINGER, Patrolman, Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol;

CHARLES T. PERKINS, Patrolman, Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol.

On 7/19/63 at Jackson, Mississippi File # NO 44-1810

by SA SAMUEL N. JENNINGS /sw Date dictated 7/19/63

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1 Date July 22, 1963

Mr. JIM SAGGUS, Manager, Associated Press, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that a review of the files of all persons photographed by and for the Associated Press in the Mississippi area during the past few years, fails to reflect any photographs of the following individuals:

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, Sheriff, Montgomery County, Winona, Mississippi;

SAMUEL T. FOWLER, Deputy Sheriff, Montgomery County, Winona, Mississippi;

THOMAS J. HEROD, Chief of Police, Winona, Mississippi;

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JOHN LAFAYETTE BASINGER, Patrolman, Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol;

CHARLES T. PERKINS, Patrolman, Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol.

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1 Date July 22, 1963

Mr, KIMBLE SUTHERLAND, Reporter, "The Clarion Ledger", a Jackson, Mississippi daily newspaper, advised that a review of the alphabetical files of this paper relative to all persons photographed in the past few years, fails to reflect any photographs of the following individuals:

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, Sheriff, Montgomery County, Winona, Mississippi;

SAMUEL T. FOWLER, Deputy Sheriff, Montgomery County, Winona, Mississippi;

THOMAS J. HEROD, Chief of Police, Winona, Mississippi;

WILLIAM SURRELL, Patrolman, Winona Police Department, Winona, Mississippi;

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A review of the back issues of "The Winona Times", a Winona, Mississippi weekly newspaper, on file at the State Department of Archives and History, War Memorial Building, Jackson, Mississippi, from the year 1959 to the present, fails to reflect any photographs of the following persons:

SAMUEL T. FOWLER, Deputy Sheriff, Montgomery County, Mississippi;

WILLIAM SURRELL, Patrolman, Winona Police Department;

ALTON or ALDEN STIDHAM, Patrolman, Winona Police Department;

JOHN LAFAYETTE BASINGER, Patrolman, Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol;

CHARLES T. PERKINS, Patrolman, Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol.

Photographs of EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, Sheriff, Montgomery County, Mississippi, and THOMAS J. HEROD, Chief of Police, Winona, Mississippi, have been previously obtained from the back issues of "The Winona Times. Also photographs of CHARLES T. PERKINS, Macon, Mississippi, were obtained on July 19, 1963.

On July 19, 1963, contact at the Municipal Library, Jackson, Mississippi, failed to locate any periodicals or publications on file containing photographs of law enforcement officers in the State of Mississippi other than regular newspapers.

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FROM SAC, MEMPHIS /44-1063/ 1-P

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ETAL, FANNIE LOU HAMER, ETAL, VICTIMS, CR.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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NEW ORLEANS	MEMPHIS	7/17/63	7/15-16/63

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EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL; FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL - VICTIMS	SA SAMUEL N. JENNINGS	/jm
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REFERENCES

Memphis teletype to New Orleans dated 7/12/63.
Bureau airtel to Memphis and New Orleans, 7/10/63.
New Orleans teletype to Bureau and Memphis, 7/16/63.

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NEW ORLEANS

AT JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

Will continue efforts to locate photographs of JOHN LAFAYETTE BASINGER, SAMUEL T. FOWLER, CHARLES T. PERKINS, ALDEN STIDHAM and WILLIAM SURRELL.

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Photographs of EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE and THOMAS J. HEROD were located in back issues of "The Winona Times" on file at Jackson, Miss. Copies will be forwarded to Bureau and Memphis.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Copy to: 1 - USA, Oxford, Mississippi

Report of: SA SAMUEL N. JENNINGS Office: NEW ORLEANS
Date: July 17, 1963

Field Office File No.: NO 44-1810 Bureau File No.:

Title: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL;
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VICTIMS

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Character: CIVIL RIGHTS

Synopsis:

