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President Richard M. Nixon 1000 Pennsylvania Ave. Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir,

I had recently read in the newspaper that you had arranged for Elvis Presley, who is a police buff, to receive a Faderal Narcottes badge. I too am a police buff, I collect badges and join and support many police associations, besides also being a Special Deputy Sheriff.

I know you can not issue a Federal Narcotics badge to everyone who wants one, but I'm interested whether there are any Federal law enforcement departments that I may be able to be made an Monorary or Associate member, or something of that nature.

I would appreciate any help you or your office may be able to give.

Sincerely,



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Sir. Bivis Presley 3764 Highway 51, South Cemphis, Tennessee 38101

lear Mr. iresley:

I regret that it was not possible for me to see you and your party during your visit to FUI isendquarters; however, I do hope you enjoyed your tour of our facilities.

Your generous comments concerning this Bureau and nie are appreciated, and you may be sure use will keep in mind your offer to be of assistance.

Sincerely yours, J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: See No. A. Jones to Mr. Bishop Memo dated 1-4-71, captioned "Elvis Presley, William N. Miorris, Former Sheriff, Shelby County, Tennessee, Bureau Tour 12-31-70."

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United States GO. Anment Memorandum

TO : - Mr. Bishop

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SUBJECT.

William N. Morris Former Sheriff, Shelby County, Tennessee Elvis Presley

REQUEST FOR BUREAU TOUR AND MEET WITH

THE DIRECTOR

Mr. William N. Morris, former Sheriff, Shelby County, Memphis, Tennessee, telephoned Assistant Director Casper from the Washington Hotel today and advised that he was in town with the well-known entertainer Elvis Presley and six other people in Presley's party and inquired concerning the possibility of a tour of our facilities and an opportunity to meet and shake hands with the Director tomorrow, 12-31-70. Morris indicated to Mr. Casper that Presley had just received an award from the President for his work in discouraging the use of narcotics among young people and for his assistance in connection with other youth problems in the Beverly Hills, California, area.

Mr. Casper advised Morris that the Director was out of the city, however, that he, Casper, would see what could be done to arrange a tour for Morris Presley and party. Morris advised that he could be reached at Room 702, Washington Hotel, telephone number 638-5900.

BACKGROUND:

By memorandum dated 12-22-70, which is attached, you will recall that Senator George Murphy (Republican-California) telephoned your office on 12-21-70 and advised that Presley had accompanied him, Murphy, to Washington on a flight from Los Angeles and expressed interest in meeting the Director during his stay in Washington.

Murphy described Presley as a very sincere young man who was interested in becoming active in the drive against the use of narcotics, particularly by young people. Murphy indicated that he had arranged an appointment for Presley with John Ingersoll, Director of the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs?

Murphy was advised that the Director was out of the city and not expected to return until around the first of the year at which point he requested that someone from the Bureau get in touch with Presley and express the Director's regrets. This was done.

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1 - Mr. Sullivan

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M. A. Jones to Mr. Bishop Memo RE: WILLIAM N. MORRIS AND ELVIS PRESLEY

INFORMATION IN BUFILES:

Bufiles reflect that Presley has been the victim in a number of extortion attempts which have been referred to the Bureau. Our files also reflect that he is presently involved in a paternity suit sending in Los Angeles. Talifornia and that during the height of his popularity during the latter part of the 1950's and early 1960's his gyrations while performing were the subject of considerable criticism by the public and comment in the press. The files of the Identification Division fail to reflect any arrest record for Presley.

Our Memphis Office advised that relations with former and Morris were excellent during the period the west medifice and that several men a rom his department were accepted for attendance at the FBI National Academy while howes Sheriff. According to Memphis, Morris is now associated with a public relations firm in that city, but that he has political ambitions and the inticipated that he will eventually run for Mayor of Memphis.

Our files and the files of the Director's Office fail to reflect that the Director has ever met Presley or Morris.

OBSERVATIONS:

Presley's sincerity and good intentions notwithstanding he is certainly not the type of individual whom the Director would wish to meet. It is noted at the present time he is wearing his hair down to his shoulders and indulges in the wearing of all sorts of exotic dress. A photograph of Presley clipped from today's "Washington Post" is attached and indicates Presley's personal appearance and manner of dress.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Director permit someone from your office to return former Sheriff Morris' call and advise him that while we will be pleased to afford him, Presley and their party a special tour of our facilities tomorrow, 12-31-70, that it will not be possible for the Director to see them.

