

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **New York**

FILE NO. **79-9 AWE**

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| TITLE<br><b>RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet, U. S. Military Academy, West Point, New York</b> |                                  |   | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>MISSING PERSON</b>  |

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Capt. DUDLEY F. CONEY, Camp Gordon, Ga., formerly CO, Troop D, 28th Constabulary Squadron, last saw COX in 1947 when COX left Germany to attend West Point Prep School. A PFC or Corporal  first name unknown, close friend of COX, left D Troop several months after COX to attend West Point Prep School. CONEY received letter from COX that  "flunked out" at Prep School and had been assigned to Cadre at either Prep School or the Academy. CONEY unable to offer any reason for COX's disappearance. CONEY furnished names of COX's acquaintances in D Troop. Sergeant 1/c MARION J. CLIFTON, Camp Gordon, Ga., formerly Mess Sgt. D Troop, 28th Constabulary during 1947, furnished names of former members of D Troop who knew COX. Mrs. MARIAN J. CLIFTON said former cook in D troop named  was heavy drinker and had bad reputation. Said  left Germany about end of 1947 or early 1948.

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**DETAILS:**

**AT CAMP GORDON, GEORGIA:**

Captain DUDLEY F. CONEY, Military Police School, advised that he was formerly Commanding Officer of D Troop, 28th Constabulary Squadron at

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Schweinfurt, Germany. CONEY said he remembered COX very well and that COX was a very good soldier whom he had recommended for West Point. CONEY said that the only close friend he knew of that COX had was a PFC or Corporal [redacted] who was also in D Troop and who also left Germany to attend West Point Preparatory School. CONEY said [redacted] whose first name he could not recall, left several months after COX. CONEY described [redacted] as follows:

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| Height        | 5'7"                                      |
| Weight        | 135                                       |
| Build         | Slight                                    |
| Hair          | Sandy                                     |
| Complexion    | Ruddy                                     |
| Age           | About 19-20 in 1947                       |
| Speech        | Slight impediment                         |
| Home address: | Possibly Pennsylvania, Ohio<br>or Indiana |

CONEY said he received a letter from COX in which COX stated that [redacted] had "flunked out" at the Preparatory School and had been assigned to the Cadre at either the Preparatory School or the Academy. CONEY said the last time he heard from COX was about the fall of 1948 after COX had entered West Point. CONEY said he could think of no reason for COX's disappearance or of any information that might help to locate him. CONEY said that COX did not speak German nor associate with the Germans and did not deal with the black market and that he had no enemies as far as CONEY knew. CONEY furnished the following names of former members of D Troop whom he believed were acquainted with COX.

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Sergeant 1/C JAMES F. ROWSEY  
Sergeant 1/C REED, first name unknown  
Sergeant or Corporal GODMAN, first name unknown

Sergeant 1/C MARION J. CLIFTON, Headquarters Company, Signal Corps Training Center, advised he resides at 269 Myrtle Court Apartments, Augusta, Georgia and was formerly Mess Sergeant of D Troop, 28th Constabulary Squadron during part of 1947. CLIFTON said he vaguely remembers COX and that he is unable to recall anyone by the name of [redacted] CLIFTON said he knew of no information which would help to explain COX's disappearance or which would help to locate him.

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Sergeant CLIFTON furnished the following names of former members of D Troop, 28th Constabulary Squadron whom he believed were acquainted with COX:

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Sergeant 1/C [redacted] former Mess Sergeant D Troop prior to Sergeant CLIFTON and who, according to CLIFTON, was well acquainted with cooks in D Troop.

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[redacted] Rank unknown, who formerly operated N Company Group for D Troop in Germany.

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Sergeant 1/C VIRGIN T. MAYNARD

First Sergeant [redacted] formerly First Sergeant D Troop.

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Mrs. MARION J. CLIFTON, 269 Myrtle Court Apartments, Augusta, Georgia, advised she married Sergeant CLIFTON while he was stationed in Germany and that she was acquainted with some of the troop personnel. Mrs. CLIFTON said COX had a very good reputation and had no enemies she could recall. Mrs. CLIFTON said she remembered a cook in D Troop whom she believed was a corporal and who was named [redacted] or [redacted]. Mrs. CLIFTON said [redacted] was a very heavy drinker and very mean and that he left Germany about the end of 1947 or early 1948. Mrs. CLIFTON described [redacted] as tall, blue eyes, sandy complexion, with a hobby of photography. Mrs. CLIFTON said she would attempt through her contacts in Germany to obtain a photograph, description and address of this [redacted] and if obtained, would notify the FBI.

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LEADS:

THE NEW YORK DIVISION, at West Point, New York, will review records at West Point Preparatory School in an attempt to identify and interview [redacted] first name unknown, who is reported to have been a close friend of COX and to have entered West Point Preparatory School several months after COX and to have "flunked out" while COX was still there.

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It is to be noted that Captain DUDLEY F. CONEY, formerly Commanding Officer D Troop, 28th Constabulary Squadron, received a letter from COX to the effect that [redacted] was assigned to the Cadre at West Point School (Preparatory) or at West Point Academy.

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At New York, New York, will review list of names of enlisted personnel of D Troop, 28th Constabulary Squadron, furnished by the St. Louis Office by letter dated April 24, 1950 in an effort to identify and obtain the Army Serial Numbers of the following persons and will set out leads to locate and interview them regarding COX:

Sergeant 1/C James F. Rowsy

Sergeant 1/C REED, first name unknown

Sergeant or Corporal GODMAN, first name unknown

Sergeant 1/C [redacted] former Mess Sergeant D Troop, prior to Sergeant CLIFTON and who, according to Sergeant CLIFTON was well acquainted with the cooks in D Troop.

[redacted] rank unknown, who formerly operated N Company Troop for D Troop in Germany

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Sergeant 1/C VIRGIL T. MAYNARD

First Sergeant [redacted] formerly First Sergeant D Troop

[redacted] formerly cook in D Troop.

REFERENCE:

Report of SA LEMAN L. STAFFORD, JR., El Paso, 6/29/50

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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FILE NO. 79-123

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| <b>REPORT MADE AT</b><br>WASHINGTON, D. C.  | <b>DATE WHEN MADE</b><br>SEP 15 1950 | <b>PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE</b><br>6/21; 7/5,19;<br>8/19,23; 9/1/50 | <b>REPORT MADE BY</b><br>GUY HOTTEL, SAC JMC:RML |
| <b>TITLE</b><br>RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet<br>U. S. Military Academy<br>West Point, New York |                                      |  | <b>CHARACTER OF CASE</b><br>MISSING PERSON       |

### SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[redacted] is presently in Berlin, Germany. [redacted] ASN [redacted] was discharged February 24, 1950, and resides at [redacted] Pennsylvania. [redacted] is presently with the Alaska Communication System, Seattle, Washington. [redacted] is presently stationed at Fort Meade, Maryland. No record could be located for [redacted]. [redacted] is presently with the 10th Infantry Division at Fort Riley, Kansas. No record could be located at INS regarding COX bringing into the U. S. a war bride. A search of Army records to locate a record for WILLIAM F. MITCHELL was negative.

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DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

Miss HARRIET LEWIS, of the Enlisted Personnel Information Branch, Department of the Army, furnished the following addresses for the following men who were with the 28th Constabulary Squadron from September, 1947, through December, 1947, the same time in which COX is reported to have served with this outfit:

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| <b>APPROVED AND FORWARDED:</b><br><i>Guy Hottel</i><br><b>COPY IN FILE</b> | <b>SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE</b> | <b>DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</b> |
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[redacted] a Corporal with the 513th Military Police Service Platoon, in Berlin, Germany.

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[redacted], a PFC, Alaskan Area, 9427 Technical Service Unit, Alaska Communication System, Seattle, Washington.

[redacted] a Corporal with Battery B, 4th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, Fort George G. Meade, Maryland.

[redacted], was discharged February 24, 1950, at which time his address was listed as R. R. #2, Markleton, Pennsylvania.

Miss LEWIS advised she was unable to locate a record for [redacted] as presently being on active duty.

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Miss LEWIS advised that [redacted] who served with Troop E and 28th Constabulary Squadron, is presently with the 10th Infantry Division at Fort Riley, Kansas.

No record could be located at the Department of the Army for WILLIAM F. MITCHELL, who was reported to have served with the Headquarters Troop Tasban at Fort Bliss, Texas, and who was formerly Personnel Sergeant for the 27th and 28th Constabulary D Troops.

Miss HARRIET DAYTON, Information Section, Central Office of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, advised that no record could be identified in her files for RICHARD COLVIN COX's possible war bride on the information submitted.

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This investigation was conducted by Special Employee JAMES M.  
CONNOR.

No lead is being set forth by this office to interview  
 as he is presently in Berlin, Germany.

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THE PITTSBURGH OFFICE:

AT MARKLETON, PENNSYLVANIA:

Will interview [redacted] for any information he may have regarding COX. [redacted] is reported to have served in the same outfit as COX while the latter was overseas.

THE SEATTLE OFFICE:

AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON:

Will interview [redacted] who is presently with the Alaska Communication System, United States Army, at Seattle, for any information he may have regarding COX.

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THE BALTIMORE OFFICE:

AT FORT MEADE, MARYLAND:

Will interview [redacted] for any information he may have regarding COX.

THE KANSAS CITY OFFICE:

AT FORT RILEY, KANSAS:

Will interview [redacted] for any information he may have regarding COX.

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THE ST. LOUIS OFFICE:

AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI:

Will obtain the last known address for [redacted] through the records of the Demobilized Personnel Records Branch of the Army.



REFERENCES: Report of Special Agent GERALD J. FLYNN dated May 26, 1950,  
at New York.

Report of Special Agent LEMAN L. STAFFORD, JR. dated  
June 29, 1950, at El Paso.

Report of Special Agent EDWARD A. PLEVACK dated  
July 17, 1950, at San Francisco.

Report of Special Agent ROBERT J. AHSENS dated August 16,  
1950, at St. Louis.

Report of Special Agent LEMAN L. STAFFORD, JR. dated  
August 24, 1950, at El Paso.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI  
 FROM : SAC, San Antonio  
 SUBJECT: RICHARD CALVIN COX, CADET  
 U.S.M.A. WEST POINT, NEW YORK  
 MISSING PERSON

DATE: September 14, 1950

Relet from New York to the Bureau dated August 28, 1950,  
 and report of SA GERALD J. FLYNN, New York, dated May 26, 1950.

Major RAY HURST, Provost Marshal, Fort Hood, Texas, advised  
 on September 11, 1950, that JOHN L. LAWLER, ASN 11 151 309, was formerly  
 assigned to C Company, 12th Armored Infantry Battalion, Fort Hood, but was  
 transferred to the Personnel Center, Camp Stoneman, California, by special  
 order 157, Paragraph 36, Headquarters Second Armored Division, dated June 1,  
 1950.

