

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI
 Attention: Identification Division

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: RICHARD C. COX, Cadet
 U. S. Military Academy
 West Point, New York;
 MISSING PERSON

DATE: January 31, 1950

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This office is in receipt of a communication dated January 30, 1950, from Captain THOMAS F. GUIDERA, Commanding Officer, CID, First Army. Captain GUIDERA is a graduate of the National Academy and a member of the New York Division Associates of the National Academy.

In this letter it is requested that a stop be placed on the fingerprint file of RICHARD C. COX and that his name be included in the next issue of Missing Persons. Cadet COX has been missing since 6:00 P.M. on January 14, 1950, and was last seen at West Point, New York. His home address is listed as 554 Cook Road, Mansfield, Ohio, which address is the home of his nearest relative, his mother, Mrs. RUPPERT F. COX.

The description of Cadet COX as furnished in referenced letter is that he is a second year Cadet at the U. S. Military Academy, bearing Serial No. C-8132; he is a former enlisted soldier in the U. S. Army and had Serial No. RA 15255161; 22 years of age, born July 25, 1928; white; five feet eight inches; one sixty-five lbs.; medium build; fair complexion; brown hair, crew cut; blue eyes; scars - diagonal scar on right elbow; dress - when last seen was wearing the full dress uniform of the U. S. Military Academy Cadet.

As a cooperative measure, the letter from Captain GUIDERA requests that in the event the Bureau secures any information concerning this missing person that the office of the Provost Marshal, Headquarters First Army, Governors Island, New York, New York, Attention CID, be informed.

In the event a stop is placed on Cadet COX'S fingerprint file, it is requested that this office be advised in order that Captain GUIDERA may be informed thereof.

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SAC, New York

February 9, 1950

Director, FBI

RICHARD C. COX, Cadet
U. S. Military Academy
West Point, New York;
MISSING PERSON
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Reurlet January 31, 1950, above captioned. Missing person identical Richard Colvin Cox, FBI #357872A, fingerprinted for Army enlistment September 16, 1946, and as West Point Cadet on July 1, 1948. Missing person notice previously established on behalf of [redacted] Detective Bureau, Police Department, Mansfield, Ohio. Your office was added to the notice, and [redacted] has been advised that consideration is also being given to publishing a notice in an early issue of the FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin, probably that of March 1950. In accordance with information received from [redacted] the missing person's age is being published as twenty-one years, born July 25, 1928, and his mother is being listed as Mrs. Minnie Cox.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

CITY OF MANSFIELD OHIO

MANSFIELD, OHIO

JESSE J. SCHWAB, CHIEF OF POLICE

February 3, 1950

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

Re: Richard C. Cox
Missing Person

Dear Mr. Hoover:

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Your very kind consideration and co-operation in this matter has been greatly appreciated by the entire family.

As stated in your letter of February 1, 1950, the correct age of Cadet Richard C. Cox is 21 years. His correct birthdate is, as you stated, July 25, 1928.

When the boy is located, I shall certainly notify you immediately so that a cancellation notice may be issued.

Respectfully yours,



Detective Bureau
Police Department
Mansfield, Ohio

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P.S. His mother's name and address is Mrs. Minnie Cox, 554 Cook Rd.
Mansfield, Ohio

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

IP FILE NO. **79-19**

REPORT MADE AT Indianapolis, Indiana	DATE WHEN MADE 6-23-50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 6-9-50	REPORT MADE BY RALPH A. MARTORELLI (A) RAM/Ejd
TITLE RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet U. S. Military Academy West Point, New York			CHARACTER OF CASE MISSING PERSON

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

GEORGE WILLIAM SCHOENTRUP, with alias, GEORGE W. TALBERT, residing 228-10th Street, Toledo, Ohio, since July 1, 1949. SCHOENTRUP has extensive criminal record for public intoxication only at the Shelbyville, Indiana PD.

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DETAILS:

AT SHESLEYVILLE, INDIANA

Mrs. ANNA SCHOENTRUP, 83 1/2 South Noble Street, advised that she is the mother of GEORGE WILLIAM SCHOENTRUP and that he has been gone from Shelbyville since the first of July 1949. SCHOENTRUP does not correspond too often with his mother, but his last address is 228-10th Street, Toledo, Ohio and was last heard from around Easter of this year. According to Mrs. SCHOENTRUP, her son is believed to be working either at a bowling alley or a restaurant located in the vicinity of the before-mentioned residence in Toledo. Mrs. SCHOENTRUP was unable to give any further information regarding her son's activities since he left Shelbyville, saying that he does not go into detail regarding his employments and other activities.

Lieutenant DANIEL RICHKEY, Shelbyville Police Department advised that GEORGE WILLIAM SCHOENTRUP, 83 1/2 South Noble Street, with alias, GEORGE W. TALBERT, has been arrested seven times for public intoxication, the last occasion in June of 1949.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED:	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES
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<p>COPIES OF THIS REPORT</p> <p>③ - Bureau (79-23729)</p> <p>2 - New York (79-108)</p> <p>2 - Cleveland (79-25)</p> <p>2 - Indianapolis</p>		

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A description of SCHENKLE from a fingerprint card maintained in the files of the Shelbyville Police Department is as follows:

Race	White
Age	44 - in 1949
Height	5' 8 1/2"
Weight	115
Build	Slender
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
F.B.I. No.	1758081
F.P.C. No.	23 25 19 32 1 17 (M.H.)

- REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN -

Indianapolis.
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THE CLEVELAND DIVISION

At Toledo, Ohio

Will locate and interview GEORGE WILLIAM SCHOENTRUP, 228-10th Street, believed to be employed in a bowling alley or a restaurant in the vicinity of the above address.

Will interview SCHOENTRUP according to referenced report of SA GERALD J. FLYNN dated 5-26-50 at New York, in which the Indianapolis Division was instructed to interview SCHOENTRUP, inasmuch as he was a member of the same Army outfit as the subject.

REFERENCE: Report of SA GERALD J. FLYNN dated 5-26-50 at New York.

February 9, 1950

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Detective Bureau
Police Department
Mansfield, Ohio

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Dear [Redacted]

As advised by you in your letter of February 3, 1950, we are including in the missing person notice to be published concerning your [Redacted] Richard G. Cox, his age as twenty-one years and his mother as Mrs. Minnie Cox, 554 Jook Road, Mansfield, Ohio.

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We have received no information regarding his whereabouts since the notice was established.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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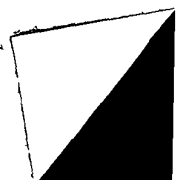
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POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF MANSFIELD OHIO
MANSFIELD, OHIO

JESSE J. SCHWAB, CHIEF OF POLICE

January 28, 1950

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice Building
Washington 25, D. C.

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1-31-50 Jh*

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with folder*

Dear Mr. Hoover:

At about 6:15 P. M. on the evening of January 14, 1950, Richard C. Cox, Cadet, left his room at the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York, after signing out for dining priveleges at the Hotel Thayer which is on the military reservation there. He has not been seen since that time. The Army C. I. D. has been called into the investigation, in an effort to locate Cadet Cox, although there is no concrete evidence that a crime has been committed, but rather because of the extremely unusual circumstances which surround his disappearance, thereby establishing a precedent for that group.

Since Cadet Richard C. Cox is and since the disappearance has already received nation - wide publicity both on the radio and in the press, and since the family is greatly perturbed by his disappearance, and the inability of anyone, to date, to ascertain the present whereabouts of the boy, it is hereby requested that a photograph and complete description of Cadet Cox be carried in the next issue of the Law Enforcement Bulletin, and also in the Missing Persons bulletin, in the firm belief that this will greatly assist in locating the boy, by bringing his disappearance to the attention of all law enforcement agencies.

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Very truly yours,

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Detective Bureau
Police Department
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January 28, 1950

Re: Richard C. Cox, missing Cadet


The following information is furnished for your convenience.

Richard C. Cox is described as:

White
Male
22 Years
5'8"
165 lbs.
Medium Build
Fair Complexion
Blue Eyes
Large vertical scar on right arm at elbow
Crew hair cut
Very light brown hair
Erect posture
Has trick right knee which sometimes causes a slight limp
When last seen, was wearing gray uniform of a Cadet at the
U. S. Military Academy at West Point.

Fingerprint card on Richard C. Cox is on file in the Military records in Washington, D. C. under Army Serial Number 15355161.

Enclosed is a negative photograph of the missing subject which is a good likeness.


Detective Bureau
Police Department
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ENCLOSURE

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February 1, 1950

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Detective Bureau
Police Department
Mansfield, Ohio

Dear [Redacted]

In accordance with your letter of January 28, 1950, I have had a missing person notice established in your behalf in the fingerprint record of your [Redacted] Richard C. Cox.

This record under the name Richard Colvin Cox consists only of his Army enlistment of September 16, 1946 and his appointment as a cadet on June 30, 1948. Consideration is also being given to publishing a notice in the insert of an early issue of the FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin. If you wish the name and address of the boy's father or other close relatives listed in this notice, I shall be pleased to have it included. It is further noted that both fingerprint records give his date of birth as July 25, 1928, whereas your letter states that he is 22 years of age at the present time.

When the boy has been located whether published or not, I shall appreciate your letting me know so that the notice in file may be canceled.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Ladd	✓
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tracy	
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Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	

WASHINGTON 10 FROM NEW YORK 6 7-29 P

DIRECTOR URGENT

... ATT. ASST. DIR. NICHOLS....

① RICHARD CALVIN COX, CADET SERIAL NO. C DASH EIGHT ONE THREE TWO, USMA, WEST POINT, NY, MISSING PERSON. COX REPORTED TO HAVE FREQUENTED ASTOR AND PICCADILLY HOTELS, NYC, ALTHOUGH CONTACT WITH THESE HOTELS REVEALED NO INFO. RE HIS WHEREABOUTS. RECORDS OF HOTEL THAYER, WEST POINT, NY, REFLECT [REDACTED] OF COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY REGISTERED THERE JAN. SEVEN, NINETEEN FIFTY. [REDACTED] DENIES ANY KNOWLEDGE OF COX. COX WAS MEMBER WEST POINT TRACK TEAM. INQUIRY AMONG TEAM MATES NEGATIVE AS TO WHEREABOUTS.

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Mr. Rosen

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tracy	✓
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WASHINGTON 53 FROM NEW YORK 28 9-32 P

DIRECTOR URGENT

...ATT...ASST. DIR. NICHOLS...

Richard Cox

RICHARD CALVIN COX, CADET SER. NO. C DASH EIGHT ONE THREE TWO, USMA, WEST POINT, NY, MISSING PERSON. PRIOR TO ENTRANCE TO USMA ON JULY ONE, FORTYEIGHT, CADET COX SERVED IN THE REGULAR ARMY FROM SEPT. SIXTEEN, FORTYSIX TO JUNE THIRTY, FORTYEIGHT. HIS ARMY SER. NO. WAS RA ONE FIVE THREE FIVE FIVE ONE SIX ONE. HE WAS RETURNED TO THIS COUNTRY FROM GERMANY WHERE HE HELD THE RANK OF SERGEANT. HE ATTENDED THE USMA PREP SCHOOL AT STEWART FIELD, NY PRIOR TO HIS ADMISSION TO THE USMA. COX WAS LAST SEEN IN HIS ROOM ON JAN. FOURTEEN, FIFTY AT ABOUT EIGHT HUNDRED EIGHTEEN BY ROOMMATE DEANE E. WELCH AND WAS STILL IN THE ROOM ATTIRED IN FULL DRESS UNIFORM WHEN WELCH LEFT. COX INTENDED TO HAVE DINNER AT THE THAYER HOTEL WITH THE SAME MAN WHO HAD VISITED HIM ON THE PREVIOUS WEEKEND OF JAN. SEVEN. HE IDENTIFIED THIS MAN ONLY AS A FORMER GI HE HAD KNOWN IN GERMANY. ALL CADETS WHO VISITED THE THAYER HOTEL THAT EVENING HAVE BEEN QUESTIONED BY AUTHORITIES BUT NONE AS YET HAVE BEEN FOUND WHO OBSERVED COX AT THIS HOTEL. AT SEVENTEEN HUNDRED TEN THIS DATE, CADET SAMOTIS OBSERVED COX SPEAKING TO A CIVILIAN AT ENTRANCE OF EAST SALLY PORT. HIS DESCRIPTION OF THIS CIVILIAN IS

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SIMILAR TO THAT FURNISHED BY CADET MARESCA WHO WAS ON DUTY AT GRANT HALL ON JAN. SEVEN, FIFTY WHEN COX RECD A CIVILIAN VISITOR AT ABOUT SEVENTEEN HUNDRED. MARESCA AND SAMOTIS DESCRIBED THIS CIVILIAN AS FOLLOWS...HEIGHT FIVE FT. TEN TO ELEVEN INCHES, WEIGHT ONE SIX FIVE TO ONE EIGHT FIVE LBS., AGE TWENTY TO TWENTYFIVE YRS., HAIR CUT SHORT, BLOND, DARK, FACE FULL, CLOTHES DARK SUIT, PINKISH TAN TOP COAT, NO HAT. ON JAN. SEVEN, FIFTY, CADET PETER C. HAINS IN CHARGE OF QUARTERS RECD PHONE CALL FOR DICK COX AND RECALLS MESSAGE AS "TELL DICK THAT [REDACTED] IS AT THAYER HOTEL AND WANTS TO TAKE HIM TO SUPPER." HAINS IS NOT POSITIVE THAT CALLER IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS [REDACTED] BUT ADVISED THIS IS HIS PRESENT RECOLLECTION. ABOUT TWENTY HUNDRED THAT DATE, COX TOLD HAINS THAT HE HAD MET THIS FELLOW WHO CLAIMED TO HAVE KNOWN COX IN GERMANY BUT DID NOT REMEMBER HIM. THAT NIGHT COX WAS INTOXICATED, ACCORDING TO ROOMMATES JOSEPH J. URSCHEL AND DEANE E. WELCH. ON JAN. EIGHT, FIFTY, COX TOLD URSCHEL THAT MAN WAS FORMER GI WHOM HE HAD KNOWN IN GERMANY AND THAT HE, COX, WAS AFRAID OF HIM. COX STATED MAN HAD REFUSED TO LET HIM OUT OF CAR UNTIL COX HAD TAKEN DRINK FROM BOTTLE WRAPPED IN PAPER. COX FURTHER STATED THAT THIS MAN HAD SPOKEN OF

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MUTILATING BODIES AND HANGING A FRAULEIN IN GERMANY. COX ALSO RELATED TO ROOMMATE THAT WHILE ON LEAVE DURING PAST CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS, HE AND FIANCEE, [REDACTED] OF MANSFIELD, OHIO HAD DRIVEN ALMOST TO KENTUCKY TO GET MARRIED BUT HAD CHANGED THEIR MINDS AND RETURNED HOME. MP AND CID AGENTS HAVE INVESTIGATED THIS CASE THOROUGHLY SINCE JAN. FIFTEEN, FIFTY TO DATE BUT AS YET HAVE MADE NO INTENSIVE SEARCH OF WEST POINT POST AND SURROUNDING RESERVATIONS. THEY HAVE AGREED TO DO SO AS SOON AS WEATHER PERMITS AND ARE NOW DRAINING DELAFIELD POND IN PREPARATION FOR SUCH SEARCH. INVESTIGATION TO DATE INDICATES THAT COX WAS SEEN AT THE THAYER HOTEL ON NIGHT OF DISAPPEARANCE AND NO POSITIVE INFO HAS BEEN UNCOVERED PLACING HIM OFF THE POST ON THIS NIGHT. PD OF TOWNS BORDERING HUDSON RIVER HAVE BEEN ALERTED. INVESTIGATION IS CONTINUING IN THIS AREA AND AT MANSFIELD, OHIO.

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W Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson ✓
FROM : L. B. Nichols 0
SUBJECT: CADET RICHARD COX, JR.
WEST POINT, Missing

DATE: February 27, 1950

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Ladd ✓
Clegg ✓
Glavin ✓
Nichols ✓
Rosen ✓
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Gandy ✓

Congressman McGregor (R-Ohio) called on February 11, and pointed out that Cadet Ricahrd Cox, Jr., of West Point had been missing since January 14, when he left the Point at 4:15 with a dinner permit to meet an unknown friend whom he had met on previous occasions. They have made contact with a friend Alfred Karg in Detroit and he knows nothing.

He advised Cadet Cox was very happy after returning from the holidays at home although his mother indicated that his letters indicated dissatisfaction following his return to West Point. He stated that Colonel Harkens has full information. He stated the mother's address is Mrs. Richard Cox, 5574 Cook Road, Mansfield, Ohio.

Request from Army

After discussing this matter with the Director, ASAC Whelan was instructed to check with the Army on this matter. Whelan reported back that Captain Gudria was in charge of the investigation and that he was a former Academy graduate. He stated he had been contacted and he advised they were conducting an active investigation.

Pursuant to further conversation with the Director the New York Office contacted CID and offered our facilities. Lieutenant Colonel Howell, Provost Marshal General, stated there is no evidence of foul play although the Commander of the Cadets has contacted the New York Office and requested them to make a full investigation. If Cox were declared a deserter we would do this any way.

New York was advised to do this and keep in touch with us.

I advised the Congressman of the action taken and he asked that we keep in touch with him.

cc - Mr. Tracy
Mr. Rosen

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DIRECTOR AND SAC URGENT

ATTN-NYC SECTION FIVE

RICHARD COLVIN COX, CADET SERIAL NUMBER EIGHT ONE THREE TWO, US MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NY DASH MISSING PERSON. DOCTOR []

[] ADVISES SUBJ-S NAME VAGUELY FAMILIAR, BUT CANNOT RECALL EVER KNOWING OR HAVING ANY DEALINGS WITH SUBJ. CONSEQUENTLY UNABLE TO

RECALL SUBJ-S ACTIVITIES WHILE AT STEWART FIELD. [] DOCTORS APPOINTMENT LOG, REVIEWED WITHOUT [] KNOWLEDGE, REFLECT []

IN PASADENA EVERY DAY DURING NINETEEN FIFTY. ADVISE IF FURTHER IMPLICATING INFO DEVELOPS.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
INVESTIGATIVE SECTION

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Mr. Tolson	
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WASHINGTON 54 FROM NEW YORK 21 10-37 P
DIRECTOR URGENT

RICHARD C. COX, CADET, US MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NY, MISSING PERSON. CADET COX HAS BEEN MISSING FROM WEST POINT MILITARY ACADEMY SINCE JAN. FOURTEENTH, FIFTY. EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION BY CID AND THIS BUREAU HAS FAILED TO DETERMINE HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS. INFO RECD ON THIS DATE FROM CAPT. GUIDERA, OF CID, NYC, TO THE EFFECT THAT THE FIFTH ARMY HDQ AT CHICAGO HAD RECD INFO FROM THE MILITARY POLICE AT DENVER, COLO., THAT TWO MEN IN DENVER HAD APPLIED FOR A CHAUFFEUR-S PERMIT. ONE OF THE APPLICANTS GAVE HIS NAME AS RICHARD C. COX AND HIS GENERAL DESCRIPTION WAS THAT OF CADET COX. ACCORDING TO THE INFO DEVELOPED BY THE MILITARY POLICE AT DENVER, ONE OF THE APPLICANTS, BELIEVED TO BE THE INDIVIDUAL GIVING THE NAME COX, HAD IN HIS POSSESSION SOME ATHLETIC EQUIPMENT WHICH COULD POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN EQUIPMENT USED AT THE WEST POINT MILITARY ACADEMY. YOUR OFFICE IS REQUESTED TO IMMEDIATELY CONTACT THE COMMANDING OFFICER, FIVE SIX ONE ZERO, A.S. U., MILITARY POLICE DETACHMENT, THIRTEENTH ST. AND CHAMPA ST., DENVER AND BUREAU OF LICENSES TO SECURE FULL INFO CONCERNING THE INDIVIDUAL APPLYING

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FOR CHAUFFEUR-S PERMIT TO DETERMINE IF HE IS IDENTICAL WITH THE MISSING CADET COX. THE MISSING CADET IS DESCRIBED AS AGE TWENTYTWO, BORN JULY TWENTYFIFTH, TWENTYEIGHT, FIVE FT. EIGHT, ONE SIXTY FIVE LBS., MEDIUM, BUILD, BROWN HAIR, BLUE EYES, FAIR COMPLEXION, SHOE SIZE NINE AND ONE HALF D, DIAGONAL SCAR ON RIGHT ELBOW, RESIDENCE FIVE FIVE FOUR COOK ROAD, MANSFIELD, OHIO, FBI NO. THREE FIVE SEVEN EIGHT SEVEN TWO A, FINGERPRINT CLASSIFICATION, TWENTY, M OVER L, NINE OVER L, R OVER U, 000 OVER 000, TWENTY OVER EIGHTEEN. IF THE MILITARY POLICE AT DENVER NOT IN POSSESSION OF PHOTO OF CADET COX, KINDLY ADVISE AND SAME WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOUR OFFICE. SUTEL.