Bus driver JOE WILLIAM PARKER, Continental Trailways Bus Lines, Jackson, Miss., reinterviewed and advised [redacted] he does not recall seeing any vehicles [redacted] any type law enforcement officers in or near the Winona bus station on 6/9/63. PARKER saw one unidentified Miss. Highway Safety Patrolman in bus station but only recalls him walking through the station and cannot recall having seen him before or since. PARKER described the white male who walked up to the Negroes sitting at the counter in bus station on 6/9/63 as about 5'10", to 5'11", about 50 years of age, 170 pounds, with regular type haircut and is positive this man did not have a crew cut or a "flat top" haircut. He did not see anything that would cause him to believe that this man was a law enforcement officer. PARKER saw group of Negroes standing outside bus station when he left and did not see any further activity regarding these Negroes or any other Negroes at the bus station. PARKER states he is not acquainted by sight or personally with any law enforcement officers in the Winona, Miss., area. Bus driver T. D. CUNNINGHAM, Continental Trailways Bus Lines, Jackson, Miss., advised he was the driver of the bus which arrived at Winona, Miss., about 9:35 AM on 6/9/63, from Jackson,

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Miss. He does not recall seeing any police officers or any police vehicles of any type at or near the bus station. He does not know either by sight or by name any local law enforcement officers in the Winona, Miss., area. He has no recollection of any incidents in or around the Winona Bus Terminal involving Negroes on 6/9/63. A review of back issues of "The Winona Times" reflects photos of Montgomery County Sheriff EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE and Chief of Police THOMAS J. HEROD, Winona, Miss. Copies of photos obtained.

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DETAILS

At Jackson, Mississippi

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JOE WILLIAM PARKER, [redacted], Mississippi, after being advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents, was interviewed in the office of Attorney ROBERT C. CANNADA, representative for the Continental Trailways Bus Lines, Jackson, Mississippi, in the presence of Mr. CANNADA. b6 b7C

PARKER advised that he is a driver for the Continental Trailways Bus Lines and was the driver of the bus which arrived at Winona, Mississippi, from Grenada, Mississippi, at 10:40 AM on June 9, 1963. This bus was en route to Jackson, Mississippi.

PARKER advised that he furnished all the information he could recall in this matter on June 20, 1963. He said that he does not recall seeing any vehicles of any type law enforcement officers in or near the Winona Bus Station on June 9, 1963. He said that the only law enforcement officer which he saw at the bus station that day was an unidentified Mississippi Highway Safety Patrolman. He said he could not describe this patrolman other than that he was a white male, about average size and build, dressed in full uniform. He said he does not recall what the patrolman was doing other than walking through the station. He does not recall him doing any specific acts other than walking through the station. He does not know this patrolman's name and cannot recall having ever seen him before or since that day. PARKER explained that there was a different Mississippi Highway Safety Patrolman who he had on previous occasions seen at the Winona Bus Station about every two weeks up until about June 1, 1963, but he has not seen this patrolman since that time and assumes that he was transferred to another location. He said he does not believe he could identify this patrolman and never did know his name. As best he could recall this former patrolman was about 25 to 30 years of age, 5'10", 175 pounds, and about average in build.

Regarding the white man in civilian clothes,

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SA's SAMUEL N. JENNINGS and ANDREW C. GIBSON /jm

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whom PARKER previously indicated he saw walk up to five or six Negro women sitting at the counter in the bus station, PARKER said he did not know this man and cannot recall ever having seen him before or since. He said he does not recall the type clothing this man had on except it was civilian dress. He did not see any badge, cap, weapon or anything that would cause him to believe this man was a law enforcement officer. The man walked to the counter where the Negroes were sitting and spoke to them but none of his remarks could be heard by PARKER. PARKER said he would describe this man as white male, about 5'10" to 5'11", about 50 years of age, 170 pounds and with a regular type haircut. He said he is positive this man did not have a crewcut or "flat top" haircut. He could not recall if this man had on glasses or not.

PARKER said that after this unidentified white man spoke to the Negroes at the counter in the bus station, all the Negroes got up and walked out to the front of the bus station, on the west side of the building. He said he noticed them standing around in a group near where the buses park, but there was no indication that they were under arrest and there was no one observed near them or speaking to them further. PARKER said that about 5 minutes after this he went out the back side of the bus station, loaded his bus and left for Jackson, Mississippi. He did not see any further activity regarding these Negroes or any other Negroes at the bus station.