The San Francisco Office is requested to locate LAWLER at  
 Camp Stoneman, California, and interview him in accordance with instructions  
 contained in referenced letter.

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cc: New York (79-108)  
 San Francisco

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

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| TITLE<br><b>RICHARD CALVIN COX, Cadet<br/>U. S. M. A. West Point, New York</b> |                                  |   | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>MISSING PERSON</b>  |

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

CREIGHTON E. GARCIA, N. Tonawanda, N. Y., advised he was attached to Troop D, 27th Constabulary Squadron in Germany from February, 1947 to February, 1948. States he cannot recall name of COX and could not identify photo of COX. Advised he knew there were several soldiers in his outfit with first name of  but he was unable to recall last name of these soldiers.

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**DETAILS:**

CREIGHTON E. GARCIA, 245 East Ave., North Tonawanda, N. Y., advised he was attached to Troop D, 27th Constabulary Squadron in Germany from February, 1947 to February, 1948, but he could not recall anyone by the name of COX in his outfit. A photo of RICHARD COX was exhibited to GARCIA and he stated he could not recall ever having seen COX. He also advised there were several soldiers in his outfit with the first name of  but he could not recall the last names of these soldiers.

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REFERENCE: New York letter to Bureau dated August 28, 1950.

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| TITLE<br><b>RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet<br/>U.S. Military Academy, West Point, New York</b> |                                  |   | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>MISSING PERSON</b>        |

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Corporal **SIDNEY E. UNDERWOOD** presently stationed U.S. Army, Fort Lewis, Washington.

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**DETAILS:**

**AT FERRIS, CALIFORNIA:**

Investigation in this area reflected that **SIDNEY UNDERWOOD** and his father **W. E. UNDERWOOD** had left approximately a year ago with no indication as to their whereabouts. It was learned, however, that they were believed to have been in either Corona or Arlington, California.

**AT ARLINGTON, CALIFORNIA:**

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised that **SIDNEY E. UNDERWOOD** resided at Greenway Farms, Corona.

Mrs. **ELSIE UNDERWOOD**, Greenway Farms, advised her son, **SIDNEY E. UNDERWOOD** had reenlisted in the Army in December 1949 and furnished the following address for him:

Corporal **SIDNEY E. UNDERWOOD**  
Headquarters Detachment, 606 ASU POC  
Fort Lewis, Washington

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SEATTLE:

AT FORT LEWIS, WASHINGTON:

Will locate and interview Corporal SIDNEY E. UNDERWOOD Headquarters Detachment, 606 ASU POC, Fort Lewis in accordance with the New York letter to the Director dated August 28, 1950 captioned, "RICHARD CALVIN COX, CADET, U.S.M.A., WEST POINT, NEW YORK, MISSING PERSON". It is noted all continental offices have a copy of instant letter.

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T-1 is:           Records of Post Office, Arlington,  
                    California.

REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent GERALD J. FLYNN dated May 26,  
1950 at New York.

New York letter to Director dated August 28, 1950,  
copy to all Continental Offices.

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| TITLE<br><b>RICHARD CALVIN COX, CADET<br/>U.S.M.A. WEST POINT, NEW YORK</b> |                                  |   | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>MISSING PERSON</b> |

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

VIRGIE E. BAKER, Alicia, Arkansas and PAUL C. POTTS, Wilson, Arkansas, former members of Troop D, 27th Constabulary Squadron, advised they recall COX from his picture, but was not well acquainted with him and had not heard from him nor about him since they were discharged from the Army. Mrs. ROSE ROSS, Walnut Ridge, Ark. advised her son left Walnut Ridge during month of August, 1950 and his whereabouts is unknown to her at this time.

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**DETAILS**

VIRGIE E. BAKER, Route #1, Box 207, Alicia, Arkansas advised when first asked if he knew COX stated he did not, but after looking at COX's pictures stated he recalled seeing him while he was with Troop D, 27 Constabulary Squadron in Germany. He stated he had not heard from COX, nor about him since he was discharged from the Army. BAKER stated he could not furnish any information concerning who [redacted] might be, but in the event he ever received any information concerning COX he would immediately make it available to the Little Rock Office.

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PAUL C. POTTS, Route #1, Box 159, Wilson, Arkansas, advised he was not well acquainted with COX at the time he was stationed in Germany with Troop D, 27th Constabulary Squadron. POTTS stated he had not heard from COX nor had he heard about COX since he was discharged from the Army. POTTS stated he could not recall anyone in the Squadron by the name of [redacted] and he had no idea as to who it might be. POTTS advised in the event he should receive

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any information concerning COX he would make it available to the Little Rock Office.

Mrs. ROSE ROSS, who resides over the W. R. CLEANERS, Walnut Ridge, Arkansas advised she is the mother of CLEO C. ROSS, who was formerly in the U. S. Army and who at one time was stationed in Germany. Mrs. ROSS stated CLEO left Walnut Ridge during the month of August, 1950 to go to the state of Michigan to seek employment and she has not heard from him since he departed and she could not furnish his present address. Mrs. ROSS stated she could not recall CLEO ever mentioning COX name and she was positive he had not received any letters from him, and to her knowledge he had never written to any of the men with whom he served in the Army.

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THE LITTLE ROCK DIVISION

At Parkin, Arkansas

Will locate and interview [redacted] for any information as to whereabouts of RICHARD CALVIN COX.

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New York letter to Bureau, 8/28/50.

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| REPORT MADE AT<br><b>ALBUQUERQUE</b>  | DATE WHEN MADE<br><b>9/26/50</b> | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE<br><b>9/13, 19/50</b> | REPORT MADE BY<br><b>THOMAS L. BRANNICK</b> <b>TLB:FO</b> |
| TITLE<br><b>RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet, U. S. Military Academy, West Point, New York</b> |                                  |   | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>MISSING PERSON</b>                |

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

**ARTURO J. VIA** and **GILLERMO ZAMORA** advised they were in Army in Germany in fall, 1947, but not acquainted with **R. C. Cox**. The name  means nothing to these individuals. **Mrs. J. T. CLARK** advises her son **LAWRY M. CLARK** died of natural causes August, 1948.

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**DETAILS:**

At Vaughn, New Mexico

**GILLERMO ZAMORA**, Box 365, advised he was attached to Battery A, 27th Constabulary Squadron, U. S. Army in Schweinfurt, Germany, in the fall of 1947 under Serial Number 18251511. He advised he did not know the exact dates of service with particular units but advised he had transferred several times. He stated he did not know **RICHARD C. COX** and could not recall anyone by that name. He further advised that the name  meant nothing to him in connection with any events in Germany. **ZAMORA** observed a photograph of **RICHARD C. COX** and could not identify him with anyone he had known in Germany.

At Santa Rosa, New Mexico

**ARTURO J. VIA**, Box 107, advised he was stationed with the 27th and 28th Constabulary Squadrons, U. S. Army, in Germany for a few weeks in the fall of 1947 under Serial Number 18111653. He stated he also served

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in the 22nd and 66th Constabulary Squadrons and transferred from place to place quite frequently. He advised he could not recall any person by the name of RICHARD C. COX, although he believed he heard of a man leaving Germany to attend West Point Academy in 1947. VIA observed a photograph of RICHARD C. COX and advised he could not identify it with any person he had known in Germany. VIA further stated that the name [redacted] meant nothing to him and that he could not identify any occurrence in Germany with that name.

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At Tucumcari, New Mexico

Mrs. J. T. CLARK, 507 S. Adams, advised that her son, LAWRY N. CLARK, Army Serial Number 18251845, died in August, 1948, of natural causes.

Inasmuch as the above persons have no information regarding RICHARD C. COX or [redacted] no further investigation is being conducted in this division.

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Report of SA GERALD J. FLYNN dated May 26, 1950, at  
New York.

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| TITLE<br><b>RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet<br/>U. S. Military Academy<br/>West Point, New York</b> |                                  |  | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>MISSING PERSON</b>        |

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

LYMAN M. FRAZEE, JR., Washington, D. C., who served both 27th and 28th Constabulary in Germany during same period as COX, could not recall COX. FRAZEE advised that former Sergeant STEPHEN DITKO was very much interested in photography and probably, at one time or another, photographed every man in Dog Company, 27th and 28th Constabulary.

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**DETAILS:**

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

LYMAN M. FRAZEE, JR. (not FRAYEE), ASN 13139468, who resides 405 12th Street, S.E., Washington, D. C., advised the writer that he served in Dog Company, both 27th and 28th Constabulary, during the period from July to December, 1947. FRAZEE, who is six feet tall, 180 pounds, has a very definite flat nose, is heavily tattooed and stutters, could not recall COX. The photograph of COX appeared familiar to him; however, he could not identify any of COX's associates, nor could he furnish any information concerning any man named

It was ascertained from FRAZEE that a former Army buddy, Sergeant STEPHEN DITKO, who also served in Dog Company, 27th and 28th Constabulary, was very much interested in photography, and at one time or another had probably photographed every man who served in Dog Company, 27th and 28th Constabulary. According to FRAZEE, DITKO made it a habit to photograph the men of the Company at any and all occasions. He

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stated that he believed DITKO would be able to furnish photographs of almost all the men who served in Dog Company during the same time as COX. FRAZEE advised that DITKO, ASN 13212777, had been discharged and now resides in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, at 1327 Tennessee Avenue.

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It appears desirable that the New York Division furnish Pittsburgh with sufficient information for intelligent interview with DITKO and the location of photographs of individuals who served with the Missing Person in Germany. It appears that the photographs of these men might productively be exhibited to Cadets SAMOTIS and MARESCA, and in this manner identify the civilian who met COX at West Point prior to COX's disappearance.

For the information of the Pittsburgh Division, COX was last seen on January 14, 1950, at which time he left quarters to dine with an unidentified civilian friend who had also visited him on the previous weekend of January 7. COX identified this friend only as a former G.I. whom he had known overseas. Unidentified friend is believed to be identical with one [redacted] who left a telephone message for COX on January 7, 1950, requesting that the latter meet him.

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Cadet MAURO E. MARESCA observed COX with the civilian on January 7, 1950, this civilian being described as about 25 years old, 5'10" or 5'11", 180 to 185 pounds, blond hair, cut short but not crew cut, full face, wearing pinkish tan topcoat.

Cadet JOHN A. SAMOTIS observed COX on January 14, 1950, talking to a civilian, which civilian is described as also wearing a pinkish tan box type topcoat, being 20 to 25 years old, 5'10", 165 pounds. According to SAMOTIS this individual had dark hair which was cut short.