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DENVER ADVISED

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Mr. Tolson
Mr. Ladd
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WASHINGTON FROM NEW YORK 25 17 6-47P

DIRECTOR URGENT

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RICHARD COLVIN COX, CADET, MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NY, MISSING PERSON. COX DROPPED FROM ROLL OF THE ACADEMY AS OF MARCH FOURTEEN LAST. MAN TO MAN SEARCH OF MOUNTAINS SURROUNDING WEST POINT POST PROPER HAS BEEN IN PROGRESS FOR PAST TWO DAYS AND IS CONTINUING. CID FIRST ARMY HAS MADE ARRANGEMENTS WITH NYC POLICE WHO HAVE VOLUNTEERED TO PRESENT THEIR HELICOPTER TO WEST POINT TO ASSIST IN SEARCH OF TERRANE IMPOSSIBLE TO REACH ON FOOT. INVESTIGATION TO DATE HAS UNCOVERED NO LOGICAL REASON FOR DISAPPEARANCE OF COX AND NO INDICATION AS TO HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS.

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MAR 21 1950
Mr. Nichols

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Called Jan 31
M. S. Brownell's file
By *B. Quinn*

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SAC, U R G E N T

RICHARD CALVIN COX, MISSING PERSON. CLEVELAND SUTEL IMMEDIATELY RESULTS TO DATE OF INVESTIGATION AT MANSFIELD, OHIO, AS WELL AS ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION CONTEMPLATED. N.Y. SUTEL SUMMARY WHAT INVESTIGATION IS BEING CONDUCTED AT THIS TIME. THIS CASE MUST BE GIVEN EXPEDITIOUS AND CONTINUOUS ATTENTION. BUREAU SHOULD BE ADVISED BY TELETYPE OF ALL PERTINENT DEVELOPMENT.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

March 22, 1950

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI
 FROM : SAC, New York
 SUBJECT: RICHARD CALVIN COX; (A CADET)

DATE: March 15, 1950

Reference is made to the attached letter from the SAC, New York to C. DURAN-BALLEN, Consul General, Consulado General Del Ecuador, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, N.Y.

By letter dated 3/7/50, Mr. C. DURAN-BALLEN, Consul General, Consulado General Del Ecuador, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, N.Y., N.Y., advised the New York Office that [redacted] NYC had informed him that two agents of the FBI had interviewed him [redacted] for some unknown reason, and requested that he (DURAN-BALLEN) ascertain the reason for this interview. Mr. DURAN-BALLEN advised that [redacted] states his former landlady, [redacted] NYC, has been making slanderous accusations about him. Mr. DURAN-BALLEN inquired as to whether the interview with [redacted] was predicated on such accusations by Mrs. SMYLEE, and stated that, "if the information which she has given you is incorrect, I think that an apology is owed [redacted] and that steps should be taken to prevent Mrs. SMYLEE from spreading various accusations".

[redacted] name appeared on the Guest Register of the Hotel Thayer at West Point, N.Y. on January 7, 1950. For this reason, he was contacted in the normal and logical course of investigation concerning the location of a missing person, West Point Cadet RICHARD C. COX, N.Y. file #79-108. [redacted] was interviewed March 2, 1950, at which time he was unable to furnish any information concerning the missing person. A photograph of the missing person was displayed to [redacted] and it is felt that there could be no doubt in the mind of [redacted] as to the purpose of the interview. As a matter of information, [redacted] speaks excellent English.

As soon as it was ascertained that [redacted] could offer no information of value in the instant investigation, and that he is in possession of a diplomatic passport, the interview was immediately concluded.

The following is submitted for the confidential information of the Bureau:

In the course of locating [redacted] it was learned from Mr. THROOP MATHEWS of the Foreign Student Advisor's Office at Columbia University that [redacted] has never been a student at Columbia University, although he has on numerous occasions represented himself to be a Columbia University student. Miss FRANKLINA MILLER of the Housing Division at Columbia University advised that

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607 U.S. Court House
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March 15, 1950

Mr. C. Duran-Ballen
Consul General
Consulado General Del Ecuador
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York 20, New York

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter concerning [redacted]
[redacted] New York City.

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Two agents of this office interviewed one [redacted] on March 2, 1950. At this time, [redacted] was in the student infirmary at Columbia University. [redacted] was interviewed in the normal course of an inquiry concerning the location of a missing person. A photograph of the missing person was displayed to [redacted] and his cooperation was solicited in obtaining information regarding the whereabouts of this individual. It is felt that [redacted] thoroughly understood the purpose of this interview.

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The interview with [redacted] was for the purpose outlined above. No complaints concerning [redacted] have been received by this office.

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I trust that the above has satisfactorily answered your inquiry.

Very truly yours,

EDWARD SCHEIDT,
Special Agent in Charge

cc-Bureau

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on the basis of [] representations as a student he has been supplied with a list of approved rooming houses, and that she has received numerous complaints concerning [] personal conduct from the owners of these houses. Miss MILLER advised that he has been evicted from numerous rooming houses, primarily because of his "effeminite" characteristics.

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[] NYC, advised that [] formerly resided in her home. She stated that he was very "effeminite", has numerous "sissy" boy friends, and possesses a considerable amount of obscene literature and obscene photographs. She further stated that she has observed him coming home late at night painted with lipstick and rouge, and that she and her husband have found him lying in her bed, and raiding the icebox.

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DIRECTOR, FBI URGENT

RICHARD C. COX, CADET, U. S. MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NY

MISSING PERSON. RE NY TEL MARCH TWENTYTHREE LAST. SERGEANT LUTHER BARRETT CONTACTED. ADVISED HAD NO RECOLLECTION RE COX EVER HAVING BEEN IN HIS COMPANY. BELIEVED DESCRIPTION OF INDIVIDUAL KNOWN TO HIM AS QUOTE WHITEY UNQUOTE WHOSE LAST NAME HE IS ATTEMPTING TO ASCERTAIN IS IDENTICAL WITH THAT IN REFERENCED TELETYPE. RUC.

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DIRECTOR AND SAC, NEW YORK CITY

RICHARD C. COX, MISSING PERSON. RMYTEL YESTERDAY. INVESTIGATION
MT. GILEAD, OHIO FAILS TO REFLECT ANY TRAVELERS CHEQUE CASHED BY LUST
AT FIRST NATIONAL BANK, MT. GILEAD, ALSO FAILS TO REFLECT ANY TRAVELERS
CHEQUE CASHED PERTINENT PERIOD BY COX.

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RICHARD C. COX, CADET, U.S. MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NEW YORK,
MISSING PERSON. CADET COX HAS BEEN MISSING SINCE JAN FOURTEEN LAST,
IS KNOWN TO HAVE DATED ONE [] WELLS COLLEGE, AURORA, NEW YORK,
WHO WAS COX-S GUEST AT WEST POINT ON SEVERAL WEEKENDS. ALBANY WILL
INTERVIEW [] AND OBTAIN ALL INFORMATION REGARDING HER ACQUAINT-
ANCE WITH COX, INCLUDING LAST TIME SHE SAW OR HEARD FROM COX.
QUESTION HER CONCERNING POSSIBILITY THAT COX MIGHT HAVE CONFIDED TO
HER INTENTIONS TO LEAVE WEST POINT. REVIEW ANY CORRESPONDENCE SHE
MAY HAVE RECEIVED FROM COX. COX IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, WHITE,
TWENTY TWO YEARS, DATE OF BIRTH, JULY TWENTY FIVE, NINETEEN TWENTY
EIGHT, FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE POUNDS, BROWN
HAIR, BLUE EYES, DIAGONAL SCAR ON RIGHT ELBOW. SUTEL ATTENTION
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DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC CINCINNATI URGENT

RICHARD CALVIN COX, CADET USMA, WEST POINT, NY. MISSING PERSON. REMYTEL TO BUREAU AND CINCINNATI TWENTYTHIRD INSTANT AND INFO OBTAINED BY CINCINNATI THAT MAN ANSWERING COX DESCRIPTION IN ADDITION TO STOPPING AT CITIES SERVICE STATION, MT. GILEAD, OHIO JAN. TWENTY LAST ALSO BOUGHT RING AT SPENCERS JEWELRY STORE JAN. THIRTY, FURNISHED JEWELER IDENITITY AS [REDACTED] MADISON, OHIO, NINETEEN FORTYNINE LICENSE L TWO ONE FOUR Y FURNISHED BY WITNESSES MT. GILEAD. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], MADISON, OHIO INTERVIEWED TODAY STATING HE AND [REDACTED] [REDACTED] ELOPED FROM PAINESVILLE, OHIO JAN. THIRTY LAST. ENROUTE TO COVINGTON, KY. STOPPED AT GAS STATION, MT. GILEAD, WERE DIRECTED TO WHAT [REDACTED] BELIEVES ONLY JEWELER IN MT. GILEAD, PURCHASED WEDDING BAND, CONTINUED COVINGTON, KY. WHERE OBTAINED MARRIAGE LICENSE AND MARRIED FEB. SECOND AT NEWPORT, KY. RETURNING SAME DATE TO PAINESVILLE, OHIO, STOPPED AT SAME GAS STATION, MT. GILEAD, WHERE PURCHASED TANK OF GAS, LEFT GREY TWEED OVERCOAT BEARING RICHMOND BROS., CLEVELAND LABEL AS SECURITY AND CONTINUED TO PAINESVILLE. [REDACTED]

DRIVES NINETEEN FORTYNINE MAROON FORD CUSTON STATION WAGON, WHICH BORE FORTYNINE OHIO TAGS, [REDACTED] CLAIMED NEVER HAD ANY OTHER TAGS ON CAR UNTIL REPLACED WITH FIFTY TAGS [REDACTED] STORY CONFIRMED BY WIFE. WILLIAM BILLSON, [REDACTED] CONFIRMED ELOPEMENT AND STATED HE PURCHASED INSTANT STATION WAGON FOR NEPHEW DEC. FORTYNINE THRU J. B. COLE, FORD AGENCY, WILLOUGHBY, OHIO AND PRODUCED CERTIFICATE OF TITLE AND AUTO REGISTRATION. [REDACTED] AGE SEVENTEEN, SIX FEET ONE AND ONE HALF TALL, ONE EIGHT SEVEN LBS., DARK BROWN HAIR, BROWN EYES DOES NOT RESEMBLE DESCRIPTION OR PHOTO COX IN HIGHSCHOOL

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RICHARD C. COX, CADET, U.S. MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NEW YORK MISSING PERSON. CADET COX HAS BEEN MISSING FROM WEST POINT SINCE JANUARY FOURTEEN LAST. PRIOR TO ENTRANCE TO ACADEMY, COX WAS MEMBER OF REGULAR ARMY AND SERVED WITH TWENTY SEVENTH CONSTABULARY IN GERMANY. LETTER RECEIVED BY PROVOST MARSHAL, WEST POINT FROM DONALD R. FULLER, SIXTY THREE CENTRAL STREET, AGAWAN, MASS., WHO SERVED WITH COX IN TWENTY SEVENTH CONSTABULARY. FULLER MENTIONED AS THOSE WHO KNEW COX AND SERVED IN SAME OUTFIT, SARGEANT LUTHER BARRETT, THIRTY THREE MAIN STREET, ESSEX, CONN. AND RONALD PROVOST, CENTRAL STREET, SPRINGFIELD, MASS. BOSTON WILL CONTACT FULLER AND PROVOST TO DETERMINE IF THEY HAVE ANY INFORMATION AS TO COX PRESENT WHEREABOUTS AND OBTAIN ALL BACKGROUND INFORMATION WHICH MAY BE OF ASSISTANCE IN SETTING OUT LEADS TO LOCATE COX. NEW HAVEN WILL LIKEWISE CONTACT BARRETT. AT TIME OF COX DISAPPEARANCE, HE IS REPORTED TO HAVE INTENDED TO DINE AT THE HOTEL THAYER, WEST POINT, WITH AN UNKNOWN FRIEND WHOM HE HAD KNOWN OVERSEAS AND WHO IS IDENTIFIED TO BATE ONLY AS

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IS DESCRIBED AS FIVE FEET TEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE TO ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY FIVE POUNDS, TWENTY TO TWENTY FIVE YEARS OF AGE, HAIR, BLOND, DARK, CREW CUT, FACE, FULL. ATTEMPT TO FURTHER IDENTIFY b6
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cc Mr Griffith

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DIRECTOR FBI URGENT

RICHARD CALVIN COX, CADET USMA, WEST POINT, N.Y. MISSING PERSON.
 REURTEL MARCH TWENTYSECOND. INVESTIGATION AT MANSFIELD, OHIO REFLECTS
 COX YOUNGEST OF FIVE CHILDREN AND BEARS EXCELLENT REPUTATION. HIS
 MOTHER AND IMMEDIATE RELATIVES ADVISE NO WORD FROM COX SINCE DISAPPEAR-
 ANCE. DETECTIVE [REDACTED] NA, MANSFIELD PD IS [REDACTED] TO SISTER
 OF COX AND STATES DEFINITELY COX FAMILY KNOW NOTHING OF HIS WHEREABOUTS.
 MOTHER OF COX STATES THRU CONTACT WITH CID THAT ALL HIS CIVILIAN CLOTHES
 ACCOUNTED FOR, THAT HE COULD HAVE HAD NO MORE THAN FIVE DOLLARS WHEN
 DISAPPEARED AND THAT HE LEFT HIS WRISTWATCH WHICH HE PRIZED HIGHLY.
 NO CORRESPONDENCE BELONGING TO COX IN MANSFIELD. LETTER WRITTEN BY HIM
 TO FAMILY AND FIANCEE REVEAL NOTHING TO IDENTIFY QUOTE [REDACTED]
 UNQUOTE. SNAP SHOTS BELONGING TO COX PICTURE MANY UNIDENTIFIED MILITARY
 PERSONNEL AND EFFORTS BEING MADE TO EFFECT IDENTIFICATION. GORDON
 KENNEDY, FORMER CADET AT WEST POINT, AND PRESENTLY STUDENT AT OHIO STATE
 CLAIMS COX ONLY SLIGHT ACQUAINTANCE BUT TOLD HIM LAST YEAR OF TERRIFIC
 HEADACHES RESULTING FROM HEAD INJURY. COX FAMILY NEVER KNEW OF SUCH
 INJURY OR HEAD ACHES AND NO ONE ELSE TO WHOM HE SO CONFIDED. [REDACTED] OF
 OPINION COX WAS SUFFERING HANG OVER AND FABRICATED HEAD INJURY STORY
 TO CADET KENNEDY. COX WAS PLEBE. COX FAMILY CHRISTIAN SCIENCE
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RELIGION AND HAVE NO FAMILY DOCTOR. COX HAS NO BANK ACCOUNT AVAILABLE TO HIM, AND NO KNOWN REASON FOR VOLUNTARILY LEAVING EXCEPT TO MARRY

SHE STATES THEY PLANNED FOR HER TO MOVE TO NYC SO HE COULD MORE EASILY SEE HER ON WEEK ENDS, AND THEY PLANNED TO MARRY WHEN REGULATION PERMITS. SHE REPORTS COX ALWAYS LIVED IN MANSFIELD AND WANTED TO BE THERE AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE, THAT HE SAID THE ONLY PLACE HE MIGHT VISIT WAS CALIFORNIA STATE, BUT NOTHING DEFINITE. CONTACT WITH LOCAL NEWSPAPER BEING MAINTAINED BY MOTHER TO DETERMINE IF HE SUBSCRIBE UNDER DIFFERENT NAME. JOSEPH GRONER, PHILA., FORMERLY CLOSE ARMY FRIEND OF COX, INTERVIEWED ON VISIT TO MANSFIELD AND CLAIMS NO IDEA OF WHO MIGHT HARM COX, BUT SUGGESTS COX SUDDENLY DECIDED TO DISAPPEAR FOR UNKNOWN REASONS. CLOSE CONTACT WITH COX FAMILY, FIANCEE, AND POST MASTER BEING MAINTAINED. REPORT FOLLOWING.

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U R G E N T

RICHARD COLVIN COX, CADET, US MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NY, MISSING PERSON. RE NEW YORK TELS TO BUREAU AND NEWARK MARCH TWENTYONE LAST.

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AND DENIES HAVING SEEN COX SINCE JULY OF FORTYSEVEN IN EUROPE, HAVING EVER BEEN TO WEST POINT AND STATES WAS AT BASKETBALL GAME IN TEANECK, NJ, FROM SEVEN THIRTY-PM JANUARY FOURTEEN, FIFTY, TO TWELVE THIRTY AM JANUARY FIFTEEN LAST, ACCOMPANIED BY WIFE, AUNT AND UNCLE. THIS ALIBI SUBSTANTIATED BY UNCLE JOSEPH RUSSELL, FIFTYSEVEN COURT STREET, HACKENSACK, NJ. [REDACTED] WEARS COVERT CLOTH OVERCOAT, BEST DESCRIBED AS BETWEEN GRAY AND GREEN IN COLOR, HAS RAINCOAT IN REGULATION ARMY COLOR. PHOTO OBTAINED AND BEING FORWARDED TO NY. BODY RECOVERED FROM DELAWARE RIVER NEAR FRENCHTOWN, NJ, POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED AS CHARLES DWYER FROM PHILLIPSBURG, NJ. BODY RECOVERED FROM DELAWARE RIVER AT CAMDEN, NJ, NOT POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED BUT FROM DESCRIPTION APPEARS NOT IDENTICAL WITH COX, ESPECIALLY BECAUSE OF TATTOOS ON BODY. INVESTIGATION ON THIS BODY CONTINUING UNTIL POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION. TWO GARFIELD, NJ, YOUTHS SAW GRAY PANTS WITH BLACK STRIPE DOWN SIDES, GRAY SPORT SHIRT AND BLACK

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OXFORD PLAIN TOE SHOES IN PASSAIC RIVER IN GARFIELD, NJ, ABOUT TWO THIRTY PM, JANUARY TWENTYONE LAST. DID NOT PICK UP CLOTHING OR MENTION INCIDENT UNTIL PUBLICITY IN NEWSPAPERS ON COX LAST SUNDAY WHEN THEY REPORTED INCIDENT TO GARFIELD, PD. SEARCH OF AREA, NEIGHBORHOOD AND VICINITY ADJACENT PDS AND INQUIRY ON DREDGE ON RIVER BELOW SITE NEGATIVE, INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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KPQV NK R 5 NYC

cc: Mr. Rosen

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Rosen *R*

FROM : E. E. Hargett *EH* Call: 9:30 a.m.

SUBJECT: RICHARD C. COX, CADET
U. S. MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NY
MISSING PERSON

DATE: March 24, 1950

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ASAC Whelan was telephonically contacted in New York in regard to their teletype of March 23 wherein it is set forth that [redacted] a suspect in this case, is going to be given a polygraph test on March 24, 1950 at 1:30 p.m. and has requested presence of an agent of the Bureau. Whelan was asked if he had any additional facts in regard to [redacted] or the polygraph test and he replied he did not know the reason CID wanted an agent present. Whelan was advised that it did not appear to be desirable to have an agent present during the polygraph examination of [redacted] by CID. Whelan said that he would issue appropriate instructions so that no agent would be present.

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 OFFICE THAT ABOUT JAN. TWENTY LAST MAN ANSWERING SUBJECTS
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 LUST COPIED LICENSE NUMBER OF STATION WAGON DRIVEN BY THIS INDIVIDUAL
 AND LATTERS PROPOSED DESTINATION BUT THIS INFO UNAVAILABLE WHEN HE
 CALLED CLEVELAND. REBUTEL REQUESTS EXPEDITIOUS AND CONTINUOUS
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RICHARD CALVIN COX, MISSING PERSON. PRESS INQUIRY RECD FROM COURT
 HOUSE REPORTERS THIS BUILDING ADVISES OF RELEASE ON NEWSPAPER WIRE
 SERVICE TO EFFECT THAT CAPTIONED SUBJ WAS SEEN BY GAS STATION ATTEN-
 DANT AT MT. GILEAD, OHIO. THIS ONLY INFO AVAILABLE. CINCINNATI
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RICHARD C. COX, CADET, US MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NEW YORK,
MISSING PERSON. NEWSPAPERS IN THIS AREA ARE CHECKING REPORT THAT
SHERIFF LLOYD LUTZ, MOUNT GILEAD, OHIO, HAS REPORTED THAT A GAS
STATION ATTENDANT RECALLS MAN AND GIRL WHO STOPPED THERE SEVERAL
WEEKS AGO AND PURCHASED GAS AND OIL. THEY STATED THEY HAD JUST BEEN
MARRIED IN KENTUCKY AND WERE ON WAY TO YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO. THEY HAD
NO MONEY TO PAY FOR GAS AND OIL AND MAN LEFT GREY OVERCOAT. GAS
STATION ATTENDANT REPORTED TO HAVE IDENTIFIED THIS MAN AS COX.
 CLEVELAND WILL CONTACT SHERIFF LUTZ FOR COMPLETE REPORT. SUTEL
 ATTENTION SECTION FIVE NEW YORK OFFICE.