PARKER said it was about a week later before he read in the paper where some Negroes had been arrested at the Winona bus station, and this was his first knowledge that they were arrested. PARKER said that none of these Negroes was known to him by name or by sight and the only Negro he recalls at the Winona bus station is a porter named "JIM," who is about 50 years old and who has worked around the bus station for a long time.

PARKER said he is not acquainted by sight or personally with any law enforcement officers in the Winona, Mississippi, area.

PARKER declined to furnish a signed statement.

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T. D. CUNNINGHAM, [redacted] Mississippi, after being advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents, was interviewed in the office of the Driver Superintendent, Continental Trailways Bus Lines in the presence of Mr. ROBERT C. CANNADA, Attorney for the bus company, Jackson, Mississippi. CUNNINGHAM advised that he is a driver on Run 206 which left Jackson, Mississippi, at 7:40 AM on June 9, 1963. He said he arrived at Winona, Mississippi, about 9:35 AM that day en route to Memphis, Tennessee, and cannot recall any unusual activities or incidents at the bus station in Winona that day during the ten or fifteen minutes while he was there. He said there are usually several cars parked in the vicinity of the bus station and to the best of his recollection there were several there on that Sunday morning when he was there. He said he does not recall seeing any police officers or any police vehicles of any type at or near the bus station that day. CUNNINGHAM said that quite often he does see members of the Winona City Police Department around the bus station when he passes through but can't recall seeing anyone from the sheriff's office in the past at the station. He said he does not know by name or by sight any of the local law enforcement officers in the Winona, Mississippi, area. He said that in the past he has seen one of the officers of the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol around the bus terminal about once every two weeks or so, but cannot identify this officer and does not believe he was there on June 9, 1963, during the time that he stopped there.

CUNNINGHAM said that he has no specific recollection of any incidents in or around the Winona Bus Terminal involving any Negroes on June 9, 1963, when he was there. He said it was quiet and peaceful as he recalls it and he feels sure he would remember any incident involving Negro passengers if there had been one while he was there. He said that it was several days after

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June 9, 1963, before he first heard that there had been an incident there at the bus terminal and he can furnish no details concerning this matter.

CUNNINGHAM declined to furnish a signed statement.

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Mr. T. C. TEMPLE, Driver Superintendent, Continental Trailways Bus Lines, Jackson, Mississippi, advised that bus driver JOHN SMITH, [redacted] Mississippi, telephone [redacted] who is scheduled to be off today, July 15, 1963, was the driver of the Trailways bus which arrived at Winona, Mississippi at 9:20 AM on June 9, 1963, from Greenville, Mississippi, and was scheduled to leave Winona for Columbus, Mississippi at 9:35 AM that same day. b6 b7C

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A review by Bureau Agents of back issues of "The Winona Times" on file at the State Archives and Department of History, War Memorial Building, Jackson, Mississippi, reflected the following:

The July 24, 1959, issue showed a picture of Montgomery County Sheriff EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE. A copy of this picture was obtained.

The July 10, 1959, issue showed a picture of City Patrolman (now Chief of Police) THOMAS J. HEROD. A copy of this picture was obtained.

The August 17, 1961, issue showed a picture of Chief of Police THOMAS J. HEROD. A copy of this picture was obtained.

On 7/16/63 at Jackson, Mississippi File # NO 44-1310

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TO, DIRECTOR, FBI /44-22262/

FROM, SAC, MEMPHIS /44-1063/ /1 P/

EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, ET AL., FANNIE LOU HAMER, ET AL.
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PHOTOGRAPHS OF SURRELL OBTAINED. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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NEW ORLEANS	MEMPHIS	7/16/63	7/11/63

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EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE; UNSUBS, ET AL; ROSIE MARY FREEMAN; FANNIE LOU HAMER; ET AL - VICTIMS	SA JOHN H. PROCTOR, JR.	SW
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Memphis airtel to New Orleans, 7/1/63. (Interoffice)
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AT JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI: Will interview bus drivers

ADMINISTRATIVE:

CHARLES PERKINS was advised at the outset of this interview that this investigation is being conducted at the specific request of Mr. BURKE MARSHALL, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Washington, D. C.

It should be noted that upon being interviewed, PERKINS was not completely cooperative and as much description

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as possible was obtained from him during this interview.