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PITTSBURGH DIVISION

At Johnstown, Pennsylvania

Will interview STEPHEN J. DITKO, 1327 Tennessee Avenue, Johnstown, and attempt by use of his photographs to secure photographs of individuals who might be identical with unidentified civilian

REFERENCE: New York letter to all offices dated August 28, 1950.  
Report of SAC GUY HOTTEL dated September 15, 1950, at Washington, D. C.

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| TITLE<br><b>RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet<br/>U. S. Military Academy<br/>West Point, New York</b> |                                  |   | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>MISSING PERSON</b>         |

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**      **GLEN D. JOHNSON, Fredericktown, Mo. and ARTHUR M. MEYERS, Coldwater, Mo. advised that they were not acquainted with subject COX or suspect known as [redacted] Address of [redacted] parents set forth.**

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**DETAILS:**      **Mr. GLEN D. JOHNSON, 310 Anthony Street, Fredericktown, Missouri, and Mr. ARTHUR M. MEYERS, Rural Route, Coldwater, Missouri, were interviewed and a photograph of COX displayed to them. Both persons advised that they were not acquainted with COX and that they did not recognize the photograph. Both individuals were unable to contribute any information concerning suspect known as [redacted]**

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent JOHN E. CONNOR:

Demobilized Personnel Records Branch, Adjutant General's Office records reflect that [redacted] last address was Box 15, Smithburg, Maryland. At the time of this address subject's nearest relative was Mrs. EDNA DeLAUTER, [redacted]. The above information was reflected in [redacted] clinical records, when he was at the 57th Field Hospital, APO 62 on February 8, 1948. Personnel at the Demobilized Personnel Records Branch advised that the lack of any other military record would seem to indicate that [redacted] is in service at the present time and his full record should be with him.

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Report of SA GERALD J. FLYNN dated 5-26-50 at New York.  
New York letter to Director dated 8-28-50.  
Report of SAC GUY HOTTEL dated 9-15-50 at Washington, D. C.

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| TITLE<br><b>RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet<br/>U. S. Military Academy<br/>West Point, New York</b> |                                  |   | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><br><b>MISSING PERSON</b>   |

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

MARVIN R. PORTA not acquainted with COX and has no information concerning him.

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**DETAILS:**

AT HOUSTON, TEXAS

MARVIN R. PORTA, 1033 B Shotwell Street, an employee of the Veterans Administration Hospital, advised he was only a member of Troop D, 27th Constabulary Squadron, about one month and knew very few of the men in the troop. He stated he does not remember COX and has no information concerning him.

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| TITLE<br><b>RICHARD CALVIN COX, CADET, U. S. Military Academy, West Point, New York</b> |                                   |   | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>MISSING PERSON</b>  |

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

LEONARD L. PRIVETT, Stevenson, Alabama, formerly attached to Troop D, 27th Constabulary Squadron, did not remember RICHARD CALVIN COX, nor could he recall any individual in this group by the name of [redacted] Unable to identify present address or any other members of this squadron.

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**DETAILS:**

**AT STEVENSON, ALABAMA**

LEONARD L. PRIVETT, who receives his mail General Delivery, advised that during 1947, he was attached to Troop D, 27th Constabulary Squadron for a period of several months. A photograph of RICHARD CALVIN COX was shown to him, but he did not recall seeing this person or hearing his name. He further advised he could not remember that he was acquainted with anyone in this squadron by the name of [redacted] He further stated he does not know the present address nor could he identify sufficiently the correct names of any other members of this squadron attached during the same time as he.

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AT AUBURN, MASSACHUSETTS

Will contact ROBERT H. MC CAULEY at the home of his sister, Mrs. HOMER BOSTWICK, 14 Maple Drive, for information concerning COX and the unidentified individual,

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| TITLE<br><b>RICHARD CALVIN COX, CADET<br/>U.S.M.A. WEST POINT, NEW YORK</b> |                                   |   | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>MISSING PERSON</b>  |

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Former personnel of Troop D, 27th Constabulary Squadron and Troop D, 28th Constabulary Squadron residing New Haven Division interviewed. No information concerning subject obtained.

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**DETAILS:**

AT NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

NCE G. COPPELLONE, JR., 45½ Collis Street, advised that he did not know subject, COX. He further advised that he was, for most of his service, assigned to the 14th Constabulary Squadron and was only attached to the 27th and 28th Constabulary Squadrons for a short period of time. He advised that he has no recollection whatsoever of any one identifiable with

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AT THOMASTON, CONNECTICUT

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent JOHN C. CARR.

Mr. ROBERT S. MORRIS advised that he doesn't recall COX and was unable to supply any information relating to him. MORRIS advised that he, likewise, recalls no person named,

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AT BLOOMFIELD, CONNECTICUT

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised that for six months prior to September, 1947, he was attached to Troop D, 27th Constabulary Squadron in Germany. He advised that he had returned to the United States September, 1947. He was unable to furnish any information concerning COX and, in fact, was not aware that COX was a member of the troop.

AT HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

Mrs. R. V. DESHARNAIS, 31 Charter Oak Place, advised that ROBERT H. MC CAULEY is presently residing with his sister, Mrs. HOMER BOSTWICK, 14 Maple Drive, Auburn, Massachusetts.

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LUTHER S. BARRETT, 33 Main Street, Essex, Connecticut, contacted in July, 1950, and information set forth in report of Special Agent  dated August 10, 1950.

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LEADS

BOSTON OFFICE

AT AUBURN, MASSACHUSETTS

Will contact ROBERT H. MC CAULEY at the home of his sister, Mrs. HOMER BOSTWICK, 14 Maple Drive, for information concerning COX and the unidentified individual,

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| TITLE<br><b>RICHARD CALVIN COX, Cadet<br/>U.S. M.A. West Point, New York</b> |                                   | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>MISSING PERSON</b> |  |

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

**CHARLES E. JENKINS** of Parkin, Arkansas is now residing at McKenzie, Tennessee where he is attending college.

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**DETAILS**

**AT PARKIN, ARKANSAS**

Mr. V. G. JENKINS, father of CHARLES E. JENKINS, advised his son is now attending Bethel College at McKenzie, Tenn. Mr. JENKINS viewed the photograph of COX without recognition. Mr. JENKINS further advised there are two persons named CHARLES JENKINS who are attending Bethel College and care should be taken to contact the right person there.

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At McKenzie, Tennessee

Will contact CHARLES E. JENKINS of Parkin, Arkansas to interview him as instructed in the referenced letter.

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New York letter to Bureau dated August 28, 1950.

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| TITLE<br><b>RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet<br/>U. S. Military Academy<br/>West Point, New York</b> |                                   |  | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>MISSING PERSON</b> |

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Sergeant DANIEL G. DEGAN, Fort Custer, Michigan, has no knowledge of COX's whereabouts nor the identity of [redacted] DEGAN advised that RONALD D. DWIGANS was close associate of COX. Other former enlisted personnel of Troop D, 27th and 28th Constabulary Squadron, residing in Michigan, unable to furnish any information as to whereabouts of COX or identity of [redacted] Sergeant ROBERT D. JONES presently assigned to Fort Richardson, Alaska. NONWELL C. BRANDT presently assigned to 301st Infantry Squadron, B.A.F.B., Shreveport, Louisiana.

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**DETAILS:**

At Fort Custer, Michigan:

Sergeant DANIEL G. DEGAN, Army Serial Number RA 11160572, Forms and Publications Section, Fort Custer, Michigan, recalled RICHARD COLVIN COX as a member of the Battalion Basketball team for the season of 1947-1948 of the 27th or 28th Constabulary Squadron in Schweinfurt, Germany. DEGAN was also a member of the Battalion Basketball team and a member of both the 27th and 28th Constabulary Squadron, but he could not recall the date the 27th Constabulary Squadron became the 28th Constabulary Squadron.

COX was in D Company and DEGAN was in Headquarters Company. They did not associate; only during basketball practice and trips to and from basketball games.

RONALD D. DWIGANS, who was also a member of D. Company and a member of the Battalion Basketball team, was believed by DEGAN to be

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COX's closest friend. DEGAN recalled COX as a studious and intelligent person who appeared very happy with life. He never seemed to get disgusted with his lot in the Army, he was quiet, and to DEGAN's knowledge did not have girl friends. He drank occasionally but appeared to drink less than other members of the basketball team.

DEGAN recalled that while on a basketball trip COX received word to report back to Headquarters and he immediately left the touring team. DEGAN has not seen COX since that time but heard he returned to the States to enter an Officer Candidate School. In July of 1948, DEGAN was transferred to an Aircraft Artillery Unit at Karlsruhe, Germany and lost contact with other members of the 27th and 28th Constabulary Squadron.

DEGAN was transferred from the States to Germany in March, 1946, and did not return to the United States until February, 1950. He read of COX's disappearance in the newspaper. DEGAN knows nothing concerning COX's background including relatives and friends in the United States. Other than reading about COX's disappearance, DEGAN has received no information concerning COX since COX left Germany in the winter of 1947-1948.

It is noted that DEGAN does not resemble the description of [redacted] and he could furnish no information concerning the possible identity of this person.

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At Flint, Michigan:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent ROBERT F. MALEY:

Mr. JESSE KINNAMON, 1624 West Fort Street, advised that he was in Troop D, 27th Constabulary Squadron, United States Army, for approximately three years including the period from July, 1947 to December, 1947. He stated that he recalls the name of RICHARD COX but cannot definitely place him. He is sure that he has not seen or heard from COX since being discharged from service, nor does he have any idea of the identity of the [redacted] who reportedly served with COX in the Army.

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At Montague, Michigan:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent ROBERT L. LALLEY:

Mr. EVERETT L. GROW, ASN 16179798, advised that he was attached to Troop D, 14th Constabulary Squadron, located in Darmstadt, Germany, from 1946 to 1948. He stated that there were approximately 175 men in this

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Constabulary and to the best of his recollection he could not recall anyone by the name of RICHARD COX. He stated however, that he knew many of the personnel by nickname and was not acquainted with COX.

It is to be noted that GROW does not resemble the composite description of [ ] as furnished by the New York Office.

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At Muskegon, Michigan:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent ROBERT L. LALLEY:

FRANCIS D. MITCHELL, ASN 16178487, advised that he was attached to Troop D, 27th Constabulary Squadron, from 1945 to 1948, which Squadron was stationed in Darmstadt, Germany. MITCHELL went on to say that he is not acquainted with RICHARD COLVIN COX. He also said that he knew many men in the Constabulary by nickname but he is unable to recall COX. It is to be noted that MITCHELL does not resemble the composite description of [ ] as furnished by the New York Office.