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RICHARD COLVIN COX, CADET, U. S. MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NY
MISSING PERSON. RE NYC TEL MARCH TWENTYSEVEN, FIFTY, TO ST. LOUIS AS
FOLLOWS.--"COX DISAPPEARED FROM WEST POINT JANUARY FOURTEENTH LAST.

UNKNOWN CIVILIAN WITH ALIAS [REDACTED] DESCRIBED FIVE FEET TEN TO
ELEVEN INCHES, DARK CREW CUT HAIR, AGE TWENTY TO TWENTYFIVE YEARS,
WEIGHT ONE HUNDRED SIXTY TO ONE HUNDRED EIGHTYFIVE POUNDS, ROUGH FULL
FACE, ROUGH INFORMAL SPEECH, WEARING PINKISH TAN TOP COAT VISITED COX
JAN. SEVENTH LAST AND DAY OF DISAPPEARANCE. COX AND [REDACTED] REPORTED
TO HAVE BEEN FRIENDS WHILE BOTH IN REGULAR ARMY STATIONED IN GERMANY
WITH OCCUPATION FORCES. [REDACTED] REPORTED TO HAVE TOLD COX ABOUT HIS

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[REDACTED] V. E. WOLF, DETROIT,
MICH., ADVISES COX WAS CLOSE FRIEND OF FIRST LT. R. C. CRANE AND S/SGT.
J. L. RICHARDSON WHILE WITH SIXTH CONSTABULARY REGIMENT, TWENTYEIGHTH
SQUADRON, AT SCHWEINFURT, GERMANY, IN FORTYSEVEN - FORTYEIGHT. REVIEW
RECORDS OF AGO, ST. LOUIS AND ADVISE NEW YORK DIV. BY LETTER, NAMES
AND ADDRESSES OF ALL MEMBERS SIXTH CONSTABULARY REGIMENT, TWENTYEIGHT
SQ., STATIONED AT SCHWEINFURT, GERMANY, DURING FORTYSEVEN- FORTYEIGHT.

SUTEL LEADS, HAVING CRANE AND RICHARDSON INTERVIEWED FOR INFORMATION
CONCERNING COX-S WHEREABOUTS." RACAG UNABLE TO IDENTIFY [REDACTED] FOR
CRANE OR RICHARDSON. RECORD FOR SIXTH CONSTABULARY REGIMENT, SUPRA,
REPORTED TO BE AT PERSONNEL ACTIONS BRANCH, AGO, WASH, DC, ENLISTED
ROSTER SEC. AND OFFICERS ROSTER SEC. WFO HANDLE LEAD IN RETEL. RUC.

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RICHARD COLVIN COX, CADET, US MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NY, MISSING PERSON. SEARCH OF RESERVATION AT WEST POINT POSTPONED DUE TO WEATHER.

INVESTIGATION AT NYC REFLECTS DESCRIPTION OF [REDACTED]

TO BE SIMILAR TO THAT OF UNKNOWN MAN OBSERVED TALKING TO COX PRIOR TO

LATTER-S DISAPPEARANCE. [REDACTED] REGISTERED AT HOTEL THAYER ON JAN. FOUR-

TEENTH LAST. CID AGENTS HAVE LOCATED [REDACTED] WHO SERVED

WITH COX IN THE TWENTY SEVENTH CONSTABULARY OVERSEAS. PHOTO OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAS BEEN DESCRIBED BY CADET SAMOTIS AS BEING THE "SAME TYPE"

AS THE MAN HE SAW TALKING TO COX ON JAN. FOURTEENTH LAST. [REDACTED]

IS MARRIED TO [REDACTED] WHO IS REPORTED TO BE A RUSSIAN

DP. THEY NOW RESIDE CARE OF STEFFENS, SEVENTY SEVEN EAST JOHNSON AVE., BERGENFIELD, NJ. RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE REFLECT THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS ARRESTED AT CAMP SHANKS ON OCT. TWENTY FIRST, FORTY THREE, ON A CHARGE OF ITSMV AND IWU. AT TIME [REDACTED] SEVENTEEN YEARS OF

AGE, WAS WEARING UNIFORM OF SECOND LIEUTENANT. USA DECLINED PROSECUTION AND SUBJECT WAS RELEASED TO HACKENSACK, NJ PD. [REDACTED] IS FIVE

FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED FORTY POUNDS, LIGHT BROWN HAIR, GREY

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EYES, RECEDING JAW, BURN SCAR INSIDE RIGHT SHIN. HIS ASN NO. IS ONE TWO TWO TWO SEVEN TWO FIVE SEVEN. HE WAS HONORABLY DISCHARGED ON DEC. TWENTY, FORTY EIGHT. HIS SERVICE FILE REFLECTS ADDRESS FOUR NAUGHT THREE HARWOOD ST., RIVER EDGE, NJ. FILES OF THIS OFFICE REFLECT THIS IS ADDRESS OF GRANDMOTHER, MRS. LILLY SHAUGHASSY. [REDACTED] HAS BEEN QUESTIONED BY CID AGENTS AND DETECTIVE JOSEPH LALLOR, BERGENFIELD NJ PD, BUT DENIES BEING AT WEST POINT. [REDACTED] IS APPLICANT FOR MEMBERSHIP IN ONE TWO TWO NINE S.C.U. MILITARY INTELLIGENCE RESERVE, RECORDS OF WHICH ARE MAINTAINED AT THE KEARNY SHIPYARDS. HE WAS LAST REPORTED EMPLOYED BY J. G. MANCHESTER, FOUR SEVEN THREE DAVISON ST., MAYWOOD, NJ. FOR THE INFO OF THE NEWARK OFFICE, RICHARD COLVIN COX, CADET, SERIAL NO. C DASH EIGHT ONE THREE TWO, HAS BEEN MISSING FROM WEST POINT, NY SINCE JAN. FOURTEENTH LAST. HE IS TWENTY TWO YEARS OF AGE, FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, BLUE EYES. NEWARK IS REQUESTED TO FURNISH ALL BACKGROUND INFO ON [REDACTED] [REDACTED] FOR THE INFO OF THE BUREAU, CID HAS ADVISED THAT DR. [REDACTED] FORMERLY A CAPTAIN IN THE MEDICAL

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CORPS AT STEWART FIELD, NY, AND NOW RESIDING [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PASADENA, CALIF. HAS EMPLOYED A PRIVATE DETECTIVE TO INVESTIGATE THE DISAPPEARANCE OF COX. LA IS BEING REQUESTED TO DISCREETLY INTERVIEW [REDACTED] INVESTIGATION IS CONTINUING. NO POSITIVE CLUES LOCATED TO DATE RE MISSING CADET.

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RICHARD COLVIN COX, CADET, US MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NY, MISSING PERSON. RMYTEL MARCH TWENTYFOUR LAST. MILITARY ACADEMY DRESS TROUSERS AND REGULATION SHOES OBTAINED FROM FORMER CADET EUGENE TRAWINSKI, SEVEN ONE NINE MIDLAND AVE., GARFIELD, NJ WHO WAS DISCHARGED FROM WEST POINT, NY BECAUSE OF NERVOUS BREAKDOWN. TRAWINSKI DENIES KNOWING COX OR OF HAVING BEEN TO WEST POINT SINCE JULY NINETEEN FORTYEIGHT, WHEN HE WAS DISCHARGED. TROUSERS AND SHOES SHOWN TO FRANK PAPAROZZI, JR. AND ROY GERRITSEN, BOTH OF GARFIELD, NJ WHO WERE BOYS WHO SAW TROUSERS, SHIRT, AND SHOES IN PASSAIC RIVER AS REPORTED IN REFERENCE TELETYPE. PAPAROZZI SAYS TROUSERS AND SHOES OF SIMILAR COLOR AND DESIGN BUT CANNOT MAKE POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION. GERRITSEN WHO OBSERVED CLOTHING MORE CLOSELY ADVISES SHOES SIMILAR AND TROUSERS OF SAME COLOR BUT BLACK STRIPE ON KNOWN TROUSERS WERE WIDER THAN THOSE OBSERVED TROUSERS SEEN IN RIVER. GERRITSEN ALSO ADVISED THAT HE NOTICED A NAME WRITTEN IN INDELIBLE INK ON BACK INSIDE WAISTBAND ON TROUSERS, NAME CONSISTING OF SIX OR SEVEN LETTERS ALL CAPITALS AND BELIEVES FIRST TWO LETTERS WERE QUOTE MA UNQUOTE. GERRITSEN ADVISES TROUSERS SEEN IN RIVER DID NOT HAVE THE V CUT OF ABOUT ONE INCH LENGTH IN THE BACK TOP CENTER OF WAIST AS EXISTS IN TRAWINSKIS TROUSERS. NY REQUESTED TO ASCERTAIN IF CADET DRESS

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TROUSERS ARE ALL OF SIMILAR DESIGN SO THAT A V EXISTS IN THE BACK TOP CENTER OF ALL WEST POINT TROUSERS AND IF CADETS ARE PERMITTED TO IDENTIFY TROUSERS WITH NAME WRITTEN IN INDELIBLE INK ON BACK INSIDE SECTION OF WAIST. TRAWINSKI ADVISES THIS IS PROHIBITED.

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DIRECTOR AND SAC, NEW YORK U R G E N T

RICHARD CALVIN COX, MISSING PERSON.

LLOYD LUST, FIFTYONE YEAR OLD GAS STATION PROPRIETOR, MT. GILEAD, OHIO SOLD GAS TO INDIVIDUAL APPROXIMATELY JANUARY TWENTY, NINETEEN FIFTY AND BELIEVED ACCEPTED AMERICAN EXPRESS TRAVELERS CHECK IN AMOUNT OF TEN OR TWENTY DOLLARS. INDIVIDUAL ACCOMPANIED BY ATTRACTIVE GIRL AND DROVE LATE MODEL STATION WAGON POSSIBLY CHEVROLET. THREE DAYS LATER THEY RETURNED STATING THEY HAD BEEN MARRIED IN KENTUCKY AND PURCHASED APPROXIMATELY FOUR DOLLARS WORTH OF GAS AND OIL. GAVE GREY TWEED OVERCOAT AS SECURITY. IT APPEARS NEW AND BEARS LABEL RICHMAN BORTHERS SUPER QUALITY. NO FURTHER VISIBLE IDENTIFICATION. LUST OBSERVED PHOTO OF COX IN MARCH EIGHTEEN LAST ISSUE COLUMBUS DISPATCH AND STATED THIS INDIVIDUAL IDENTICAL WITH ABOVE MENTIONED PERSON AND HE BELIEVES HE RECALLS THAT INDIVIDUAL SIGNED CHECK RICHARD COX. HE STATED CHECK DEPOSITED FIRST NATIONAL BANK, MT. GILEAD. INVESTIGATION FAILS TO DISCLOSE DEPOSIT. HE THEN STATED POSSIBLY CASHED CHECK AT SAME BANK. PHOTOS OF ALL CHECKS HANDLED BY BANK SINCE JANUARY, FIFTEEN, FIFTY, BEING EXAMINED ON RECORDAC MACHINE IN EFFORT TO LOCATE QUESTIONED ITEM. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED AS TO RESULTS OF THE EXAMINATION. THROUGH CONVERSATION WITH INDIVIDUAL LUST ASSUMED THAT HE HAD PURCHASED TRAVELERS CHECK AT ELYRIA, OHIO. LOCAL NEWSPAPERS

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CARRYING STORIES APPARENTLY BASED ON ASSUMPTION AND NOT BORN OUT BY INVESTIGATION THUS FAR. NEW YORK WILL CHECK CENTRAL INDICIES OF AMERICAN EXPRESS COMAPNY IN EFFORT TO LOCATE PURCHASE OF TRAVELERS CHECKS BY COX.

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*cc Mr Rosen
Mr Griffith*

March 17, 1950

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Major General Edward F. Witsell
The Adjutant General
Department of the Army
Washington, D. C.

Dear General Witsell:

Your letter of March 10, 1950, together with enclosure, has been received relative to the disappearance of Cadet Richard C. Cox from the United States Military Academy on January 14, 1950. Please be assured that every effort is being made by the FBI to locate Cadet Cox and I will keep you advised of any pertinent developments in our investigation.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

cc - Mr. Rosen

cc - New York, with copy of incoming

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Pond Drained in Hunt For West Point Cadet

West Point, N. Y. (NYHT) March 18.—Army officials disclosed here today that they have been draining Delafeld pond in the woods west of the parade grounds of the Military Academy in the belief that the body of missing Cadet Richard Colvin Cox may be found there, the victim of foul play.

The draining of the pond, a favorite summertime recreational spot for West Point cadets, began about two weeks ago, and is part of the extraordinary search that has been conducted by the Army since March 14, of the entire 15,000 acres of the Academy grounds.

Cadet Cox, 22, of Mansfield, Ohio, has been missing, although listed officially as absent without leave, since January 14 at 6:15 p. m., when he checked out of his company orderly room to keep a dinner appointment at the Thayer Hotel with a man known to investigating authorities only as "George."

The search of the West Point grounds, in which a helicopter will be used Tuesday, will take until about Thursday. This is the second time that the area has been examined for the missing cadet. A "hurried" search was made the week following Cadet Cox's disappearance, but its effectiveness was hampered by ice and snow.

The belief that Cadet Cox is not alive and presumably was the victim of violent death was set forth Friday by Colonel Edwin M. Howell, West Point provost marshal. "I am convinced that it was foul play," he said. "I am sure



Associated Press WIREPHOTO
RICHARD COX

... Now feared slain

that we shall not find him alive." Cadet Cox was to have dined at the Thayer with a man he had known in Germany in 1947 while a member of the 27th constabulary. The man's name is believed to be George but an examination of all records of every enlisted man in the 27th during the time Cox served with it disclosed no man tallying with George's description.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. D. M. Ladd

DATE: March 27, 1950

FROM : Mr. A. Rosen

SUBJECT: RICHARD CALVIN COX
Cadet Serial Number C-8132
USMA, West Point, New York
MISSING PERSON

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. E. A. Tamm	_____
Mr. Clegg	_____
Mr. Glavin	_____
Mr. Ladd	_____
Mr. Nichols	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
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PURPOSE:

To answer the Director's inquiry as to what are the facts concerning the missing West Point cadet, Cox.

DETAILS:

Prior to Cox's entrance to the USMA on July 1, 1948, he served in the regular Army from September 16, 1946, to June 30, 1948. Cox was returned to this country from Germany, where he served in the Army of Occupation, holding the rank of Sergeant. He thereafter attended the USMA Preparatory School at Stewart Field, New York, immediately prior to his admission to the USMA. He was last seen in his room at the Academy on January 14th of this year and at the time was attired in full dress uniform. Cox had indicated that he was going to have dinner at the Thayer Hotel at West Point with a man who had also visited him on the previous week end of January 7, 1950. Cox identified this man only as being a former GI whom he had known in Germany. It is noted that all the cadets who visited the Thayer Hotel on that evening have been questioned but none have indicated that they observed Cox at the Thayer. At 5:10 p.m. on January 14, 1950, Cox had been observed by another cadet speaking to a civilian at one of the entrances to the Academy. The description given by this cadet was found to be similar to that furnished by another cadet who witnessed Cox receiving a civilian visitor at about 5:00 p.m. on the previous week end of January 7, 1950. Another cadet advised that on January 7, 1950, he had received a phone call for Cox and recalled that a message was left to "tell Dick that [redacted] is at the Thayer Hotel and wants to take him to supper." This cadet, however, is not positive that the caller identified himself as [redacted]. At about 8:00 p.m. on January 7, 1950, Cox told this cadet that he had met this individual who claimed to have known Cox in Germany, but that Cox did not remember him. That evening Cox was intoxicated. On January 8, 1950, Cox told a roommate that this individual was a former GI whom he had known in Germany and that he, Cox, was afraid of him. Cox continued that the man had refused to let him out of the car until Cox had taken a drink from a bottle wrapped in paper. Cox further stated that this man had spoken of mutilating bodies and hanging a woman in Germany. Cox also related to this roommate that while on leave during the past Christmas holidays he and his fiancée, [redacted] of Mansfield, Ohio, had driven almost to Kentucky to get married but had changed their minds and returned home.

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It is noted that no positive information has been developed which actually placed Cox off the Post on the night of January 14, 1950.

cc: Mr. Nichols

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Memorandum for Mr. Ladd

Investigation at Mansfield, Ohio, reflected that Cox is the youngest of five children and bears an excellent reputation. His family have received no word whatsoever from him since his disappearance. His fiancée has advised that Cox and she planned that she would move to New York City so that he could see her more easily on week ends and that further they planned to marry when regulations permitted. She could offer no information as to what possibly could have happened to him.

INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED TO LOCATE COX:

It will be recalled that Cox's photograph and identifying data appeared in the FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin of March, 1950. Extensive investigation to locate his whereabouts has been conducted to date with negative results. All leads developed are being immediately covered by the interested field offices.

The West Point authorities have made a thorough search of their entire grounds without uncovering anything of value. They have advised that they intend to drag all lakes and ponds on the reservation and that this project will commence as soon as the weather permits. The Bear Mountain, New York, PD are conducting a search of some four thousand buildings and shacks on their 45,000 acres of land, which is immediately adjacent to West Point. They have developed nothing of value to date.

Cox's mother in Mansfield, Ohio, has received an anonymous letter indicating that Cox appeared on a radio "money program" emanating from California on February 20, 1950. Attempts are being made at this time to identify the program and the individual appearing.

Two Garfield, New Jersey youths have advised that they saw gray pants with a black stripe down the sides, a gray sport shirt and black oxford plain toe shoes in the Passaic River near Garfield, New Jersey, about 2:00 p.m. on January 21, 1950. They did not pick up the clothing nor mention this until extensive publicity appeared in the newspapers and over the radio. They then notified the Garfield, New Jersey, PD. A search of the area and adjacent communities, as well as inquiry on a dredge on the river just below the pertinent site have resulted negatively. However, the investigation in this regard continues.

The investigation has also shown that Cox is known to have dated one Jean Carr, Wells College, Aurora, New York. She was Cox's guest at West Point on several week ends. The Albany Office at this time is interviewing Miss Carr and obtaining all information regarding her acquaintanceship with Cox and information as to his possible whereabouts.

Pertaining to the extensive publicity in the newspapers and over the radio concerning a gas station operator at Mt. Gilead, Ohio, as having identified a picture of Cox as having stopped with a woman companion at his gas station about January 20, 1950, and later again stopping and leaving a coat in lieu of his failure to pay the gas bill, extensive investigation was conducted in this regard

Memorandum for Mr. Ladd

and the Cleveland Office determined that this individual was [redacted] of Madison, Ohio, [redacted] This couple eloped from Painesville, Ohio on January 30, 1950. Both individuals freely admitted the above incident and other corroborative evidence has definitely eliminated the possibility of Cox being involved.

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ACTION RECOMMENDED:

Leads in this case are being covered as soon as they are developed. The interested field offices have been advised that all leads must be covered as expeditiously as possible. You will be advised of all pertinent developments in this matter.

'I Won't Believe He's Dead,' Says Cadet's Fiancee

NEW YORK, March 18 (NY News)—The mother and sweetheart of missing Cadet Richard C. Cox, 21, clung stubbornly today to slim hopes that officials of the U. S. Military academy at West Point may be wrong in believing that Cox had been murdered. Their hopes were pinned on just one fact: The cadet's body hasn't been found.

Reached at their respective Mansfield (Ohio) homes, widowed Mr. Rupert Cox, and attractive, 20-year-old Betty Timmons both admitted, however, that the weight of evidence was tipping the scales against what they want to believe.

"I can't believe he's dead; I won't believe it," said Miss Timmons, who was to have come east to West Point this week end to spend the traditional spring leave as a guest of her fiance.

But, she acknowledged, she couldn't find any explanation for the fact that Cox hasn't written to her or to his mother since he was last seen in full-dress uniform on Jan. 14 at West Point.

Interviewed separately, Mrs. Cox expressed the same fears as Miss Timmons. Her son had always been close to her, she said, and had no reason for disappearing voluntarily.

Authorities agreed that the disappearance was not voluntary. The FBI, academy officials, New York State police and the criminal investigation detachment of the 1st Army were continuing their search for Cox's body, on the theory that he was murdered somewhere on the West Point reservation, covering 15,000 rugged acres running into the Catskill foothills. A New York police helicopter will join the search on Tuesday.

Being pressed with equal vigor was a search for a civilian, known only as "George," who called on Cox at West Point on the day of his disappearance. George is believed to have served with Cox in the 27th Constabulary in Germany and records of the outfit have been carefully checked. Several likely suspects, scattered around the country, are being investigated, but authorities have refused details.