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Memorandum

TO :- Mr. Bishop V

FROM : M. Modes

Subject: ELVIS PRESLEY

WILLIAM N. MORRIS

Presley and Morris and six individuals who provide security for Presley visited FBI Headquarters and were afforded a very special tour of our facilities in accordance with plans approved by the Director.

Former sheriff, shelby county, tennessee

BUREAU TOUR 12-31-70

Regrets were expressed to Presley and his party in connection with their request to meet the Director. Presley indicated that he has long been an admirer of Mr. Hoover, and has read material prepared by the Director including "Masters of Deceit," "A Study of Communism" as well as "J. Edgar Hoover on Communism." Presley noted that in his opinion no one has ever done as much for his country as has Mr. Hoover, and that he, Presley, considers the Director the "greatest living American." He also spoke most favorably of the Bureau.

Despite his rather bizarre personal appearance, Presley seemed a sincere. Personal minded individual who expressed concern over some of the problems onto onting our country, particularly those involving young people. In this regard, in private comments made following his tour, he indicated that he, Presley, I the 'living proof that America is the land of opportunity' since he rose from truck driver to prominent entertainer almost overnight. He said that he spends as such time as his schedule permits informally talking to young people the discrepance of the consider to be their problems with them. Presley and field the entertainer almost overnight. It is not what they consider to be their problems with them. Presley and field the entertainer and unusual apparel were merely tools of his trade and field the entertainer and the presley said that while he has a limited education, helps been able to command a certain amount of respect and attention from this segment of the population and in an informal way point out the errors of their ways. He advised that he does not consider himself

Enclosure

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M. A. Jones to Bishop Memo RE: ELVIS PRESLEY

competent to address large groups but much rather prefers small gatherings in community centers and the like, where he makes himself accessible for talks and discussions regarding the evils of narcotics and other problems of concern to been agrees and other young people.

Following their tour, Presley privately advised that he has volunteered his services to the President in connection with the narcotics problem and that Mr. Nixon had responded by furnishing him an Agent's badge of the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs. Presley was carrying this badge in his pocket and displayed it.

Presley advised that he wished the Director to be aware that he, Presley, from time to time is approached by individuals and groups in and outside of the entertainment business whose motives and goals he is convinced are not in the best interests of this country and who seek to have him to lend his name to their questionable activities. In this regard, he volunteered to make such information available to the Bureau on a confidential basis whenever it came to his attention. He further indicated that he wanted the Director to know that should the Bureau ever have any need of his services in any way that he would be delighted to be of assistance.

Presley indicated that he is of the opinion that the Beatles laid the groundwork for many of the problems we are having with young people by their filthy unkempt appearances and suggestive music while entertaining in this country during the early and middle 1960's. He advised that the Smothers Brothers, Jane Fonda, and other persons in the entertainment industry of their ilk have a lot to answer for in the hereafter for the way they have poisoned young minds by disparaging the United States in their public statements and unsavory activities.

Presley advised that he resides at 3764 Highway 51, South, Memphis, Tennessee, but that he spends a substantial portion of his time in the Beverly Hills, California - Las Vegas, Nevada, areas fulfilling motion picture assignments and singing commitments.

He noted that he can be contacted anytime through his Memphis address and that because of problems he has had with people tampering with his mail, such correspondence should be addressed to him under the pseudonym colonel for burning

M. A. Jones to Bishop Memo RE: ELVIS PRESLEY

It should be here noted following their tour and prior to their departure from the building, Mr. Morris indicated that Presley had been recently selected by the Junior Chamber of Commerce as one of the "ten outstanding men" in the United States and that of these ten in a ceremony to be held in Memphis sometime in January, 1971, Presley would be named as the "most outstanding" of the ten. According to Morris, similar recognition was afforded President Nixon some 25 years ago and the late President Kennedy was also a recipient of this award.

Morris observed that he has known Presley for many years, that despite his manner of dress, he is a sober, clean minded young man who is good to his family and his friends and who is very well regarded by all, including the law enforcement community in the Memphis Tennessee, area where he was raised and still resides.

Presley, Morris, and their party expressed appreciation for the courtesies extended them.

OBSERVATION:

Presley did give the impression of being a sincere, young man who is conscious of the many problems confronting this country. In view of his unique position in the entertainment business, his favorable comments concerning the Director and the Bureau, and his offer to be of assistance as well as the fact that he has been recognized by the Junior Chamber of Commerce and the President, it is felt that a letter from the Director would be in order.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached letter to Presley be approved and sent.