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Report of: SA JOHN H. PROCTOR, JR. Office: NEW ORLEANS
Date: JULY 16, 1963

Field Office File No.: 44-1810 Bureau File No.:

Title: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE;
UNKNOWN SUBJECTS, ET AL;
ROSIE MARY FREEMAN;
FANNIE LOU HAMER; ET AL - VICTIMS

Character: CIVIL RIGHTS - IMPERSONATION

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Synopsis: CHARLES T. PERKINS, Macon, Miss., interviewed and advised he is a MHSP Patrolman, presently on suspension for his part in an altercation which in no way concerns this matter. He said that he was stationed at Winona, Miss. until 6/11/63 and that 6/9/63 was his day off and he knows nothing concerning any racial trouble that may have taken place there on that date. He said that he did not desire to discuss this matter further. Description set out.

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Date July 16, 1963

CHARLES T. PERKINS, Macon, Mississippi, after being advised of the identities of the interviewing agents, was interviewed at his father's store, Perkins Brothers Grocery Store, Macon, Mississippi, where he is presently employed. PERKINS advised that he is a Mississippi Highway Safety Patrolman and that up until June 11, 1963, he was stationed at Winona, Mississippi. He said that he is presently on 30 days suspension from the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol (MHSP) for his part in an altercation which in no way concerned this matter and the details of which he does not want to discuss.

PERKINS said that he has been with the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol for almost one year and that he was stationed at Winona, Mississippi. He said that June 9, 1963 was his regular day off and that he knew nothing about any racial trouble that happened in Winona, Mississippi on that date, other than what he had heard. He said that he did not desire to discuss this matter further and could furnish no information in this regard.

The following description was obtained through observation and interview:

Name:	CHARLES T. PERKINS
Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Born:	November 28, 1935 Macon, Mississippi
Height:	6'
Weight:	197
Eyes:	Brown
Hair:	Black (crew cut)
Marital status:	Married
Occupation:	Mississippi Highway Safety Patrolman
Address:	Macon, Mississippi

On 7/11/63 at Macon, Mississippi File # NO 44-1810

by SA's JOHN H. PROCTOR, JR. & MICHAEL F. CAMPBELL /sw Date dictated 7/12/63

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REFERENCES:

Memphis report of SA ROBERT B. FORD dated 6/22/63.
New Orleans report of SA JOHN H. PROCTOR, JR. dated 7/18/63.
New Orleans report of SA SAMUEL N. JENNINGS dated 7/17/63.
Bureau airtel to Memphis dated 7/10/63.

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LEADS

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AT WINONA, MISSISSIPPI. Will continue efforts to obtain a photograph of BILL SURRELL.

AT OXFORD, MISSISSIPPI. Will recontact USA for his opinion as to merits of the case.

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On July 17, 1963, Bureau Agents periodically patrolled the Winona, Mississippi, area in an attempt to obtain photographs of Winona Police officers. No police officers were observed on the streets of Winona on that date. It was later ascertained that Winona Police officers attended a riot training school with Mississippi Highway Patrol in the Greenwood, Mississippi, area.

On July 18, 1963, SA HENDERSON HILLIN, JR. and SA JAMES M. STOCKTON, using the pretext [redacted] fugitive, file number [redacted] the following police officers were contacted:

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Using the [redacted] robot camera, photographs of these officers were made.

Officer [redacted] being a white male, 44-46, 195-200 pounds, 5' 9", heavy build

Officer ALDEN STIDHAM, STIDHAM is described as white male, 45-47 years, 5' 11", 170-175 pounds, ruddy complexion

Officer THOMAS, white male, 5' 10", 155 - 160 pounds, 52-54 years of age.