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WASHINGTON 55 FROM NEW YORK 24 10-55 P.
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RICHARD C. COX, CADET, US MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NEW YORK,
 MISSING PERSON. REBU PHONE THIS DATE. CAPHA GADERA, CID, FIRST ARMY
 ADVISES THAT POLLYGRAPH TEST GIVEN TODAY TO DAVID MYRON WESTERVELT
 FAILED TO REFLECT THAT LATTER IS IDENT WITH THE UNKNOWN CIVILIAN WHO
 IS REPORTED TO HAVE VISITED COX AT WEST POINT ON JAN. SEVENTH AND
 FOURTEENTH LAST. CADET MORESCA AND SAMOTIS HAD OPPORTUNITY TO OBSERVE
 WESTERVELT BUT THEIR REACTION WAS NOT KNOWN TO GADERA AT TIME OF THE
 ABOVE CONTACT. PROVOST MARSHALL, WEST POINT, ADVISES SEARCH OF GROUNDS
 COMPLETED TODAY WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. DRAGGING OF LAKE WILL COMMENCE
 AS SOON AS WEATHER PERMITS.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, NEW HAVEN
SUBJECT: RICHARD C. COX
CADET, MILITARY ACADEMY
WEST POINT, NEW YORK
MISSING PERSON

DATE: March 27, 1950

*H. J. ...
(changed)*

Mr. JOHN LIPPITT, 47 Lake Place, New Haven, appeared at the New Haven Office on March 21 and March 23, 1950, and volunteered the following information concerning RICHARD C. COX. It is noted that Mr. LIPPITT has volunteered information several times before which has been classified as "non-specific".

LIPPITT advised that he felt it his duty to report a person he considers to be a possible suspect in causing the disappearance of RICHARD COX. He gave the suspect's name as [redacted] and advised that his reasons for suspecting [redacted] first name is [redacted] and that he is an itinerant restaurant worker who admittedly attempts to secure sums of money from gullible individuals. According to LIPPITT, [redacted] admitted to LIPPITT that he, [redacted] served two years in the U. S. Navy Disciplinary Barracks, Norfolk, Virginia, for the charge of desertion from the Navy. According to LIPPITT, [redacted] is not vicious in any respect but, on the contrary, is very passive and physically weak. He further stated that it seemed very unlikely that [redacted] would commit such a crime but the similiarity and first names caused him to advance this information.

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LIPPITT stated that [redacted] goes from Boston to New Haven to New York working in small all-night lunch counters and restaurants, never staying any place more than two or three weeks. He has been known to sleep in parked cars at night and to accept meals and lodgings from anyone who will offer it, being nothing but a vagrant. LIPPITT has seen [redacted] a number of times in the last four years but has not seen him since about six months ago when he was in New Haven for a few days.

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LIPPITT knows no one who could be contacted concerning [redacted] present location but advised it is his impression that [redacted] has worked for the Marshall House and the Toddle House in New Haven,

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Missing Person

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Connecticut. He further advised that two persons in New Haven who also know [redacted] are TURK WOLFGANG and BOB SIMMONS, both of whom LIPPITT classified as vagrants. LIPPITT suspects that [redacted] also associates with DAN COLLIE, a janitor who works in a building across from the Whitney Grove Bowling Alleys at the corner of Whitney and Grove Streets and lives at the corner of Quinniac Avenue and Foxon Road, New Haven, Connecticut. LIPPITT stated that [redacted] is from one of the Carolinas but never goes home as far as he knows.

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The following is a description of [redacted] furnished by JOHN LIPPITT: -

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Name:	[redacted]
Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Age:	Approximately 24
Residence:	Unknown - itinerant
Height:	About 5'
Weight:	125-135
Build:	Medium
Hair:	Dark brown, almost black, wavy
Eyes:	Dark
Complexion:	Fair, pink cheeks
Scars and Marks:	One tattoo consisting of a series of five or more numbers, possibly a serial number.
Peculiarities:	Cheek twitches slightly when excited
Occupation:	Restaurant worker
Nationality:	American

The files of the New Haven Division fail to reflect any information identifiable with [redacted]. No record, identifiable with [redacted] was located at the New Haven Police Department.

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cc - Mr. Hargett
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March 24, 1950

Captain F. W. Baldwin
Post Security and Intelligence Officer
Signal Corps Photographic Center
35-11 35th Avenue
Long Island City 1, New York

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Dear Captain Baldwin: *77-3777-32*

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 20, 1950, containing information relative to Richard C. Cox.

Upon receipt of this information, I forwarded it to the New York Office for immediate attention.

Your thoughtfulness in writing to me as you did is indeed appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Director, Federal Bureau of
Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

The following matter has just been brought to the attention of this office by Major Halvor T. Darracott, assigned to this station:

About thirty (30) days ago, Mrs. H. Darracott residing at 214-32 43rd Avenue, Bayside L.I. New York, was called upon by two representatives of the Continental Publishing Company, who were selling magazines. Mrs. Darracott claims that one of the representatives bore a very great resemblance to Richard C. Cox, who disappeared from West Point.

Major Darracott advised undersigned that one of the representatives was about 5' 8" tall, weighed about 175 lbs. The other was dark and about 5' 6" tall.

This information is forwarded for your attention and whatever action you may deem necessary.

Very truly yours,

F. W. Baldwin

F. W. BALDWIN

Captain GMP

Post Security & Intelligence Officer

*Del. Sec. New York
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DIRECTOR AND SAC NEW YORK, ATT-N SEC. FIVE URGENT

RICHARD CALVIN COX, CADET USMA, WEST POINT, N.Y. MISSING PERSON.

ANONYMOUS LETTER FROM MARION, O. DATED FEBRUARY TWENTYSEVEN, LAST,

INFORMED THAT RICHARD COX OF MANSFIELD, O., HAD BEEN HEARD ON RADIO

QUIZ PROGRAM SOMETIME AGO. SIMILAR LETTER DATED MARCH TWENTYSIX,

LAST, RECEIVED FROM MRS. FLORENCE H. GILLMAN, AMHERST, O., ADDING

THAT ONE RICHARD COX WAS PARTICIPANT ON WALTER O- KEEFE-S QUOTE DOUBLE

OR NOTHING UNQUOTE PROGRAM OR TOMMY BARTLETT AND JIM AMECHE-S QUOTE

WELCOME TRAVELER UNQUOTE PROGRAM. QUOTE DOUBLE OR NOTHING UNQUOTE

BELIEVED TO ORIGINATE OUT OF LOS ANGELES AND MAY BE RECORDED AND

QUOTE WELCOME TRAVELER UNQUOTE ORIGINATES OUT OF STEVENS HOTEL,

CHICAGO AND MAY BE RECORDED. MRS. GILLMAN HEARD PROGRAM SOMETIME

AFTER MID JANUARY, LAST, AND WEEK OR TWO LATER READ NEWSPAPER STORY

ON COX AND CONNECTED TWO INCIDENTS. REMEMBERED QUIZMASTER ASKING

COX WHAT HE WAS DOING AND WAS TOLD HE WAS TRAVELING ON FURLOUGH OR

LEAVE. THEN ASKED ABOUT COURSES AT SCHOOL BEING HARD AND WAS TOLD

THEY WERE SOMETIMES VERY HARD. MRS. GILLMAN GOT IMPRESSION THAT QUIZ

MASTER THOUGHT COX WAS ON A LARK. FURTHER GOT IMPRESSION FROM CON-

VERSATION COX MIGHT HAVE BEEN IN CADET UNIFORM AT TIME. SHE BELIEVES

BOTH THESE PROGRAMS ON NBC AND SHE LEANED TOWARD WALTER O-KEEFE PROGRAM

AS RECALLED THERE WAS CONSIDERABLE JESTING BY QUIZMASTER. QUOTE

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TRAVELER UNQUOTE AT TEN AM. FOLLOWING OF LEADS LEFT TO NEW YORK
OFFICE AS SIMILAR INFORMATION POSSIBLY REPORTED PREVIOUSLY BY OTHER
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cc: Mr. Rosen

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RICHARD C. COX, CADET, US MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NY, MISSING PERSON. REPHILA PHONE CALL MAR. TWENTYFIRST LAST. JOSEPH E. GRONER, SUPER HIGHWAY, LANGHORNE, PA. /BRISTOL/ SERVED WITH COX IN THE TWENTY SEVENTH CONSTABULARY IN GERMANY, AND CORRESPONDED WITH COX REGULARLY AFTER THE LATTER-S APPOINTMENT TO WEST POINT. GRONER ALSO ATTENDED SEVERAL FOOTBALL GAMES AT WEST POINT. HE HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED BY CID AGENTS WHO ADVISE THEY BELIEVE GRONER IS HONEST TO ASSIST IN EFFORTS TO LOCATE COX. GRONER HAS ALSO VISITED THE COX FAMILY IN MANSFIELD, OHIO FOLLOWING CADET COX-S DISAPPEARANCE. QUESTION GRONER RE HIS ASSOCIATION WITH COX, AND ANY EXPLANATION HE MAY OFFER RE COX-S DISAPPEARANCE INCLUDING POSSIBLY THAT COX MAY HAVE CONFIDED TO GRONER INTENTIONS TO LEAVE WEST POINT. FOR YOUR INFO IN LAST LETTER WRITTEN BUT NOT MAILED TO [REDACTED] COX EXPRESSED DISSATISFACTION WITH WEST POINT AND HIS DESIRE TO LEAVE ACADEMY. IN VIEW OF GRONER-S CLOSE ASSOCIATION WITH COX CONSIDER ADVISABILITY OF MAIL COVER. SUTEL ATTN. SECTION FIVE THIS OFFICE.

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RICHARD C. COX, CADET, US MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NY MISSING PERSON. LT. COL. HOWELL, PROVOST MARSHALL, WEST POINT, NY, ADVISED THAT CADETS MARESCA AND SAMOPIS WERE UNABLE TO MAKE POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION OF DAVID MYRON WESTERVELT, AND COULD ONLY STATE THAT HE WAS THE "SAME TYPE" OF MAN AS THE CIVILIAN OBSERVED IN COX-S COMPANY AND PREVIOUSLY REFERRED TO AS GEORGE. DRAINING OF DELAFIELD POND COMPLETED AND THOROUGH SEARCH OF BASIN EFFECTED. NO TRACE OF COX FOUND. DISTRICT ATTORNEY CLARE HOYT, ORANGE COUNTY, NY, REQUESTED THIS OFFICE TO ADVISE HIM IMMEDIATELY IF CADET COX-S BODY SHOULD BE FOUND, SINCE IT IS HIS DESIRE TO HAVE SAME EXAMINED BY A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE NYC MEDICAL EXAMINERS OFFICE. INASMUCH AS PORTION OF WEST POINT RESERVATION STILL REMAINS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF STATE OF NY, HOYT ADVISED THAT HE BELIEVED A COMPETENT EXAMINATION OF THE BODY SHOULD BE MADE IMMEDIATELY, AND THE QUESTION OF JURISDICTION DETERMINED LATER MR HOYT WAS ADVISED THAT BOTH HE AND THE SHERIFF OF ORANGE COUNTY WOULD BE NOTIFIED IN THE EVENT THAT CADET COX-S BODY IS LOCATED EITHER IN WEST POINT OR ANY OTHER SECTION OF ORANGE COUNTY BUT THAT THE QUESTION OF JURISDICTION MUST BE DISCUSSED WITH THE USA IN THE SDNY.

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RICHARD C. COX, CADET, US MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NY, MISSING PERSON. REPORTS FROM MT. GILEAD, OHIO INDICATE THAT A GAS STATION ATTENDANT HAS IDENTIFIED PICTURE OF CADET COX AS HAVING STOPPED AT HIS GAS STATION ABOUT JANUARY TWENTY LAST. MAN WAS DRIVING LATE MODEL STATION WAGON, AND ACCOMPANIED BY GIRL. COUPLE TOLD ATTENDANT THEY HAD BEEN MARRIED IN KENTUCKY, AND WERE ON WAY TO YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CADET COX-S FIANCEE [REDACTED] MENTIONS THAT SOME OF THEIR FRIENDS HAVE BEEN MARRIED IN GREENUP, KENTUCKY, AND THAT SHE WOULD EVEN SETTLE FOR A "GREENUP MARRIAGE." LOUISVILLE WILL CHECK MARRIAGE LICENSE RECORDS IN GREENUP AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES. FOR THEIR INFORMATION CADET COX DISAPPEARED FROM WEST POINT ON JANUARY FOURTEEN LAST. DESCRIPTION, WHITE, TWENTY TWO YEARS OF AGE, DATE OF BIRTH, JULY TWENTY FIFTH, NINETEEN TWENTY EIGHT, FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES, ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY FIVE LBS., BROWN HAIR, BLUE EYES, DIAGONAL SCAR ON RIGHT ELBOW. [REDACTED] REPORTED NOT TO HAVE LEFT MANSFIELD, OHIO SINCE CADET COX-S DISAPPEARANCE. FOLLOWING NAMES OF FOUR GIRLS WHOM COX IS KNOWN TO HAVE DATED, JEAN CARR, SALLY ROLLINS, VIRGINIA REINHARDT, BARBARA MANNING. CID, FLYER WITH PHOTO OF COX BEING MAILED TO LOUISVILLE. SUTEL ATTENTION SECTION FIVE THIS OFFICE.

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Transmit the following Teletype message to:

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RICHARD COLVIN COX, CADET, US MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NY, MISSING PERSON.
 RE ST LOUIS TEL MARCH TWENTYNINE. SHUPE, OFFICERS RECORDS SECTION, AGO,
 ADVISED ONLY ONE FIRST LT RICHARD C. CRANE, ASN O DASH TWO SEVEN TWO FOUR
 FIVE, ASSIGNED TWENTYEIGHTH SQ, SIXTH CONSTABULARY REGT, SEPT FORTYSEVEN TO
 DEC NINE FORTYEIGHT. CRANE NOW WITH HQ FOURTH ARMY, FOUR NAUGHT FIVE TWO
 ARMY SERVICE UNIT, FT BLISS, TEXAS. O'NEIL, ENLISTED PI BRANCH, AGO ADVISED
 ONLY RICHARDSON WITH ABOVE OUTFIT WAS JACK E. RICHARDSON, ASN THREE SIX THREE
 THREE FOUR SEVEN FOUR NAUGHT, NOW ON ACTIVE DUTY COMPANY D, FOURTEENTH ARMED
 CAVALRY REGT, APO SIX TWO CARE OF POSTMASTER NY, LOCATED BAD KISSINGEN, GERMANY.
 NEW YORK ADVISE IF NAMES ENLISTED AND OFFICER PERSONNEL STATIONED WITH COX
 TWENTYEIGHTH SQ, SIXTH CONSTABULARY REGT DURING TIME COX WITH THIS OUTFIT,
 SUFFICIENT RATHER THAN LIST ALL MEN WITH OUTFIT DURING FORTYSEVEN AND FORTYEIGHT.
 ST LOUIS ASCERTAIN EXACT DATES COX SERVED WITH TWENTYEIGHTH SQUADRON FROM
 SERVICE RECORD RACAG AND SUTEL WFO. RECORDS FORTYSEVEN ROSTERS SIXTH CONSTABULARY
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ATTENTION - SECTION FIVE NYO

RICHARD C. COX, CADET, U.S. MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NEW YORK, MISSING PERSON. RE PHILA. PHONE CALL MARCH TWENTYFIRST, LAST TO NEW YORK AND NEW YORK TELETYPE MARCH THIRTYFIRST LAST. JOSEPH EDWARD GRONER, R.D. THREE, LANGHORNE, PA., ASN ONE THREE TWO FIVE NAUGHT ONE SIX ONE, INTERVIEWED AND ADVISES HE AND RICHARD COX WERE VERY FRIENDLY, HAVING SERVED TOGETHER IN THE SIXTH CONSTABULARY UNIT IN GERMANY. GRONER LAST HEARD FROM COX PRIOR TO CHRISTMAS OF NINETEEN FORTYNINE WHEN COX TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED GRONER AND ADVISED THAT HE WOULD BE UNABLE TO ACCEPT THE INVITATION OF THE GRONERS TO SPEND THE HOLIDAYS WITH THEM. COX FURNISHED GRONER WITH SIX TICKETS FOR THE ARMY AND NAVY GAME AT PHILA. IN NINETEEN FORTYEIGHT AND GRONER REQUESTED SIX FOR THE FORTYNINE GAME. COX MAILED FIVE TICKETS FOR WHICH GRONER FORWARDED A CHECK TO COX ON DECEMBER NINE LAST IN CARE OF THE HOTEL THAYER, WEST POINT, NY, WHICH WAS LATER CASHED BY COX. AT THE FORTY NINE GAME, GRONER CLAIMS THAT A YOUNG WOMAN, A STRANGER TO HIM, SAT NEXT TO HIM AND HE DESCRIBES THIS GIRL AS ABOUT NINETEEN YEARS OF AGE, FIVE FEET SEVEN INCHES IN HEIGHT, MEDIUM BUILD, REDDISH BROWN HAIR, WEARING A FUR COAT. HE BELIEVES THAT COX GAVE ONE OF THE TICKETS USUALLY ASSIGNED TO HIM TO THIS YOUNG WOMAN. GRONER CLAIMED THAT WHEN

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HE VISITED COX-S MOTHER-S HOME AT MANSFIELD, OHIO APPROXIMATELY SIX WEEKS AGO, MRS. COX EXHIBITED A NUMBER OF PHOTOGRAPHS OF HER SON AND HIS FRIENDS TAKEN AT THE POINT. AMONG THESE PHOTOGRAPHS EXHIBITED WAS A PICTURE OF COX AND ANOTHER CADET AND A YOUNG WOMAN WHO HE BELIEVES WAS THE SAME PERSON WHO SAT NEXT TO HIM AT THE ARMY AND NAVY GAME OF FORTY NINE. GRONER FURTHER ADVISED THAT HE HAS BEEN CONTACTED A NUMBER OF TIMES BY A REPRESENTATIVE OF CID AND HAS ATTEMPTED TO COOPERATE WITH THEM IN EVERY WAY IN AN ATTEMPT TO LOCATE COX. HE EXPRESSED A DESIRE AND WILLINGNESS TO ASSIST THE BUREAU IN LOCATING COX. GRONER WAS UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY REASON FOR COX-S UNEXPLAINED ABSENCE FROM THE POINT. HE STATES HE HAS BEEN FURNISHED WITH A WANTED FLYER ISSUED BY CID AT NEW YORK OF COX. HE STATES HE BELIEVES THAT IF COX WAS IN THE VICINITY OF PHILA. OR ANYWHERE IN THE COUNTRY, HE WOULD IMMEDIATELY CONTACT HIM. GRONER CLAIMS THAT IN THE EVENT HE RECEIVES ANY INFORMATION RELATIVE TO COX, HE WOULD IMMEDIATELY FURNISH THIS TO THE PHILA. OFFICE. GRONER FURNISHED THE NAMES OF OTHER ARMY PERSONNEL RESIGING IN THE PHILA. AREA WHO HAD SERVED WITH HIM AND COX IN GERMANY. THEY HAVE BEEN INTERVIEWED AND DENY ANY KNOWLEDGE OF COX-S WHEREABOUTS OR HAVING SEEN OR HEARD FROM HIM. LETTER FOLLOWS.

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cc Mr. Rosen

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G. L. P. Adams

RICHARD C. COX, CADET, US MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NY, MISSING PERSON. SEARCH OF GROUNDS OF WEST POINT RESERVATION IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY THIS WEEKEND, WEATHER PERMITTING. EXTENSIVE AREA COVERED WITH THE COOPERATION OF NYCPD HELICOPTER. ALL BUILDINGS ON POST HAVE BEEN SEARCHED BY MILITARY POLICE, INCLUDING COMPANY B BAR-RACKS IN WHICH COX WAS ASSIGNED A ROOM. CHIEF AUGUST HLAVATY, NA OF THE BEAR MOUNTAIN POLICE DEPARTMENT, IS CONDUCTING A SEARCH OF SOME FOUR THOUSAND BUILDINGS AND SHACKS SPREAD OVER THE FORTY FIVE THOUSAND ACRES COMPOSING BEAR MOUNTAIN AND HARRIMAN STATE PARK WHICH ARE IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO THE WEST POINT RESERVATION. HE ADVISED THAT TO DATE HIS RANGERS AND PATROLMEN HAVE FOUND NO TRACE OF THE MISSING COX. SEARCH OF WEST POINT RESERVATION IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED THIS WEEKEND WITH POSSIBLE EXCEPTION OF LAKES AND PONDS WHICH REMAIN FROZEN. TENTATIVE PLANS CALL FOR DRAGGING AND DRAINING OF ALL PONDS AND LAKES ON RESERVATION. ANONYMOUS LETTER RECEIVED BY MRS. RUPERT COX, MOTHER OF MISSING CADET, ADVISED THAT A RICHARD COX OF MANSFIELD, OHIO, APPEARED ON A RADIO "MONEY PROGRAM" BROADCAST FROM CALIFORNIA ABOUT

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FEB. TWENTY LAST. ATTEMPTS BEING MADE TO IDENTIFY PROGRAM AND VERIFY SAME. NEWARK REQUESTED TO VERIFY REPORTS OF UNIFORM BEING RECOVERED IN PASSAIC RIVER AND UNIDENTIFIED BODY FOUND AT FLEMINGTON, NJ.

