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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

FILE NO. **79-65** **JN**

REPORT MADE AT CHARLOTTE	DATE WHEN MADE 2-14-51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1-12,16,23;2-1,10-51	REPORT MADE BY RICHARD E. WOOD
TITLE RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet U. S. Military Academy West Point, New York		CHARACTER OF CASE MISSING PERSON	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

ROBERT M. WALTERS, ASN 44105385, 421st Ordnance Co., Fort Bragg, N. C., and WILLIAM C. TRIPIETT, ASN 14214765, Hudson, N. C., have no recollection of COX nor were they able to identify the unknown acquaintance of COX named [redacted] Private PETER TORRES, ASN 19257702, presently stationed with Ranger Training Battalion, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Benning, Ga.

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DETAILS: AT FORT BRAGG, NORTH CAROLINA

Corporal ROBERT M. WALTERS, Army Serial Number 44105385, 421st Ordnance Company, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, was contacted by the writer at which time he advised that during the summer of 1947 he was stationed in United States Army in Germany with the 14th and 27th Constabulary Squadrons, and subsequently was transferred to the 10th Constabulary Squadron. He stated that he does not recall an individual named COX nor does he recall a person fitting COX's description stationed with him in German or elsewhere in his Army career. He further advised that he was unable to identify the individual [redacted] with anyone acquainted with him.

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The following description of WALTERS was obtained by the writer from observation and interrogation:

Name	ROBERT M. WALTERS
Place of birth	Laurel, Mississippi

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: *Charles W. [Signature]* SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Date of birth	[REDACTED]
Home address	[REDACTED]
	Chicasaw, Colorado
Height	5' 10"
Weight	180 pounds
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Dark brown
Build	Stout
Occupation	Professional soldier; service station attendant
Last employment	Irwin Oil Company, Armistead and Harding Avenue Chicago, Illinois.

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Captain A. L. TRENNEN, CID, Provost Marshal's Office, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, advised that a perusal of the post locator's files at Fort Bragg reflects that Private PETER TORRES, Army Serial Number 19257702, formerly assigned to the 407th Quartermaster Company, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, was transferred on November 21, 1950, under paragraph 7, Special Orders 270, to Fort Benning, Georgia, and is presently assigned to the Ranger Training Battalion at Fort Benning, Georgia.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]

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AT HUDSON, NORTH CAROLINA

WILLIAM C. TRIPLETT can normally be located through his brother, DEWEY TRIPLETT, Mill House No. 9, Hudson, North Carolina.

When interviewed, TRIPLETT advised that he had been assigned to the 14th and 27th Constabulary Squadron in Germany but had no recollection of COX nor was he able to identify [REDACTED] with anyone he knew.

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THE ATLANTA DIVISION:

At Fort Benning, Georgia

Will at the Ranger Training Battalion, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Benning, Georgia, locate and interview Private PETER TORRES, Army Serial Number 19257702, concerning his knowledge of RICHARD COLVIN COX, and COX's unidentified friend, [redacted] as requested by New York letter to Bureau dated August 28, 1950, copies of which were furnished to all offices.

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REFERENCE:

New York letter to Bureau, August 28, 1950, copies to all offices.

Report of SA RICHARD E. WOOD, Charlotte, January 11, 1951.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: February 10, 1951

FROM : SAC, Detroit

SUBJECT: RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet
 U. S. Military Academy
 West Point, New York
 MISSING PERSON
 (79-23729)

Rerept of SAC GUY HOTTEL dated December 27, 1950, at Washington, D. C., in which a lead is set out for the Detroit Office to interview DANIEL GEORGE DEGAN at Fort Custer, Michigan, along the lines suggested in New York letter to the Bureau dated August 28, 1950.

This is to advise that Victim DANIEL G. DEGAN, RA 11160572, Fort Custer, Michigan, has already been interviewed by the Detroit Division and the results of that interview are reflected in the report of SA V. LEMAR CURRAN dated October 13, 1950, at Detroit, Michigan.

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cc: New York (79-108)

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UP RELEASE REFLECTS THAT [REDACTED] WAS ARRESTED AT
CRANSTON, RI ON CHARGES OF DRIVING A STATION WAGON USED IN CONNECTION
WITH NUMEROUS THEFTS. ARTICLE REFLECTED THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND ALSO A FORMER RHODE ISLAND STATE UNIVERSITY ATHLETE
WERE BEING HELD FOR QUESTIONING. INSTANT INVESTIGATION REFLECTS
UNSUBSTANTIATED RUMOR THAT CADET COX HAD BEEN SEEN IN STATION WAGON
WITH RED HAIREED GIRL. COX- MOTHER ADVISES THAT HE MIGHT USE

ALIAS OF [REDACTED] ASCERTAIN IDENTITY OF [REDACTED]
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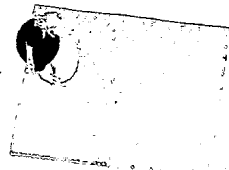
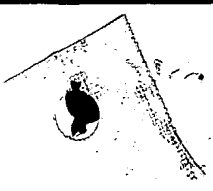
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CONF WASHINGTON 52 AND CHICAGO 4 FROM NEW YORK 12 7-12P
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RICHARD COLVIN COX, ASN C-EIGHT ONE THREE TWO - FUG., DESERTER.
RE NY REPORT DATED MAY TWENTYSIX, FIFTY, TITLED MISSING PERSONS.
EXAMINATION OF SUBJECT-S EFFECTS REFLECT THAT ON DEC. TWELVE, FORTY
NINE HE MAILED A LETTER TO ROSEMARIE VOGEL, LICHTENFELS ON MAIN,
BAVARIA, GERMANY. THIS LETTER WAS RETURNED MARKED "NOT FOUND".
SUBJECT MET VOGEL WHEN HE VISITED LICHTENFELS WITH JOSEPH GRONER AND
SEVERAL OTHER SOLDIERS DURING SUMMER OF FORTY SEVEN. GRONER ADVISED
HE LAST RECEIVED A LETTER DATED JAN. TEN, FIFTYONE FROM ROSEMARIE
VOGEL THAT BORE THE RETURN ADDRESS MAINECH POST, MAINROTH, GERMANY.
ROSEMARIE ADVISED GRONER THAT SHE WAS UNMARRIED AND DESIRIOUS OF VISIT-
ING THIS COUNTRY. GRONER ADVISES THAT THE FATHER OF ROSEMARIE VOGEL
WAS THE LOCAL SCHOOL MASTER AT KOESTEN. RECORDS OF INS DATED NOV.
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UNDER PL FOUR SEVEN ONE. ASCERTAIN WHETHER KUCIC-S FIANCEE ENTERED THIS COUNTRY AND WHETHER SHE IS IDENTICAL WITH THE ROSEMARIE VOGEL WHOM COX MET IN LICHTENFELS. IF SHE HAS NOT ENTERED THIS COUNTRY, ASCERTAIN REASON AND DETERMINE KUCIC-S WHEREABOUTS ON JAN. SEVEN AND FOURTEEN, FIFTY, WHETHER HE IS ACQUAINTED WITH SUBJECT AND HAS EVER VISITED WEST POINT. OBTAIN COMPLETE BACKGROUND AND DESCRIPTION OF KUCIC. EXPEDITE.

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RICHARD COLVIN COX, ASN C EIGHT ONE THREE TWO - FUG., DESERTER. SUTEL
PRESENT STATION OF MASTER SERGEANT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] WHO REENLISTED AT FORT BANNING,
GEORGIA ABOUT DEC. SIX, FORTY NINE. HIS HOME ADDRESS IS IN CARE OF
GENERAL DELIVERY COOPERS, TEXAS.

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REPORT MADE AT MIAMI, FLORIDA	DATE WHEN MADE 2/20/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/24; 12/29/50 1/28; 2/8/51	REPORT MADE BY DANIEL B. BRYAN, JR.
TITLE RICHARD C. COX, ASN C-8132 - FUGITIVE <i>A2-270me</i>		CHARACTER OF CASE DESERTER	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Neither subject nor his acquaintance named known to WILLIAM P. CAMPBELL, Lakeland, Florida; LLOYD G. RICHARDSON, Bushnell, Florida, or DORMAN L. WEAVER, Florahome, Florida.

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DETAILS:

AT FLORAHOME, FLORIDA

DORMAN L. WEAVER, advised that his Army Serial Number was 14 086 411, and that during World War II, he served overseas with the 27th and 28th Constabulary and the 48th Anti-Aircraft, 1st Division, United States Army, in Germany; that although the name COX sounded familiar, he did not recall a RICHARD C. COX serving with him, and could not identify subject's photograph; that he did not know who might have been a mutual buddy.

AT LAKELAND, FLORIDA

The following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM J. JAMESON:

WILLIAM P. CAMPBELL, a student at Southern College, Lakeland, Florida, stated that he had been with the 27th and 28th Constabulary Squadrons while in Germany, but had been on detached duty and was not acquainted with others in the same organization. He said that he never heard the name, COX, in the organization and was not acquainted with COX. He did not know an individual named who might have been a mutual acquaintance.

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AT BUSHNELL, FLORIDA

The following investigation was conducted by SA H. WAYNE SWINLEY:

LLOYD G. RICHARDSON, ASN 44108418, who is presently residing on Rural Route #1, Bushnell, Florida, upon interview advised he could not recall COX having been in his Squadron in 1947, however, stated the photograph of COX as appearing on the 10th Criminal Investigative Detachment wanted notice for absence without leave, looked familiar to him, however, he could furnish no information concerning the present whereabouts of COX.