In instances where only one Agent was present during an interview, no other Agent was available in the area.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Copy to: 1 - USA, Oxford, Mississippi

Report of: SA ROBERT B. FORD Office: MEMPHIS
Date: July 24, 1963

Field Office File No.: 44-1063 Bureau File No.: 44-22262

Title: EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, Sheriff, Montgomery County, Mississippi; THOMAS J. HEROD, JR., Chief of Police, Winona, Mississippi; JOHN L. BASINGER, Patrolman, Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol, Winona, Mississippi; UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; ROSIE MARY FREEMAN, LAWRENCE GUYOT, FANNIE LOU HAMER, JUNE ELIZABETH JOHNSON, ~~Deceased~~ ANNELL PONDER, EUVESTER SIMPSON, JAMES HAROLD WEST - VICTIMS

Character: CIVIL RIGHTS; IMPERSONATION

Synopsis:

Police Press, Inc., Minneapolis, Minnesota, had no photographs of subjects. Military Personnel Records Center, St. Louis, Missouri, has no photograph of subjects. H. L. MORGAN, Chief of Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol declined to make photographs of subjects available. MURRY F. RAY, Mississippi Law Enforcement Journal, advised he had no photograph of subjects. SAM PITNER, Publisher, Winona Times, Winona, Mississippi, declined to make available photographeof PATRIDGE and HEROD. F. C. EWING, Owner, Radio Station WGRN, Greenwood, Mississippi, has no photograph of subjects. Brown stains found on clothing of JUNE ELIZABETH JOHNSON determined to be human blood. JOHN SMITH, Continental Trailways Bus driver, could furnish no information regarding arrests of victims 6/9/63. [redacted] reinterviewed, stated while in Montgomery County Jail on 6/9/63 heard unknown police officer tell Negro inmate to go whip those Negroes. Photographs of EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE and THOMAS J. HEROD obtained from Department of Archives and History, Jackson, Mississippi. b6 b7C

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DETAILS:

AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA.

On June 25, 1963, Mr. ELMER HILLNER, at Police Press, Inc., and Mr. LEONE FELTZER, Police Press, Inc., advised that an intensive search by their organization failed to produce photographs of any of the subjects.

AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

On July 3, 1963, personnel, Military Personnel Records Center, St. Louis, Missouri, advised IC NOEL L. BAKER that they were unable to locate a service record for EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, SAMUEL T. FOWLER, THOMAS J. HEROD or BILL SURRELL; however, a U. S. Navy Service record was located for one JOHN LAFAYETTE BASINGER, however, no photograph of BASINGER was available in the records.

R. L. MORGAN, Chief of Patrol, Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol, was advised of the official identity of SAs ROBERT N. GANDY and CHARLES WILLIAM BONE, that he need not furnish any information, that any information he might furnish might later be used against him in court, and that he was entitled to consult an attorney before furnishing any information.

Chief MORGAN advised he does not know if photographs of the following individuals are available in his files and that even if they are available he does not desire to furnish same to the FBI due to the nature of this investigation.

EARL WAYNE PARTRIDGE, Sheriff, Montgomery County
SAMUEL T. FOWLER, Sheriff's Office, Montgomery County, Mississippi
THOMAS J. HEROD, Chief of Police, Winona, Mississippi
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On 6/24/63 at Jackson, Mississippi File # NO 44-1810

by SAs ROBERT N. GANDY and CHARLES WILLIAM BONE /mer Date dictated 6/24/63

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Date June 28, 1963

Mr. MURRY F. RAY, JR., [redacted] Mississippi, was contacted concerning the possibility of obtaining photographs of the following:

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EARL WAYNE PARTRIDGE, Sheriff, Montgomery County
SAMUEL T. FOWLER, Sheriff's Office, Montgomery County, Mississippi
THOMAS J. HEROD, Chief of Police, Winona, Mississippi
BILL BURRELL, Patrolman, Winona, Mississippi, Police Department
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He advised he nor his father had extra pictures of any officers who appeared in the journal. That such pictures might be available through JIM COLLARR, 1521 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis 3, Minnesota, since he is the publisher of the Mississippi Law Enforcement Journal under the name of "Police Press Industries," 1521 Hennepin Avenue 3, Minnesota.

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1 Date July 2, 1963

SAM PITNER, publisher, Winona Times, Winona, Mississippi, furnished the following information:

PITNER was requested by the interviewing Agents to furnish pictures from the files of his newspaper of any of the following law enforcement officers in the Winona area: EARL WAYNE PARTRIDGE, SAMUEL T. FOWLER, THOMAS J. HEROD, BILL SURRELL, JOHN L. BASINGER and (FNU) PERKINS.

PITNER advised that he could not make a decision on this request until such time as he had consulted his attorney. He further advised because of the present situation in Mississippi, he did not personally care to furnish these pictures.