CID AGENTS AT FIRST ARMY TODAY ADVISED THEY ARE QUESTIONING [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ON WHOM

NEWARK HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO CONDUCT A COMPLETE BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION. CID PLANS TO GIVE [REDACTED] A POLYGRAPH TEST ON MARCH TWENTY FOUR AT ONE THIRTY PM AND HAS REQUESTED PRESENCE OF AGENT FROM THIS OF-

FICE. [REDACTED] IS SAME INDIVIDUAL WHOM CADET FAMOTIS HAS MADE A

PARTIAL IDENTIFICATION AS THE PERSON HE HAS OBSERVED TALKING TO COX ON

JAN. FOURTEEN LAST. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING. BUREAU WILL ADVISE IF

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TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, Louisville

SUBJECT: RICHARD CALVIN COX
MISSING PERSON

DATE: March 31, 1950

Re Cincinnati teletype to Louisville March 24, 1950.

By referenced teletype Cincinnati advised that a filling station operator at Mt. Gilead, Ohio had informed that COX and an unknown girl appeared at his filling station about January 14, 1950, and purchased gas. They stated that they were going to Kentucky to get married, and reappeared at the filling station three or four days latter and stated that they had married in Kentucky.

Referenced teletype requested that marriage license records at Covington and Newport, Kentucky for the pertinent period be checked.

On March 24, 1950, marriage license records from January 1, 1950 to March 24, 1950 were checked in the Kenton County Court Clerks' Office, Covington, Kentucky, and the Campbell County Court Clerks' Office, Newport, Kentucky, but no record of RICHARD CALVIN COX was located.

A similar check was made in the following counties with negative results: Greenup; Mason; Boyd; Lewis; Lawrence, Rowan; and Carter. RUC.

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cc: New York (2)
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Richard Calvin Cox

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RICHARD COLVIN COX, USMAWP, MP. RETEL WFO MARCH THIRTY, LAST. RECORDS RACAG INDICATE COX ATTACHED D TROOP TWENTYEIGHT, CONSTABULARY SQUADRON, SEPT. TWENTYONE, FORTYONE TO JAN. NINETEEN, FORTYEIGHT OR FEB. THREE, FORTYEIGHT. ARRIVED U. S. FROM GERMANY JAN. TWENTYEIGHT, FORTYEIGHT. ENLISTED ROSTERS AVAILABLE FOR SEARCH TOMORROW. OFFICERS ROSTERS IN WASHINGTON.

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RICHARD COLVIN COX, USMA, WEST POINT, MISSING PERSON. RE ST. LOUIS
TEL APRIL FIVE LAST. WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE AND ST. LOUIS REQUESTED
TO REVIEW RECORDS ALL ENLISTED MEN AND OFFICERS WHO SERVED WITH
COX, D TROUP, TWENTY EIGHTH CONSTABULARY SQUADRON, SIXTH CONSTABULARY
REGIMENT, SCHWEINFURT, GERMANY, AND ADVISE NY DIVISION BY LETTER NAMES
AND ADDRESSES ALL SUCH MEMBERS. ALL LEADS AT WEST POINT AND NY AREA
RE UNKNOWN PERSON, [REDACTED] UNPRODUCTIVE TO DATE. INTERESTED
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RICHARD CALVIN COX, CADET, US MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NY, MISSING PERSON. COX DISAPPEARED FROM WEST POINT JAN. FOURTEENTH LAST WEARING GRAY DRESS UNIFORM. DESCRIBED AS WHITE, BORN JULY TWENTY FIFTH NINETEEN TWENTY EIGHT, HEIGHT FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES, WEIGHT ONE SIXTY FIVE POUNDS, MEDIUM BUILD, BROWN CREW CUT HAIR, BLUE EYES, FAIR COMPLEXION, HOME ADDRESS FIVE FIVE FOUR COOK ROAD, MANSFIELD, OHIO. CLEVELAND OFFICE HAS ADVISED THAT LETTER DATED MARCH TWENTY SIXTH LAST RECEIVED FROM MRS. FLORENCE H. GILLMAN, AMHERST, OHIO, TO EFFECT THAT ONE RICHARD COX WAS PARTICIPANT ON WALTER O-KEEFE-S "DOUBLE OR NOTHING" PROGRAM OR TOMMY BARTLETT AND JIM AMECHE-S "WELCOME TRAVELER" PROGRAM. INVESTIGATION LOS ANGELES "DOUBLE OR NOTHING" PROGRAM NEGATIVE ON COX. OFFICIALS NBC STUDIOS, NYC, ADVISE "WELCOME TRAVELER" PROGRAM ORIGINATES FROM NBC STUDIOS, MERCANTILE MART, CHICAGO, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY AT TEN AM AND IS TAPE RECORDED. MRS. GILLMAN HEARD PROGRAM SOMETIME IN MID JANUARY LAST AND WEEK OR TWO LATER READ NEWSPAPER STORY ON COX AND CONNECTED TWO INCIDENTS. REMEMBERS QUIZ MASTER ASKING COX WHAT HE WAS DOING AND WAS TOLD HE WAS EITHER ON FURLOUGH OR LEAVE.

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GILLMAN GAINED IMPRESSION FROM CONVERSATION THAT COX WAS POSSIBLY WEARING UNIFORM AT TIME. CHICAGO REQUESTED TO CONTACT OFFICIALS, NBC STUDIOS, CHICAGO RE ABOVE AND IF POSSIBLE REVIEW PERTINENT RECORDINGS OF "WELCOME TRAVELER" PROGRAM TO DETERMINE IF THIS PERSON WHO APPEARED ON PROGRAM AND IF SO IF IDENTICAL WITH COX. NBC AGENCY RECORDS MAY BE OF ASSISTANCE IN DETERMINING IF COX APPEARED ON PROGRAM.

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RICHARD COLVIN COX, USMAWP, MP. RE WFO TEL MARCH THIRTY AND NYC

TEL MARCH TWENTYSEVEN LAST. NINETEEN FORTYSEVEN ROSTER SIXTH CON-

STABULARY REGIMENT NOW AVAILABLE FOR SEARCH AT RACAG. COX ATTACHED

TO TWENTYSEVENTH CONSTABULARY SQUADRON, TROOP D, FROM JULY, FORTYSEVEN

AND TWENTYEIGHT CONSTABULARY SQUADRON, TROOP D, FROM SEPT. FORTYSEVEN

TO JAN. OR FEB., FORTYEIGHT. LIST OF MEMBERS THESE ORGANIZATIONS

INCLUDING TRANSFERS WILL APPROXIMATE FOUR HUNDRED NAMES, AND

DETERMINATION OF LAST ADDRESSES WILL REQUIRE REVIEW OF SERVICE RECORD

FOR EACH MAN. TIME ELEMENT INVOLVED APPROXIMATELY ONE WEEK. ENLISTED

ROSTER SIXTH CONSTABULARY REGIMENT FOR FORTYEIGHT AND OFFICERS ROSTER

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RICHARD CALVIN COX, US MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NEW YORK, MISSING PERSON. RENEYTEL APRIL SEVEN LAST. RECORDS "WELCOME TRAVELER" PROGRAM FROM JANUARY FOURTEENTH LAST TO FEBRUARY TWENTY-EIGHT LAST NEGATIVE AS TO PARTICIPANT NAMED COX. PROGRAM MANAGER HAS NO RECOLLECTION OF A WEST POINT CADET ON PROGRAM SINCE DECEMBER LAST. RUC.

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CORR. AFTER THE WORD COX IN WXX LINE 1, ADD "CADET,"

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RICHARD C. COX, CADET, U.S. MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NEW YORK,
MISSING PERSON. RE NEW YORK TEL FIFTH INSTANT. INFORMATION OBTAINED
MANSFIELD, OHIO REFLECTS TRIP BY MRS. RUPERT COX AND
INDEFINITELY POSTPONED. PLANS WERE TO ARRIVE WEST POINT APRIL FIFTEEN.
MRS. COX HAD WRITTEN SUPERINTENDENT WEST POINT ASKING RESERVATIONS
BE OBTAINED HOTEL THAYER ON FIFTEENTH. PURPOSE OF TRIP WAS TO OBTAIN
COX-S CLOTHING, AND TALK TO COX-S ASSOCIATES AND TO AUTHORITIES.
SECRECY IS BEING MAINTAINED TO AVOID NEWSPAPER PUBLICITY. NEW YORK
WILL BE NOTIFIED SHOULD TRIP BE TAKEN AT LATER DATE.

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RICHARD C. COX, CADET, US MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NY., MISSING PERSONS. RMYTEL APRIL FIVE LAST. OFFICIAL CONFIRMATION RECEIVED THAT MRS. RUPERT COX AND [REDACTED] PLAN TO ARRIVE AT HOTEL THAYER, WEST POINT, NY, BY CAR ABOUT APRIL FIFTEENTH. CLEVELAND WILL DISREGARD INVESTIGATION REQUESTED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE. MRS. COX AND MISS [REDACTED] WILL NOT BE INTERVIEWED BY THIS OFFICE WHILE AT WEST POINT.

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at 11:00 AM 6/12/50

RICHARD C. COX, CADET, US MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NY, MISSING PERSON. RE NEWARK TEL, MAR. TWENTYEIGHTH LAST. TWO TYPES OF TROUSERS ISSUED TO CADETS. NO. ONE, GYM TYPE, NARROW BLACK STRIPE WITH BELT LOOP AND NO V CUT IN BACK. NO. TWO, DRESS TYPE WITH BROAD BLACK STRIPE, V CUT IN BACK, BUT NO BELT LOOP. ALL CADETS REQUIRED TO MARK TROUSERS. UNDER CLASSMEN MAY PURCHASE UNIFORMS OF GRADUATES, BUT ARE REQUIRED TO CROSS OUT NAME OF PREVIOUS OWNER AND MARK UNIFORM WITH OWN NAME. FOLLOWING ARE COX MEASUREMENTS OBTAINED FROM TAILOR SHOP, US MILITARY ACADEMY...HEIGHT, FIVE FT. SEVEN INCHES, COAT SLEEVE, EIGHTEEN AND A HALF INCHES /UNDER ARM/, WAIST, SIXTEEN AND A HALF INCHES /NECK TO HIP BONE/, COAT LENGTH, TWENTYSIX AND A HALF INCHES /NECK TO TWO INCHES BELOW CROTCH/, FULL DRESS COAT LENGTH, THIRTYONE AND A HALF INCHES, CHEST, THIRTYEIGHT INCHES, WAIST, THIRTYTWO INCHES, SEAT, FORTY INCHES, NECK, SIXTEEN INCHES, THROAT, FORTYTWO INCHES /OUT SEAM/, THIRTY TWO INCHES /IN SEAM, WAIST, THIRTYTWO INCHES.

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RICHARD C. COX, CADET, UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NEW YORK, MISSING PERSON. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION RECEIVED THAT MRS. RUPERT COX AND [REDACTED] ARE EXPECTED TO ARRIVE AT WEST POINT FROM MANSFIELD, OHIO, THIS WEEKEND. NO OFFICIAL CONFIRMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED OF THIS EXPECTED VISIT. INFORMANT STATES THAT PURPOSE OF THIS VISIT IS NOT KNOWN BUT EVERY ATTEMPT IS BEING MADE TO KEEP SAME SECRET. CLEVELAND WILL DISCREETLY VERIFY ABOVE FACTS FROM INDEPENDENT SOURCES. SUTEL MEANS OF TRAVEL AND NUMBER OF RESERVATIONS, DATE AND PLACE OF EXPECTED ARRIVAL, AND IF KNOWN, PLACE WHERE PARTY WILL STAY IN THIS AREA.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA

DATE: April 4, 1950

SUBJECT: RICHARD C. COX, CADET
 U.S. MILITARY ACADEMY
 WEST POINT, NEW YORK
MISSING PERSON

On March 21, 1950, ELMER NUSKY, Sergeant assigned to the Philadelphia Detective Bureau, Room 111, City Hall, Philadelphia, Pa., advised he had a matter which he desired to bring to the attention of the Philadelphia Office in connection with the above captioned person in view of local newspaper accounts reflecting that the Bureau had been requested by the military authorities to assist in the location of COX, who had been reported missing from the Academy since January 14, 1950.

At approximately 3:00 PM, Sergeant NUSKY received a call from VINCENT REGAN of 1335 65th Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa., in which REGAN reflected he had read in a local newspaper on March 18, 1950 accounts that a West Point Cadet had been reported missing from the United States Military Establishment at West Point since January 14, 1950. REGAN stated he had noticed a young man in the uniform of a military cadet eating in the J & M Restaurant at Broad and Cumberland Streets at approximately 6:30 AM, March 17, 1950. REGAN described this individual whom he had observed eating in the J & M Restaurant, as having light blond hair. The newspaper account failed to give a description of RICHARD C. COX.

On the same date, the above information was brought to the attention of WILLIAM C. HINZE, JR., ASAC of the Philadelphia Office, who telephonically contacted W. M. WHELAN, ASAC at New York and advised him of the information brought to the attention of the Philadelphia Office in connection with this missing cadet. Mr. WHELAN requested Philadelphia to contact the informant to determine if he had any further information in connection with the individual whom he had observed eating in this restaurant located at Broad and Cumberland Streets, Philadelphia, and also to ascertain if any other individuals in the restaurant had observed this cadet in the restaurant on March 17, 1950.

VINCENT REGAN, 1335 65th Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa., employed as a bus operator by the Philadelphia Transit Company located at 15th and Cumberland Streets, Philadelphia, Pa., stated he had observed an individual

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between the ages of twenty-five and twenty-seven in a gray uniform with black piping which he believed was similar to that worn by the United States Military Cadets at West Point, eating in a restaurant known as the J & M Restaurant, on the Southwest corner of Broad and Cumberland Streets, Philadelphia, about 1:30 PM on March 17, 1950, though he originally stated he saw him at 6:30 AM.

REGAN claims he did not pay too much attention to this young man, but noticed that he wore a gray uniform like those worn by cadets from military academies. On his arrival at his home that evening, upon glancing at several newspapers, he observed a story reflecting that a West Point cadet by the name of COX had been reported missing from the Point since January 14, 1950. After discussing this matter with his wife, he decided that this should be brought to the attention of the local police, and on the following day, telephonically contacted the Detective Bureau and advised them of this individual whom he had observed eating in the restaurant at Broad and Cumberland Streets, Philadelphia.

REGAN claims that he was in military service during the last war and realized that West Point cadets obtain very little leave from the Point due to studies and other activities, and this being a Friday, he doubted that this man was on leave.

A photograph obtained from a local newspaper was exhibited to REGAN and he was unable to identify the individual whom he observed eating in the restaurant as that appearing in the local newspaper. REGAN was later contacted and was exhibited a photograph of Cadet RICHARD COLVIN COX as it appeared on a flyer issued by the C.I.D., First Army, New York. REGAN was unable to definitely state that the individual whom he observed eating in the J & M Restaurant and the photograph as appearing on the flyer were one and the same individual, but he believed there was a slight resemblance to the individual he observed in the cadet's uniform in the J & M Restaurant on the afternoon of March 17, 1950.

REGAN described the individual he observed eating in the restaurant as being approximately twenty-two to twenty-three years of age, 5'8" in height, approximately 175 pounds, having light brown hair, clipped short (crew cut) and indicated, in his opinion, the hair of this individual was decidedly on the blond side. This person also had a rounded face.

DONALD CRAIG, 2241 North 2nd Street, Philadelphia, Pa., employed as a chef and short order cook at the J & M Restaurant, Southwest corner Broad and Cumberland Streets, Philadelphia, Pa., advised that he opened the J & M Restaurant at approximately 5:00 AM on the morning of March 17, 1950. Sometime between 5:30 AM and 6:00 AM, a young man, whom he described as being 6' or 6'1" in height,

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weighing 170 pounds, dark hair, slender build and wearing the gray uniform of a military cadet, appeared in the restaurant. CRAIG recalled that he had waited on this individual inasmuch as he was the only restaurant employee in attendance at that time. CRAIG claims that he never observed this individual before nor has he seen him since that day. He stated that he, CRAIG, formerly served six years in the United States Marine Corps and he has worked at this restaurant for approximately nine or ten years. He claims he prides himself on the fact that he is able to remember faces, being in constant contact with the public.

After serving this individual, he became quite busy with a number of bus operators who frequent the restaurant prior to their going on duty in the morning, and he has no recollection of this young man departing from the restaurant. He claims he recalls that this young man again made his appearance in the restaurant sometime later on in the day, but on this appearance, he was without the overcoat.

A photograph of COX and his fiancée, [redacted] was exhibited to CRAIG who stated he was unable to make any identification from this photograph.

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CRAIG, when contacted at a later date, was exhibited a photograph of Cadet RICHARD C. COX which appeared on the flyer issued by C.I.D., First Army, New York, containing a full description of COX. CRAIG claims this photograph exhibited to him resembled the individual who had appeared at the restaurant for breakfast between 5:30 and 6:00 AM, March 17, 1950.

The photograph of RICHARD C. COX was exhibited to other employees of the J & M Restaurant who were unable to effect an identification.

Mrs. SOPHIE KOPACK, Windsor Avenue, Hatboro, Pennsylvania, who is employed as a waitress at the J & M Restaurant, Broad and Cumberland, advised that she recalled a young man dressed in a gray military uniform with a short jacket and high collar appearing at the restaurant at approximately 10:30 AM on the morning of March 17, 1950. After serving this young man, he departed the restaurant and she has not observed him since that time. She described this cadet as being approximately 6' tall, well built, dark hair, clipped short, with gold stripping between his teeth.

SOPHIE KOPACK was exhibited a photograph of COX and his girl friend, [redacted] and also a photograph of COX that appeared on the flyer issued by CID, New York, and she was unable to identify the photograph of COX appearing on the wanted flyer as that of the individual whom she observed in the restaurant.

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On March 31, 1950, the Philadelphia Office received a teletype from the New York

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Office in connection with RICHARD C. COX, a cadet reported missing from the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, New York, as of January 14, 1950. This teletype reflected that JOSEPH E. GRONER, Super Highway, Langhorne, Pa. (Bristol) served with COX in the 27th Constabulary in Germany and corresponded with COX regularly after the latter's appointment to West Point. GRONER also attended several football games at West Point.

This teletype further reflected that GRONER has been interviewed by C.I.D. agents who advised they believed GRONER is honest in his attempt to assist their efforts to locate COX. GRONER was also reported to have visited the COX family in Mansfield, Ohio following COX's disappearance. Philadelphia was requested to question GRONER regarding his association with COX and any explanation he may offer in connection with COX's disappearance, including the possibility that COX may have confided to GRONER intentions to leave West Point.

The teletype further pointed out that the last letter written, but not mailed, to [redacted] COX's girl friend, by COX expressed dissatisfaction with West Point and a desire to leave the academy. Philadelphia was also requested to consider the advisability of a mail cover on the GRONER residence.

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JOSEPH EDWARD GRONER, RD #3, Langhorne, Pa., ASN #13250161, advised he entered the United States Army September 21, 1946 at Philadelphia, and he was sent to Fort Knox. While at Fort Knox, RICHARD C. COX was also stationed there. GRONER said he became slightly acquainted with COX at that time, and that he was later transferred to Camp Kilmer, N.J. on January 28, 1947 and while at one of the recreation rooms at Camp Kilmer, he met RICHARD COX. They became quite friendly and shortly after their arrival at Camp Kilmer, were transferred to overseas duty. They left the port of embarkation together on about February 6, 1947 on the USS General Howze and they arrived at Bremerhaven, Germany, February 17, 1947. After leaving Bremerhaven, they were sent to Marburg, Germany. They were later assigned to the 6th Constabulary that day at Coburg, Germany.

GRONER claims that he was then placed in the Maintenance Section when it was ascertained that he was familiar with motors. Shortly thereafter, he was sent to Headquarters Company where RICHARD COX had been previously assigned. GRONER claims he was then assigned to drive the armored car of Colonel MCKINSEY and that COX was assigned to S2 Squadron which was an intelligence squadron. GRONER claims he was later transferred to the 53rd Squadron located at Schwab, Germany and that COX was assigned to the 28th Constabulary Squadron located at Schweinfurt, Germany. He claims that although they were separated approximately 100 miles apart, DICK COX and he would spend week-ends together when on leave.

GRONER claims he ascertained from DICK that he had been ordered back to the

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United States to attend a prep school at Newburgh, N.Y. in preparation of his entrance into United States Military Academy, West Point, N.Y. After DICK returned to the United States they continued to correspond with one another and he has continued to correspond with COX at the Point. He claims that he has never visited COX at West Point. COX has visited his home and the home of his parents at Langhorne, Pa. on several occasions. He stated that the last he saw of RICHARD COX was at the Army and Navy game in December, 1949 in Philadelphia and then, only for a few moments. On his arrival home after the game, COX contacted him by telephone and advised him he was sorry he was unable to spend more time with him, but that he had received orders to board a train with other members of the track team for Michigan.