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At Ann Arbor, Michigan:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent CASPER H. KAST:

MILTON H. POOL, 5171 Water Road, R.F.D. 4, Ann Arbor, Michigan, was interviewed. He advised that he was assigned to Troop D, 27th Constabulary Unit, for only a short time; thereafter he was transferred as a Communications Officer. He stated that the name of RICHARD COX seemed familiar to him but that he could not recall any information about COX.

Only one other name on the list of former members of the 27th and 28th Constabulary Squadron was known to POOL.

POOL denied having any information.

At Rhodes, Michigan:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent LEWIS L. WRIGHT:

On September 22, 1950, an effort was made to locate JOHN W. CONKLIN, Route 1, Rhodes, Michigan, and it was learned through neighbors that CONKLIN is living at Flint, Michigan, and working for the Fisher Body Company. He reportedly lives in an apartment house operated by ETTA MAE HOOP, believed to be on Davison Street.



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At Flint, Michigan:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent ROBERT F. MALEY:

Mr. JOHN W. CONKLIN, 6079 Lapeer Road, advised that he recalled RICHARD COX, but he was not well acquainted with him and does not know any of his friends; nor does he have any idea of his present whereabouts. CONKLIN advised that he was in the 14th Constabulary Squadron in Darmstadt, Germany in 1946, and met COX at that time, and he was of the opinion that COX was also a member of the 14th Constabulary Squadron. He added that he has not seen COX since 1946, nor does he have any idea of the identity of [redacted], a friend of COX's in the Army. He could furnish no information of value to instant investigation.

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At Escanaba, Michigan:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted]

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On September 27, 1950, Mrs. RALPH NORMAN, 1211 North Eighteenth Street, Escanaba, Michigan, advised she was the sister of NONWELL C. BRANDT. She advised BRANDT was presently serving in the United States Army and when she last heard from him the first of the year his address was as follows:

NONWELL C. BRANDT  
301st Inf. Sqd., B.A.F.B.  
Shreveport, Louisiana

At Detroit, Michigan:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted]

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PETER B. SZAJNA, ASN 36104057, formerly of 6211 Canton, Detroit, was interviewed September 15, 1950, at his present address, 17204 Moran, Detroit.

SZAJNA stated he was in Troop D, 27th Constabulary, throughout the year 1947. He was unable to identify the Subject either by name or description. He stated he had heard nothing concerning the disappearance of the Subject from West Point. A picture of the Subject was displayed to both SZAJNA and his wife, a Polish DP whom he married in December, 1947, in Germany. Neither could recall having ever seen COX. Neither could recall anyone by the name of [redacted] during the time SZAJNA was in Troop D, 27th Constabulary.

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SZAJNA stated he is presently employed with the Ternstedt Manufacturing Company, Detroit, as a laborer.

HAROLD MORRISON, ASN 36519870, 434 West Alexandrine, Detroit, was interviewed September 18, 1950, at his present address, Room 506, Frontenac Hotel, Detroit.

MORRISON stated he could be reached any time in the future through his sister, Mrs. MARGARET ORR, Apartment 26, Werford Apartments, 434 West Alexandrine.

MORRISON acknowledged he was in Germany with the United States Army. He could not recall the exact dates but stated he was in Troop D, 27th Constabulary, as a cook from about May or June, 1947 until July or August, 1947, at which time he was transferred to Troop D, 15th Constabulary. MORRISON was unable to recall the Subject either by name or description. He stated he had heard nothing concerning the disappearance of the Subject from West Point nor was he able to recognize a picture of the Subject. He could recall no one answering the name [redacted] during the time he was in Troop D, 27th Constabulary. MORRISON stated he is presently employed at the Budd Wheel Company, Detroit, as a laborer.

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Special Agent [redacted] on September 15, 1950, called at 121 Miller Street, Wyandotte, Michigan, to interview ROBERT D. JONES, ASN 4662566, regarding instant case. Mrs. GLADYS JONES, his mother, stated her son was now in Alaska with the United States Army as of July, 1950. Mrs. JONES could not recall having heard her son mention the name COX nor was she familiar with the Subject's disappearance from West Point. Mrs. JONES verified the fact that her son was in the 28th Constabulary stationed in Germany during the year 1947. Mrs. JONES gave the following address where her son could be contacted:

Sergeant ROBERT D. JONES  
RA 46062566  
Headquarters Battery  
96th Anti-Aircraft Gun Battalion  
APO 942  
c/o Postmaster  
Seattle, Washington

At Mount Pleasant, Michigan:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted]

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Mr. JUDSON FISHER, Sr., 7200 East Broadway, Route 4, informed that his son, JUDSON FISHER, JR., is presently residing in care of FRANK JOHNSON, Hoover's Grove, Fennville, Michigan. According to the father, JUDSON FISHER, JR. is employed in a fruit packing house in the vicinity of his residence.

At Fennville, Michigan:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent ROBERT DONALD COOPER:

Mr. JUDSON FISHER, JR., Route 1, an employee of the Fennville Fruit Exchange, advised that he was assigned overseas to the 27th Constabulary Unit, Company D, for about two months. Mr. FISHER advised he played on the ball team representing this Company and was in Camp very seldom. He stated he could not recall RICHARD COLVIN COX and was unable to furnish the names and addresses of other members of this Unit.

At Wayland, Michigan:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent ROBERT DONALD COOPER:

On September 18, 1950, inquiry was made at the Post Office, and it was determined that WILLIAM HURRELL, formerly of Box 118, has moved and his present address is unknown.

Mr. W. D. VANDERHOFF, Assistant Manager, Pot Milk Company, advised that WILLIAM HURRELL was originally hired on April 26, 1949, was laid off September 9, 1949, was rehired April 18, 1950, and was finally discharged on August 25, 1950. Mr. VANDERHOFF advised that WILLIAM HURRELL was addicted to the use of intoxicating liquors and was laid off because he was completely unreliable. He stated that HURRELL has no known relatives in the vicinity of Wayland, Michigan. He stated that HURRELL was injured during the war and has a definite limp in his left leg.

Mrs. PEARL MUCHE, 119 East Sycamore, advised that WILLIAM HURRELL resided at her residence for some months previous to August 25, 1950, and then moved to the home of his brother, name unknown, in Ovid, Michigan. She advised that WILLIAM HURRELL's brother operates a gas station in Ovid, Michigan, that his mother and stepfather also reside at Ovid, Michigan, and his ex-wife resides somewhere in Muskegon, Michigan.

Mrs. MUCHE was unable to provide the names of any of these relatives but stated definitely that they could be located in that area.

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At Grand Rapids, Michigan:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent ROBERT DONALD COOPER:

Inquiry at 65 Sutton Street, S.W. Grand Rapids, Michigan, in an effort to locate NORMAN C. KOUPP, ASN 16212667, reflected that KOUPP is presently residing in Ann Arbor, Michigan, where he is attending the University of Michigan.

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Three copies of instant report are being directed to the New York Division in the event the office of origin desires to furnish one copy to the Provost Marshal, Headquarters, First Army, G.I. New York.

The Anchorage Division was requested by letter to interview Sergeant ROBERT D. JONES, ASN RA 46062566, Headquarters Battery, 96th Anti-Aircraft Gun Battalion. The results of the interview with Sergeant ROBERT D. JONES were furnished the New York Division by letter dated October 6, 1950, from the Anchorage Division.

One copy of instant report is being designated for the Butte Division inasmuch as that Division has been requested to interview RONALD D. DWIGANS, Terreton, Idaho, who is described as a close associate of COX.

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LEADS

THE NEW ORLEANS DIVISION

At Shreveport, Louisiana:

Will interview NONWELL C. BRANDT, 301st Infantry Squadron, B.A.F.B., concerning his knowledge of the whereabouts of RICHARD COLVIN COX and the identity of [redacted] b6 b7C

THE DETROIT DIVISION

At Ann Arbor, Michigan:

Will interview NORMAN C. KOUPP, who is a student at the University of Michigan, along the lines requested in New York letter of August 28, 1950.

At Hillsdale, Michigan:

Will interview WARREN G. TAYLOR, ASN 16214793, who reportedly resides at 137 Oak Street, along the lines requested in New York letter dated August 28, 1950.

At Ovid, Michigan:

Will attempt to locate WILLIAM M. HURRELL, ASN 16201810, through his brother who reportedly operates a gas station in that city.

Will interview HURRELL in accordance with the New York letter of August 28, 1950.

REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent [redacted] June 28, 1950, at Boston, Massachusetts. b6 b7C

New York letter to Bureau, August 28, 1950.

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| TITLE<br>RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet<br>U. S. Military Academy<br>West Point, New York |   |  | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><p style="text-align: center;">MISSING PERSON</p>                    |

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

No record of WALTER A. LAKSE, former associate in Germany, at Sulphur Springs, Texas. No record of Mrs. GUY TRUSSEL at whose address he allegedly lived, since 1945.

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**DETAILS:**

AT SULPHUR SPRINGS, TEXAS

The names of WALTER A. LAKSE, with whom COX was formerly associated in Germany, and Mrs. GUY TRUSSEL, whose name LAKSE gave in connection with the listing of his home address, were checked through the Police Department Sheriff's Office, Credit, and Postal records. Mrs. ELMER L. MAHAFFEY, Merchant's Retail Credit Bureau; AVERA RASURE, Sheriff; and V. E. DEATON, Chief of Police, had no record of either name.

H. C. WHATLEY, Clerk, U. S. Post Office advised his records reflect that Mrs. GUY TRUSSEL resided at Route #2, Sulphur Springs until 1945. He has no record of a change of address.

The following persons were interviewed at Crush, Texas, a community near Sulphur Springs, Texas on Postal Route #2:

LESTER HOOKS, Foreman, Thermo Brick Plant,  
 PAUL GRANSTAD, Superintendent Thermo Brick Plant,  
 JOHNSIE GEORGE, Laborer,  
 MON EDWARDS, laborer

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None of the persons interviewed recalled Mrs. GUY TRUSSEL or WALTER A. LAKSE. [REDACTED] EDWARDS, and HOOKS recalled that a TRUSSEL family had lived in the community for a very short while in the early 1940's but could not identify any of them, could not suggest any person who might have further information concerning them, or any information as to where they might now be located.

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Mr. GRANSTAD advised that the files of the Thermo Brick Plant do not indicate that either TRUSSEL or LAKSE was employed there.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau File #79-23729  
Report of Special Agent GERALD J. FLYNN dated 5-26-50  
at New York.  
Letter from New York to Bureau dated 8-28-50.