RICHARDSON further stated that the identity of [redacted] who is reportedly an associate of COX and who met COX in Germany, is unknown to him and he could furnish no information concerning this individual.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

REFERENCE:

Report of SA FRANK A. SASS, JR., at Newark, 12/15/50.
New York letter to Bureau, 2/1/51.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK, N. Y.**

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REPORT MADE AT NEW ORLEANS, LA.	DATE WHEN MADE 2-20-51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9-19-50; 11-18, 20, 22-50; 12-20-50; 1-11, 24, 26-51	REPORT MADE BY JAMES W. HAMILTON DC
TITLE CHANGED RICHARD C. COX, ASN C-8132 - FUGITIVE <i>A2-28 lines</i>			CHARACTER OF CASE DESERTER

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

AUSTIN J. GASPARD, now inmate of Louisiana State Penitentiary, interviewed and advises last saw COX in 1949, and whereabouts since then not known. JAMES R. COLEMAN not known Winnsboro, Louisiana. GARLAND L. BOWSHIER determined now with Occupation Forces in Germany.

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DETAILS:

The title and classification of this case is being changed in accordance with information received from the New York office advising the Department of the Army had forwarded Form 45 placing COX in a deserter status. This case was formerly entitled "RICHARD CALVIN COX, Cadet, U. S. Military Academy, West Point, New York; MISSING PERSON."

AT ALEXANDRIA, LOUISIANA

The following investigation was conducted by SA

MRS. BOBBIE GASPARD, 1309 Rapides, aunt of AUSTIN J. GASPARD who formerly served in the Army with subject, advised that GASPARD is presently incarcerated in the Louisiana State Penitentiary at Angola, Louisiana. He was sentenced on January 25, 1950, to five years on three counts of breaking and entering.

AT ANGOLA, LOUISIANA

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The following investigation was conducted by SA JULIAN A. MARTIN:

AUSTIN J. GASPARD, an inmate of the Louisiana State Penitentiary, advised he was arrested January 3, 1950, and was in jail until he received his sentence on February 7, 1950. He stated he has not seen or heard anything of COX since 1949. He stated he was in the same company with COX at Fort Benning, Georgia, in the latter part of 1948; that they were transferred to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in October or November, 1948, but were assigned to different companies. He stated that while at Fort Benning, COX was friendly with and frequently boxed with one _____ GREENE, who was in their company while at Fort Benning; that this person was serving a sentence in the stockade at Fort Bragg when he, GASPARD, left there in August, 1949. He stated he knew of no other close associates of COX, either male or female. GASPARD stated he served with the same organization as did COX in Germany but was not well acquainted with him there. He was unable to furnish any information concerning the whereabouts of subject since August, 1949.

AT WHITE CASTLE, LOUISIANA

AMOS RODRIGUEZ, Route 1, advised SA MARTIN that his brother, HOLDEN RODRIGUEZ, presently resides at 1472 Camp Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

AT WINNSBORO, LOUISIANA

The following investigation was conducted by SA

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Postmaster ROY TAYLOR, who is widely acquainted in the Winnsboro area, advised that he has never heard of a JAMES R. COLEMAN residing in Winnsboro or along Route #3.

CASEY CARNEY, mail carrier for Route #3, Winnsboro, advised he has never heard of a JAMES R. COLEMAN living along his route. CARNEY stated there was one L. COLEMAN living on that route, however.

Franklin Parish Veterans Service Officer I. T. ROBINSON made a check of his records and was unable to locate any record of a veteran by the name of JAMES R. COLEMAN. ROBINSON stated that he did not know of any veteran living in that area who had not made some sort of claim through his office.

Sheriff HIRAM B. WALLER, Deputy Sheriff TRAVIS BASS and MAC ROGILLIO, all of Franklin Parish, advised they had lived in the area all of their lives and had never heard of a JAMES R. COLEMAN.

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Chief of Police GEORGE FERRINGTON likewise advised he never heard of an individual by that name residing in that area.

LEANDER COLEMAN, Route #3, Box 241, was located and he advised he had never served in the armed forces in Germany or in Europe and, further, that he did not know subject COX or JAMES R. COLEMAN.

AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

The following investigation was conducted by SA

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Through the present occupants of the residence at 3704 Danneel Street, it was determined that no person by the name of BOWSHIER presently resided at that address but agent was directed to MRS. F. H. WILLIS, 2337 General Pershing Street, who formerly resided at 3704 Danneel Street for many years for possible information of value.

MRS. WILLIS on contact recalled that a family by the name of BOWSHIER had lived at the Danneel Street address about five years ago. She recalled that BOWSHIER had separated from his wife who had remarried. She remembered BOWSHIER'S former wife's parents were Mr. and Mrs. MEL McLAIN of Columbia, Mississippi.

AT COLUMBIA, MISSISSIPPI

Mrs. MELVIN McLAIN, 1004 Church Street, advised SA that GARLAND L. BOWSHIER is presently in Germany with the Occupation Forces. She stated BOWSHIER'S former wife, MRS. McLAIN'S daughter, is now MRS. LEO VERNON and resides at 3207 Bienville, New Orleans. As BOWSHIER is determined now in Germany, no further inquiry with reference to this witness is being made.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

No lead is being set out to identify the GREENNE reported to have been an associate of COX while at Fort Benning and at Fort Bragg, as it is not known what investigation in this regard might have been requested already by the office of origin.

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THE NEW ORLEANS OFFICE

AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

Will interview HOLDEN RODRIGUEZ, 1472 Camp Street, for possible information of value concerning the whereabouts of subject COX.

REFERENCE:

Letter from New York to Bureau, August 28, 1950.

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TITLE RICHARD C. COX, ASN C-8132 - FUGITIVE		CHARACTER OF CASE DESERTER	

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

departed Bridgeville, California, and left forwarding address of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. JOHN E. WALTZ did not remember COX and can furnish no information concerning him.

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DETAILS: At Bridgeville, California

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent

JENNIE HOLT, employee of the Post Office at Bridgeville, advised that was no longer in that area and that he left a forwarding address of Milwaukee, 5, Wisconsin.

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It will be noted that the name of appears on page 18 of the letter from New York to the Bureau dated August 28, 1950. was listed as residing at Box 3306, Rural Route No. 3, Edmonds, Washington. He departed there and moved to Bridgeville, California, and later departed Bridgeville, leaving above Milwaukee address.

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At San Francisco, California

The following investigation was conducted by the writer:

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JOHN E. WALTZ, Room 519, Baldwin Hotel, located on 74 - 6th Street, was furnished with a picture and description of COX and he advised that he did not remember COX, as he was in Troop D of the 27th Constabulary Squadron for about four or five months in 1949. WALTZ stated that he returned to the States in June 1949 on a troop ship, the name of which he did not remember. He advised that to his knowledge no other men from the 27th Constabulary Squadron, Troop D, were on the ship. WALTZ was unaware that COX had been admitted to West Point. All attempts to refresh WALTZ' memory and to bring out any information concerning the possible whereabouts of COX met with negative results. WALTZ could furnish no information relative to the possible identity of

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MILWAUKEE DIVISION

At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Will interview [REDACTED]
Milwaukee 5, Wisconsin, along the lines set forth in the New York
letter to the Bureau dated 8/28/50, copies of which were furnished all
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REFERENCE: New York letter to Bureau dated 8/28/50
Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 11/28/50 at Seattle
Report of SA J. JOSEPH MURPHY, JR., dated 12/15/50 at
Los Angeles
Report of SA WILLIAM F. FINNERAN dated 1/2/51 at San
Francisco.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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TITLE RICHARD C. COX ASN C-8132 - FUGITIVE		CHARACTER OF CASE DESERTER	

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

No additional information obtained from Major DUDLEY F. CONEY re subject. WESTERVELT and wife, former ALICIA WEISS, not known to CONEY. CONEY advised will attempt to locate photographs of members of D Troop, 28th Constabulary Sqdn. Sgt. I/C MARION J. CLIFTON and Mrs. CLIFTON unable to recall WESTERVELT or wife. Cpl. MILFORD E. MARRIOTT, former member D Troop, and wife advised they knew subject in Germany but have not seen or heard of subject since. MARRIOTT said subject good soldier and occasionally got drunk and also that he had steady German girl friend in Schweinfurt, Germany. MARRIOTT unable to furnish any reason for disappearance of subject. List of subject's associates in D Troop obtained.

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DETAILS:

AT CAMP GORDON, GEORGIA:

Major DUDLEY F. CONEY, ASN O-1015596, Military Police School, was re-interviewed at which time he advised he could recall no additional information regarding the subject. Major CONEY who was formerly the Commanding Officer of D. Troop, 28th Constabulary Squadron, Schweinfurt, Germany said that he did not recall ever having known DAVID MYRON

APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>D. A. Alden</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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WESTERVELT or his wife, the former ALICIA WEISS. Major CONEY said that occasionally during parties held by D Troop at Schweinfurt, Germany group photographs were taken and issued to members of D Troop in the form of folders or booklets. He added that he might be able to locate some of these pictures or booklets at the home of his parents or his wife's parents in Illinois, and would notify the FBI and make available any pictures he is able to locate. In the event such photographs are obtained, copies will be furnished to the New York Division to be exhibited at West Point in an effort to identify [redacted], the unknown man who was reported to have visited the subject prior to subject's disappearance.