GRONER advised that since COX's appointment to West Point, he had requested COX to obtain six tickets for him for the Army and Navy game of 1948 and that COX forwarded six tickets to GRONER. Prior to the 1949 Army-Navy game at Philadelphia, GRONER corresponded with COX and requested that he furnish him with six tickets for this game. He recalls that COX only furnished five tickets at this time, and that the tickets obtained by COX were usually in sequence, meaning that all five or all six seats were together.

At the Army and Navy game of 1949, GRONER, accompanied by friends, occupied five seats. Next to him, sat a young lady approximately nineteen years of age, 5'7" in height, medium build, reddish-brown hair, wearing a fur coat. GRONER was of the opinion that COX had furnished this young lady one of the tickets which he usually sent to him. He gave his reason for believing this stating that approximately six weeks ago, he had flown his plane to Mansfield, Ohio to visit COX's mother, who is in the real estate and insurance business in Mansfield. After being in the home a short time, Mrs. COX produced a number of photographs of her son and other cadets taken at the Point. Among the photographs exhibited to him, was a photograph of RICHARD, another cadet and a young woman. GRONER believes that the girl appearing in this picture was identical with the girl whom he observed sitting next to him at the Army & Navy game at Philadelphia in December, 1949.

GRONER stated that on December 9, 1949, he forwarded a check in the amount of \$25.00 to RICHARD COX, c/o the Hotel Thayer located on the Reservation, and that he knows this check was cashed by COX.

He claims that he wrote a letter to COX prior to Christmas of 1949, at which time he requested that COX spend his Christmas holidays with him and his parents. GRONER claims that he received a telephone call from COX prior to the Christmas holidays, at which time he advised he would be unable to spend the holidays with him. He gave no reason that he could recall for declining the invitation.

GRONER further advised that he could recall no letters which he had received in

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which COX had indicated his desire to leave the Academy. He recalled that in the first year that he was at the Academy, he had appeared somewhat "down-hearted" but that his letters after that reflected that he was quite contented inasmuch as he was then taken on the track team at West Point.

GRONER stated he had been contacted by a Lieutenant ELLIOT, who is the chief agent of C.I.D. at Fort Dix and he had visited him on an average of three or four times a week in connection with the COX case and that he had endeavored to recall every little incident that had transpired between him and COX in an attempt to furnish all information to the Army authorities in their attempt to locate COX. He also claims that he was contacted by a Bureau agent while visiting COX's mother in Mansfield, Ohio and that he had spent several hours with him in answering questions relative to COX's disappearance.

JOSEPH E. GRONER seemed quite cooperative and indicated he was vitally interested in ascertaining the present whereabouts of his friend, RICHARD C. COX, and that upon receiving any information, he would immediately contact the Philadelphia Office.

GRONER also furnished the names of two other soldiers who had served in the same outfit with him who are residing in Philadelphia. The first one was ERNEST SKARI who he believed resided at 1709 W. Huntingdon Street, Philadelphia, Pa., and the other a JOHN, whose last name he was unable to recall, but believed it was HIGGINS. He stated that SKARI definitely knew the address of this individual.

ERNEST CHRIST SKARI, 1708 W. Huntingdon Street, Philadelphia, Pa., advised he was born December 25, 1928 at Philadelphia; that he enlisted in the United States Army October 1, 1946 and that his ASN was 13251466. He was honorably discharged from Camp Kilmer, N.J. February 13, 1948.

SKARI stated he had left Camp Kilmer, N.J. for port of embarkation and had sailed for Bremerhaven, Germany. This was about February 4, 1947 and that he was aboard the USS General Taylor. After arriving at Bremerhaven, Germany, he had been sent to Coburg, Germany and had been assigned to the 6th Constabulary Squadron. He claims he first became acquainted with RICHARD COX and JOSEPH E. GRONER after being assigned to this constabulary unit. He recalls that he accompanied GRONER and COX into town on a number of occasions, but was not very friendly with COX. Later, COX was transferred from the D Troup of the 6th Constabulary Squadron to the Headquarters Company. SKARI further stated that after this transfer of COX to the Headquarters Company, he had more or less lost contact with COX, but that he still kept up his friendship with GRONER.

He claims that he later learned from GRONER that COX had been returned by appointment

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to the United States to attend a prep school in preparation for his entry into the Military Academy at West Point, N.Y. He claims that he has not seen or heard from COX since leaving Germany and that his first knowledge that COX was missing from the Point he learned from JOE GRONER.

SKARI also recalled that another boy serving with them from Philadelphia was a JOHN HIGGINS, aka Mike, who resided at 1968 Medary Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa.

SKARI also stated that he had been contacted on several occasions by members of the C.I.D. who are attempting to locate COX, and that he had given all available information in his possession to them, and that he would furnish the Bureau agents with any information that came to his attention relative to COX.

SKARI recalled that he had contacted GRONER in November, 1948 and at that time, GRONER had advised him he was obtaining some tickets for the Army and Navy game from COX, who was stationed at the Point, and that upon receipt of the tickets, he had been invited to attend the Army and Navy game held in Philadelphia in December. SKARI stated he did not have any idea what happened, but that he had not been contacted by GRONER or by COX and that he did not attend this football game.

JOHN FRANCIS HIGGINS, 1968 Medary Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa., employed by the Penn Reel Fishing Company, Philadelphia, Pa., advised that he was born April 10, 1929 at Philadelphia, Pa.; that his ASN was 13250998; that he entered the U.S. military service in September, 1946 at Philadelphia and had received an honorable discharge March 27, 1948 at Camp Kilmer, N.J.

HIGGINS claims he left Camp Kilmer on February 4, 1947 for the port of embarkation and sailed for Germany, arriving in Bremerhaven, Germany on or about February 14, 1947 and that he had been transferred to Coburg, Germany and assigned to the 27th Constabulary Squadron, C Troup. He claims he first became acquainted with COX when he was attached to the Headquarters Company of the Constabulary at Coburg, Germany. He claims he was never very friendly with COX, but had learned through JOSEPH GRONER that COX had been flown back to the United States to enter a prep school at Newburgh, N.Y. in preparation for his entry into the United States Military Academy at West Point, N.Y.

HIGGINS claims that their outfit was later deactivated and he was then assigned to the 53rd Squadron of the Constabulary and later transferred to the infantry. He claims that his only contact with COX at that time was for approximately four weeks, and that he has not seen or heard from COX from that time until this. He claims that the first information coming to him relative to COX's disappearance from the Point was when the account appeared in a Philadelphia newspaper several weeks ago.

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HIGGINS claims he never attended any of the Army and Navy games held in Philadelphia in the past several years. He recalls that one other boy from Philadelphia also served in their company and the only name that he can recall that this boy was known by was "SAD SACK", and he has not seen or heard from him since his discharge from the Army in 1947 and has no idea as to where he is residing in Philadelphia.

The above information is being supplied to the Bureau, New York and Cleveland in view of the request made by ASAC W. M. WHELAN of the New York Office.

A copy of this letter is being furnished to the Cleveland Office for information purposes in view of a request that may be made by the New York Office to contact Mrs. COX and obtain a photograph of her son, another cadet, and a young woman appearing thereon, as set forth in the interview with GRONER in which he stated that the photograph exhibited to him by Mrs. COX resembled the young girl who sat next to him at the Army and Navy game in Philadelphia in December, 1949, and who he believes COX furnished the ticket to. RUC

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: April 14, 1950

FROM: *EJH* SAC, New York

SUBJECT: RICHARD C. COX, CADET
U.S. MILITARY ACADEMY
WEST POINT, N.Y.
MISSING PERSON

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Re Philadelphia letter 4/4/50.

Copy of photo of COX, another cadet and young woman referred to in last paragraph of referenced letter obtained. Other cadet identified as JACK R. PILK and Young woman as JEAN CARR, Wells College, N.Y. Both interviewed and contribute nothing to this investigation.

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TITLE RICHARD CALVIN COX CADET, U. S. MARINE ACADEMY WEST POINT, NEW YORK			CHARACTER OF CASE MISSING PERSON

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Gas station proprietor, Mt. Gilead, Ohio, sold gas to individual traveling in station-wagon accompanied by young girl and he identifies this individual as **RICHARD COX**. Jeweler, Mt. Gilead, sold wedding band to young couple driving station wagon and stated that the boy who purchased wedding band was definitely not COX, in his opinion. The jeweler stated that this individual gave his name as **ROBERT BILLSON**, Madison, Ohio.

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DETAILS:

AT MT. GILEAD, OHIO

The following interview was conducted by the writer and Special Agent **WILLIAM L. HOLT**:

Mr. **LLOYD LUST**, Manager, City Service Station, advised that an individual came through Mt. Gilead about four weeks prior to February 21, 1950 and cashed a traveler's check for ten or twenty dollars and signed it **RICHARD COX**. He thought this individual used the middle initial "C". **LUST** stated further that the traveler's check was from either the American Express Company or the Bank of America. He stated that this individual was traveling with an attractive girl in a new station-wagon, possibly a Chevrolet, bearing Ohio tags.

Mr. **LUST** further advised that ~~three~~ ^{two} days later this couple returned to purchase gas but they were out of funds and offered a

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Navy pea-jacket as security. This was refused but LUST did accept a gray tweed herringbone top-coat with a label "Richmond Brothers Super Quality". Mr. LUST accepted this coat as security for about four dollars worth of gas and oil, stating that the boy advised that he would return for the coat and left him a name and address of people that he could be contacted through. Mr. LUST wrote the license number of the station-wagon down on this slip of paper but he has since misplaced or destroyed this slip of paper. He stated that this slip of paper has been missing for the past thirty days. His papers and personal effects were thoroughly examined at the City Service Station in an effort to locate this slip of paper with negative results. The coat was thoroughly examined and has no visible marks of identification other than the Richmond Brothers label.

The boy stated, according to LUST, that he was on his way back from Kentucky where he had just been married. LUST stated that he was certain that this boy signed the traveler's check as RICHARD COX and he (LUST) deposited this check at the First National Bank of Mt. Gilead and wrote the name COX on his deposit slip. He also advised that this boy had mentioned that he had never used traveler's checks before and LUST thought he mentioned purchasing traveler's checks at Eleria, Ohio. He stated that he could not recall the name of the individual on the slip of paper nor the city or street but the street number was 1116 and he thought the city was either Youngstown or Eleria.

Mr. LUST related that he had forgotten this incident until he had read the March 18, 1950 issue of the Columbus, Ohio, Dispatch and saw a photograph of the missing cadet and was positive that the individual who purchased gas at his station and left the top-coat was RICHARD COX.

He furnished the following description:

Name:	RICHARD COX
Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	22 years old
Height:	5' 9" - 5' 10"
Weight:	155 pounds
Eyes:	Grayish blue
Build:	Medium
Complexion:	Light
Hair:	Light brown
Dress:	Wearing gray suit

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He described the girl as follows:

Race:	White
Sex:	Female
Age:	21 - 22 years old
Hair:	Chestnut brown worn long
Height:	5' 3"
Weight:	110 pounds Pleasant personality and very attractive

Mr. G. K. LUMBARD, Cashier, First National Bank, Mt. Gilead, produced LUST'S deposit slips from January 15, 1950 through March 1, 1950. These slips reflect the deposit of only one traveler's check by LUST. This traveler's check was an American Express Company check in the amount of twenty dollars, serial number B 6848148 O, deposited February 8, 1950 and signed ORIN G. DAIABA.

LUST was shown a photograph of this check on a recordak machine and stated it is not the check that he cashed for the individual he believed to be COX. LUST was confronted with the fact that this was the only traveler's check that he had deposited, whereupon he stated he must have cashed the check at the First National Bank as this is the only bank that he does business with.

The First National Bank photographs all checks received by them. The writer examined all the checks received by the bank from January 16, 1950 through February 10, 1950 by the use of a recordak machine and no traveler's check was found that was signed by RICHARD COX nor were any traveler's checks located that were endorsed by LUST.

Sheriff THOMAS ENGLAND advised that LUST had furnished him information on various matters in the past and that he had found him to be reliable, however, he advised that HARRY RHODEBECK, Supervisor, North Electrical Manufacturing Company, informed him that LUST worked under his supervision during World War II and came to him on various occasions with information concerning individuals that he suspected of being saboteurs. This information was never substantiated.

The following information was received on March 25, 1950 by Special Agent b6
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LLOYD LUST, Mt. Gilead, Ohio, called long distance at 4:40 p.m., March 25, 1950, and gave the following information:

Spencer's Jewelry Store, Mt. Gilead, Ohio, advised him that on January 30, 1950 a young boy and girl looked at a wedding ring but did not buy it. Also, the couple were in a Packard station-wagon and they had the license number but did not disclose it to him. Further, the boy gave Spencer's a Madison, Ohio, address.

LUST stated that Spencer's Jewelry Store did not think the boy was RICHARD COX as he appeared too young. LUST said the couple that came to his service station were in a station-wagon but he did not know the make or license number of the car. The boy did not have on a coat at either place and both SPENCER and LUST said that it was a warm day. LUST thought the couple who went to Spencer's Jewelry Store were identical to the couple that came to his place. He said Spencer's Jewelry Store would furnish information to this office if they were called upon.

Mr. FRANK SPENCER, Spencer's Jewelry Store, Mt. Gilead, Ohio, advised the writer that a young couple, driving a late model station-wagon, possibly a Cadillac bearing Ohio tags, purchased a wedding band from him on January 30, 1950 about 4:00 p.m. He advised that the boy gave his address as [redacted] Madison, Ohio, and SPENCER took the license number of the station-wagon which he advised as [redacted]. He further advised that, in his opinion, this individual was definitely not identical with RICHARD COX as he appeared much too young and too tall.

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He described this boy as follows:

Name:	[redacted]
Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Height:	6'
Weight:	165 pounds
Hair:	Brown, slightly wavy
Age:	18 years old

He described the girl as follows:

Height:	5' 2"
Weight:	110 pounds
Hair:	Brown
Age:	18 years old

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According to reference teletype from Cleveland, dated March 26, 1950, the Cleveland Office located and interviewed [redacted] and determined that he is the individual that purchased gas and left the top-coat as security at the Lust Service Station at Mt. Gilead and this individual is definitely not identical with Cadet COX.

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REFERENCE:

Cleveland letter to Cincinnati,
Ohio, dated 3/21/50
Cleveland teletype to Bureau and
Cincinnati, Ohio, dated 3/26/50

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This case originated at **NEW YORK**

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Title RICHARD CALVIN COX, Cadet U. S. Military Academy West Point, New York		Character of Case MISSING PERSON	

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Synopsis of Facts:

Mrs. RUPERT F. COX, widow, Mansfield, Ohio, states COX youngest of six children, possesses excellent reputation, had no apparent reason to voluntarily leave West Point, had no known enemies and gave no indication he might leave West Point. Relatives of COX at Mansfield claim absolutely no knowledge of his whereabouts. Search of COX's room in Mansfield made with negative results. Mail written by him to family and fiance reveal nothing to identify "ALICE" or Snapshots of unidentified military personnel obtained from personal effects of COX. GORDAN KENNEDY, former cadet at West Point reports COX told him of head injury causing severe headaches; not verified at Mansfield. JOSEPH GRONER, former close friend of COX while in U. S. Army, denies knowledge of subjects whereabouts. fiance of COX at Mansfield, claims no knowledge of COX's whereabouts and can suggest no reason for his leaving West Point. Anonymous letter to Mrs COX reports person believed identical

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Details: At Mansfield, Ohio:

Mrs. RUPERT F. COX, Sr., 554 Cook Road, Mansfield, Ohio, advised that her son RICHARD C. COX was born in Mansfield, Ohio on July 25, 1928 and is the youngest of six children. She stated he attended school in Mansfield, graduating from high school in 1946. Thereafter, working as a truck driver for the National Ice Company of Mansfield until September of 1946 when he enlisted in the U. S. Army. Mrs. COX advised that her son was first assigned at Camp Atterbury, Indiana, and very shortly thereafter transferred to Fort Knox, Kentucky where he remained until the Christmas of 1946. She stated that he was transferred from Fort Knox to Camp Kilmer, New Jersey, going overseas to Germany on February 4, 1947. Mrs. COX advised that her son returned from Germany by plane on January 25, 1948 to enter West Point Preparatory School, prior to enrollment at the U. S. Military Academy at West Point.

Mrs. COX stated that her son came to Mansfield whenever it was possible for him to get a vacation, and never expressed a desire to live or visit anywhere other than Mansfield. She said that he planned to make the army his career, because he would have ten years toward his retirement when he finished West Point.

Mrs. COX advised that her husband, who has been deceased for many years, formerly operated an insurance agency in Mansfield and that Mrs. COX has maintained control of this agency until recently, in the event RICHARD COX desired to handle that business.

Mrs. COX advised that her son has no bank account available to him and has never utilized her checking account. She stated that a service account was opened in 1928 by her husband in the name of RICHARD COX and that the balance on February 20, 1950 is \$459.06. Mrs. COX said that she has in her possession the pass book for this account and that she has handled all deposits and withdrawals from this account since her son has been in the army.

Mrs. COX stated that she received advice by telephone from West Point on January 14, 1950 that her son had mysteriously disappeared.

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She stated that since that time she has received no word whatsoever from her son and has received no information indicating his possible whereabouts.

Mrs. COX said that she has been contacted by Special Agents of the CID, U. S. Army and from information furnished by them, she has determined that all of the civilian clothing known to belong to RICHARD COX is accounted for -- indicating that he is wearing his uniform or else recently purchased new civilian clothing.

Mrs. COX also advised that she likewise determined that her son could have no more than \$5.00 on his person at the time he left West Point. She pointed out that a material fact is evident, in that COX left in his room at West Point, a wrist watch which he prized highly and which he would probably have taken with him, had he left voluntarily.

Mrs. COX stated that there is no correspondence belonging to her son at his home. She advised that letters in her possession which he had written to her while in the army as well as at West Point, have been searched by her for any information to identify "ALICE" or [redacted] whom the newspapers reported as probably having some connection with this case.

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Mrs. COX further pointed out that her son merely wrote of his personal activities and showed that his letters usually described a particular place he had seen. A review of these letters failed to reflect any information to indicate her son had ever testified in a trial of any sort while in the U. S. Army.

Mrs. COX readily permitted a search of the room of RICHARD COX, which reflected nothing of even suggested value in an investigation to locate COX.

A review of numerous snapshots belonging to RICHARD COX reflected that most of them were of unidentified military personnel and a group of forty photographs were furnished by Mrs. COX, with a request that they be later returned. These photographs were reviewed with the assistance of JOSEPH GRONER, who was formerly closely associated with the subject while they were both in the army. GRONER advised that these photographs apparently are mostly of men who were assigned in the same outfit as COX just prior to COX's return to the United States. GRONER stated he was not assigned to the same outfit as COX at that time and so does not know the identity of these people.

GRONER further pointed out that COX received his appointment to West Point while assigned to this outfit, so that personnel of this group would be the only military associates of COX who would have generally known

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he went to West Point.

Mrs. RUPERT COX advised that she had received a visit from GORDON KENNEDY, who was formerly a cadet at West Point in 1948 while her son was a pleb at that time. Mrs. COX advised that KENNEDY was never in close acquaintance of her son, but that he now reports her son told him at West Point in 1948 that he was suffering terrific headaches as a result of a head injury incurred either while overseas or while on furlough.

Mrs. COX stated that she is a Christian Science Reader, and her entire family possess that faith, so that there is no family doctor which her son might have contacted regarding the head injury. She stated her son was on furlough in the summer of 1948 at Mansfield, and went swimming several times at the Westbrook Country Club and each time was accompanied by his fiance, [REDACTED] who has told Mrs. COX that her son never suffered from any head injury to her knowledge. b6 b7c

Mrs. COX advised that her son had a minor automobile accident in Mansfield, Ohio in March of 1948, at which time he suffered no injuries whatsoever and that he had another accident on April 24, 1948, at which time he was slightly shaken up but was not struck on the head and required no medical attention.

Mrs. COX advised that her son became informally engaged to a local girl named [REDACTED] when she visited him at West Point over Christmas of 1948. Mrs. COX said that her son was home on vacation over Christmas of 1949, during which time he was constantly in the company of his fiance. Mrs. COX stated that she and [REDACTED] drove her son to Cleveland, Ohio on January 1, 1949 where he got a train to return to West Point. She said her son met a cadet from Cleveland who was an associate of the subject in intramural sports at West Point, but whose name she could not recall. Mrs. COX said that her son appeared reluctant to return to West Point at that time because he had enjoyed his vacation so much, and because he disliked leaving his family and fiance. She said he had plans to meet his fiance in New York City in March, and gave absolutely no indication that he was thinking of leaving West Point. Mrs. COX stated that the subject called his fiance on January 2, 1950 from Highland Falls, New York, to see if they had gotten home the day before without difficulty. She said her last letter from her son was written the Tuesday night before his disappearance, at which time he indicated no despondency nor did he tell of any plans whatsoever. b6 b7c

Mrs. COX advised that her son had the only daily Mansfield newspaper sent to him at West Point, and stated he is so interested in the

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activities in Mansfield that she believes he would obtain this paper if it were at all possible. Mrs. COX advised that because of this she has established contact with the Mansfield News Journal and regularly reviews correspondence from persons newly acquiring subscriptions to that paper. She said this is being done by her to possibly identify her sons writing with that of a new subscriber under a different name. She advised that should her son obtain this paper through his true name, she will be immediately notified.