PITNER advised the interviewing Agents to contact him by telephone on June 26, 1963, at New Albany, Mississippi, at which time he would give his decision as to whether or not he would furnish the requested photographs.

On 6/24/63 at Winona, Mississippi File # ME 44-1063

by SA's FRANKLIN L. JOHNSON & RICHARD O. GREGERSON:ics Date dictated 6/26/63

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1 Date July 2, 1963

SAM PITNER was contacted telephonically in New Albany, Mississippi, and furnished the following information:

PITNER stated he felt it would be improper for him to release any photographs he had of law enforcement officers in Winona, Mississippi, as these pictures actually belong to the persons photographed and not the newspaper office.

PITNER further advised he was in possession of only two pictures, that of the present Sheriff and the Chief of Police in Winona. He stated he obtained these pictures as a result of elections for Sheriff in Montgomery County, Mississippi. He further advised the present Chief of Police in Winona is a candidate for Sheriff in Montgomery County.

On 6/26/63 at Memphis, Tennessee File # ME 44-1063

by SA RICHARD O. GREGERSON:ics Date dictated 6/26/63

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On June 27, 1963, Mr. E. C. EWING, owner of Radio Station WGRN, Greenwood, Mississippi, was contacted at the Radio Station. Mr. EWING made available two photographs of LAWRENCE GUYOT which he stated he had obtained from a Highway Patrolman at the Montgomery County Jail in Winona on the night of June 10, 1963. Mr. EWING stated that he did not have any photographs of any of the members of the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office or members of the Winona Police Department, or any photogaphs of Mississippi State Patrolmen.

On 6/27/63 at Greenwood, Mississippi File # MS 44-1063

by SAs ROBERT B. FORD and JOHN E. SCHWEIBERT:gmh Date dictated 6/29/63

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Date July 1, 1963

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ANNELL PONDER, 1389 Lansing Street, S. E., Atlanta, Georgia, furnished one blue and green cotton print dress which had been ripped and one sleeve torn off. She advised this dress was worn by her at the time she was beaten in the Winona, Mississippi, jail, on June 9, 1963. Miss PONDER said the tears were as a result of the rough handling at the jail by the subjects she described in a previous interview.

Miss PONDER stated she does not recall any blood being on the dress. She advised she had washed the dress since the incident, on June 9, 1963. She said the underclothes worn on June 9, 1963, have been washed and placed with her other garments. She said she could not identify which underclothes she wore, on June 9, 1963.

On 7/1/63 at Atlanta, Georgia File # AT 44-1452

by SA ROBERT R. NICHOLS/ovr Date dictated 7/1/63

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By communication dated July 5, 1963, the results of the examination of the dress of ANNELL PONDER was set out as follows:

"Specimens received 7/5/63

"Q1 Dress of Annell Ponder

"Results of examination:

"The submitted dress was examined for the presence of blood, but none was found."

On July 17, 1963, results of Laboratory examination of the clothing of JUNE JOHNSON, which had previously been sent to the Laboratory were furnished the Memphis Office:

"Specimens received 7/13/63

"CLOTHING OF JUNE JOHNSON

"Q2 Pink and white striped dress
"Q3 White brassiere

"Results of examination:

"The reddish-brown stains that are present on specimens Q2 and Q3 were identified as stains of human blood. Attempts were made to group this blood; however, the results of these tests were inconclusive."

AT RULEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

On July 3, 1963, FANNIE LOU HAMER was contacted by SA JOHN E. SCHWIEBERT at 626 East Lafayette Street and HAMER stated that the clothes she was wearing at the time of her arrest at Winona, Mississippi, are no longer in her possession. She stated that due to a misunderstanding between herself and EVESTER SIMPSON of Itta Bena, Mississippi, each thought the other had the clothes. HAMER stated that as it turned out neither one has the clothing and she had no idea where they may now be. HAMER concluded by saying the only possible place she could think of where the clothes might be would be the Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee headquarters in Greenwood, Mississippi.