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Mr. Bishop

DATE: 12-22-70

SUBJECT: ELVIS PRESLE

Senator George Murphy (R-California) telephoned your office late yesterday to advise that captioned individual who is, of course, the prominent entertainer and motion picture personality, had accompanied him to Washington on a flight from Los Angeles and expressed interest in meeting the Director during his stay in Washington.

According to Senator Murphy, Presley, whom he described as being a very sincere young man, is deeply concerned over the narcotics problem in this country and is interested in becoming active in the drive against the use of narcotics, particularly by young people.

According to Senator Murphy in response to Presley's request, he Murphy, has arranged an appointment for Presley with John Ingersoll, Director of the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs. Senator Murphy advised that he was aware that the FBI has no jurisdiction in narcotics matters but wished to pass Presley's request to see Mr. Hoover along to the Director.

Senator Murphy was advised that the Director was out of the City and not expected to return until around the first of the year. Thereupon Senator Murphy requested that someone from the Bureau get in touch with Presley and express he Director's regrets 11-51

This has been done and Presley expressed appreciation for the call noting that as he had advised Senator Murphy, he was becoming increasingly concerned with the dissident activities and use of narcotics by young people in this country and was desirous of doing whatever he could to be of service in alleviating this problem. Presley noted that his rise to prominence in the entertainment field is evidence of what can be accomplished in this country by the poor and the deprived. He said that his relative youth and his background in the entertainment industry has helped him establish rapport with the younger generation and that in gratitude for all this country has done for him he would like to be of service. In this regard he indicated that should the Bureau

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RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

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Date:

April 22, 1959

To:

Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence

Department of the Army

The Pentagon

Washington 25, D. C.

From:

John Edgar Hoover, Director

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Subject:

ELVIS PRESLEY

INFORMATION CONCERNING

Attached is a Photostat of an anonymous letter dated March 11, 1959; postmarked Canton, Ohio, and addressed to RCA Victor Records, 155 East 24th Street, New York 10, New York, which contains information to the effect that a Red Army soldier in East Germany is planning to kill Elvis Precley, a well-known entertainer, presently attached to the U.S. Army in Germany.

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The Assistant U. F. Attorney at Cleveland, Ohio, declined prosecution of for violation of the Extortion Statute in view of her mental condition.

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To FBI, New York (62-12152)

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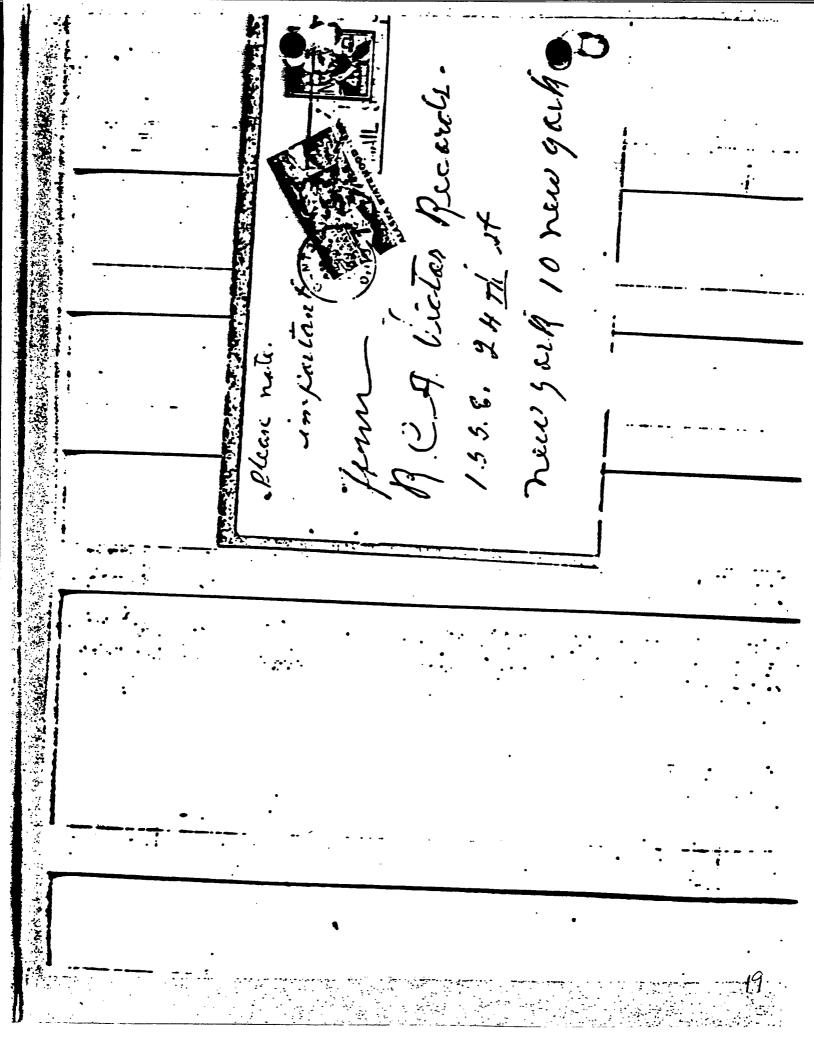
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Although the theatre didn't open until 8 a.m., many had been in line since 9:20 last night in the hope of seeing the real-live Elvis.