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| TITLE<br><b>RICHARD CALVIN COX, CADET<br/>U.S.M.A. WEST POINT, NEW YORK</b> |                                   |   | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>MISSING PERSON</b>  |     |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: **Information as to whereabouts of RICHARD CALVIN COX negative. WOLLACK, ASN 37784604, RR #1, Rice, Minnesota, determined to be RAYMOND WOLLACK.**

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DETAILS: **Investigation at Rice, Minnesota, was conducted by SA ANDREW K. UGGEN; at Gilbert, Minnesota, by SA MALFORD O. EID and at Minneapolis, Minnesota, by the writer.**

**AT RICE, MINNESOTA**

**On September 7, 1950, it was learned that there was a JOHN WOLLACK who was known to have been formerly in the United States Army and who was living near Rice, Minnesota.**

**JOHN WOLLACK stated that he is not the person who was listed as having been a member of Troop D, 27th Constabulary Squadron in Germany. He stated that unquestionably the person referred to was his brother, RAYMOND WOLLACK who until two or three months ago was in the United States Army stationed in Germany. At that time he returned to the United States but before he had an opportunity to return to Minnesota, he was shipped with his outfit to Korea and is presently with the United States Armed Forces there.**

**AT GILBERT, MINNESOTA**

**Mr. FRED PIRCO, 207 New Jersey Avenue, stated that he is the father of FRED A. PIRC who formerly was in the service. He did not know**

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the present whereabouts of his son.

Mrs. JOE FUGINA, 220 New York Avenue, Gilbert, Minnesota, stated that her brother, FRED A. PIRC is living some place in Minneapolis, Minnesota, address and employment unknown. However, her brother, FRANK A. PIRC lives at 80 Spruce Place, Minneapolis, and would know the whereabouts of FRED A. PIRC, ASN 37019891.

AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

Mr. FRANK A. PIRC of 80 Spruce Place, was contacted. He stated that he did not know the whereabouts of his brother, FRED A. PIRC and that he had not seen him in some months. He did not know if he was presently living in Minneapolis. He did state, however, that his brother had been in the Army in Germany and since that time had been discharged.

A credit and criminal check on FRED A. PIRC proved negative.

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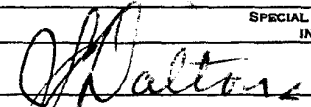

REFERENCE; New York letter to Director dated August 28, 1950.

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| TITLE<br><b>RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet<br/>U. S. Military Academy<br/>West Point, New York</b>   |                                   | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>MISSING PERSON</b>   |   |
| <p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b> WILLIAM HANRAHAN, Davenport; DERYE GIBER, Shenandoah; JESSE LOGSDON, Van Wert; all Iowa, interviewed with negative results. ROY R. CAMPBELL re-enlisted in U.S. Army and presently at Camp Carson, Colorado. Capt. WARREN L. TAYLOR currently at University of Michigan Law School, Ann Arbor.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- RUC -</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: 1.2em;"><i>G. I. R.</i></p> <p><b>DETAILS:</b> <u>AT DAVENPORT, IOWA.</u></p> <p>The following investigation was conducted by SA <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 80px; height: 15px;"></span></p> <p style="text-align: right;">b6<br/>b7c</p> <p>Mr. WILLIAM HANRAHAN, 2350 Farnam Street, advised that to the best of his memory he had been stationed in Germany from approximately September to December 1947. He advised that there were two young men in his troop who had the surname COX, but he advised that he had never known either one of them more than very casually, inasmuch as neither of them had been in his platoon. He advised that he never had known the first name of either of these two young men, nor had he become sufficiently acquainted with either to know anything about their background. Mr. HANRAHAN concluded by stating that he could furnish no information concerning the subject or his present whereabouts.</p> |                                   |  |   |
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LEADS

THE DENVER DIVISION

AT CAMP CARSON, COLORADO

Will locate PFC, ROY R. CAMPBELL, Company C, 62nd Heavy Tank Battalion, 10th Infantry Division, and interview him for any information concerning the whereabouts or background of COX.

THE DETROIT DIVISION

AT ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

Will, at the University of Michigan Law School, determine the address of Captain WARREN L. TAYLOR and interview him regarding the whereabouts of COX, inasmuch as he had served in the 6th Constabulary Unit with COX and was acquainted with him.

REFERENCES: Report of SA CASPER H. KAST, 7-5-50, Detroit, Michigan.  
New York letter to Director and all continental offices dated August 28, 1950.

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AT SHEWANDOAH, IOWA

The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]

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DERYE G. GEER, 509 9th Street, advised that he was the personnel clerk in the 27th Constabulary Squadron during the period COX was a member of the squadron. He said that he remembered COX, but that he had not been an acquaintance of his. He said he had no idea as to where COX could be or any idea as to the reason for COX's disappearance. GEER was unable to supply any background information concerning COX.

AT GUTHRIE CENTER, IOWA

The following investigation was conducted by the writer:

R. I. TAYLOR, attorney, advised that his brother, Captain WARREN L. TAYLOR, has resumed his studies at the University of Michigan Law School and is now living at Ann Arbor, Michigan, where he can be reached through the Law School.

AT ORIENT, IOWA

Mrs. HOWARD CAMPBELL advised that her son, ROY CAMPBELL, re-enlisted in the Army on September 15, 1950 and that he is now a PFC, Company C, 62nd Heavy Tank Battalion, 10th Infantry Division at Camp Carson, Colorado.

AT VAN WERT, IOWA

JESSE LOGSDON, farmer, was shown a photograph of COX and advised that he recalled him well as a desert fellow who did not impress him as the type who would desert. He added that the last time he saw COX was in Schweinfurt, Germany, when they were both members of the 27th Staff Squadron, and COX had just received orders informing him of his appointment to the U.S.M.A., West Point, New York, along with the company clerk, whose name he could not recall. LOGSDON could offer no pertinent background information regarding COX nor could he recall any person in particular named [REDACTED]

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| TITLE<br><b>RICHARD COLVIN COX,<br/>Cadet, U. S. Military Academy<br/>West Point, New York</b> |                                   |  | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>MISSING PERSON</b>               |

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

**Five former soldiers of Troop D, 27th Constabulary Sq., and Troop D, 28th Constabulary, Sq. now residing in Virginia, who were in these units with Cadet COX overseas, were interviewed concerning any knowledge they might have of him with negative results.**

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**DETAILS:**

**Investigation at Charlottesville, Virginia, was conducted by SA JESSE C. HALL, JR.; at Shipman, Virginia, by SA JOHN E. FREESE; at Wise and Bristol, Virginia, by SA PAUL H. STODDARD; at Stuart, Virginia, by SA [redacted] and the remainder was conducted by the writer.**

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**AT STAUNTON, VIRGINIA**

**ELZA D. ARBOGAST, 202 South Fayette Street, was interviewed concerning any information which he might be able to furnish concerning Cadet COX, and he advised that he was unable to recall him at all. He said that he was with Troop D, 27th Constabulary during the pertinent period, July 1947 to December 1947, but just had not met COX or heard anyone speak of him. ARBOGAST failed to identify the photograph of COX.**

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BENJAMIN L. ZIEGLER, 232 Churchville Avenue, Staunton, Virginia, was also interviewed for any information which he could furnish regarding Cadet COX, and he informed that he could only vaguely recall that there was a soldier by the name of COX in his unit overseas. He said he would be unable to recall any of COX'S acquaintances or any background data which would be of any assistance in locating him.

AT BRISTOL, VIRGINIA

PAUL O. CARRIER was interviewed September 18, 1950 at the Blountville County Jail for Sullivan County, Tennessee, where he was in custody on a charge of fighting. He was interviewed and advised he could not recall the subject or any of the individuals listed for information. Mr. CARRIER was unable to furnish any pertinent information which would be of value to this investigation.

AT WISE, VIRGINIA

Mr. BILLY RAY GILLIAM, Rural Route 1, Box 46B, Wise, Virginia, was interviewed September 25, 1950, at which time he advised that he could not recall any of the individuals listed for information and was unable to furnish any pertinent information which would be of value in the investigation of this case.

AT SHIPMAN, VIRGINIA

Mrs. EVELYN JOHNSON, Shipman, mother of ANDREW J. JOHNSON, JR., ASN 33663729, advised that he is still in service and presently en route to points overseas. She furnished as his mailing address, M/Sgt. ANDREW J. JOHNSON, JR., ASN RA 33663729, Heavy Tank Company, 15th Infantry, APO 468, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, California.

Mrs. JOHNSON said that when ANDREW was home on leave he had spoken of his many friends in the service, and that the name "COX" seemed familiar as one of his friends but that since he had mentioned so many of them, she could not be certain that he did know a person of that name. Other names involved in this matter were not familiar to her.

AT CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA

Sgt. 1st Class JESSE J. TURNER, ASN 7027786, home address Sixth Street, Extended, Charlottesville, was interviewed, at which time

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he advised that he is currently on a sixty-day furlough from the Army. He stated that from June, 1946 to the present time he has been assigned to what was formerly the 27th Constabulary, then became the 28th Constabulary, and is presently Co. D, 2nd Bat., 14th Armored Cavalry, stationed in Germany. He advised that he recalled the fact that COX was formerly assigned to the 27th and 28th Constabulary in 1947 in Germany, and that they were in the same company. He stated that he particularly recalled this because there appeared a photograph and article in the "Stars and Stripes" concerning COX'S disappearance from West Point shortly after this happened. He stated that he did not know him well enough to remember who his intimate friends were or with whom he corresponded. He advised that shortly after leaving the unit COX wrote a letter to the Company in general which was posted on the bulletin board, and that he had expressed liking "The Point" and the fact that he was getting along satisfactorily in his studies. Sgt. [ ] stated that his unit was assigned the task of border patrol in Germany, was headquartered at Schweinfurt, Germany, and covered the area at Konishfoen, Wurzburg, and Bamberg, Germany, when COX was a member.

Concerning the identity of [ ] Sgt. TURNER advised that he could recall no one by that name and that unless an individual was a close personal friend, it was usually a habit to refer to them by their last names.

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He concluded that on September 19, 1950 he had to leave Charlottesville, Virginia, for Fort Dix, New Jersey, and shortly thereafter would proceed to rejoin his unit at Germany. He advised that his address will be Co. D, 2nd Bat., 14th Armored Cavalry, APO 62, c/o Postmaster, New York, New York, unless his orders are changed.

He stated that should he hear or recall any additional information concerning COX upon his return to Germany, he would furnish this information to his company commander.