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Date July 15, 1963

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WILLIE PEACOCK, Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) Field Secretary, was contacted at SNCC Headquarters, Greenwood, Mississippi. PEACOCK was contacted in regard to the clothing worn by FANNIE LOU HAMER at the time she was allegedly beaten in the Montgomery County Jail, Winona, Mississippi, on June 9, 1963. PEACOCK advised that a search of SNCC Headquarters failed to turn up the clothing of FANNIE LOU HAMER and he stated that inasmuch as SNCC Headquarters gave away some clothing recently, it was quite possible that HAMER's clothing had been disposed of in this manner.

On 7/5/63 at Greenwood, Miss. File # Memphis 44-1063

by SA ROBERT B. FORD:BL Date dictated 7/11/63

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The following investigation was conducted at Winona, Mississippi, by SA JOSEPH A. CANALE and SA FRANCIS FINLEY:

On June 28, 1963, Mr. JOHN BASINGER, Mississippi Highway Patrol, was contacted. He advised that CHARLES T. PERKINS was no longer with the Mississippi Highway Patrol. He stated that he believed that he might have gone to Macon, Mississippi.

Mr. J. H. SIMPSON, Postmaster, Winona, Mississippi, advised on June 28, 1963, that CHARLES T. PERKINS was still residing at Winona, Mississippi, Route 3.

On June 28, 1963, Mrs. CHARLES T. PERKINS advised that her husband was not at home and might have gone to Macon, Mississippi. She stated, however, that he is still residing at Winona, Mississippi. She said that her husband is "not on the Highway Patrol at the moment."

AT GREENWOOD, MISSISSIPPI

On July 12, 1963, B. A. HAMMOND, City Commissioner, Greenwood, Mississippi, advised SA ROBERT B. FORD that he was at the Montgomery Jail, Winona, Mississippi, on the afternoon of June 12, 1963. He stated he could not recall a young white male with a crewcut being at the jail with Sheriff EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE. Mr. HAMMOND advised that he was at the Sheriff's Office at Winona with the sheriff earlier on that afternoon and that the two Mississippi State Highway Patrolmen stationed at Winona were also at the Sheriff's Office at this time.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date July 16, 1963

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Mr. JOHN SMITH, [redacted] Mississippi, was advised of the nature of the inquiry and that any information he might furnish could be used in a court of law. Mr. SMITH advised as follows: b6 b7C

He is employed as a bus driver of the Continental Southern Lines of the Continental Trailways, Inc. He referred to his daily logbook and determined that on June 9, 1963, he drove bus run Number 1728. This run leaves Greenville, Mississippi, at 7 a.m.; arrives Winona, Mississippi, at 9:20 a.m.; departs Winona at 9:35 a.m.; and arrives at Columbus, Mississippi, at 11:59 a.m., where he terminates his driving of the bus at this time. His log indicates that he complied with the scheduled time on June 9, 1963.

He said that he drives this bus run about twice a week and has been doing this for the past 14 months. He explained that it was difficult for him to recall one bus run from another and does not recall any specific occurrence on June 9, 1963. He said that as far as he could recall there were no law enforcement officers present at the Winona Bus Station when he made his scheduled 15-minute stop on June 9, 1963, and can recall nothing out of the ordinary that occurred at this time.

On 7/15/63 at Columbus, Mississippi File # MS 44-1063

by SA LYNN P. SMITH:gmh Date dictated 7/15/63

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[redacted] Mississippi, was advised of the nature of the inquiry and that any statement made by him could be used in court. [redacted] advised as follows:

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He said that he does not know the names of the officers who brought the six Negroes into the Winona Jail on Sunday morning, June 9, 1963. He explained that he had been in custody at the Winona City Jail at Winona, Mississippi, as he had been charged with [redacted] and had been arrested by officers of the Winona, Mississippi, Police Department. He said that one of the officers was believed by him to be a sheriff, or he appeared to be a sheriff, as he wore a sheriff's badge. Another officer was believed by him to be a highway patrolman, as he was dressed in a highway patrolman's uniform. The other three individuals were dressed in civilian clothes but, due to their actions and activity, he took them to be law enforcement officers.

He recalls that the six Negroes told the officers that they had done nothing wrong and that the officers had no right to lock them up. The officers then opened a small jail cell door directly in front of the white section of the jail and forced about two of the Negroes into this cell. He explained that the officers did not use any type of weapon, night stick, or black jack to force the two Negroes into the cell, nor did the officers hit them with their hands. The officers only pulled or shoved them into the cell. The other four Negroes were then shoved or pushed into the cell block used for Negro prisoners. He did not at any time observe any mistreatment of the Negroes by the officers involved.