"It'll be a miracle," said brunet Carol Oleen, 15. of 215 43d at., Brooklyn, "If this theatre is in one piece when we get out."

She and other hobbysond's said they had been led to believe livis would hand out gifts to the first 3,000 in line for the falm.

> "New York Journal-American" New York, N.J. November 15, 1956 page 1

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ELVIS FACES WIGGLE BAN

LOUISVILLE, My., Nov. 25 (AP)—A no-wiscle restriction has been place on Elvis Presley's appearance here Nov. 25.

Police chief Carl Heustis said resterday he won't personit "any lewd. lescivious contortions that would excite a crowd" when the long-sideburned, guitar-strumming singer comes to town.

"As you can surmise," the Chief said, "I just don't happen to be one of his admirers."

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To Bar Elvis on TV STRACUSE, N. Y. MOT. 8 (P) Syracuse housewives soured city effices yesterday and ob-tained signatures to a petition to the Columbia Broadcasting Bystem demanding that Singer Elyis Presier be barred from television shows.

A spokesman for the group, who asked that her name not be sed, said she had obtained 40 used, said she had obtained 40 signatures to the petition yesterday, and added that she and "25 to 30 others" expect to "get hundreds more—including to the end of this week."

The petition terms Mr. Preservices, suggestive and disgusting."

The spokesman said TV Per former Steve Allen would be mailed the petition too because the find announced be had invited Elvis to appear on a program in the near future.

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teach the children to express themselves. And they sure do. They tell their parents what to do and sometimes where to go. And to be truthful about it the teachers don't know much more about teaching school than their musils. ing school than their pupils."

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This young lady listened to Tehnikovsky and Mozart but felt "absolutely nothing." Of course, meither Tchaikovsky nor Mozart ever became millionaires. In fact, Mozart had a rather tough time anancially. There were no recordings in those days and teen-agers were seen but not beard.

Forsooth, these children do fight for what they believe. But we oldsters need not retreat and leave the world to darkness and to noise. Civi lization always wins after struggle.

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She Likes What She Likes

I have no idea how old Charlotte Jones is. She does not introduce herself with vital statistics. But ahe does believe that she and her "teens" have better taste than her elders, by which she means that she Mkes what she likes and that anyone who disagrees is a square, a jerk or a dope. Could be.

Yet, I wonder what would happen to such a hero worshipper if she spent six weeks next summer at Tanglewood listening to Bach, Mozart, Beethoven, Brahms and Tschaikovsky. All long-hair, it is true. But music is music and is supposed to thrill the heart of civilized and savage. It would be an interesting experiment, like bringing Tarzan to the Colony Restaurant or Pavillon, to eat food as designed by Escoffier.

The real point of this letter is that it displays no cultural background. I heard Elvis sing and I believe that perhaps in five years or so, he might be able to carry a tune as well as Bing Crosby. But in 50 years, he could not make the chorus of the Metropolitan Opera.

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NOTE: Louisville was contacted by Colonel Heustis, Chief of Police, Louisville, Kentucky, who advised of the coming appearances of above subjects and his fear of the riots as occurred in several other cities. As a matter of cooperation Colonel Heustis requested information from this Bureau' regarding these riots. Louisville is being advise that while the Bureau is aware that such riots have occurred no inquiries were made and we have no specific information concerning these riots. It is being suggested to the SAC, Louisville, that he may desire to suggest to Colonel Heustis that he consult with chiefs of police in the cities where the riots occurred.

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Dear Lir.

Your letter dated Ma, 10, 1956, with enclosures, has been received.

While I appreciate the interest promoting on to write, the matter to which you refer is not within the investigative jurisdiction of the I.M.

I want to thank you, however, for your most generous remarks relative to the work of this Bureau.

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John Edgar Hoever

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director
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Washington 25, B.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover,

Elvis Presley, press-agented as a singer and entertainer, played to two groups of teenagers numbering several thousand at the city auditorium here, Monday, May 14.