#### AT STUART, VIRGINIA

JAMES RUFUS HUTCHENS, Route 5, Stuart, Virginia, advised that he does not recall COX at all. He explained that there were several persons in his outfit that he did not know by name but knew by sight. He said that perhaps he would know COX by sight but that the name means nothing to him. HUTCHINS advised that he has not seen any of the members of his old outfit since he left it, and has no idea who might be identical with [ ]

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HUTCHINS was furnished with a description of COX, and he said that he was unable to place him. (It might be pointed out that HUTCHINS is somewhat uneducated and resides in a remote mountain section of the State. He is not the type person who would make many friends or associate with others to any great extent.)

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REFERENCE: New York letter to Director, cc all continental offices,  
dated August 28, 1950.

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| <b>TITLE</b><br>RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet<br>U. S. Military Academy<br>West Point, New York  |                                   | <b>CHARACTER OF CASE</b><br>MISSING PERSON |  |
| <p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b> Efforts to locate WILLIAM R. SMITH, Fort Collins, Colorado, negative.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p><b>DETAILS:</b> <u>AT FORT COLLINS, COLORADO</u></p> <p>Mrs. WILLIAM SMITH, Route 4, Box 218, stated she has never known a WILLIAM R. SMITH who resided on Route 4, but that she has received mail addressed to this individual which she has returned to the Post Office.</p> <p>It is to be noted that New York letter dated August 28, 1950, sets out the address of WILLIAM R. SMITH as Route 4, Box 209.</p> <p>Mrs. ED SCHNEIDER, Route 4, Box 209, stated she and her husband have lived there for the past ten years and they have never heard of a WILLIAM R. SMITH.</p> <p>No record of WILLIAM R. SMITH could be located at the Credit Association, Sheriff's Office, or Police Department. An examination of city directories over the past ten years, which also contained a list of rural residences, did not reveal the name of WILLIAM R. SMITH.</p> <p>Mr. E. M. SPOON, Mail Carrier on Route 4, stated he remembers that WILLIAM R. SMITH was on Route 4 for a brief time living with some people named R. J. HEDGES. He stated this was approximately two years ago in 1948 as near as he can recall, and that he is of the opinion, although he cannot be sure, that WILLIAM R. SMITH was married to one of the HEDGES girls and that they separated after a very brief time. In any event, he stated he has never heard of WILLIAM R. SMITH and he does not know where</p> |                                   |  |  |
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he is now or where R. J. HEDGES resides at the present time. He stated HEDGES is not on Route 4 but may be on another route out of Fort Collins, Colorado.

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LEADS

THE DENVER DIVISION

AT FORT LUPTON, COLORADO

Will attempt to locate PHILLIP B. VICIL, General Delivery, who was reported to have been one of the enlisted personnel attached to Troop D, 27th or 28th Constabulary Squadron, to which Cadet COX was assigned in Germany, July through December, 1947, to determine whether this individual may have information as to Cadet COX or the individual known as

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AT FORT COLLINS, COLORADO

Will attempt to locate R. J. HEDGES, who presently resides on a rural route, to determine whether he knows the whereabouts of WILLIAM R. SMITH.

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| TITLE<br><b>RICHARD CALVIN<sup>0</sup> COX, Cadet, U.S.M.A., West Point, New York.</b> |                                   |   | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>MISSING PERSON</b>                                    |

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

**JAMES C. DAVIS, Newport News, Va., and Sergeant WILLIAM M. NEWMAN, Langley Air Force Base, Virginia, interviewed with negative results.**

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**DETAILS:**

**AT NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA**

**JAMES C. DAVIS, 2808 Huntington Avenue, Newport News, Virginia, advised upon viewing the photograph of missing person that he does not recall ever having seen him. He stated that he was in Troop D, 27th Constabulary Squadron in July 1947, at Darmstadt to July 1948, when he was transferred. He advised that he does not recall missing person by name or photograph.**

**Sergeant WILLIAM M. NEWMAN, Langley Air Force Base, Virginia, advised that he was Sergeant of Troop D, 27th Constabulary Squadron, at which time he was in charge of the mess. He stated that he does not recall COX or any of COX's friends. A photograph of the missing person was displayed to Sergeant NEWMAN and he advised that he had never seen COX.**

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| REPORT MADE AT<br>Butte, Montana   | DATE WHEN MADE<br>10/19/50   | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE<br>9/28;10/3,11/50 | REPORT MADE BY<br>J. EUGENE SCHEIB MCP |
| TITLE<br>RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet<br>U. S. Military Academy<br>West Point, New York   |                              | CHARACTER OF CASE<br>MISSING PERSON      |  |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:<br>DONALD D. DWIGANS, presently a student at Idaho State College, Pocatello, Idaho, roomed with COX from August, 1947 until about January 15, 1948. DWIGANS stated he and COX were close friends during that period. They were both members of the basketball team and all other team members were close friends of COX. DWIGANS has not seen nor heard from COX since January, 1948. He stated any member of the basketball team would be more apt to visit COX than any other soldiers. Names and serial numbers of team members obtained from DWIGANS. Snapshot photographs of some members of the team also obtained. |                              |  |  |
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| Mr. RONALD DWIGANS, postmaster, Terreton, Idaho, father of DONALD D. DWIGANS, advised that his son is presently attending Idaho State College and residing at Residence Hall on the Idaho State College campus.  |                              |  |  |
| Upon interview, DONALD D. DWIGANS advised that he first met COX in August, 1947, and they began rooming together and were together constantly  |                              |  |  |
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from the until COX left on about January 15, 1948. DWIGANS stated that there were no soldiers attached to that base who were particular friends of COX and he could think of no one who might know COX well enough to call on him at West Point, unless it would be any member of the basketball team. He explained that he and COX were members of the basketball team that played regularly through the fall of 1947, and were actually on a basketball trip when COX received his notice to return to his camp as he had received his appointment to West Point. DWIGANS stated he has no idea who [redacted] may be as he does not remember anyone by that name who knew COX.

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After checking his personal effects at his home, DWIGANS came to the Pocatello Resident Agency on October 3, 1950, and furnished the following list of soldiers who were members of the basketball team, all of whom were close friends of COX:

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| 1st Lt. | KEITH A. BRISONE    | 0307499  |
| 1st Lt. | RICHARD CRANE       | 0727245  |
| S/Sgt.  | RICHARD STEVENS     | 31344738 |
| Sgt.    | ROSE T. F. MORGAN   | 37829615 |
| T/4     | JOHN L. HYERS       | 43008518 |
| Cpl.    | DANIEL C. DEGAN     | 11160572 |
| Cpl.    | ALFRED A. KARGE     | 16242084 |
| T/5     | JOHN L. LAUNDERS    | 42250282 |
| Pfc.    | MICHAEL J. CASTALDO | 12278888 |
| Pfc.    | RICHARD L. DECKBAR  | 14220476 |
| Pfc.    | ALBERT A. DIRENZO   | 12247724 |
| Pfc.    | THOMAS BAYES, JR.   | 15067302 |
| Pfc.    | FRANCIS MALONEY     | 12265286 |

DWIGANS stated that he has not been in communication with any of the above persons since he left Germany in February, 1948, and he never did correspond with COX. He stated that after his release from the armed forces in February, 1948, he returned to Idaho where he has been a student at Idaho State College since.

Of all of the above listed individuals DWIGANS stated that he believed DIRENZO or LAUNDERS would be most apt to visit COX. He stated that he does not have the address of DIRENZO, but his home was in Syracuse, New York, and his father operated a tavern. He stated that LAUNDERS was from New York City.

He stated that the only person's address he could find in his personal effects was THOMAS BAYES, whose address was 117 Ash, San Francisco, California.

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DWIGINS turned over to the writer two snapshot photographs, one is a photograph of DIRENZO and COX, the other is a photograph taken of part of the team while they were on one of the basketball trips and he identified the individuals in the photograph as MORGAN, MALONEY, DIRENZO, LAUNDERS, BATES, COX and CASTALDO. These photographs are being furnished to the New York Office as enclosures with this report to be exhibited to the cadets at West Point who had seen [redacted] to see if they can identify any of the persons in these photographs as being identical with [redacted].

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DWIGINS stated that the only person COX ever talked about among his other associates before he was assigned to Troop D 27, Constabulary Squadron, was GRONER. It is to be noted that GRONER was extensively interviewed as reflected in referenced report.

Enclosures

NEW YORK OFFICE

Snapshot photograph of COX  
and ALBERT A. DIRENZO.  
Snapshot photograph of members  
of basketball team.

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SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

Will endeavor to locate THOMAS BAYES, JR., 117 Ash, and will interview him along lines suggested in referenced letter.

ST. LOUIS, OFFICE

AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

Will, at the R.A.C.A.G. check the following list of persons against their records for the addresses of any who have been released from the U. S. Army. Will set out appropriate leads to have any of these individuals interviewed along the lines suggested in referenced letter.

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| 1st. Lt. | KEITH A. BRESCKE    | 0307499  |
| Lst. Lt. | RICHARD CRANE       | 0727245  |
| S/Sgt.   | RICHARD STEVENS     | 31344738 |
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| PFC.     | FRANCIS MALONEY     | 12265286 |

WASHINGTON FIELD DIVISION

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

Will, at the Personnel Information Branch of the A.G.O. check the list of persons set out in the lead for St. Louis, against the clinical records for the present location of any of these individuals who may still be in active service. Appropriate leads should be set out to interview any of these individuals along the lines suggested in referenced letter.

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AT WEST POINT, NEW YORK

Will exhibit the snapshot photographs of the various members of the basketball team to JOHN A. SAMOTIS, Serial No. C-7481, and MAURO E. MARESCA, Serial No. C-6520, in an effort to determine whether or not any of these individuals appear to be identical with

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Reference: Report of SA GERALD J. FLINN, New York City dated May 26, 1950.  
New York City letter to the Bureau dated August 28, 1950.

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| TITLE<br>RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet<br>U. S. Military Academy<br>West Point, New York |                       |  | CHARACTER OF CASE<br>MISSING PERSON<br><i>3-104</i> |

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Cadet JUAN BURCIAGA advised that COX'S vanity was wounded because his girl friend had been dating an unknown football player apparently in the vicinity of Mansfield, Ohio. After Christmas leave, COX told BURCIAGA "I feel like resigning and going home." COX often stated that if it were not for his mother he would not be at West Point. Additional investigation at Stewart Field and West Point unproductive. Interview with former members of D Troop 27th and 28th Constabulary continuing, but unproductive to date. Harriman and Bear Mountain State Parks thoroughly covered during past season, but reflect no trace of COX. Dental record of COX set forth. RAYMOND GILLIGAN who was stationed at Marburgh, Germany with COX advised latter had strong inclination towards gambling. Investigation to date has failed to uncover any logical reason for COX'S disappearance.