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Sergeant First Class MARION J. CLIFTON, Headquarters Company, Signal Corps Training Center, Camp Gordon, Georgia, and Mrs. CLIFTON advised they were unable to recall ever having known DAVID MYRON WESTERVELT or his wife, the former ALICIA WEISS. Mrs. CLIFTON, a German girl who married Sergeant CLIFTON while he was stationed in Germany, advised she has been thinking about the subject since she was last interviewed by a Bureau Agent, and she still is unable to recall any information which might explain his disappearance or aid in locating him. During previous interview with Mrs. CLIFTON she stated she recalled a cook in D Troop by the name of [redacted] who had a poor reputation. During the present interview she recalled that [redacted] first name was [redacted] but that he was sometimes known as [redacted]

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Corporal MILFORD E. MARRIOTT, ASN 37366007, 504 Military Police Battalion, Camp Gordon, Georgia, advised he resides at 918 Starnes Street, Augusta, Georgia and was formerly a member of D Troop, 28th Constabulary Squadron, Schweinfurt, Germany. Corporal MARRIOTT and his wife, a German girl who married MARRIOTT while he was stationed in Germany, said they were well acquainted with the subject in Germany but have not seen or heard of him since. MARRIOTT described the subject as a good soldier and one who occasionally got drunk while out with other soldiers. MARRIOTT also said that the subject had a steady German girl friend in Schweinfurt, Germany whom he seemed to regard highly and that the subject occasionally stayed overnight with other German girl friends prior to going steady with the girl at Schweinfurt. MARRIOTT continued that he was unable to think of any reason for the subject's disappearance or of any information which would aid in locating the subject. MARRIOTT described [redacted] as the "roughest" person in D Troop but said that he had never known of any trouble between [redacted] and the subject. MARRIOTT furnished the following list of names of former members of D Troop who make up a group with whom COX usually associated at Schweinfurt, Germany.

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BOYD A. McBRIDE
BILLY R. BRANDENBURG
STEPHEN J. DITKO
RALPH RAINONE
WALTER JONES

Sgt. _____ ARNOLD (first name unknown)

Sgt. _____ BUTZLAFF (phonetic)(first
name unknown)

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JOHN EVANOUSKI, 223 East 11th Street
Junction City, Kansas

VERNON L. KING.

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ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

New York letter to the Bureau dated August 28, 1950 sets out leads to interview BOYD A. McBRIDE, BILLY R. BRANDENBURG, STEPHEN J. DITKO, RALPH RAINONE, and WALTER JONES. These names were furnished by Corporal MILFORD E. MARRIOTT as associates of the subject, but it is being left to the discretion of the New York Division as to whether they desire these men be re-interviewed.

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LEADS:

THE NEW YORK DIVISION at New York: Will, in the event the New York Division has received additional lists of members of D Troop, 28th Constabulary Squadron, attempt to identify and locate the following personnel whose names were furnished by Corporal MILFORD E. MARRIOTT as friends of the subject while stationed in Germany.

Sergeant _____ ARNOLD.

Sergeant _____ BUTZLAFF (phonetic).

_____ (phonetic).

VERNON L. KING.

It is to be noted that MARRIOTT advised Sergeant BUTZLAFF (phonetic) could furnish information regarding the subject's activities in Germany.

THE KANSAS CITY DIVISION at Junction City, Kansas: Will interview JOHN EVANOUSKY, 223 East 11th Street, for information regarding the subject's background and location. EVANOUSKY has been reported to be a former member of D Troop, 28th Constabulary Squadron, and a former friend of the subject.

REFERENCES:

Report of Special Agent GERALD J. FLYNN dated May 26, 1950 at New York entitled RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet U. S. Military Academy, West Point, New York - MISSING PERSON.

Report of Special Agent LEMAN L. STAFFORD, JR. Dated June 29, 1950 at El Paso, Texas entitled RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet, U. S. Military Academy, West Point, New York - MISSING PERSON.

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REFERENCES (continued); Report of Special Agent dated August 30, 1950 at Savannah entitled RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet U. S. Military Academy, West Point, New York - MISSING PERSON.

New York letter to Bureau dated February 1, 1951.

New York teletype to Savannah dated February 8, 1951.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: February 20, 1951

FROM : *OKB* SAC, El PasoSUBJECT: RICHARD COLVIN COX,
ASN C-8132 - FUGITIVE
DESERTER
(Bufile 79-23729) *a-2-23-1951*

Rerep SAC GUY HOTTEL dated 12-27-50, which sets out a lead for the El Paso Office to interview RICHARD C. CRANE and JOHN LEWIS MYERS along the lines suggested in New York letter to the Bureau dated August 28, 1950.

Reference is made to the report of SA LEMAN L. STAFFORD, JR. at El Paso dated June 29, 1950, wherein it will be noted that Lt. RICHARD C. CRANE has previously been interviewed in this matter.

Investigation at Ft. Bliss, Texas, has disclosed that JOHN LEWIS MYERS, Sgt., ASN 43008518, was assigned to Company B, 9th Anti-Aircraft Battalion, Ft. Bliss, Texas, but that he has been transferred to the 5th Armored Division at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas.

Reference is further made to the report of SA GERALD R. FLYNN at New York dated May 26, 1950, which contains background data regarding subject, a copy of which was forwarded to all continental offices. It is noted that New York letter to the Bureau dated August 28, 1950 contains instructions regarding interviews of subject's former acquaintances and associates, and was also forwarded to all continental offices. It is noted that New York letter to the Bureau dated February 11, 1951 changing the character of this case to "DESERTER" was also forwarded to all continental offices.

Inasmuch as Lt. RICHARD C. CRANE has been previously interviewed in this case no attempts will be made to interview him at this time. The Little Rock Office is respectfully requested to interview Sgt. MYERS of Camp Chaffee, Arkansas.

A review of this file reflects that there is no further outstanding investigation to be conducted in this case at El Paso and it is therefore being considered Referred Upon Completion to the Office of Origin.

Enclosure to Little Rock - report, SAC GUY
HOTTEL, Wn., D.C., dated
12-27-50.

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cc: Little Rock
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RICHARD COLVIN COX, ASN C-EIGHT ONE THREE TWO - FUG, DESERTER.
RE NY REPORT MAY TWENTY SIXTH, NINETEEN FIFTY, ENTITLED "MISSING PERSON".
AGO RECORDS REFLECT [REDACTED] SERGEANT, ASN [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] A PATIENT AT ONE FORTY ONE PATIENTS MEDICAL
HOLDING DETACHMENT, APO FORTY FIVE, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. ASCERTAIN
EXACT LOCATION OF [REDACTED] IF AVAILABLE QUESTION HIM RE WHEREABOUTS
ON JAN. SEVENTH, EIGHTH, AND FOURTEENTH, NINETEEN FIFTY, AND HIS
ACQUAINTANCESHIP WITH SUBJECT. NAMES OF COX AND [REDACTED] APPEAR ON
MORNING REPORT OF TROUP C, SIXTH CONSTABULARY SQUADRON, DATED
MARCH SIXTH, NINETEEN FORTY SEVEN, AT COBURG, GERMANY. REVIEW TWO
NAUGHT ONE FILE FOR PERIOD JAN. SIXTH TO FIFTEENTH, NINETEEN FIFTY.
IF POSSIBLE OBTAIN PHOTOS OF [REDACTED] WITHOUT HAT AND COMPLETE DESCRIPTION.
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RICHARD COLVIN COX, ASN C-EIGHT ONE THREE TWO - FUG., DESERTER.
JOSEPH GRONER ADVISED THAT SUBJ AND HE, WHILE IN GERMANY, MET RED
CROSS HOSTESS, FLORENCE GIBBONS, LYNN, MASSACHUSETTS. ATTEMPT
TO LOCATE GIBBONS AND DETERMINE IF SHE HAS KNOWLEDGE OF SUBJECT-S
DISAPPEARANCE, WHEREABOUTS OR HAS RECEIVED ANY CORRESPONDENCE FROM
COX. OBTAIN NAMES OF MILITARY AND CIVILIAN PERSONNEL KNOWN TO BE
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RICHARD COLVIN COX, ASN C DASH EIGHT ONE THREE TWO - FUG., DESERTER.

JOSEPH GRONER ADVISED THAT WHILE SERVING OVERSEAS, HE AND SUBJECT BECAME ACQUAINTED WITH RED CROSS HOSTESS, BARBARA CHULICK OF LLOYDEL, PA. INTERVIEW CHULICK TO DETERMINE IF SHE HAS HEARD FROM COX.

OBTAIN NAMES OF ALL CIVILIAN AND MILITARY PERSONNEL KNOWN TO BE FRIENDLY WITH THE SUBJECT AND ANY INCIDENT WHICH MIGHT EXPLAIN SUBJECT-S DISAPPEARANCE. EXPEDITE.

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RICHARD COLVIN COX, ASN C-EIGHT ONE THREE TWO - FUGITIVE, DESERTER.
 REVIEW FILE OF HALSTEEN FALCH, ASN RA THREE TWO SEVEN NINE ONE EIGHT
 NINE TWO, FOR PRESENT ADDRESS. FALCH REPORTED DISCHARGED AT WEST
 POINT, NY, ON OCT. TWENTY SIXTH, NINETEEN FORTY EIGHT. SUTEL.

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RICHARD COLVIN COX, ASN C-EIGHT ONE THREE TWO - FUG, DESERTER,
REURTEL FEB. SIXTEENTH, LAST. INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY REPORT IN
PREPATATION. SHOULD REACH BUREAU ABOUT MARCH FIRST, NEXT.

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REURTEL FEBRUARY NINETEEN LAST. BARBARA CHULICK PRESENTLY ATTENDING

HUNTER COLLEGE AND RESIDING ONE FIVE ONE WEST END AVENUE, NYC.

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RICHARD COLVIN COX, ASN C DASH EIGHT ONE THREE TWO, FUGITIVE, DESERTER.
 RE NY TEL FEBRUARY TWELVE LAST. ROSEMARIE VOGEL AND CHARLES KUCIC
 MARRIED AND RESIDING TWO NAUGHT THREE NINE WEST TWENTY FIRST PLACE,
 CHICAGO, ILL. ROSEMARIE ENTERED U.S. MARCH FOURTEEN FORTYEIGHT AT NYC
 ON VISA SIX ONE FOUR SEVEN TWO AND FORMERLY RESIDED THIRTEEN A AMBERG
 OBERPFLAZ BAYERN, MORIZSTR THIRTY SEVEN U.S. ZONE, GERMANY. DISCLAMIS
 ANY ACQUAINTANCESHIP WITH COX AND STATES NEVER BEEN IN LICHTENFELS
 ON MAIN, BAVARIA NOR MAINECH POST, MAINROTH, GERMANY. CLAIMS HER FATHER
 WAS PAYMASTER FOR ARMY AND HAS NEVER BEEN A SCHOOL MASTER. KUCIC MET
 ROSEMARIE WHILE IN U.S. ARMY IN GERMANY AND RETURNED TO U.S. IN DEC.
 NINETEEN FORTY FIVE. KUCIC CLAIMS COX UNKNOWN TO HIM. EMPLOYMENT
 RECORDS, HARRISON SHEET METAL COMPANY, CHICAGO, REFLECT ONLY THAT
 KUCIC WORKED JANUARY THREE THROUGH SIX AND JANUARY NINE THROUGH FOUR-
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DIRECTOR AND SAC URGENT

RICHARD C. COX, ASN C DASH EIGHT ONE THREE TWO, FUGITIVE. DESERTER.