As newspaper man, parent, and former member of Army Intelligence Service, I feel an obligation to pass on to you my conviction that Presley is a definite danger to the security of the United States.

Although I could not attend myself, I sent two reporters to cover his second show at 9:30 p.m. Besides, I secured the opinions of others of good judgment, who had seen the show or had heard direct reports of it. Among them are a radio station manager, a former motion picture exhibitor, an orchestra player, and a young woman employee of a radio station who witnessed the show to determine its value. All agree that it was the filthiest and most harmful production that ever came to Ia Crosse for exhibition to teenagers.

When Presley came on the stage, the youngsters almost mobbed him, as you can judge from the article and pictures enclosed from May 15 edition of the Le Crosse TRIBUNE. The audience could not hear his "singing" for the acreaming and carrying on of the ENCIPSURE teenagers.

But eye-witnesses have hold me that Presley's actions and motions were such as to rouse the sexual passions of teenaged youth. One eye-witness described his actions as "sexual self-gratification on the stage," - another as "a strip-tease with clothes on." Although police and auxiliaries were there, the show went on. Perhaps the hardened police did not get the import of his motions and gestures, like those of masturbation or riding a microphone. (The assistant district attorney and Captain William Boma also stopped in for a few minutes in response to somplaints about the first show, but they found no reason to halt the show.)

After the show, more than 1,000 teenagers tried to gang into Presley's room at the auditorium, then at the Stoddard Hotel. All

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possible police on duty were necessary at the notel to keep watch on the teenagers milling about the hotel till after 5 a.m., the hotel manager informed me. Some kept milling about the city till about 5 a.m.

Indications of the harm Presley did just in In Crosse were the two high school girls (of whom I have direct personal knowledge) whose abdomen and thigh had Presley's autograph. They admitted that they went to his room where this happened. It is known by psychologists, psychiatrists and priests that teenaged girls from the age of eleven, and boys in their adolescence are easily aroused to sexual indulgence and perversion by certain types of motions and hysteria, -- the type that was exhibited at the Presley show.

There is also gossip of the Presley Fan Clubs that degenerate into sex orgies. The local radio station WKHH sponsors a club on the "Lindy Shannon Show."

From eye-witness reports about Presley, I would judge that he may possibly be both a drug addict and a sexual pervert. In any case I am sure he bears close watch, -- especially in the face of growing juvenile crime nearly everywhere in the United States. He is surrounded by a group of high-pressure agents who seem to control him, the hotel manager reported.

I do not report idly to the FBI. My last official report to an FBI agent in New York before I entered the U.S. Army resulted in arrest of a saboteur (who committed suicide before his trial). I believe the Presley matter is as serious to U.S. security. I am convinced that juvenile crimes of lust and perversion will follow his show here in Ia Crosse.

I enclose article and pictures from May 15 edition of the La Crosse TRIBUNE. The article is an excellent example of the type of reporting that describes a burlesque show by writing about the drapes on the stage. But the pictures, to say the least are revealing. Note, too, that under the Presley article, the editor sanctimoniously published a very brief "filler" on the PBI's concern for teenage crime. Only a moron could not see the connection between the Presley exhibit and the incidence of teenage disorders in La Crosse.

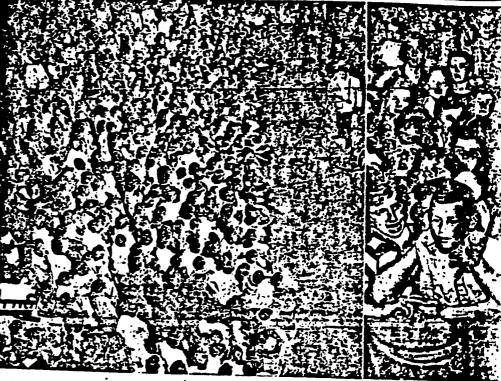
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Sincerely yours,



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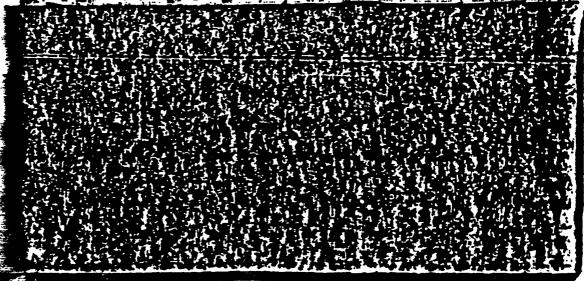


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MILWAUKEE -FRI Jaines Poster says parents doster crime by failing to discipline their childre in the home. ...