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**DETAILS:**

At West Point, New York

Cadet JUAN G. BURCIAGA, Serial Number C-8078 of Company B2, advised that his home is in Roswell, New Mexico. He stated that he met RICHARD COLVIN COX when both entered the Academy

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as members of the same class and that he later became quite friendly with COX. They made frequent plans to go out together, but circumstances and previous commitments usually interfered, and they never actually were able to keep any of the dates they had made. On numerous occasions, however, both he and COX attended the post theatre. BURCIAGA advised that he had thought about COX'S disappearance quite frequently in an attempt to discover some reason for it. He concluded that he was unable to put his finger on any particular reason other than the following:

When COX returned from his last Christmas leave he told BURCIAGA, "I feel like resigning and going home," BURCIAGA stated that he paid no particular attention to this statement by COX because it was a statement usually made by most of the Cadet Corps after they had had the opportunity of spending a few days at home. He advised that COX'S vanity appeared to be wounded because of the fact that his girl friend was dating a football player apparently in the vicinity of her home in Mansfield, Ohio; however, after the last Christmas leave COX told BURCIAGA that this situation had been entirely patched up. COX often stated, "If it were not for my mother, I might not be at West Point." On the other hand, BURCIAGA quoted COX as saying that his mother had an insurance company, but that he preferred the Army to the insurance business. BURCIAGA stated that to the best of his recollection he last saw COX on January 8, 1950, a Sunday. BURCIAGA was in charge of quarters on this day. COX came in and spent several hours with him. This visit occurred about 2:00 or 3:00 P.M. BURCIAGA stated that on the occasion of this visit he noted nothing strange in COX'S behavior and that COX did not confide anything to him. BURCIAGA concluded that if anything occurred to make COX leave West Point it would probably have been in the nature of something which might be a disgrace to his family or to his mother and not a mere infraction of the Academy's rules.

The records of the Officers Personnel Section of the United States Military Academy were searched, but no record could

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be found of a Colonel MC KENZIE who was reported to have been the former company commander of the 6th Constabulary Squadron and to have been well acquainted with COX.

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The records of the United States Military Preparatory School at Stewart Field, New York, reflected that [redacted] Army Serial Number [redacted] PFC, attended this school from the date he arrived in this country on January 30, 1948 from overseas duty to September 30, 1948, at which time he was transferred from this school into the Engineering Detachment of the 1802 Special Regiment, West Point, New York.

The records reflected that [redacted] was born on [redacted] [redacted] and his home address is listed as RR #2, Cazenovia, Wisconsin. His emergency address was listed in care of [redacted] RFD #1, Gillingham, Wisconsin. His last duty station was with D Troop, 28th Constabulary at Schweinfurt, Germany.

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Sergeant A. SNOOP in charge of the enlisted personnel section of the 1802 Special Regiment advised that [redacted] Army Serial #RA 16240255 was transferred to Camp Stoneman, California, for duty with the Far East Air Force. He left West Point on July 14, 1950.

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Captain ROBERT SATTERFIELD, Assistant Provost Marshal, West Point, New York, advised that he had discussed COX'S disappearance with [redacted] before the latter was transferred from this station and that [redacted] was unable to offer any explanation of the same.

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Miss KAY DARCEY, Registrar's Office of the United States Military Academy, advised that Cadet CHESTER HOWELL had been discharged from the Academy on January 4, 1950. At the time of his discharge, HOWELL'S address was listed in care of his father EARL J. HOWELL, 1814 3rd Avenue, Pottsville, Pennsylvania. Inasmuch as Miss DARCEY'S section handles the academic records of all Cadets and graduates of the United States Military Academy, a stop was placed with her in the event that any request was made of a transcript of Cadet COX'S record.

At Bear Mountain, New York.

Chief AUGUST HLAVATY, NA of the Palisades Interstate Park

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Police, advised that the entire area of the Bear Mountain and Harriman State Parks have been thoroughly covered during the past season, but that no trace of COX had been found. Chief HLAVATY advised that in addition to the patrols carried out by members of his department and the rangers attached thereto the parks are frequented during the summer months by vacationers and campers who wander throughout the entire park. He said he felt reasonably certain that if COX had been somewhere in this vicinity he would have received some report of it during the past season.

At Highland Falls, New York

WILLIAM O'DELL of the Mohawk Bus Company advised that on the day that Cadet COX disappeared from West Point a Cadet was seen to take the six o'clock bus to New York. The driver, however, was unable to identify this Cadet as COX and could furnish no information as to the ultimate destination of the Cadet.

By letter dated June 9, 1950, the Boston Office advised that Mrs. BEULAH M. WELCH of 54 Chestnut Street, Boston, Massachusetts, had advised that she is the mother of DEANE E. WELCH, the roommate of RICHARD C. COX. Mrs. WELCH furnished the Boston Office with a cancelled check in the amount of \$10.00 which she had made out to her son DEANE and which when returned to her was endorsed first by her son and next by RICHARD C. COX, the missing Cadet. Mrs. WELCH advised that she had contacted her son DEANE at West Point and that her son recalled that COX had cashed the check for him, but could not recall any of the details concerning it. This check for \$10.00 payable to DEANE E. WELCH and signed BEULAH M. WELCH was dated December 19, 1949, and drawn on the National Shawmut Bank in Boston. Mrs. WELCH advised that she had met Cadet COX on about five different occasions since her son had entered West Point. She believed that COX had a girl friend and that she, Mrs. WELCH, may have even met this girl at West Point, but had no recollection of same. She was unaware that COX had served in the Constabulary in Germany prior to his entrance at West Point. After reading of his disappearance in the paper, she questioned her son DEANE about the identity of the person known as [redacted] but stated that her son told her that he had never met this [redacted] but on several occasions telephone calls had come for COX at West Point. Immediately after receiving these calls, COX appeared emotionally upset and on one occasion said to WELCH in substance, "The heck with him (referring to the person from whom he received the calls) he's wasting his time."

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WELCH told his mother that at this time he asked COX if he was in any trouble or if he could help him, but COX would never discuss the person from whom he received these calls. Mrs. WELCH stated that in her opinion COX appeared to be a very good mixer yet one who could be easily influenced. On one occasion, and she was not certain whether this occurred during commencement week in June of 1949 or the Christmas vacation, 1948 and 1949, when she was a guest at the Thayer Hotel, she observed Cadet COX on the balcony of the hotel with a girl. She described this girl as a large girl having bleached blonde hair, very artificial looking and cheap appearing. Mrs. WELCH recalled that it struck her at that time that this girl was not the usual type of girl seen at West Point.

In the report of SA [redacted] dated August 30, 1950 at Savannah, Captain DUDLEY F. CONEY, former Commanding Officer of D Troop, 28th Constabulary Squadron at Schweinfurt, Germany, furnished the names of the following individuals who were former members of D Troop and whom he believed may have been acquainted with COX:

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Sergeant First Class JAMES F. ROWSEY

Sergeant First Class REED  
(first name unknown)

Sergeant or Corporal GODMAN  
(first name unknown)

These names were checked against the list of names of the enlisted personnel of D Troop, 28 Constabulary Squadron, received from the St. Louis Office, and the following identification was effected:

REED, first name IREL B.  
Army Serial #6984025  
Address, 5452 ASU, ROTC, Council Bluffs, Iowa

ROWSEY and GODMAN have not been identified to date.

In the same report, the information is contained that Sergeant MARION J. CLIFTON, Headquarters Company, Signal Corps Training Center, Camp Gordon, Georgia, furnished several

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names of individuals whom he believed may have been acquainted with COX. Among these names, the following have been identified from the list received from the St. Louis Office:



Headquarters 9135 TSL  
Quartermaster School  
Camp Lee, Virginia

JOHNNIE A. BOOKER  
Army Serial #37066773  
HC 7806 Station, Camp Unit APO 800  
New York, New York

VIRGIL MAYNARD  
Army Serial #35-426-471 SFC  
Service Company 6th Armoured Cavalry Regiment  
APO 305  
Care of the Postmaster, New York, New York

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In the report of SA WILLIAM S. STRINGER at Newark dated June 27, 1950, the information was contained that RICHARD GILLIGAN of 242 Fulton Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey, advised that he met COX in January of 1947 in Camp Kilmore, New Jersey, when both were awaiting shipment overseas. During their stay at Camp Kilmer, he and COX became very friendly, and COX spent two or three weekends at GILLIGAN'S house in Elizabeth. On these weekends, they went to dances and visited various taverns, but COX never exhibited any strong inclination towards liquor although he would drink sociably. Both were shipped overseas together and were stationed in Marburgh, Germany until sometime in February of 1947, when GILLIGAN was transferred. He has never seen COX since that date, but has corresponded with him, and the last letter he received from COX was written shortly after COX first entered the military academy.

GILLIGAN stated that COX was a quiet, reserved youth, but that he did have a strong inclination towards gambling, and he played mostly poker with other soldiers in Camp Kilmer and on the ship during the trip overseas. COX frequently won as much as several hundred dollars. GILLIGAN advised that his first thought

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when he heard of COX'S disappearance was that the latter might possibly have become too involved in gambling; however, he would make no statement as to whether he thought COX'S gambling activities were sufficient to cause any foul play.

By letter dated October 6, 1950, the Anchorage Office advised that Sergeant ROBERT D. JONES, Army Serial Number 46062566, Personnel Clerk, Headquarters Battery, 96th AAA Gun Battalion, Fort Richardson, Alaska, advised that he recalls COX as a member of the 27th and 28th Constabulary Squadrons D Troop stationed at Schweinfurt, Germany between July and December, 1947. JONES stated that he recalled COX as a member of that Squadron only because COX was recruited to the United States to attend a preparatory school prior to his entrance to the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York. He stated that he has had no correspondence or information regarding COX since 1947 and was unable to recall any close associates or acquaintances of COX who were stationed with them in Germany. JONES was unable to furnish any information as to the identity of any soldier or acquaintance named

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By letter dated May 23, 1950, the St. Louis Office furnished a photostatic copy of AGO Form 8-116 reflecting dental information available on RICHARD COLVIN COX, Army Serial Number RA 15355161. This dental information was prepared January 28, 1948, at the time COX entered the United States Military Academy Preparatory School at Stewart Field, New York. On the upper teeth, number 8 right and 8 left are marked as missing. In the lower, R16 and L16 are missing. Under number 11 disease or injury with location, complications, sequelae, etc., the following notation is made:

Car. R-7-0  
Car. L-7-0  
Car. L-6-0  
Occlusion is marked as normal  
Periodontoclasia is marked as normal  
Dental foci suspected       negative  
Other conditions           negative

The aforementioned examination was made by Major C. S. JONES on January 28, 1948.

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In the report of SA THOMAS F. CURRY at Washington, D.C. dated October 3, 1950, a lead was set forth for the Pittsburgh Office to interview STEPHAN J. DITKO, 1327 Tennessee Avenue, Johnstone, Pennsylvania. DITKO is described as a man who is very much interested in photography and at one time or another had photographed every man who had served in the 27th and 28th Constabulary.