RE NEW YORK TEL FEBRUARY SEVEN, LAST. EDMUND L. COLVIN, AGE THIRTY-THREE, BORN IN CRANSTON, R. I. AND ALWAYS RESIDING THERE, NOT IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT. HIS WIFE CLAIRE COHEN COLVIN, AGE TWENTYNINE, LEFT RHODE ISLAND AROUND JANUARY SIXTEEN, FIFTY, IN COMPANY WITH HER BOY FRIEND, HERBERT S. O-ROURKE, AND HER TWIN DAUGHTERS, AGE NINE, AND TRAVELED TO TUCSON, ARIZONA IN NINETEEN FORTYNINE FORD STATION WAGON. MRS. COLVIN-S HAIR DIED AUBURN AT THE TIME, HAS NOW RETURNED TO NATURAL COLOR, BLACK. MRS. COLVIN AND O-ROURKE LIVED AS HUSBAND AND WIFE STOPPING IN TOURIST CABINS. THEY RETURNED TO RHODE ISLAND IN MARCH, FIFTY. MRS. COLVIN ADVISED STATION WAGON FULL OF CLOTHES AND NO ONE WAS EVER PICKED BY THEM DURING THE TRIP. SUBJECT UNKNOWN TO HER.

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RICHARD COLVIN COX, ASN C - EIGHT ONE THREE TWO, FUG., DESERTER. RE
 NEW YORK TEL FEB. NINETEEN LAST. ARMY ADVISES APO FORTY FIVE IS HAKATA -
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RICHARD COLVIN COX, ~~AGE 3~~ DASH EIGHT ONE THREE TWO, FUGITIVE,
DESERTER. NY ADVISES THAT JOSEPH GRONER AND GON MET RED CROSS
HOSTESS FLORENCE GIBBONS IN GERMANY. UNABLE LOCATE GIBBONS
AT LYNN, MASS., ADDRESS FURNISHED BY NY. ASCERTAIN AT ARC
NAT'L HEADQUARTERS HER WHEREABOUTS AND TEL. LEAD TO APPROPRIATE
OFFICE TO DETERMINE ANY INFO SHE HAS OF SUBJECT'S DISAPPEARANCE,
WHEREABOUTS OR IF SHE HAS RECEIVED ANY CORRESPONDENCE FROM COX.

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RICHARD C. COX, ASN C-8132
FUGITIVE - DESERTER
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Reurlet 2/10/51, in which you request that an I. O. be issued in this case.

For your information the Department of the Army is ordinarily opposed to general circularization in seeking to locate individuals whose only crime is that of desertion, however, the matter of the issuance of an I.O. in this case was discussed with a representative of the Department of the Army. This representative advised that it is not believed desirable to issue an I.O. on the subject in the absence of information indicating that he has committed a crime in addition to that of desertion. For this reason the issuance of an I.O. in this matter is not being contemplated at this time.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: February 10, 1951

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: RICHARD COLVIN COX
AS #C-8132
FUGITIVE - DESERTER

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Attached is form FD-61.

It is requested that the Bureau issue an Identification Order and Wanted Flyer on subject.

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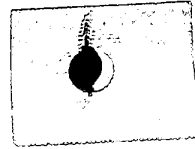
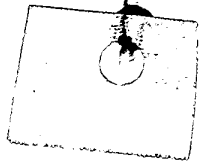
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FIRST ARMY
10TH CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DETACHMENT
39 WHITEHALL STREET
NEW YORK 4, N. Y.

WANTED FOR ABSENCE WITHOUT LEAVE

CADET RICHARD COLVIN COX
C-8132



Signature Richard C. Cox
Cadet, 4th Class.

DESCRIPTION

Name:	RICHARD C. COX	Build:	Medium
SN :	C-8132	Hair:	Brown (crew-cut)
Address:	554 Cook Road, Mansfield, Ohio	Eyes:	Blue
Race:	White	Complexion:	Fair
Age:	22; born 25 July 1928	Scars & Marks:	Diagonal scar on right elbow
Height:	5' 8"	Education:	Graduate of Mansfield Senior High School, 1945
Weight:	Approx. 165 lbs.		

The above pictured and described Cadet was reported missing from the U. S. Military Academy, West Point, New York, on 14 January 1950. He was last seen at 1818 hours, 14 January 1950, on the Military Reservation. If the above cadet is observed or apprehended, hold and notify the local Provost Marshal, who in turn should notify Provost Marshal, First Army, Governors Island, New York (Attn: Chief, CID) by the most expeditious means.

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Director, FBI

February 10, 1951

SAC,

**RICHARD COLVIN COX wa: Harry Cox, Henry Colvin;
AS #C-8132
FUGITIVE - DESERTER**

It is requested that an Identification Order be issued for
RICHARD COLVIN COX wa: Harry Cox, Henry Colvin

I. Submit following data:

- (1) Reasons why it is believed this Identification Order is desirable:

An extensive search of the grounds of the U.S. Military Academy West Point, N.Y. has failed to uncover any evidence that COX met with four play. He is reported to have been an excellent student and was well liked by his associated and instructors.

- (2) Date fugitive process was last checked and found to be outstanding:
- (3) Date when the United States Attorney was contacted to insure that he would remove and prosecute the fugitive upon apprehension (also state process and if the State Attorney will extradite and prosecute upon apprehension in UFAP cases):
- (4) Any other data necessary to clarify any discrepancies disclosed during the assembling of the Identification Order information should be explained at this point:
- (5) An interesting narrative is attached pursuant to Part I, Paragraph 40 of the FBI Handbook.

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II. NAMES AND ALIASES:

Subject's true name, if known, is to appear first and all aliases, including those found in the transcript of subject's criminal record and those obtained through investigative inquiry, are to follow alphabetically with the exception of nicknames, which are to follow in alphabetical order after the other aliases. It is imperative that all names be correctly spelled. Names should not be listed as aliases unless there is a good basis to show that subject has used or has been known by such aliases.

RICHARD COLVIN COX wa: Harry Cox, Henry Colvin

III. FBI NUMBER: **357872A** FINGERPRINT CLASSIFICATION: **20 M 9 R 000 20**
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IV. OFFENSE: **FUGITIVE - DESERTER** Per Form 45 issued by U.S. Military Academy, West Point, N.Y., 1/8/51.
Include as the offense the character of the case or cases in which there is process outstanding for subject's arrest.

V. DESCRIPTION:

Birth date and place must, if possible, be verified. This date may be ascertained from interviews with immediate relatives, school records, or other reliable sources, and should not be taken merely from the memorandum furnished the field in fugitive cases. In the event any discrepancies appear in data being assembled for the following items of description, an explanation should be given as to why preferences are afforded the particular items that were used:

Age 22

Date and place of birth (The manner in which verification was made should be indicated) **July 25, 1928**

Height **5'7" - 5'8"**
Weight **165 lbs.**
Build **Medium**
Hair **Brown - crew cut**
Eyes **Blue**
Complexion **Fair**
Race **White**
Nationality
Education
Occupation(s)
Scars and marks **Diagonal scar on right elbow**

Characteristics COX has been declared a deserter by the Department of the Army. He was last seen in his room at the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, NY on January 14, 1950 and was wearing the full dress uniform of a cadet at that time.

Remarks (Include here any information of value in identifying the subject which does not properly come within the above categories).

VI. PHOTOGRAPH:

Photograph(s) taken (is, are) attached.
When more than one photograph is available a copy of each should be included with a notation on the back thereof as to the date each was taken. A statement should be included as to the photographs which, according to witnesses, are the best likeness of subject. Original photographs or negatives from which the original was made should be furnished if the same are obtainable, as in the process of reproduction a photograph loses some of its detail.

VII. Statement should be made at this point as to subject being armed and/or dangerous.

VIII. STATEMENT REGARDING FEDERAL PROCESS OUTSTANDING:

All outstanding process must be accurately described.
(Note: Draw line through words not applicable and fill in blanks.)

(A,an) (complaint, indictment, information) was (filed, returned)
(before, by) _____

at _____ on _____ charging

_____ with a violation of Section
(name in which process is issued)
Title _____, United States Code, in that (he, she) _____

On January 14, 1950 at about 6:18 PM RICHARD COLVIN COX, a cadet at the United States Military Academy, West Point, New York was standing in Room 1943, Company B, Barracks talking to his roommate, Cadet DEANE E. WELCH, who left almost immediately to attend supper formation. COX, who was attired in the full dress uniform for a cadet had previously announced his intention of dining at the Hotel Thayer with a friend whom he had known in Germany and who has been tentatively identified only as

COX remained in Room 1943 the overcoat of his full dress uniform still unbuttoned as WELCH left the room.

Here then is the story of the last place where COX was seen and the last person to see him.

He did not return from his announced dinner engagement. He was not seen at the Hotel Thayer that evening nor was anyone found who saw COX leave his room that evening.