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April 17, 1956 63-306K-X 81482 Wr. English Memphis, Tennesses Dear Mr. Your letter of April 11, 1956, and its enclosures have been received, and I can appreciate the concern which prompted your writing. I would like to advise you, however, that the FBI is strictly a fact-gathering agency, and it is not within the scope of our authority to make suggestions as to legislative matters. I am most grateful for your generous remarks concerning the IBI and assure you of our desire always to merit your confidence. Sincerely yours, Po 2-222 2002 4 John Edgar Boover Director APR 1 7 1956 COWN. FBI NOTE: Letter from SAC Bemphis in 1940 indicated that correspondent was then THE RESIDENCE AND THE PARTY OF THE PARTY OF

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MEMPHIS April 11, 1956

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director Federal Bureau of Investigation Mashington, D. C.

Bear Mr. Boover:

By way of introduction to you, will say that I knew Don Hostetter when he was in Memphis, and thought a great deal of him. Believe he will remember me, in our association together on occasions.

- Am attaching a few clippings for your perusal. They are sent to indicate a trend with which you may already be familiar.

It is essential that some agency with sufficient organization and influence do something toward better censorship in our country. There are minds who will scarcely stop short of complete indecency to exploit their wares upon the public, and youth is not able to discriminate between the right and wrong of it.

We have had a struggle here on the local front in Memphis, a city of 455,000 people, in retaining a censorship, when a committee appointed had suggested that it was not necessary.

Have personally talked with members on the local censorship board, and have their testimony of the terrible pictures that would be released for showing here, had it not been for censorship.

Most of this entertainment becomes interstate, and hence should become a Federal Government problem. The fine work that our Churches and some of our schools are attempting to do is offset by the freedom exercised in this country of licentiousness. The Apostle Peter warned in his lst letter about our not using the new liberty for a cloke of maliciousness, but as the servants of God.

If there is something that your excellent and very fine organization is able to do concerning these problems facing us today, you will find that many citizens will deeply appreciate your effort.

May I take this occasion to thank you most sincerely for your cam examplary second and for preserving a great America for us at the risk of your life and that of your agents.

Cordially yours

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News and Views

Our Elvis Presley—In Vista Vision!

tures, it was anmounced in Hollywood today.

Producer Hal Wallin acreen-lested Elvis several weeks ago, after "Hear threak Hodel" and "I Was the One" becan to his

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making audiences of \$800 paid

By ROBERT JOHNSON in the country, with well over said: "Who the hell is Phris Press Scientian Roll Writer 100,000 issues, just behind Vic-Presley?" It neems girls in the Elien gries, the Zi-pear-old ter's Relatonte album and Dec-Alidwest high school had been so Serrice Riches High youngster ea's "Man with the Golden upset by the rumor that they who he popular sousie like a Arm" sound track.

guided missile within the past. In San Diegn, the effect on Another rumor, which has no year, has been signed to a long-hobby soxers was like that of foundation but which has spread term contract by Frankie Sinatra's old black all over the country, is that El-magic in the early days when vis has cancer of the throat. The screaming fans mobbed him same rumor, for some reason. The arena manager had to call crops up about every fast rising out police and a platoon of Shore singer.

Patrol to handle the moh which Elvis is controversial. There's pursued Etvis to a barricaded no middle ground. People are dressing room. A Hollywood columnnist said ly violently against him. Letters Elvis "looks a little like Marlon have soured into this column Brando and sings like Johnny since some critical letters were Ray with the St. Vitus dance." printed recently. Teen-age fans, Just a little over a year ago, whose approval is close to adula-Ray with the St. Vitus dance."

acream about him on the Tom-Flvix was just another fellowition of their idol, said evil to him the said such a guitar, until he made his who evil thinks, that they didn't first record, "That's All Right, see a thing wrong with Elvis."

But it wasn't until after three Raby" and "Blue Monn," for Surprisingly, quite a few adults. spearances in San Diego that Sam Phillips of Memphis' Suntonk the same position,

Records, Main complaint is against his The first was on the Milton, Elvis had never made more movements. He was rising fast Berle show. The other two were than \$30 or \$40 dollars a week lon the strength of his records in the Rin Diego Arens, where Then, boom!

His climb has been so rapid known. One columnist said he Sis,and to hear him sing eight that greently when a Midwestern "sings with sersual movements ames.

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Series first RCA-Victor allum check a report that Elvis had queen." Seve Allen and Sid Caethird best-selling albumidied, the studio publicity manisar have done savage take-offs

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him. But Elvis keeps right on elimbing, breaking about three strings on his guitar every perormance and lighting a fire in audience.