Mrs. COX advised that in addition to herself, the following persons are members of the subject's immediate family:

Brother, [redacted]
Age [redacted]
[redacted] Mansfield, Ohio

Sister, [redacted]
Age [redacted]
[redacted] Mansfield, Ohio

Sister, [redacted]
Age [redacted]
[redacted] Mansfield, Ohio

Sister, [redacted]
Age [redacted]
[redacted] Mansfield, Ohio

Sister, [redacted]
Age [redacted]
[redacted] Mansfield, Ohio

Mrs. COX, together with [redacted] recalled the following friends and associates of RICHARD COX:

MANSFIELD ASSOCIATES

ROBERT GANDERT, presently attending Brown University.

JAMES KELLEY, 389 West 3rd Street, presently attending U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis.

ARNOLD ADAMS, Woodhill Road, presently attending Ohio State University.

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RICHARD HOSLER, Marion Avenue, presently attending
Dennison University.

[redacted] Marion Avenue, presently attending
Dennison University.

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SHERRY CARR, 61 Parkwood Boulevard, presently attending
Ohio State University.

LOUIS SNAVELY, Western Avenue, presently attending
Whittenberg College.

ARMY ASSOCIATES

MARVIN FARNFEL, Box 126, Jasper, Michigan.

JOSEPH GRONER, Langhorn, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

[redacted] New York City.

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TOM AYERS, USMA, West Point. (Cadet)

Cadet JOHN BURCIAGA, USMA, West Point.

Cadet CHESTER HOWELLS, USMA, West Point.

Miss [redacted] Mansfield, Ohio,
advised that she is twenty years old and has known RICHARD COX for the
past eight years, both having graduated from Mansfield schools. She said
that she first began dating RICHARD COX in the summer of 1946, prior to his
entry into military service. Miss [redacted] said that she visited the subject
at West Point during the Christmas of 1948, at which time they became engaged
informally. She said that she again visited the subject for ten days at Camp
Buckner, New York, where he was stationed from West Point during August and
September of 1949. She said that she corresponded with COX infrequently while
he was in the U. S. Army, but since their engagement in 1948, has corresponded
with him regularly.

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A review of the correspondence in the possession of Miss
[redacted] failed to reflect anything to identify "ALICE" or [redacted] and
apparently contained nothing of assistance to locate COX.

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Miss [redacted] recalled COX being in Mansfield on twenty-eight
days leave prior to July 4, 1949, during which time they were constant

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companions. She stated that to her knowledge he never had a head injury and never told her personally or in his letters of suffering from headaches. She said that she was with him in 1948 when he had one of two minor accidents, and that no one was hurt, nor had COX suffered any head injury.

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Miss [] stated that the subject spent Christmas of 1949 in Mansfield, during which time she discussed with him his plans to remain at West Point and to make the army his career. She stated that they also planned for her to come to New York City on March 16th, where he would meet her at 3:00 PM, the place to be later arranged and she would find work so that she could remain closer to West Point.

Miss [] advised that in view of his disappearance, she has no intention of going to New York City on March 16th.

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Miss [] recalled that she and COX visited the home of MARGE GOODMAN in Mansfield on New Years Eve, but that MARGE GOODMAN is no more than a distant acquaintance of RICHARD COX. Miss [] advised that the subject drank liquor infrequently and that he is a very poor drinker because a few drinks seem to affect him considerably.

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Miss [] said that she and Mrs. COX drove the subject to Cleveland, Ohio on January 1, 1950 where he got a train to return to West Point. She advised that he telephoned her from Highland Falls, New York about 2:00 PM on January 2, 1950 to learn that she and his mother had returned home safely from Cleveland. She advised that he told her in this telephone conversation that he was drinking beer with several other cadets.

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Miss [] displayed a letter written by COX that same night, which contained nothing more than personal items.

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The last letter written to [] by RICHARD COX was written either January 11th or 12th, 1950, at which time he stated that he had been studying his Russian lessons and the letter was finished the following day. This letter contained a statement to the effect that COX would leave West Point at that time if it weren't for the fact that his civilian clothes were at the cleaners, and inferring that his reason was a desire to be with Miss []

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Miss [] stated that she knows nothing to indicate the possible whereabouts of COX since the date of his disappearance. She said he never mentioned having participated in a murder trial while in the army, and that he never indicated a friendship with a former Army Officer who might have contacted him at West Point.

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Miss [] said that the subject never expressed a desire to visit anywhere but Mansfield, and recalled that when they were discussing a possible honeymoon trip, he had said the only place he might like to go for a visit was the State of California.

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Both Miss [] and Mrs. COX stated that they would immediately advise this Bureau, should they receive any indication of the subject's whereabouts. Furthermore, they pointed out that newspaper and radio reporters were becoming such a nuisance that they would attempt to avoid publicity as much as possible.

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The other members of the family of Mrs. RUPERT F. COX were questioned concerning the subject, with no additional information being obtained other than that reported by Mrs. COX and Miss []

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Mr. JOSEPH EDWARD GRONER, Super Highway Langhorn, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, advised while on a visit to Mansfield, that he was probably the closest friend COX had when in the U. S. Army.

GRONER said that he and COX met at Camp Kilmer, New Jersey about February of 1947. He stated that both went overseas to Bremerhaven, Germany on the ship, "GENERAL HOWZE". He stated they were both assigned in the Sixth Constabulary Squadron at Marburg, then to Bayruth and then to Colburg, Germany. He stated COX was T-5 and then assigned to the 28th Constabulary Squadron at Schweinfurth, Germany, at which time GRONER was assigned to the 53rd Constabulary Squadron, and it was possible for them to see one another only occasionally.

GRONER stated that he corresponded regularly with COX since that time, and knew of COX being appointed to West Point, pointing out that the only military personnel having general knowledge of his appointment would be those men assigned to the 28th Constabulary Squadron.

GRONER said he last saw COX in the fall of 1948 for a few minutes following an Army-Navy Football Game. He said that COX furnished him with tickets to the Army-Navy Football Game in November of 1949, but that he did not see COX on this occasion. He stated he is of the opinion that COX received six tickets for this game and furnished five to GRONER. He stated that he is unable to state who received the sixth ticket, but believes it may have been a young girl who was sitting alone next to GRONER's party. GRONER stated it is possible that Cadets JACK PILK, USMA, might be able to advise who received this sixth ticket or may be able to identify this girl who may have been furnished her ticket by COX.

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GRONER stated he asked in his letter to COX if COX knew this girl who sat next to their party at the Army-Navy Football Game, but received no reply. GRONER stated he didn't see COX after this game because he later explained it was necessary for him to leave immediately with the track team to go to Michigan.

GRONER said that he and COX were planning to get together some weekend in January or February 1950 and had tentatively chosen the site of Trenton, New Jersey for no particular reason. He said that he had told COX on many occasions that if he were ever in trouble or needed help, COX should come to GRONER and could obtain any financial or other material assistance he might need.

GRONER stated that although COX has not contacted him, that he knows nothing of his whereabouts. He does not believe that COX has been the victim of foul play, mainly because of the good physical condition of COX. GRONER suggested that COX may have suddenly decided to voluntarily leave West Point without utilizing the normal procedure of resigning, and did so upon the spur of the moment for some unknown reason.

GRONER said he is quite certain that COX never was involved in any murder trial in Germany and said that he has no conception of who "ALICE" or might be.

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GRONER stated that COX is acquainted with two former officers of the 6th Constabulary Squadron who are presently both at West Point and who are Captain WARREN TAYLOR, formerly S1 or S3 Officer and Colonel McKENZIE, formerly Squadron C. O. He said COX is also acquainted with RICHARD GILLIGAN of Elizabeth, New Jersey, and also a friend of GILLIGAN's by the name of DONALD FROST of either Clifton or Clinton, New Jersey.

GRONER advised that he has been contacted by CID Agents, and that he will advise them as well as this Bureau immediately upon receipt of any information to indicate the possible whereabouts of COX.

Mr. GORDAN JAMES KENNEDY, 1672 Summit Street, Columbus, Ohio, was interviewed at the time of a visit with Mrs. COX in Mansfield, Ohio. KENNEDY states that his father, M. J. KENNEDY resides at RFD No. 1, Bucyrus and that he is presently a student at Ohio State University. KENNEDY advised that he was a cadet at USMA at West Point in 1948 at which time Mr. COX was a pleb. KENNEDY said he had known RICHARD COX through having met him on one previous occasion and is positive that it was COX whom he met one day in 1948 in the area barracks of the Military Academy. KENNEDY advised that COX looked

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ill and he inquired if there was anything wrong, to which COX volunteered the information that he was suffering severe headaches and had occasional lapses of memory as a result of a head injury. KENNEDY said he is not certain whether COX said this head injury was incurred while he was on "furlough" or whether he said it was received when he had been swimming on vacation.

KENNEDY said further that COX told him that he did not want West Point Officials to know of these headaches for fear that they would dismiss him.

KENNEDY advised that he was never a close associate of COX and that he knows of no reason why COX should have given him this information and that he never had another occasion to discuss the matter with COX.

Mrs. RUPERT COX advised at a later date that she learned that GORDAN KENNEDY had resided from West Point on March 21, 1949 because of a leg injury and that he is reportedly from a responsible family.

Mrs. COX further stated that KENNEDY visited her about March 23, 1950 at which time he told of having been hit on the head while walking the streets of Columbus, Ohio recently, and that he had received telephonic threats from an unknown man telling him to stay out of the matter concerning the disappearance of COX. Mrs. COX stated that KENNEDY appeared to her to be suffering a mental disorder, and suggested that his activities might be checked on the date of the disappearance of her son.

[redacted] Mansfield, Ohio, advised that he is a detective of the Mansfield Police Department and is a graduate of the FBI National Academy. He stated he married the subject's [redacted] on April 25, 1948 and has been extremely close to the entire COX family since the disappearance of Cadet COX.

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[redacted] stated he assisted Special Agent JOSEPH M. CAVANAUGH, 17th M.P. - CID, Brooklyn Army Base, New York City, when CAVANAUGH conducted investigation concerning the disappearance of COX in Mansfield about January 28, 1950. [redacted] stated that he has been in close contact with the CID, advising them of developments in this matter. He said he wrote a letter to the FBI at Washington, D. C. on January 28, 1950 requesting a missing person notice be published by that Bureau and a stop placed on the subject's identification record. [redacted] stated that he can furnish no information in addition to that furnished by the subject's mother, other than to suggest that Cadet COX was suffering from a hang-over at the time he allegedly explained his appearance of being ill to GORDAN KENNEDY.

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[] said he has no information to indicate what may have happened to Cadet COX, but that he would immediately report any new information to the Bureau.

[] further said that this matter has received so much publicity through the radio and newspapers that nearly everyone who is acquainted with Cadet COX knows of his disappearance and are writing letters of solice to members of the COX family. [] stated he is certain that no member of the COX family have any information to reveal his whereabouts, and advised that he will make every effort to see that they would report to this office any information they might receive in the future.

Detective [] furnished a copy of identification data together with a photograph of Cadet COX which was distributed by the CID.

Mr. C. N. SUTTON, Executive Vice President of the Richland Trust Company, Mansfield, Ohio, checked his records to verify a savings account in the name of RICHARD COX which was opened in 1928. This account reflects no unusual deposits or withdrawals in 1949 and had a high balance on December 21, 1947 of \$1,032.68. Its present balance being \$459.06. Mr. SUTTON stated that the bank has made no recent loans to RICHARD COX and that he is not authorized on any checking account at that bank. He advised that he would immediately contact this Bureau, should the bank receive any indication that COX is attempting to withdraw his money.

Detective [] made available copies of several letters received by him and Mrs. COX, one of these letters is postmarked Marion, Ohio, February 27, 1950, addressed to Mrs. RUPERT COX, Mansfield, Ohio and is anonymous. This letter states the writer was listening to a radio program in California several weeks prior to that time and one of the contestants stated his name was RICHARD COX and that he was from Mansfield, Ohio. The writer of this letter tells of recalling that the master of ceremonies asked if the contestant was related to former Governor COX of Ohio, to which the contestant replied that he didn't think so, but could be. This anonymous writer further states the contestant said he was not married and answered other personal questions which he doesn't recount. This anonymous writer states that she is no crank but is writing because she has several children of her own, as well as grandchildren, and realizes the anxiety of Mrs. COX.

Another letter received by [] dated March 26, 1950 refers also to a contestant on a give-away program being identical with the subject. The writer of this letter is Mrs. FLORENCE H. GILLMAN, 155½ Prospect Street, Amhurst, Ohio, who advised Special Agent DAVID A. SHAPIRO that she

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heard a contestant give the name of RICHARD COX on a quiz program about two months ago. She stated that he was a participant on either WALTER O'KEEFE's "Double or Nothing", or TOMMY BARTLETT and JIM AMECHE's "Welcome Traveler" program. Mrs. GILLMAN said that she heard this program some time after mid January, 1950, and several days latter read a newspaper story concerning COX, thereby connecting the two incidents. She remembered the quiz master mentioning the contestant being a cadet, and asking the contestant what he was doing at that time, to which the contestant replied he was travelling on furlough or leave.

Mrs. GILLMAN stated further that the contestant also told that the courses at the academy were sometimes very difficult. Mrs. GILLMAN states that she had the impression the quiz master thought COX was on a lark and she has the further impression that COX was in cadet uniform at the time.

On March 19, 1950, Mr. LLOYD LUST, proprietor of City Service Filling Station, Mt. Gilead, Ohio, telephonically contacted the Cleveland Office of the FBI to report that a man answering the subject's description had made several purchases at LUST's Filling Station and had recently left a coat with LUST as a guarantee that he would return to pay him the debt.

Mr. LUST advised this person was driving a new station wagon, had a young woman with him and claimed to have recently been married.

As a result of an investigation conducted by the Cincinnati Division, Special Agent RICHARD J. NELSON identified the person LLOYD LUST reported as being identical with the subject, and after questioning this person Special Agent NELSON was advised by [redacted] of Painesville, Ohio that subject is not identical with COX.

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ENCLOSURE: TO THE NEW YORK DIVISION; Forty photographs of various military personnel.

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A mail cover is being maintained on all mail to Mrs. RUPERT COX and Miss [redacted] which as to date has reflected nothing which has been considered a logical lead.

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A review of toll calls of Mrs. RUPERT COX was reviewed without developing any logical lead.

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LEADS

THE NEW YORK DIVISION:

At New York:

Will consider setting forth leads to contact former associates of COX, most of whom have reportedly been contacted in this matter by CID Agents.

At West Point:

Will display the enclosed photographs to WARREN TAYLOR and former Colonel MCKENZIE, in an effort to have COX's army associates identified and thereafter return the photographs to the Cleveland Division so that they may be returned to Mrs. COX.

THE CLEVELAND DIVISION:

At Mansfield, Ohio:

Will maintain contact with the COX family.

REFERENCES:

Teletype from New York City to Cleveland, dated February 17, 1950.

Teletype from Cleveland to the Director, dated March 23, 1950.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: April 25, 1950

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND

SUBJECT: RICHARD C. COX, CADET
U.S. MILITARY ACADEMY
WEST POINT, NEW YORK
MISSING PERSON

Re Philadelphia letter to Director dated April 4, 1950.

Detective [] NA, Mansfield, Ohio Police Department, advised that he was contacted by JOSEPH EDWARD GRONER, R. D. #3, Langhorn, Pennsylvania, during the time that GRONER was visiting COX's mother in Mansfield, Ohio. Detective [] said that he and GRONER had a long discussion about COX's friends, acquaintances and experiences overseas, and that GRONER related to him the story of attending the Army and Navy Game of 1949, and noticing a young lady approximately nineteen years of age, 5'7" in height, medium build, reddish-brown hair, wearing a fur coat, sitting next to GRONER's party at the game.

Detective [] advised further that he and GRONER then reviewed photographs in the possession of COX's family, and that from these photographs GRONER selected two containing pictures of an unidentified girl whom GRONER believed to be identical with the girl that sat next to GRONER's party at the Army-Navy Game of 1949.

Detective [] related that GRONER had stated that his, GRONER's, girlfriend was sitting next to this unidentified girl at the football game and would probably be more able to identify her than GRONER himself.

Detective [] furnished the Cleveland Division with copies of these two photographs and they are being forwarded to the Philadelphia Division as enclosures with this letter.

The Philadelphia Division is requested to contact JOSEPH EDWARD GRONER and ascertain from him the identity of his girlfriend. The Philadelphia Division is also requested to interview this girl and show her the enclosed pictures to ascertain if this girl is identical with the girl who sat next to the Groner Party at the Army-Navy Football Game of 1949.

The Philadelphia Division is further requested to forward copies of these photographs to the New York Division upon completion of their interview with GRONER's girlfriend, in order that the New York Office may attempt to identify the unknown girl at West Point, New York.

A copy of this letter is being designated for the New York Office because it is office of origin and because subsequent investigation will be necessary there upon completion of the investigation by the Philadelphia Division.

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 RICHARD COLVIN COX, CADET, US MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST POINT, NY, MISSING
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 WARDER TO WEST POINT BY DETECTIVE [REDACTED] MANSFIELD, OHIO
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 POINT. UNIDENTIFIED GIRL MENTIONED BY GROMED AS ATTENDING ARMY-NAVY
 GAME HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED BY CADET JACK PILK AS JEAN CARR, WELLS COLLEGE,
 ARORA, NY. CARR INTERVIEWED BY ALBANY OFFICE. CONTRIBUTED NOTHING
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR: FBI

DATE: MAY 2, 1950

FROM : SAC: NEWARK

SUBJECT: RICHARD C. COX-CADET
 SERIAL NUMBER C-8132
 UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY
 WEST POINT, NEW YORK
 MISSING PERSON

Reference is made to New York teletypes to the Bureau and Newark dated 3/14,21/50 and 4/5/50.

The following persons were interviewed to obtain background information on

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Detective JOSEPH LAWLOR of the Bergenfield, New Jersey Police Department advised that he had interviewed with a CID Agent in connection with the disappearance of COX. LAWLOR stated that at that time, denied having any knowledge of COX's whereabouts, but admitted knowing him in the Army and stated that he had not seen or heard from COX since they were together in Germany with the United States Army. LAWLOR advised that was a Displaced Person and is presently living with her husband and working at the MART KNITTING MILLS, 26 Palisade Avenue, Bergenfield, New Jersey. LAWLOR advised that he had made inquiry at this place of employment and ascertained that was a very good worker and was very highly thought of by her employers. LAWLOR also advised that he and the CID Agent had ascertained that had purchased a 1950 blue Plymouth sedan from RICHARD's MOTORS on January 27, 1950 and had paid all cash for this car except for a one hundred dollar check.

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Mr. V. V. BANTA, Treasurer, People's Trust Company, Main Street, Hackensack, New Jersey, advised that his bank had loaned \$1800 for the purchase of instant Plymouth under the New Jersey Veteran's Plan, and that the loan was made on the basis of the fact that needed a car for his business, which at that time was insurance. was employed by the MANCHESTER AGENCY of Maywood, New Jersey.

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JAMES G. MANCHESTER, III, 473 Davison Street, Maywood, New Jersey, a partner in the MANCHESTER INSURANCE AGENCY and a Special Patrolman for the Maywood, New Jersey Police Department, advised that had worked for him from December 5, 1949 until February 15, 1950 as an insurance agent on general insurance under the on-the-job training program of the Veterans Administration. For this training

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received \$125 per month from the Federal Government and \$100 per month from MANCHESTER. MANCHESTER stated that [redacted] left of his own accord, but his termination was reached by mutual understanding in that MANCHESTER did not believe that [redacted] further, that MANCHESTER felt that [redacted] Mr. MANCHESTER advised that he could not state where [redacted] was on January 14, 1950 as his organization only operated five days a week.

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[redacted] was interviewed at his present residence of [redacted] Street, New Milford, New Jersey, and he advised as follows:

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He was born on [redacted] in New York City, although he cannot prove this as no record of his birthdate exists. He is presently unemployed, but is looking for work. His mother and father are divorced and his mother has re-married and is living in New York City. He entered the Army on active duty on April 28, 1944 and went overseas on November 15, 1944. He re-enlisted in Europe and returned to the United States for Leave. On the completion of his Leave he returned to Germany. He became acquainted with COX while both were attached to the 6th Constabulary in Germany during the months of May, June and July, 1947. During this time COX was [redacted] clerk. At the end of these three months COX and [redacted] were transferred to different units and he never saw COX again. [redacted] advised that he never knew that COX was at West Point until he saw an article in a New York paper on February 18, 1950 stating that COX was missing. He said that he has never been to West Point.