RICHARD COLVIN COX was born at Mansfield, Ohio on July 25, 1928 the son of RUPERT F. and MINNIE COX. He attended Mansfield, Ohio schools and followed his graduation was inducted into the Army. He spent about fourteen months in service, part of which time he was stationed in Germany. He returned to this country early in 1948 and entered West Point as a cadet in the summer of that year. Other than the fact that he was one of the leaders in his class and a member of the track team his stay at the Academy was marked by no unusual incidents. He attended the usual cadet social functions and was accompanied by the usual cadet dates among whom was of Mansfield, Ohio. His last Christmas vacation, just two weeks before his disappearance, was spent at

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Mansfield and the major portion of it devoted to [] to whom he became engaged at this time. He returned to the Academy following this leave with the usual reluctance exhibited by all cadets following a vacation at home or perhaps with a little less than the usual reluctance for before leaving Mansfield he and his fiance had decided that she was to come to New York City sometime during the following March. It was hoped that she would find a position in New York and that they could see each other more regularly. However, before this plan could be put into effect, Cadet RICHARD E. COX had disappeared.

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FILE NO. **42-3318**

REPORT MADE AT Louisville, Kentucky	DATE WHEN MADE 2/27/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/10;2/24/51	REPORT MADE BY HARRY C. CAMPBELL
TITLE RICHARD C. COX, ASN C-8132 - FUGITIVE			CHARACTER OF CASE DESERTER

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Sgt. MACK S. ADAMS, ASN 35957196, last known to be in hospital in Japan in Nov. 1950 after being wounded in Korea. WFO to determine present whereabouts.

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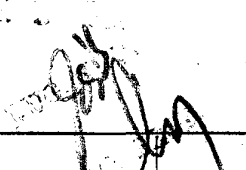
DETAILS: At Pikeville, Kentucky:

L. A. RUNYON, Assistant Postmaster, advised that EMORY COLEMAN lives in Stringtown, a suburb of Pikeville, and that SAM ADAMS is his nephew.

Mrs. EMORY COLEMAN advised that she received a Christmas card, postmarked November 20, 1950 from her nephew, MACK ADAMS, in which he advised that he was wounded in Korea and was presently hospitalized in Japan. He indicated that he expected to be returned to the United States. His address was shown on instant card as Sgt. MACK S. ADAMS, ASN 35957196, 395th Station Hospital, Pat. Det., APO 1054, Postmaster, San Francisco, California.

Mrs. COLEMAN has not heard from Sgt. ADAMS since November, 1950. She will advise the writer whenever she receives a current address for him.

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WASHINGTON FIELD DIVISION

At Washington, D. C.

At the Office of the Adjutant General, Department of the Army, will determine present whereabouts of Sgt. MACK S. ADAMS, ASN 35957196. It will be noted that Sgt. ADAMS was wounded in Korea in November 1950 and expected to be returned to the United States. (Sgt. ADAMS is a former associate of COX as set out in NYC letter to the Director, dated August 28, 1950).

Will set out lead for Sgt. ADAMS to be interviewed along the lines suggested in NYC letter of August 28, 1950.

REFERENCE: Report of SA [redacted] Knoxville, 1/3/51.
NYC letter to Director, 8/28/50.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

FILE NO. **79-36**

REPORT MADE AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	DATE WHEN MADE 3-1-51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1-29;2-19-51	REPORT MADE BY JOHN E. CONNOR MHA
TITLE RICHARD C. COX, ASN C-8132 - FUGITIVE <i>A3-6 amels</i>		CHARACTER OF CASE DESERTER	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Records of WILLIAM E. BISHOP, ASN RA 14126979, show addresses of 19 Sixth Street, Poe Mill and 100 Furman Road, both Greenville, S. C.

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DETAILS: Records for WILLIAM E. BISHOP, ASN RA 14126979, at Demobilized Personnel Records Branch, Adjutant General's Office, St. Louis, Missouri, show that at the time of enlistment November 2, 1945, his address was 19 Sixth Street, Poe Mill, Greenville, South Carolina. His mother, HARRIET BISHOP, was listed as living at this same address.

At the time of discharge August 10, 1948, BISHOP furnished his permanent address as 100 Furman Road, Greenville, South Carolina. The file contains several letters from him bearing this return address and copies of letters from the Army to him at this address. No other relatives, addresses, or places of employment are listed in these records.

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REFERENCE: New York letter to Director dated 2-1-51.
Report of SA RICHARD E. WOOD dated 1-11-51 at Charlotte.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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Ggo FILE NO. **62-4408**

REPORT MADE AT Chicago, Illinois	DATE WHEN MADE 3/1/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2/17,19,20/51	REPORT MADE BY O. ARTHUR GRAN OAG:RLB
TITLE RICHARD COLVIN COX, ASN C-8132 - FUGITIVE			CHARACTER OF CASE DESERTER

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: **NEIL V. MC CARRON** presently resides 1138 Ripple Avenue, Pacific Grove, California.

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DETAILS: AT BARRINGTON, ILLINOIS

Mrs. O. C. SCHNERT, Brinker-Otis Road, advised that **NEIL V. MC CARRON**, her uncle, presently resides at 1138 Ripple Avenue, Pacific Grove, California.

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

By teletype dated February 12, 1951 the New York Office advised that examination of Subject's effects, reflected that on December 12, 1949 he mailed a letter to **ROSEMARY VOGEL**, Lichtenfels at Main, Bavaria, Germany, which letter was returned marked "Not Found." Subject met **VOGEL** when he visited Lichtenfels with **JOSEPH GRONER** and several other soldiers during the summer of 1947. **GRONER** advised he last received a letter dated January 10, 1951 from **ROSEMARY VOGEL** that bore the return address of Minech Post, Mainroth, Bermany. **ROSEMARY VOGEL** advised **GRONER** that she was not married and was desirous of visiting this country.

It was further stated that the records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service dated November 7, 1947 reflected one [redacted]

U. S. Zone, Germany, was the fiancee of [redacted]

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2039 West 21st Place, Chicago, Illinois, and that a departure bond had been filed in her behalf. It was requested that it be ascertained whether she is identical with the ROSEMARY VOGEL whom COX met in Lichtenfels and where [redacted] fiance entered this country.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted]

[redacted] advised that [redacted] entered the United States March 14, 1948 at New York City on Visa # [redacted] disclaimed any acquaintanceship with Subject COX and stated she never has been in Lichtenfels at Main, Bavaria, or Minech Post, Mainmoth, Germany. She said her father was a paymaster for the Army. [redacted] said he met [redacted] while in the United States Army in Germany and returned to the United States in December, 1945. [redacted] stated that Subject COX was unknown to him.

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Employment records of the Harrison Sheet Metal Company, Chicago, reflected only that [redacted] worked on January 3 through January 6 and from January 9, through January 14, 1950.

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The above was forwarded to New York City and the Bureau by teletype dated February 20, 1951.

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THE SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE

AT PACIFIC GROVE, CALIFORNIA

Will interview NEIL V. MC CARRON, 1138 Ripple Avenue, who served in Troop D, 27th Constabulary Squadron, from July, 1947 through September, 1947 and from September, 1947 through December, 1947, to determine whether he has any information in regard to COX's disappearance, and whether or not he can identify the [redacted] who called COX by telephone just prior to his disappearance at West Point, New York on January 14, 1950.

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REFERENCE: Report of SA [redacted] dated 12/27/50 at Chicago, Illinois.
New York teletype to Director and SAC, Chicago 2/12/51.
Chicago teletype to Director and SAC, New York 2/20/51.
Report of SA GERALD J. FLYNN dated 5/26/50 at New York titled "RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet U. S. Military Academy, West Point, New York; MISSING PERSON."

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

FILE NO. **79-70**

REPORT MADE AT ATLANTA	DATE WHEN MADE 3-1-51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2-15, 26-51	REPORT MADE BY JOHN J. RUSSELL iat
TITLE RICHARD CALVIN COX, ASN C-8132 - FUGITIVE			CHARACTER OF CASE DESERTER

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Acquaintances of subject unable to furnish pertinent information concerning subject's present whereabouts.

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DETAILS:

AT HULL, GEORGIA

Mr. JAMES B. SANDERS, Rural Route 1, advised that he could not recall COX as a member of the 27th and 28th Constabulary Squadrons in Germany, although he, SANDERS, served with those units for several months. SANDERS said he could not recall any members of the Squadrons whose names were [redacted] and could furnish no pertinent information regarding either the subject or the individual named [redacted]

The following investigation was conducted by SA GEORGE F. LUECKENHOFF:

Mr. CECIL W. MASSEY, now employed at Grantville, Georgia, Hosiery Mill, formerly in Troop D, 27th and 28th Constabulary Squadrons, United States Army, advised that he was acquainted with COX at the time both were assigned to the above mentioned squadrons while at Sweinfurt, Germany. He stated that COX was friendly with all members of Troop D and that at the time he was stationed in Germany, COX had a German girl friend, name unknown. MASSEY advised that this girl could possibly be contacted

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through a Miss LORIE HEY who was a telephone operator with the Sixth Army Regiment at Schweinfurt who also was a girl friend of MASSEY. MASSEY further stated that he had no idea where COX could be in the United States.

The following investigation was conducted by SA

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AT CALHOUN, GEORGIA

Mrs. LEONARD GRAVITT, 206 Piedmont Street, advised that her husband is presently residing at 1522 East Jefferson Avenue, Detroit, Michigan, and is employed by the Hudson Motor Car Company.

The following investigation was conducted by SA

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AT BUENA VISTA, GEORGIA

Mrs. J. P. WILSON, Route 1, advised that her son JEDDY D. WILSON is in the United States Air Force and is presently stationed at Wichita Falls, Texas. She related that his address is Private JEDDY D. WILSON, AF 14227993, 3750 Tech. Training Group, Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas.

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AT 79-70

LEADS

DALLAS DIVISION

AT WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS

Will contact Private JEDDY D. WILSON at the address set out in body of report.

DETROIT DIVISION

AT DETROIT, MICHIGAN

Will contact LEONARD GRAVITT, 1522 East Jefferson Avenue, who is employed at the Hudson Motor Car Company.