Thereafter he heard the Negroes hollo and say that they did not hate anybody and that they wanted out. He also recalls that he heard some of the Negroes say they were with some kind of student committee, the name of which he does not recall. He said that he was released at about noon on Sunday, June 9, 1963, and that he estimates the Negroes were brought into the Winona City Jail at around 11:00 a.m. on that same date. He said that he did not observe any mistreatment of any Negro by any officer. Describing the officers, he

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On 7/17/63 at Amory, Mississippi File # ME 44-1063

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explained that the individual whom he took for the sheriff was described as follows:

Sheriff

Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Age:	42-43 years
Height:	5' 8"
Weight:	175 pounds
Hair:	Light brown
Eyes:	unknown
Build:	Medium

Highway Patrolman:

Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Age:	30
Height:	5' 10"
Weight:	180 pounds
Hair:	Dark brown
Eyes:	Unknown
Build:	Medium

No. 1 law enforcement officer:

Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Age:	35
Height:	5' 7"
Weight:	150 pounds
Hair:	Light brown
Eyes:	Unknown
Build:	Medium
Dress:	Civilian clothes

No. 2 law enforcement officer:

Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Age:	40
Height:	6'
Weight:	165 pounds
Hair:	Black
Eyes:	Unknown
Build:	Slim
Dress:	Civilian clothes

No. 3 law enforcement officer:

Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Age:	50
Height:	5' 6"
Weight:	155 pounds
Hair:	Sandy gray
Eyes:	Unknown
Build:	Heavy
Dress:	Civilian clothes

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[redacted] said that the reason he had not discussed the matter before when he was previously interviewed was that he did not want to get involved. What he did not furnish before when he was previously interviewed was that he heard an officer, the identity he does not know, tell a Negro prisoner who was already in the Negro cell block at the Winona City Jail and whom he heard the officer address by the name of "AKERS", "to go back there and whip those Negroes." He said he is not positive of the exact words used by the officer, but the words he furnished were as near to the words used by the officer as he could recall. He said he did not see the officer when he spoke these words to the Negro prisoner by the name of AKERS, but just heard the officer speak to the Negro prisoner. He explained that there were two Negro prisoners already in the Negro cell block of the Winona City Jail previous to the time that the six Negroes were brought to the jail by the five law enforcement officers. He said he did not see the other Negro prisoner but was told he was in there, by a white prisoner in the white cell block. He said that the Negro named AKERS was a prisoner who was frequently in custody at the Winona City Jail and he had an opportunity to observe him. He described him as follows:

Name:	AKERS
Sex:	Male
Race:	Negro
Age:	60
Height:	5' 8"
Weight:	140 pounds
Hair:	Black, turning gray
Eyes:	Unknown
Complexion:	Very dark
Build:	Slim

[redacted] further advised that he did not hear any disturbance or anyone beating or whipping anyone in the Negro section of the jail after the officer had instructed AKERS to go back there and whip those Negroes. He further advised that he was released only a short time later after he heard the officer give AKERS these foregoing instructions.

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[redacted] advised that he intends to leave [redacted] Mississippi, in the near future to attempt to get a job in Memphis, Tennessee, as a truck driver. He said he would keep his family advised of his whereabouts and in case it became necessary to locate him, he could be located through his father, [redacted] Mississippi, as [redacted] would always know his whereabouts. [redacted] further advised that he did not desire to furnish a signed statement relative to the foregoing information but would testify to it in a court of law.

By communication dated July 19, 1963, the New Orleans Office furnished the Bureau and Memphis two copies each of photographs of EARL WAYNE PATRIDGE, Sheriff of Montgomery County, Winona, Mississippi, and THOMAS J. HEROD, Chief of Police, Winona, Mississippi, instant photographs having been obtained from the 1959 issue of the Winona Times on file at the Department of Archives and History, Jackson, Mississippi.

On July 22, 1963, Assistant U. S. Attorney ALBERT MORGAN, III, Oxford, Mississippi, was contacted and he advised that no opinion had been rendered as yet as to the prosecutive merits of this case.