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[redacted] continued to relate that with regard to his whereabouts on January 14, 1950 he recalls this date well as he and his wife went to a basketball game at the Teaneck Armory with his uncle, aunt and their child. He stated that this was a wheelchair basketball game and he displayed a program for the game. It was a game between the Jersey Wheelers and the Bullovas which game started at 8:00 p. m., and he stated that he and his [redacted] were supposed to have dinner with his aunt and uncle, [redacted] and then go to the game, but for some reason they did not meet at dinner and the [redacted] picked them up at approximately 7:30 p. m. at [redacted] residence which at that time was 52 East Linden Avenue, Dumont, New Jersey. They stayed at the game until it was over and then went to a roadside stand where they remained until about 12:30 a. m. the next morning at which time they returned home and retired.

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[redacted] stated that he could not accurately account for the time before approximately 7:30 p. m. on this date, but believes that he and his wife remained at their residence from about 5:00 p. m. and that they had dinner at home. Photographs of [redacted] were taken and these have been forwarded to the New York Office.

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In addition, the New York Office requested that it be ascertained what kind of an overcoat [] possessed. [] permitted an examination of his wardrobe and it was ascertained that he possessed two coats, one of which is a covert cloth overcoat best described as between gray and green in color, and a raincoat in regulation Army cloth.

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[] advised that he married his wife, whose maiden name is [] on June 30, 1948 in Germany. [] was working for the United States Army in Germany although she is a native of Russia. During the invasion of Russia by Germany, [] was captured by the Germans and returned to Germany for use as slave labor. [] was born on [] in Tschernjachow, Russia and when [] was removed by the Germans she had a brother and sister in Russia, but she does not know if they are still living or not. Her parents are dead. While [] and [] were in Germany, [] received notification from the Russian Government stating that she was a Russian National and as such should immediately return to Russia. They ignored this notice and have not received any word from the Russian Government since that time.

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JOSEPH RUSSELL, 57 Court Street, Hackensack, New Jersey, employed by the CENTRAL ROOFING COMPANY, Maywood, New Jersey, advised that his wife, JEAN, from whom he is now separated, is [] aunt. He confirmed [] story about the fact that the [] he and his wife and child, were all together from approximately 7:30 p. m. January 14, 1950 until approximately 12:30 a. m. the following morning during which time they attended a wheelchair basketball game at the Teaneck Armory, Teaneck, New Jersey. He stated that he has not talked to [] since that date.

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Deputy Chief FRANK ALOIA, Garfield, New Jersey Police Department, advised on March 23, 1950 that on March 20, 1950 two boys, FRANK PAPAROZZI, JR., age 15 of 50 Spencer Place, Garfield, New Jersey, a Sophomore at the Garfield High School, and ROY W. GERRITSEN, age 15 of 120 Passaic Street, Garfield, New Jersey, also a Sophomore at the high school, came to Garfield Police Headquarters and advised as follows:

The boys stated that several months ago while walking along the banks of the Passaic River near GERRITSEN's father's garage on River Road, they saw a pair of gray trousers with a black stripe running down the side of the trousers, a pair of black shoes and a gray shirt. They stated that while reading the New York newspapers about the missing cadet from West Point the boys thought that the clothing they saw several months ago might have some connection with the missing cadet.

ROY GERRITSEN and FRANK PAPAROZZI were interviewed at the Garfield High School and they advised that on a Saturday afternoon in January, which they believed to be January 21, 1950, about 2:00 or 3:00 p. m. they were walking along the banks

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of the Passaic River and they saw some clothing about five or six feet from the bottom of the bank. The tide was out at the time and the clothing was on that portion of the bank of the river which would be covered at high tide. The boys walked down to the clothing and examined it. It consisted of a pair of gray trousers with a black stripe down either side of the leg, a pair of plain black shoes and a gray or bluish-gray shirt. The shirt was on the order of a sport shirt with a wide collar. All pieces of clothing were dry and in good condition and it appeared to them that they had been recently thrown there from the top of the bank. The boys did not pick up the shirt or the shoes, but GERRITSEN did pick up the pants and examine them. Because of the fact that they thought there might be something wrong with the pieces of clothing, they left them there and thought no more about it until they read about COX's disappearance from West Point, at which time they went to the Police Department to report this episode. Before going to the police, however, they returned to the spot where they had seen the clothing and found that it had gone.

A search of the banks of the Passaic River was immediately undertaken, but no trace of the clothing was found. In addition, inquiry was made of persons along the banks to ascertain if they had noticed any such clothing or whether they had seen any suspicious activity along the banks on the 21st of January with negative results.

FRANK JESSUP and HAROLD LEEK of GIBSON & CUSHMAN, INCORPORATED, who have operated a dredge on the Passaic River since February, 1950 below the spot where the clothing was seen, advised that their dredge had picked up nothing resembling the described clothing.

A West Point Cadet uniform was obtained from EUGENE TRAWIANSKI, 719 Midland Avenue, Garfield, New Jersey, who is a former West Point Cadet having been discharged from the Academy in July, 1948 because of a nervous breakdown. TRAWIANSKI advised that he did not know COX.

The West Point uniform was discussed with TRAWIANSKI and he advised that all trousers have a little "V" in the back of the pants about one inch in length and that all have a cadet store label in them on which the name of the cadet is stamped. TRAWIANSKI stated that it would be against regulations for a cadet to wear a sport shirt under his dress uniform as only a "T" shirt is regulation.

The trousers and shoes obtained from TRAWIANSKI were shown to FRANK PAPAROZZI and ROY GERRITSEN and PAPAROZZI stated the trousers appeared to be about the same except that the stripe on the side of the trousers appeared to be somewhat thinner than on those which they had observed in the Passaic River. GERRITSEN stated that the material of the pants appeared to be about the same, but that the stripe on the side of TRAWIANSKI's trousers appeared to be wider than on the trousers seen in the river. GERRITSEN stated that the "V" cut in the back of TRAWIANSKI's trousers did not

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exist in the trousers seen in the river. In addition, GERRITSEN stated that on the trousers seen in the river he had noticed that there was a name printed on the back inside section of the wasteband, and that this name consisted of six or seven letters. He said he is almost positive that the first two letters of the name were "MA". He advised also that all letters were in capitals and written in indelible ink.

The New York Office was requested to obtain a detailed description of the West Point dress uniform and they advised that the dress type trousers all contain a "V" cut in the back.

In view of the fact that COX was wearing a dress uniform at the time of his disappearance, and that the trousers seen by PAPAROZZI and GERRITSEN in the Passaic River contained no "V" cut in the back, it does not appear likely that the trousers seen in the Passaic River were those of COX.

The New York Office advised by telephone on March 23, 1950 that they had received information that two unidentified bodies had been found in the Delaware River. It was ascertained from the State Police at Flemington, New Jersey, that the body taken from the Delaware River near Frenchtown, New Jersey, had been positively identified as the body of one CHARLES DWYER, a resident of Phillipsburg, New Jersey. No information was developed by the State or local Police at Frenchtown in regard to any uniform being seen near the river.

It was ascertained from the Camden, New Jersey Police Department in regard to a body of an unidentified man having been taken from the water near Camden, New Jersey, that no identification has been made of this body, but from the description of the many tattoos appearing on the body it appears that this body is not identical to COX.

Captain THOMAS McCANN, Passaic, New Jersey Police Department, advised that there has been no body taken from the Passaic River since the date of COX's disappearance and that should any body be discovered in the river, regardless of its location, all municipalities adjacent to the river will be notified. Captain McCANN stated he would immediately notify this Office in the event that it is not identifiable. Captain McCANN stated that in his opinion any body which had been in the river since January, 1950 would have appeared at the surface and been discovered by this time.

In view of the fact that no further investigation appears warranted at this time, this matter is being considered referred upon completion to the office of origin.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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RICHARD COLVIN COX, USMAWP, MP. FOR INFO - RACAG AUTHORITIES HAVE RECEIVED REQUEST FROM CHIEF, TENTH CID, FIRST ARMY, THREE NINE WHITEHALL ST., NYC, FOR DENTAL RECORD AND/OR CHART FOR COX. RUC.

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Report made by:

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Title:
RICHARD C. COX, Cadet U. S. Military Academy,
West Point, New York

Character of Case:
MISSING PERSON

Synopsis of Facts: DONALD R. FULLER, Agawam, Massachusetts, a former member of the 27th Constabulary Squadron in Germany with RICHARD COX, advised a Corporal MARTIN, jeep driver for the 28th Squadron, was the only person he and LUTHER BARRETT, another former member of the squadron, could recall as fitting the description of [Redacted] Corporal MARTIN'S first name unknown, and FULLER described him as a person of good character and a "clean out fellow". MARTIN'S description set out. RONALD H. PROVOST, Springfield, Massachusetts, advised RICHARD COX unknown to him. PFC, DEGAN, Lowell, Massachusetts, named as another member of the 27th Constabulary Squadron in Germany. [Redacted] unknown to PROVOST. ROBERT GANDERT, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, advised COX was his closest friend and they attended high school together in Mansfield, Ohio. He last saw COX in Mansfield on New Years when they went out with their girl friends together. JAMES KELLY, Annapolis, a close friend of COX. GANDERT cannot understand reason for COX'S disappearance. COX had no family, girl friend or financial worries.

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DETAILS: The following investigation at Agawam and Springfield, Massachusetts was conducted by SA JAMES MOFFITT.

Mr. DONALD R. FULLER, 63 Central Street, Agawam, Massachusetts, advised that he and COX were members of the 27th Constabulary Squadron in Schweinfurt, Germany, from approximately June of 1947 to December 31, 1947. He stated he could not recall anyone in the Squadron who disliked COX, that COX was never in any trouble, and that he was a "good, clean fellow."

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FULLER further advised that on April 3, 1950, he had visited LUTHER BARRETT in Essex, Connecticut, and that they had talked about COX being missing from the Military Academy, and that they had both reached the conclusion that the only one that they could recall, fitting the description of [] was one Corporal (FNU) MARTIN. FULLER stated that MARTIN'S description was as follows:

Age:	24 or 25	Hair:	Blond (crew cut)
Height:	5'10"	Eyes:	Grey
Weight:	175 lbs.	Complexion:	Light

Had a full face, and always smoked cigars.

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FULLER said that in April of 1947 he joined the 27th Constabulary Squadron and that in August of 1947 the 27th was changed to the 28th Constabulary Squadron. He stated that he had never been a very close associate of COX'S and that he came in contact with him while on official Squadron duties and at some of the "free time" activities, namely at the Post Exchange, Mess Hall and Enlisted Men's Club.

FULLER advised that he first became acquainted with Corporal MARTIN in December of 1947; that MARTIN was a jeep driver for the 28th Squadron; that he could not recall MARTIN'S first name, and that he found MARTIN appeared to be a person of good character. He described MARTIN as "a clean cut fellow".

FULLER said that he could not recall anyone who had served with him in Germany whose first name was [] and that it was his opinion that COX would not have left the Military Academy at West Point, New York, on his own, without first advising the authorities, as COX was a "good soldier".

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FULLER stated that LUTHER BARRETT, 33 Main Street, Essex, Connecticut, mentioned above, might possibly have a picture of Corporal MARTIN, described in this memo.

RONALD H. PROVOST, 55 Clifton Avenue, Springfield, Massachusetts, advised that he did not know RICHARD C. COX, or anyone else who had been an enlisted man with him in the 27th or 28th Constabulary Squadron in Germany, and who had later been a Cadet at the West Point Military Academy. He stated that he could not recall anyone, whose first name was [] who had been a member of the 27th or 28th Constabulary Squadron with him in Germany.

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PROVOST said that he had been assigned to the 27th Constabulary Squadron, and that he left for the United States in January of 1948. He stated that while with the 27th and 28th Constabulary he had been assigned to the Headquarters Troop and had been a reporter for the Squadron newspaper, "Comet Comments" as well as one of the Squadron mail clerk's.

Upon reviewing a picture album of fellow soldiers of the 27th and 28th Constabulary Squadron, PROVOST advised that the only one who possibly would fit the description of [] was one soldier who is known to PROVOST as "BUDDY". PROVOST described "BUDDY" as follows:

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Age:	22	Hair:	Dirty blond (crew cut)
Height:	5'10" or 5'	Complexion:	Light
Weight:	150 to 160 lbs.		Full Face

PROVOST stated that he does not have any information regarding "BUDDY"; that he knew him to be a member of the 27th Constabulary; that he had met "BUDDY" while on a Camera Tour in Coburg, Germany in April of 1947 and had taken a picture of "BUDDY". The writer obtained a picture of "BUDDY" from PROVOST, who requested that it be returned to him, and it is enclosed herewith.

PROVOST further advised that the only one he knew who was a member of the 27th Constabulary Squadron in Germany, with PROVOST, and who lived in New England, was one Private First Class DEGAN of Lowell, Massachusetts.

AT PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

Mr. JOHN SOLOMON, 168 Prospect Street, Providence, Rhode Island, advised ROBERT GANDERT roomed in his house for the past two years and aside from being rather "sloppy" in his room was a very nice person. He stated GANDERT spent very little time in the room and for the most part could be found in one of the Frat houses at Brown University.

Mr. SOLOMON stated that two men from the Government had previously interviewed GANDERT concerning COX, a missing person from West Point Academy. GANDERT later informed Mr. SOLOMON that RICHARD COX was his closest friend and came from his home-town in Mansfield, Ohio. The photograph of COX was shown to Mr. SOLOMON who advised he had never seen him. ROBERT GANDERT occupies a room on the fourth floor of Mr. SOLOMON'S house.

MR. ROBERT GANDERT, a sophomore student at Brown University, was interviewed at Delta Tau Delta Fraternity, 65 Prospect Street, Providence, Rhode Island. He stated he was RICHARD COX'S closest friend and they had gone to high school in Mansfield, Ohio, together. He was with COX in Mansfield over the Christmas holidays and they saw each other for seven or eight days until COX returned to West Point. He drove to Cleveland in a car and took a plane from there to West Point. During the holidays COX appeared to be in good spirits and failed to express any symptoms of anything being wrong at the West Point Academy. COX, GANDERT and their girl friends were out until the early hours of January 1 1950; and GANDERT stated COX and his girl friend, [] got along very well together and there was no trouble of any kind between them. COX

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has no financial worries and GANDERT believes COX had over \$2,000 in a bank located at Park and Main Streets, Mansfield. COX was always a good worker and saved money he earned from his jobs. He apparently liked West Point and was a member of the track team running on the cross country team. COX has a very close friend named JAMES KELLY who is presently attending Annapolis Naval Academy. COX has good habits and is a poor drinker, who always gets sick after having a few drinks. COX has never been in Rhode Island as far as GANDERT knows. GANDERT was in Mansfield during Easter vacation from March 15 to 29th and when discussing COX'S disappearance with [redacted] Chief of Detectives, Mansfield, who is a [redacted] of COX, was informed of a telephone call received at West Point by COX from a person reported to be named [redacted]. The call was received after COX'S return to the Point in January and was taken by a roommate of COX who said the person calling was named [redacted].

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[redacted] continued that COX was not anxious to see this [redacted] but was supposed to have made an appointment to have dinner on the Military Reservation with [redacted] about one week after the first telephone call was received. COX was a witness against someone in Germany who went to jail.

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ROBERT GANDERT stated that while he was a member of the U. S. Army, he was granted an appointment to the U. S. Naval Academy but failed to pass the mental test. He expressed no criticism of either West Point or Annapolis.

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One photo of "BUDDY", obtained from RONALD H. PROVOST.

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NEW HAVEN OFFICE:

AT ESSEX, CONNECTICUT

Will reinterview LUTHER BARRETT, 33 Main Street, for any additional information on Corporal MARTIN as well as to obtain picture of MARTIN, if one is available.

BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE:

AT LOWELL, MASSACHUSETTS

Will attempt to locate and interview Private First Class DEGAN, former member of 27th Constabulary Squadron, Germany with PROVOST, for any information as to COX'S present whereabouts and obtain all background information which may be of assistance in setting out leads to locate COX. Attempt to further identify

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CLEVELAND OFFICE:

AT CLEVELAND OHIO

One copy of the report designated for the Cleveland Office which covers the home address of the missing person, RICHARD COX

BALTIMORE OFFICE

AT ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND

If not already done, will interview JAMES KELLY, U. S. Naval Academy, to determine whether he has any knowledge of COX'S whereabouts or has heard from COX prior to or since the latter's disappearance.

REFERENCE New York letter to Boston dated 2/23/50
New York teletype dated 3/23/50

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REPORT MADE AT SAN FRANCISCO	DATE WHEN MADE 7/27/50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 6/7, 30; 7/6, 12/50	REPORT MADE BY EDWARD A. PLEVACK afn
TITLE RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet U. S. Military Academy West Point, New York			CHARACTER OF CASE MISSING PERSON

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[redacted] Eureka, Calif., disclosing any knowledge of Cadet RICHARD COLVIN COX. [redacted] states one [redacted], formerly attached to Troop E, 27th & 25th Constabulary, Schweinfurt, Germany, was overseas during pertinent period and resembles description of individual known as [redacted]. Leads set out.

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DETAILS:

AT EUREKA, CALIFORNIA

[redacted] stated that RICHARD C. COX was not known to him and that the photograph of COX as shown on the flyer issued by the C.I.D. did not resemble anyone he knew overseas. CASPAR stated that he had embarked for overseas on March 15, 1945, from a [redacted] in the United States and arrived at Le Havre whence he proceeded to Heidenheim where he was attached to the 12th [redacted] during some time with this Division. [redacted] advised that he [redacted] U. S.'s at Heidenheim. During 1946 and 1947, [redacted] [redacted] to the 27th Constabulary at Schweinfurt, Germany. He stated that later the 27th Constabulary was changed [redacted] he advised that he stayed at K6dighoffen and served [redacted] of the Army Club located here. He was subsequently [redacted] and received his discharge on December 19, 1948.

SP4, during his last 18 months in Germany, many [redacted] COX may have been among these replacements. [redacted] have had occasion to come into the club [redacted] club and COX would not have had the rank. [redacted] the D Troop, whose name he was unable to [redacted] regarding COX, and likewise one [redacted]

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Sergeant WILLIAM F. MITCHELL, former Personnel Sergeant of the 27th and 28th Constabulary, D Troop, who is now serving at Fort Bliss, Texas, Headquarters Troop, TASHAN. GABRIEL stated that he was residing in Eureka, California, during the pertinent period and that the only time he had been in New York in the past few years was when he had been discharged from the Army in 1948, and recalled that he stayed for two days at the Henry Hudson Hotel there.

The description of the person known as [redacted] was furnished to [redacted] in an endeavor to ascertain whether he knew anyone answering this description. [redacted] advised that a [redacted] who was a Staff Sergeant, Troop E, 27th and 28th Constabulary, had married a German girl by the name of LUDIA STEINBECK, and he closely recalled the description of [redacted]. He stated that he was unable to recall from what State [redacted] had come, but believed it was from somewhere in the East. He further believed that [redacted] was discharged sometime in 1948 or 1949. [redacted] explained that [redacted] or any other individual in Troop E could possibly know GOK in that Troop E was housed in the adjacent barracks to Troop D, and these barracks were arranged in alphabetical order starting from Troop A through Troop E, etc.

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With reference to the mutilation of bodies, [redacted] stated that the statement made by GOK that [redacted] had bragged to him about mutilating bodies of German soldiers and hanging their fraulain possibly referred to incidents that happened at the border where mutilated bodies of Germans and that of a girl had been found, and that it was a common topic of discussion among the troops.

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[redacted] furnished the following description of [redacted]

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Name	[redacted]
Age	About 25
Weight	170-180 lbs.
Height	5' 10"
Hair	Blond; short; rather curly
Complexion	Fair
Build	Well built; athletic type
Marital Status	Married.

The following description of [redacted] was taken from observation and interrogation:

Name	[redacted]
Age	29 [redacted] (Fairhaven, Mass.)
Height	5' 6 1/2"
Weight	180
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Dark
Build	Heavy
Hair	Black
Marital Status	Married

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ST. LOUIS OFFICE

AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

Will attempt to secure a list of enlisted personnel attached to Troops E, 27th & 28th Constabulary, and therefrom obtain any information available to ascertain the whereabouts of [REDACTED] who was with the Troop during 1947 and possibly 1948.

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AT FORT BLISS, TEXAS

Will locate and interview Sergeant WILLIAM F. MITCHELL, Headquarters Troop, TABBAN, regarding his knowledge of Cadet COX and any information he might possess relative to COX' acquaintances while serving with Troop D, 27th & 28th Constabulary, at Schweinfurt, Germany.

REFERENCE: Report of SA GERALD J. FLYNN dated 5/25/50 at New York.

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