ATLANTA DIVISION

AT FORT BENNING, GEORGIA

Will at the Ranger Training Battalion, 82nd Airborne Division, locate and interview Private PETER TORRES, Army serial number 19257702, concerning his knowledge of the subject and subject's unidentified friend,

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REFERENCE: New York letter to the Bureau dated August 28, 1950, copies to all offices. Report of SA RICHARD E. WOOD, dated 2-14-51 at Charlotte. New York letter to Director and all Continental Offices dated February 1, 1951.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: FEBRUARY 27, 1951 URGENT

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NEW YORK

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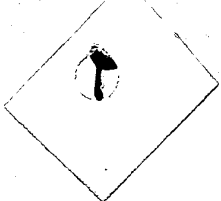
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SAC, New York

February 17, 1951

Director, FBI

RICHARD C. COX
AS # C - 8132
FUGITIVE - DESERTER
Your #79-108

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Reference is made to your office memorandum dated February 9, 1951, regarding Richard C. Cox.

The fingerprints which you enclosed have been identified as those of [redacted] a copy of whose non-criminal record under FBI [redacted] is enclosed. These prints, through a comparison, have been found to be not identical with those of Richard Calvin Cox, FBI #357872A, missing person, now considered a fugitive deserter.

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TO : Director, FBI
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FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: RICHARD C. COX
 AS # C - 8132
 FUGITIVE - DESERTER

DATE: February 9, 1951

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Re Bureau teletype to New York 12/23/50.

Enclosed are two copies of fingerprints of [redacted] AS # [redacted] forwarded to the Superintendent of the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, NY from the Headquarters of the 31st Field Artillery Battalion, APO 7.

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It is noted that the serial number of the soldier from whom these impressions were taken is identical with that of the [redacted] mentioned in referenced teletype.

It is requested that the enclosed fingerprints be further compared with those of RICHARD CALVIN COX FBI # 357872A and those of the [redacted] mentioned in referenced teletype.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. ROSEN

DATE: February 16, 1951

FROM : J. W. O'BEIRNE

SUBJECT: RICHARD C. COX, ASN C-8132 *a-3-12*
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PURPOSE

To advise you of the status of investigation conducted in this case since you were last advised.

DETAILS

1. Bureau investigation is being conducted to locate Lt. Col. Walter Ben McKenzie and Capt. Dudley F. Coney, who were Cox's commanding officers during his assignment to the Sixth Constabulary Squadron at Schweinfurt, Germany, for interview concerning Cox's activities while assigned to their command. Major [redacted] former Provost Marshal of the Sixth Constabulary Squadron, is being located for interview concerning Cox's activities and associates while he was assigned with the Sixth Constabulary Squadron at Coburg, Germany.

2. FBI investigation has reflected that Cox, when he visited Lichtenfels-on-Main, Bavaria, Germany in the summer of 1947 with several other soldiers met a Rosemarie Vogel. In December, 1949, Cox mailed a letter to Vogel which letter was returned marked "not found". Efforts are being made to locate Vogel for interview concerning her association with Cox.

3. Bureau investigation has revealed that the driver of a bus which left Highland Falls, New York, for New York City on the evening of Cox's disappearance made the statement that a cadet was one of the passengers and left the bus at New York City. The driver of this bus, George Krause, is reported to be in the Navy and is being located for interview.

4. The subject's mother is being reinterviewed concerning information which she furnished by letter to Col. P. D. Harkins, West Point, to the effect that when in Germany the subject complained to his commanding officer when he was not notified to appear for examination for entrance to West Point and he was told that "someone would pay for this mistake." Mrs. Cox is being reinterviewed for complete details of this and any other incident she may recall.

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Honorable J. Harry McDermott
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

My dear Congressman:

With further reference to your conversation with Assistant Director Rosen, I should like to advise you that continuing efforts are being made to locate Cadet Richard C. Cox, in whose case you are interested.

Efforts are continuing toward locating former associates of Cox while he served as an enlisted man in the Army. Those former associates interviewed to date have not been able to provide information concerning the identity of the individual named [redacted] who is reported to have dined with Cox on the day of his disappearance. Cox told his West Point roommate that [redacted] was an Army acquaintance of his while he was serving as an enlisted man in Germany.

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Bureau investigation has indicated that Cox was at one time assigned to the Sixth Constabulary Squadron at Schweinfurt and Coburg, Germany. The present whereabouts of Cox's commanding officers while he was with this squadron is being determined so that they can be interviewed concerning Cox.

No information concerning Cox's whereabouts has as yet been developed; however, intensive investigation is continuing and upon the receipt of such information you will be notified.

With expressions of my highest esteem and regards,

Sincerely,
J. Edgar Hoover

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REPORT MADE AT NEWARK	DATE WHEN MADE 3/6/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2/19,26/51	REPORT MADE BY CHARLES E. KLSINKAUF
TITLE RICHARD C. COX, ASN, C-8132 FUGITIVE			CHARACTER OF CASE DESERTER

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[redacted] of River Edge, New Jersey, is presently serving in the U.S. Navy. Major [redacted] Sparta, N.J., former Provost Marshal of the 6th Constabulary Squadron at Coburg, Germany, advised his recollection of COX was that COX was a clerk in the S-2 Office of the 6th Constabulary Squadron at Coburg, Germany for a period of several months in the early part of 1947. COX was later transferred to the 28th Constabulary Squadron at Scheinfurt, Germany. [redacted] was unable to furnish any information as to any close associates of COX but advised that Lt. Col. WALTER DAN MC KENZIE, presently stationed at the Armored Center, Fort Knox, Kentucky. Major [redacted] furnished several names of former officers of the 6th and the 28th Constabulary Squadrons who might be able to furnish more information.

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DETAILS:

SA [redacted] interviewed [redacted] [redacted] River Edge, New Jersey, who advised that her husband, [redacted] has been in the Navy since September, 1950. She stated that he is presently aboard a ship in the Pacific and that his address is as follows:

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Chief Soundman, [redacted] USN
S.O. G.C.
USS Rupertus
D.D. 851
c/o Fleet Post Office
San Francisco, California

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Major GEORGE A. LUCY, Springbrook Road, Sparta, New Jersey, was interviewed by reporting agent. Major LUCY advised that he recalled COX being connected with the 6th Constabulary Squadron at Coburg, Germany, during the period when he, LUCY, was Provost Marshal of this squadron. LUCY's recollection was that COX was employed as a clerk in the S-2 Office of this squadron for several months in the early part of 1947. He was subsequently transferred to the 28th Constabulary Squadron at Scheinfurt, Germany. LUCY stated from his personal recollection, he could not furnish any information as to any close associates which COX had at the time, stating that he was not too well acquainted with him. LUCY stated that the only assistance he might be able to give would be to furnish the names of the following individuals who were connected with the 6th and the 28th Constabulary Squadron, who might be in a position to furnish more information relative to COX and his associates in view of their close working relationship with him.

LUCY stated that Lt. Colonel WALTER BEN MC KENZIE, who was the former Commanding Officer of the 6th Constabulary Squadron at Coburg, Germany, was presently stationed at the Armored Center, Fort Knox, Kentucky. Lt. Colonel CLAUDE B. HOWARD, who was formerly Commanding Officer of the 28th Constabulary Squadron at Scheinfurt, Germany, is presently stationed at the U. S. Military Academy at West Point, New York. Lt. WILLIAM A. WHITE was formerly in charge of the S-2 Office of the 6th Constabulary Squadron at Coburg, Germany, and presently resides somewhere in San Francisco, exact address not known.

In this connection, Major LUCY stated that Lt. KENNETH A. COAN was, to the best of his recollection, the S-2 Officer of the 6th Constabulary Squadron during the major portion of the time when COX was assigned there. LUCY stated, however, that COAN is now deceased.

First Sergeant ORMOND ATKINS was the First Sergeant attached to the S-2 Office of the 6th Constabulary Squadron during that period. ATKINS is now stationed with the 14th Constabulary Squadron in Germany. THOMAS MONTAGUE, who now resides in San Francisco, exact address unknown, was formerly Commanding Officer of the Headquarters Company of the 6th Constabulary Squadron, at which company COX would have been assigned while stationed in Coburg, Germany.

Master Sergeant O'BRIEN, first name unknown, was the Sergeant Major in the S-2 Office of the 6th Constabulary Squadron at Coburg, Germany. His present whereabouts are unknown to LUCY, but the latter believes that his present location can be secured from Lt. Colonel WALTER BEN MC KENZIE.

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DUDLEY CONEY was the former Provost Marshal of the 28th Constabulary Squadron at Scheinfurt, Germany and is now attached to the Criminal Investigation Department of the Army, exact whereabouts unknown. Captain LAWRENCE WHITE, now stationed at the Armored School, Fort Knox, Kentucky, was a Lieutenant in the 28th Constabulary Squadron at Scheinfurt, Germany when COX was there.

LUCY further pointed out that if COX did similar work in the S-2 Office of the 28th Constabulary Squadron as he did while attached to the 6th Constabulary Squadron, he would have worked under Lt. ANGELO or ANTHONY CENTRELLA or CENTRELLIO, who was the S-2 Officer of the 28th Constabulary Squadron at that time. LUCY stated CENTRELLA's address is unknown to him, but he believes he is still in the Army.

He stated he could furnish no further information of value.

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At Fort Knox, Kentucky

Will interview Lt. Colonel WALTER BEN MC KENZIE, presently stationed at the Armored Center, for any information he may have concerning COX's activities and associates in Coburg, Germany, which might be of assistance in locating subject. In this connection, MC KENZIE is reported to have been well acquainted with COX.

Will obtain from Lt. Colonel MC KENZIE the names of any close associates of COX known to him.

Will also ascertain from Lt. Colonel MC KENZIE the whereabouts of Master Sergeant O'BRIEN, who was the Sergeant Major of the Headquarters Company of the 6th Constabulary Squadron at the time COX was stationed with that company in Coburg, Germany, and set out appropriate leads to have O'BRIEN interviewed.