In the report of SA [REDACTED] at Cleveland, dated August 17, 1950, Mrs. R. F. COX, mother of the missing Cadet, advised that her son had purchased a small life insurance policy from the Pioneer Insurance Company of El Paso, Texas, while he was in military service. Mrs. COX stated she is maintaining payments on this policy during his absence..

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LEADS

CLEVELAND OFFICE

At Mansfield, Ohio

Will maintain contact with the family of RICHARD COLVIN COX.

EL PASO OFFICE

At El Paso, Texas

Will contact the offices of the Pioneer Insurance Company in an effort to determine whether there has been any communication with this company in regard to the policy issued on RICHARD COLVIN COX.

OMAHA OFFICE

At Council Bluffs, Iowa

Will attempt to locate and contact IRA B. REED, Army Serial #69840254, whose last address is listed as 5452 ASU, ROTC. REED was named as one individual who was friendly with COX while both were overseas and may have some information which would explain COX'S sudden disappearance.

PHILADELPHIA OFFICE

At Pottsville, Pennsylvania

Will contact former Cadet CHESTER HOWELL, 1814 3rd Avenue, who was reported as being friendly with the missing Cadet and question him for any information he may have regarding COX or COX'S present whereabouts.

PITTSBURGH OFFICE

At Johnstown, Pennsylvania

Will obtain from Sergeant STEPHAN DITKO, 1327 Tennessee Avenue,

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all photos which he may have taken of members of the 27th and 28th Constabulary Squadrons and will forward same to the New York Office in order that they may be displayed to COX'S fellow Cadets at West Point.

Will question DITKO to determine if he could identify the unknown [redacted]

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RICHMOND OFFICE

At Camp Lee, Virginia

Will attempt to locate and contact [redacted] PFC, Army Serial Number [redacted] whose last known address was listed as Headquarters 9135 TSLQ Quartermaster School, Camp Lee, Virginia. If located will attempt to determine whether [redacted] could possibly be identical with the unknown [redacted] mentioned in this case.

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NEW YORK OFFICE

At West Point, New York

Will contact Cadet DEANE WELCH, COX'S former roommate, to determine if he can identify the girl seen by Mrs. WELCH with Cadet COX at the Hotel Thayer either during commencement week of 1949 or the Christmas vacation of 1948 and 1949.

Will question fellow Cadets in an attempt to determine if COX was known as a gambler at the Academy.

Will make a further review of the list of the personnel formerly assigned to the 27th and 28 Constabulary Units received from the St. Louis Office.

At Highland Falls, New York

Will through WILLIAM O'DELL locate and interview the driver of the Mohawk bus on which a Cadet was reported to have left



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LEADS (CONT'D.)

West Point on the evening of January 14 last about 6:00 P.M.

At New York, New York

Will reinterview Miss LOUISE MUGRIDGE, a waitress at the Little Haufbrau, 247 East 86th Street, who at the time of the original interview was positive that COX was identical with the individual who skipped his dinner bill at the above restaurant.

REFERENCES:

Report of SA GERALD J. FLYNN, 5/26/50 at New York  
Report of SA WILLIAM S. STRINGER, 6/27/50 at Newark  
Report of SA LEMAN L. STAFFORD JR., 6/29/50 at  
El Paso  
Report of SA [REDACTED] 8/17/50 at Cleveland  
Report of SA MERLE L. SPAHR, 8/30/50 at Savannah  
Report of SAC GUY HOTTEL, 9/15/50 at Washington  
Report of SA THOMAS F. CURRY, 10/3/50 at Washington

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| TITLE<br><b>RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet, U.S. Military Academy, West Point, New York</b> |                                   |  | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>MISSING PERSON</b>     |

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** JEROME L. DAVIS unacquainted with COX. HOMER E. CLARK presently resides at Santa Monica, California. JOHN L. LAWLER transferred over seas from Camp Stoneman. MIGUEL DE LEON visiting in San Salvador.

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**DETAILS:            AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA:**

JEROME L. DAVIS, who resides with mother, ANN M. DAVIS, at 848 42nd Avenue, was interviewed aboard the U.S.S. MOUNTRAIL at the U.S. Naval Shipyards, Hunters Point. DAVIS advised that he enlisted in the Navy at San Francisco in July, 1950, and is presently assigned to the U.S.S. MOUNTRAIL as a Seaman, 2nd class. DAVIS was unable to identify a photograph of COX as anyone that he had met or known in Germany. DAVIS stated that he was in Germany with the U.S. Army from February, 1947 to January, 1948, but spent much of the time attending school, and was assigned to various squadrons.

JUAQUINA FERNANDEZ, 124 Newman St., advised that she lives at this address with her sister, CONCHA FERNANDEZ, and that MIGUEL E. DE LEON, son of CONCHA FERNANDEZ, is presently visiting in San Salvador. He is expected to return to San Francisco about the first of December, 1950. Arrangements were made whereby DE LEON will contact the San Francisco Office on his return.

The following investigation was conducted by SA

**AT MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIFORNIA:**

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It was ascertained from Mrs. CLYDE S. CLARK, 356 Bush St., stepmother of HOMER E. CLARK, that the latter is presently residing with his uncle, HOMER A. CLARK, 143 Wadsworth St., Santa Monica California. Mrs. CLARK advised that her stepson has resided with her and her husband at Mountain View, California almost continuously since his release from the armed forces in December of 1948. She stated that she recalls specifically that he was in Mountain View during the months December and January just past as he spent the holidays with them and shortly, thereafter, obtained employment at Mountain View. She stated that he left Mountain View approximately six weeks ago and has been residing in Santa Monica since that time.

The San Antonio office under date of September 14, 1950, advised that Major RAY HURST, Provost Marshal, Fort Hood, Texas, advised that JOHN L. LAWLER, ASN 11 151 309, was formerly assigned to C Company, 12th Armored Infantry Battalion, Fort Hood, but was transferred to the Personnel Center, Camp Stoneman, California, by special order 157, Paragraph 36, Headquarters Second Armored Division, dated June 1, 1950.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN C. NORRIS:

AT CAMP STONEMAN, PITTSBURG, CALIFORNIA:

The records at Camp Stoneman reflected that JOHN L. LAWLER, ASN 11151309, was transferred overseas per Paragraph 91, Special Order 184, dated July 3, 1950, to Provisional Company 922, APO 719, % Postmaster, San Francisco, California.

The Butte Office advised under date of September 29, 1950, that Mr. LESLIE AMES, 328 West 3rd North, St. Anthony, Idaho, father of DARREL AMES, of the same address, advised that his son, DARREL, has been recalled to active duty with the U.S. Army, and is presently stationed at Fort Ord, California.

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Information pertaining to   
St., Eureka, California was contained in the report of SA EDWARD A.  
PLEVACK, 7/17/50, San Francisco, California.

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THE LOS ANGELES OFFICE:

At Santa Monica, California:

Will interview HOMER E. CLARK, ASN 19215489, at 143 Wadsworth St., along the lines set forth in New York letter to the Bureau, dated August 28, 1950, copies of which were furnished all offices.

THE SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE:

At San Francisco, California:

Will interview MIGUEL DE LEON, 124 Newman St., on his return from San Salvador about December 1, 1950, along the lines as above.

At Monterey, California:

Will interview RAYMOND MARKS, ASN 190 42147, along the same lines.

At Ford Ord, California:

Will interview DARREL AMES, ASN 19280537, as set forth above.

REFERENCE:

Report of SA EDWARD A. FLEVACK, 7/17/50, at San Francisco.  
Report of SA GERALD J. FLYNN, 5/26/50, at New York.  
New York letter to the Bureau, 8/28/50.

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| REPORT MADE AT<br><b>Milwaukee, Wisconsin</b>   | DATE WHEN MADE<br><b>10/31/50</b> | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE<br><b>9/29; 10/25/50</b> | REPORT MADE BY<br><b>THOMAS J. GRAHAM EUG/ark</b> |
| TITLE<br><b>RICHARD CALVIN COX, Cadet<br/>U. S. Military Academy<br/>West Point, New York</b> |                                   |  | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>MISSING PERSON</b>        |

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

**HARRY F. REWOLINSKI**, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, unable to identify photo of COX or to recall any of his military acquaintances. **GLEN T. CARLSON** presently living at Mankato, Minnesota.

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**DETAILS:**

The investigation at Milwaukee, Wisconsin was conducted by SA M. W. DEBKINS and the remainder by the reporting agent.

At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

**HARRY F. REWOLINSKI**, 1625 West Scott Street, telephone EVergreen 3-9426, former member of Troop D, 27th Constabulary Squadron, U. S. Army, Serial Number 36841564, was interviewed. He informed that he does not recall anyone being in his organization by the name of **RICHARD CALVIN COX**. Mr. REWOLINSKI was unable to identify the photograph of that individual when exhibited to him as the likeness of any of his military acquaintances.

At Barron, Wisconsin

**HANS CARLSON**, father of **GLEN T. CARLSON**, ASN

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THE MINNEAPOLIS OFFICE

At Makato, Minnesota

Will interview GLEN T. CARLSON, ASN 17215988 as requested in New York letter to the Director under date of August 28, 1950.

REFERENCE: Report of SA GERALD J. FLYNN dated May 26, 1950 at New York, New York.

Letter from New York to the Director dated August 28, 1950.



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17215988, advised that GLEN CARLSON is presently residing in Mankato, Minnesota where he is employed as parts man in the Ford Garage. He said that he can be reached there.

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| TITLE<br><b>RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet<br/>U. S. Military Academy<br/>West Point, New York</b> |                                  |  | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>MISSING PERSON</b>                                       |

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Pfc. WILLIAM H. MEYERS, RA #17165269 according to letter to mother, is assigned to Fort Hobbe Canal Zone, Medical Company 33rd Infantry Regiment.

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**Details:** AT LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

Mrs. EDWARD MEYERS, 3818 Baldwin Ave., stated her son, WILLIAM H. MEYERS, left Lincoln in November 1949, and Denver, Colorado in September 1950. She produced a letter from him dated October 16, 1950, which bore the following return address:

"Pfc. WILLIAM H. MEYERS, RA #17165269  
Fort Hobbe Canal Zone, Medical Company  
33rd Infantry Regiment."

Mrs. MEYERS stated she was moving on October 27, 1950, but that her daughter, Mrs. CHARLES GROTHEN, would continue to live at this address.

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It is being left to the discretion of the office of origin as to whether an attempt should be made to interview in the Canal Zone.

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Reference: New York letter to Director dated 8/23/50.