Here are some letters A Central High Student writes: I am a high school senior and from and everybody that I think quents. I have no doubt the same what he does on television and reception greeted those who first sherever he sings is a pretty rot-danced the fox trot." wherever he sings is a pretty rot- same une son use. Item thing. I don't want my mother Goodman and Whiteman both for my sisters to see such things invited the psychiatrist to commun. I sure as heck don't like it." pare scrapbooks, ahowing how a Jane Vickers, Memphis: "Is i milar charges were made guess that I'm pretty much of a against them years ago for alsequare, but I think that Elvis legedly "corrupting the youth" member at think that his of their flav first with lazy then acting and squirming around is with swing. too suggestive and disgusting . . . Red Foley makes an interest-

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exactly he is doing. All the men banically more rock 'a' roll than country, but they're making the sare up in arms about it. are up in arms about it. . .

I don't see how anyone, whethr they like the music or not,

az weich Elvis without sensing the magnetism about him. Whether they approve or not is something else.

Rock 'n' roll has come under vigorous assault, and now it gets some strangely assorted defenders.

·A nationally known psychiatrist termed it "a communicable disease . . . appealing to adolescent insecurity. . ."

Sammy Kaye, Benny Goodman and Paul Whiteman say posh.

Kaye: "Some years ago when ave never considered myself a the teen-agers began to Lindy goody goody. I do all the things Hop there were persons who most boys my age do . . 3'H tell called them lunstics and delin-

Presley stinks. I think that his of their day, first with jazz then

in hearing from one teen-ager thought be included by the strange wedding to thinks he's horrible."

Warried Mother writes: or music. Country music and popmusic. Country music as we knew it is gone, he said. "Prespectore people wake up to what the strange wedding to the said." Prespectore people wake up to what the said and present the said and want. And as they say-if you can't fight 'em, jine 'em. There'll be no turning back. What has happened is that things like TV and radio have brought country closer together. The felhow in the hill country sees the same program as the man in city."

> You can go, eat go, but don't Top 40 survey last Mep on "Mes Sculiers Bleus!" Carl Perkins' rock 'n' roll bit, "Blue Suede Shoes," has been recorded in French—the 13th recording of the Perkins comonition other than his own.

Sun Records of Memphis has n informed that RCA Victor made the French version Montreal for release first in Conede.

Perkins* Sun Simbing, has bit No. 7 position a Billboard's list of the 200 best-celling records a "Hearthreak Motel" Presiey's



police escort to get to his dressing room. He still gets home as often as possible, has bought a nice place for himself and folks over an Audubon, phones home to friends like Dewey Phillips every few days. Confroversy fleres, and his records keep sight on selling.

Long Tall Sally'
No. 1 second best-seller in Memphis, according to WMPS something called

Sally," sung by Little Richard Teen-age talk is that there is something bluer than shoes about some of the words

but they don't know what, "Long, Tall Rally" was cently eleared for playing by strictness

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From Louisville, Kentucky
To Phone of Mrs.

Memphis, Tennessee
9/7/68

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INTERSTATE OBSCENE OR BARASSING PHONE CALLS OO: LOUISVILLE

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are four copies of a letterhead memorandum relating to captioned matter, along with one copy for the Hemphis Division for information.

A copy of this letternead memorandum is being furnished the U. S. Attorney, Louisville.

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UNENOWN SUBJECT: MARASSING PHONE CALL FROM LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY. TO PHONE OF MRS. MEMPHIS. TENNESSER Septembér 7, 1968 Interstats obscens or BARASSING PHONE CALLS

h 7D On September 9, 1968, The contract of the cont South Central Bell Telephone Company, Louisville, Kentucky, advised that his office had received a report from Louisville Chief Telephone Operator, that on September 6, 1968, at 1:19 PM a telephone operator placed a call for an individual who appeared to be, by the sound of his voice, a male, to Memphis, Tennessee, 901-EEE gave the number from which he was calling in Louisville as 778-9341. Upon connecting the caller with the Memphis, Tennessee telephone number, she contacted switchman in the Plant Department of the telephone company, to seize the line or hold it open and trace the call to the Louisville telephone number, insamuch as the phone number given by the caller related to a pay telephone booth, particularly as the last four digits of the Louisville telephone number were a series designated for commercial pay telephones. She felt that the caller was attempting to defraud the telephone company through his submission of a false telephone number as to the phone from which the call was originating,

Shortly thereafter, a second call was placed to Momphis, Tennessee, which by an unidentified male caller The furnished the telephone from which he was calling as Louisville telephone 778-9341, which was the same number furnished in connection with the phone call to Memphis

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The Plant Department of the phone company had not seized the line. The call was not completed to Memphis, Tennessee, as there was no answer by the telephone at Memphis.

switchman, Plant Department, was able to seize the line from which the second call from Louisville to Memphis, Tennessee, was made, and it was traced to Louisville telephone This was determined to be a non-published telephone with subscriber Street, Louisville, Kentucky. This was a residence phone.