Will similarly interview Captain LAWRENCE WHITE, presently stationed at the Armored School. Captain WHITE, according to information obtained from Major [] was a Lieutenant in the 28th Constabulary Squadron, Scheinfurt, Germany, during the period when COX was stationed there.

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Will review the subject file of the New York Office to determine if the other individuals mentioned in the body of this report, whose names were furnished by Major [] have already been interviewed. If not, will set out appropriate leads to determine their whereabouts in order that they may be interviewed.

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REFERENCE: New York teletype to Newark dated 2/6/51.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Records of Fort Benning, Ga. reflect Private PETER TORRES transferred from Ft. Benning, Ga. to Camp Carson, Colorado, on or about 2-12-51.

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DETAILS:

AT FORT BENNING, GEORGIA

Sergeant HENRY B. MAY, Personnel Office, Ranger Training Battalion, checked his records and advised that Private PETER TORRES, ASN 19257702, had been transferred from the Ranger Training Battalion, Fort Benning, to the Eighth Ranger Company, Camp Carson, Colorado, on or about February 12, 1951.

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DENVER DIVISION

AT CAMP CARSON, COLORADO

Will interview Private PETER TORRES, 8th Ranger Company, concerning his knowledge of RICHARD COLVIN COX and COX's unidentified friend [redacted] as requested by New York letter to Bureau dated August 28, 1950, copies of which were furnished to all offices.

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REFERENCE: Report of SA RICHARD E. WOOD, 2-14-51, Charlotte.
Report of SA JOHN J. RUSSELL, Atlanta, 3-1-51.

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TITLE RICHARD C. COX <i>AS-17 and</i> ASN C-8132 - FUGITIVE		CHARACTER OF CASE DESERTER	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

JACKIE E. PARKER, Sewart AFB, Smyrna, Tenn., did not recall COX. nor could he identify

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DETAILS: JACKIE E. PARKER, ASN 19144743, Base Supply, 314th Squadron, Sewart Air Force Base, Smyrna, Tennessee, advised he could not recall COX by name or description as having served in the same squadron with him in Europe. PARKER stated that he served in the 26th Heavy Tank Company, First Infantry Division, and served in the First, 14th and 15th Constabulary Units. He was in the Constabulary Units from March, 1946, through October, 1947. He was stationed at Stuttgart, Graffenwhore Carlsruhe, Weinheim Darmaste Kastel, Germany. PARKER stated he had no idea who might be.

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Report of SA DON W. WALTERS dated 1/23/51
at Denver, Colorado.

New York letter to Director dated 2/1/51.

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TITLE RICHARD C. COX ASN C-8132 - Fugitive	CHARACTER OF CASE DESERTER
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[redacted] former member Troop D, 27th Constabulary Squadron, U. S. Army, interviewed at Milwaukee, Wis., generally negative with regard to subject, whom he recalls as former constabulary companion.

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Details: At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

[redacted] Greenfield Trailer Colony, 1460 South 108th Street, was interviewed. [redacted] informed that he is a former member of Troop D, 27th Constabulary Squadron, U. S. Army, served in the American occupation zone of Germany, and during the summer of 1947 subject was assigned to that company; that he subsequently met subject, whose photograph he readily acknowledged knowing when exhibited to him, and came to know subject as a fellow squadron member and on a few occasions associated with subject; that subject, however, was of the reticent type and very seldom, if ever, engaged in conversations regarding his personal life or personal background but was otherwise a "Good Joe" and the "right sort of guy" to share leave and furlough periods with. [redacted] continued that he departed Germany in late 1947 and that it is his recollection that subject was still assigned to the Troop D, 27th Constabulary at the

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time of his departure, since which time he has not seen or heard of subject, directly or indirectly. Further interview of Mr. [redacted] in connection with instant matter was with negative results.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

HODGE SETTLES, now residing Monroe, Michigan.

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DETAILS:

Mr. JOHN SETTLES, Route 2, Speedwell, Tennessee, advised his brother, HODGE SETTLES, had returned to Monroe, Michigan several weeks ago and stated he did not know the exact address where HODGE was residing but felt sure he could be located at or through 524 Fernwood Drive, Monroe, Michigan, this being the former address when residing in Monroe.

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DETROIT OFFICE:

At Monroe, Michigan, will contact HODGE SETTLES, believed to be residing 524 Fernwood Drive and any information he may have concerning subject's present whereabouts.

REFERENCES:

Report SA dated January 9, 1951 at Knoxville, Tennessee.

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New York letter to Bureau dated February 1, 1951.

Knoxville letter to Detroit dated February 9, 1951.

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TITLE RICHARD C. COX, ASN C-8132 FUGITIVE			CHARACTER OF CASE DESERTER

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Investigation at Michigan City, Warsaw and Indianapolis, Indiana to locate subject through former associates negative.

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DETAILS:

AT MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA

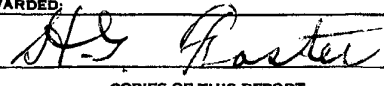

LESTER E. BENNETT, ASN 15205649, of Bloomington, Indiana, was interviewed at the Indiana State Prison, Michigan City, but could furnish no information as to the whereabouts of subject.

AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent

CARL E. WILLIAMS, ASN 15205761, residing at 335 Hanson Avenue, advised that he vaguely recalls the subject as a member of his outfit when he was overseas in Germany. WILLIAMS stated that he has never heard from any member of his former Army organization and has no information to offer regarding the possible whereabouts of the subject. He stated that should any information come to his attention, he would cooperate with this office.

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AT WARSAW, INDIANA

The following investigation was conducted by the writer:

ALLEN HUNTER, ASN 15209426, was located through Sheriff JAMES LOTTA and interviewed by the writer. HUNTER stated that he remembered the subject while overseas in Germany but had no information as to his whereabouts since returning to this country. HUNTER stated that he would gladly cooperate with the FBI should information come to his attention relative to the subject's whereabouts.

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ADMINISTRATIVE SHEET

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated
January 24, 1951 at Indianapolis; Report of
Special Agent GERALD J. FLYNN dated May 26,
1950 at New York; New York letter to Bureau
dated August 28, 1950.

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February 27, 1951

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director
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United States Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

My dear Mr. Director:

Just a note to acknowledge receipt of your letter of
February 24th. I do appreciate your keeping me
advised of your efforts to locate Cadet Richard C. Cox.

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With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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TITLE RICHARD CALVIN COX, ASN C-8132 - FUGITIVE		CHARACTER OF CASE DESERTER	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Corporal RUSSELL F. SLIDER, Camp Rucker, Alabama, recalls was stationed with subject in 22nd and 27th Constabulary Sqds, at Scheinfurt, Germany in 1947 and 1948. States has no information concerning his present whereabouts.

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DETAILS:

AT CAMP RUCKER, ALABAMA:

Corporal RUSSELL FREDERICK SLIDER, Army Serial No. 43025325, 300th Special Service Company, was contacted on February 13, 1951, and informed that he was stationed with the 22nd and 27th Constabulary Squadrons at Scheinfurt, Germany in 1947 and 1948, and recalls that RICHARD COX, known to him as DICK COX, was stationed with the same squadron at that time. He stated that he recalled that he was in the same squadron with COX for seven or eight months while they were in Hammelburg in southern Bavaria before they were sent to Scheinfurt. Corporal SLIDER stated that he recalled that COX did a lot of drinking and on one or two occasions got into drunken brawls. He said that there was a first sergeant connected with "D" troops in that squadron with whom COX had had a couple of fist fights. He stated, however, that he did not know the name of the sergeant,

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and did not know how he might be identified. He informed that at one time, while he, SLIDER, was in the Army Hospital at Scheinfurt in the latter part of 1947, COX was in the hospital and had a bed close to his. He stated that COX was there for treatment of a limp hand, and that Cox told him that he did not know how his hand became limp, as he woke up one morning, and found that the hand was limp.

Corporal SLIDER stated that he could not recall any of the associates of the subject, but did not believe that he had any special close friends. He informed that he did not know where subject might be, and had no information that might lead to his whereabouts.

Corporal SLIDER further stated that if he obtained any information concerning whereabouts of subject, he will immediately notify the FBI.

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REFERENCES:

Report of SA RAYMOND F. LEONARD,
Baltimore, 1/2/51.

Letter from New York to Director
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TITLE CHANGED: RICHARD COLVIN COX, Army Serial # C-8132 - a FUGITIVE			CHARACTER OF CASE: DESERTER

SUMMARY REPORT

RICHARD COLVIN COX, Army Serial Number C-8132, Army Serial Number RA 15355161, formerly an enlisted man in the Regular Army and subsequently a cadet in the United States MA, West Point, NY, disappeared from the Academy on 1/14/50. He was last seen about 6:18 P. M. on that date by his roommate Cadet DEANE E. WELCH. COX, who was in his room at the time, was attired in full dress uniform, apparently in keeping with his honest intention of dining at the Hotel Thayer with an unidentified friend with whom he claimed to have spent considerable time on the afternoon of 1/7/50 and the afternoon of 1/8/50. The unidentified friend may be identical with one [redacted], who was reported to have left a telephone message for COX on 1/7/50, requesting the latter to meet him at the Hotel Thayer and who volunteered the information that he had known the subject in Germany. Roommates advised that the subject was under influence of liquor when he returned to his room on the evening of 1/7/50. On 1/8/50, COX advised roommate, Cadet JOSEPH J. URSHEL, that his unidentified friend was a former G. I. whom he had known in Germany, and expressed a fear of this man "who was capable of anything". Departure log reflects that on 1/14/50, COX signed out at 1745 (5:45 P. M.), and listed his destination as "D P Hotel".