A telephone call by the Louisville telephone operator to shortly after the phone calls to Memphis, Tennessee, transpired, resulted in a woman answering who indicated that she had just returned to her residence address and that she had tried to make a phone call, however, her telephone line appeared to be open and the telephone was possibly inoperative. This individual denied use on her part or any other individual at her residence of her telephone in connection with any phone calls to Memphis, Tennessee.

Louisville telephone 778-9341 was determined to be a pay telephone booth situated outside of a Convenient Food Market in the West End of Louisville.

Memphis, Tennessee telephone was established as being a non-published telephone with subscriber ElvisyPresley, 2764 Highway 51 South, Nemphis, Tennessee, Memphis, Tennessee by telephone with subscriber Mrs. See the subscri

Subsequently, the telephone company received a pomplaint from the Manning-Dunn Funeral Mone at \$18 Morth 26th Street, Louisville, Kentucky, phone 775-6414, relating that the funeral home had received a long distance telephone call from an individual who was purportedly the Mint of mationally prominent singer Elvis Presley, who moted that the macle of Elvis Presley, had received a long distance telephone call wherein an unidentified male caller announced that Elvis Presley was killed in an airplane trash at Louisville, Kentucky, and that his body was at the Manning-Dunn Funeral Mone.

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This was a complete hoax and the aunt of Elvis Problem appeared to be extremely distraught over the matter.

Funeral Home, which is a prominent establishment in the Louisville, Kentucky area, with various branches and the city of Louisville, and Jefferson County, Kentucky, in the recent past had hen subject of numerous local haraseing telephone calls by an unidentified individual who by voice was possibly a male, who represented himself as the funeral home pick up bodies of deceased persons at specific locations in Louisville. These calls were boaxes and harassing in nature as the funeral home dispatched its personnel to locations given without finding any substantiation to the presence of any deceased persons.

The matter relating to the Manning-Dunn Funeral Mome had been handled jointly by the South Central Bell Telephone Company, as well as the Louisville Police Department, which has been conducting intensive investigation in connection with this matter. The telephone company has developed as suspect in connection with the harassing calls to the Manning-Dunn Funeral Home, the son of the owner of the establishment who has a radio telephone in one of the company limousines. The telephone company is conducting an investigation into the matter of the call to Memphis, Tennessee, as a telephone fraud.

Department, advised on September 9, 1968, that his agency
had investigated the matter relating to the harassing phone
call to Memphis, Tennessee, by an unknown individual from
what was purported to be Louisville telephone
September 7, 1968. He advised that
white female, age 51, who operates a trucking business out of
her residence at the Louisville telephone
call that Louisville telephone
at that address and that she had been absent from her residence

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on a job and upon returning to her home in mid-afternoon of September 7, 1968, found that her telephone was inoperative. She declared that she had been living in a common-law relationship with the state of Lentucky. The denied any knowledge of any phone calls from her telephone by any party to Memphis, Tennessee, on that date. Investigation by the Louisville Police Department Detective Bureau determined that a window in the back door of the residence of the residence of this residence and utilized telephone therein, in the absence of

Sergeant residence for several days agency staked out the residence for several days without noting anyone entering the premises during the almoce of A neighborhood inquiry established that was away from her residence at approximately 1:30 PM on September 7, 1968, and that her boy friend had been away for approximately one month. No individuals were observed entering the residence at the time the calls to Memphis, Tennessee transpired.

Sergeant advised that his agency will by the continue to pursue the matter relating to the phone call from the phone at the continue to the phone at the continue to the phone at the continue to a series of harassing telephone calls being made to the Manning-Dunn Funeral Home on 36th Street and other locations, in Jeffeson County, Kentucky, in cooperation with the Jefferson County Police Department, as well as the South Central Bell Telephone Company in Louisville.

On September 10, 1968, Assistant United States Attorney Philip I. Huddleston, Vestern District of Kentucky, Louisville, Kentucky, advised that he was deferring prosecution In connection with this matter to local authorities, in view of of the local handling of the matter and the single interstate.

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call which appeared to be related to harassing calls received by the Manning-Dunn Funeral Home in Louisville.