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Investigation fails to place COX at the Hotel Thayer on 1/14/50. Cadets on duty, this date, did not see COX leave barracks. When COX returned from last Christmas leave, spent at Mansfield, Ohio, he told fellow cadets, "I feel like resigning and going home". Subject often stated that he would not be at West Point if it were not for his mother. Prior to admission to Academy, under date of 12/30/47, subject, writing from Germany, advised his mother that he did not like the Army and that "West Point is far from being a bargain". In last letter, written but not mailed, to his fiancée, [redacted] [redacted] dated 1/10/50, subject stated that he asked his mother "What she'd think or do if I gave this place the boot it deserves" and that he had "yet to discover exactly what I'll have lost by leaving the dear old corps". [redacted] guest at Hotel Thayer, on 1/7/50, denies knowing COX. [redacted] who served with COX overseas, admits acquaintanceship with COX, but denies ever visiting West Point. [redacted] is described by Cadets SAMOTIS and MARESCA as similar to unidentified civilian observed talking to COX. Search of West Point reservation, Harriman and Bear Mountain Parks proved unproductive. Interviews with family, friends and former members of D Troop, 27th Constabulary, shed no light on subject's disappearance. Investigation at subject's home, Mansfield, Ohio, was negative. Review of Morning Report, Troop C, 6th Constabulary Squadron, dated 3/6/47, at Coburg, Germany, reflects name of subject and that of Private [redacted] Army Serial Number [redacted] 10th CID, 1st Army, advised that [redacted] whereabouts on pertinent dates have been verified. Descriptive and background data of subject and composite description of unidentified civilian, observed talking to COX on 1/7/50 and 1/14/50, set forth.

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DETAILS: The title of this report is being marked changed to indicate the fact that subject has been made a fugitive and is now carried under the character of Deserter. This case was previously reported under the following title, "RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet, U. S. Military Academy, West Point, New York; MISSING PERSON".

On February 13, 1950, Lt. Colonel EDWIN N. HOWELL, Provost Marshal, United States Military Academy, West Point, New York, together with Agents MURRAY J. KAPLAN and JOSEPH J. CAVANAUGH, of the First Army, CID, furnished the following information regarding the disappearance of the subject from the United States Military Academy on January 14, 1950:

Cadet RICHARD C. COX, Serial Number C-8132, a member of the Third Class, Company B-2, Cadet Corps, United States Military Academy, West Point, New York, has been reported missing from the Academy since January 14, 1950. At the time of his disappearance, COX was twenty-one years of age and was a former enlisted man in the United States Army, having served approximately fourteen months, a portion of which time was spent in Germany. His Regular Army Serial number is RA 15355161.

COX roomed at the Academy in Room 1943, Company B-2, with two other cadets, DEANE E. WELCH and JOSEPH J. URSCHEL.

On January 14, 1950, the departure log reflected that COX had signed out at 1745 (5:45 P. M.) and had indicated his destination as the "D P Hotel". This indicated that he intended to dine at the Hotel Thayer on that evening and would be absent from the cadet mess.

Subject was last seen that afternoon on January 14, 1950 at about 1818 (6:18 P. M.) in his room by his roommate, Cadet DEANE E. WELCH, and at that time announced his intention of dining at the Hotel Thayer with an unidentified civilian friend.

It is known that subject was visited by this same friend on January 7, 1950 and that the unidentified friend telephoned to COX'S company, when COX was not there, and the friend left the following message:

"Tell him that [redacted] a friend from Germany, called".

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On January 14, 1950, subject told his roommates that he intended to dine at the hotel that evening with the same friend who had visited him on the previous weekend of January 7th.

Agent CAVANAUGH, of the First Army, CID, advised that he had visited Mansfield, Ohio, subject's home, and had interviewed all the members of the COX family, as well as several friends and associates of the subject.

He also interviewed [redacted] subject's fiancée. CAVANAUGH stated that [redacted] advised him that she had asked COX if he would be willing to resign from the United States Military Academy and marry her, but that subject had told her that he wanted to finish his course at the Academy first, and that they both had agreed to wait for that event.

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INTERVIEWS OF FELLOW CADETS

Cadet PETER CONOVER HAINES, Serial Number C-8324, Company B-2, advised that on January 7, 1950 he was Cadet C. Q., Company B, 2nd Regiment, and at about 1645, on that date, he received a phone call and the caller asked for the subject in the following manner:

"Hey fellow, do you have a DICK COX in your Company?"
Cadet HAINES advised the caller that he did, but that COX was out at the time, and the caller said, "Well, look, when he comes in tell him to come down to the hotel. Tell him that [redacted] called. He'll know who I am. We knew each other in Germany."

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HAINES left a note for COX, but did not see the latter until about 1750, at which time COX told HAINES that he did not remember anyone by the name of [redacted] but that he intended to keep the appointment since it was an opportunity to eat outside of the mess.

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HAINES later saw COX at about 8:00 P. M., the same evening, and at this time COX stated that he did not remember [redacted] At this time, COX appeared completely sober and in full possession of his faculties.

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HAINES stated that when questioned immediately following COX'S disappearance, he was of the opinion at the time that the caller had identified himself as [redacted] and that his present recollection

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is the same. He conceded, however, that he might be mistaken in his recollection of the name of [redacted]

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Cadet MAURO E. MARESCA, Serial Number C-6520, Company L-1, advised that he was on duty at Grant Hall on January 7, 1950. At about 5:00 P. M., a young man, in civilian clothes, inquired for Cadet COX. MARESCA forwarded the message and about 5:30 P. M., a cadet came to him, identified himself as Cadet COX, and asked MARESCA to call for his guest. COX shook hands with the civilian, whom he appeared to recognize and with whom he was apparently on good terms.

MARESCA was unable to identify COX from photographs of the subject, but advised that he knew all the other cadets by the name of COX and eliminated them in this fashion.

MARESCA furnished the following description of the above-mentioned civilian:

Height:	5'10" to 5'11"
Weight:	180 to 185 lbs.
Age:	About twenty-five years
Hair:	Blond, short, but not crew cut
Face:	Full
Clothes:	Pinkish tan topcoat

Cadet JOHN A. SAMOTIS, Serial Number C-7481, Company B-2, advised that on January 14, 1950, at about 1700 he observed Cadet COX conversing with a civilian in the east sallyport of the north area and described the civilian as follows:

Age:	20 to 25 years
Height:	5'10"
Weight:	165 lbs.
Hair:	Dark, short
Clothes:	No hat, box type topcoat, pinkish tan
Appearance:	Neat and well dressed

Cadet DEANE E. WELCH, Serial Number C-8649, Company B-2, advised that he is assigned to Room 1943, which on the date of subject's disappearance he occupied with the subject and Cadet JOSEPH J. URSCHEL.

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At about 1730, on January 7, 1950, WELCH left the room. At this time COX was present with the intention of going to the Hotel Thayer. At about 2100, WELCH returned to the room. At this time Cadet URSCHEL was writing and COX was asleep at his desk. Approximately a half hour later, COX woke up, walked out into the hallway and shouted, "Say, down there, is Alice down there?" WELCH stated he then returned to his room and from his actions it was quite apparent to WELCH that COX was intoxicated.

COX fell asleep again and woke up about 2300, at which time, WELCH, with the assistance of URSCHEL, put COX to bed.

On January 8, 1950, subject left his room about 1215 to meet the same friend at the Hotel Thayer. He returned to the room about 1700 in a sober condition.

On January 14, 1950, at about 1700, WELCH and COX were returning from the athletic field when COX decided to check his marks posted on the east sallyport. WELCH went directly to his room and COX appeared there about twenty minutes later. Subject stated that he had met the same friend who had visited him on the previous weekend and intended to dine with this friend at the Hotel Thayer that evening.

At about 1818, on the same date, WELCH left the room to attend mess formation. At this time, COX was still in the room, preparing to keep his appointment. COX was attired in full dress uniform, but had not as yet buttoned the long coat.

WELCH was unable to furnish any reason for subject's disappearance.

WELCH advised that COX was the number one tactical man in his Company and ranked at the head of the class scholastically. He classified the subject as a self-sufficient individual, never knowing to confide in anyone.

Cadet JOSEPH JOHN URSCHEL, Serial Number C-8622, Company B-2, has roomed with COX since July 1, 1948, when both entered the United States Military Academy until the time of COX'S disappearance.

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On January 7, 1950, at about 7:05 P. M., URSCHEL was seated in his room when the subject returned from the shower room. COX was only wearing a towel wrapped around him at the time, which appeared unusual because subject invariably wore a bathrobe. Subject was singing and waving his arms. COX did not speak to URSCHEL and sat down at his desk and began to read a letter and shortly thereafter fell asleep.

At about 9:00 P. M., Cadet WELCH returned to the room. Shortly thereafter COX awoke. He walked out into the hall and shouted something like, "Say down there". He then returned to the room, pulled his bed apart and threw the blankets on the floor and finally fell asleep without completing the task of preparing his bed. URSCHEL was of the opinion that COX had been drinking, and when questioned about it subsequently, COX stated that his friend had refused to let him out of the car until he took a drink.

URSCHEL stated that it was his opinion that COX had apparently returned earlier that evening, signed in, and then had gone out with his unidentified friend. It was when he returned from the second trip that he appeared intoxicated.

On January 8, 1950, COX confided to URSCHEL that he was afraid of this friend "who was capable of anything". URSCHEL noted that COX failed to identify this civilian friend, other than to refer to him as a former G. I. whom he had known in Germany. Subject told URSCHEL that this friend had bragged about mutilating the bodies of German soldiers and of hanging their fraulein.

At about 1700, on January 8, 1950, COX returned from another visit with his unidentified friend and was apparently annoyed because the latter had stayed too long and had interfered with the subject's plans for studying.

URSCHEL stated that COX was apparently in good physical and mental condition. He had no complaints and exhibited no lapses of memory. Although a first class cadet, it was his opinion that COX was not satisfied with living at the Academy and would have resigned if not for his mother. COX gave no indication that he planned to leave the Academy and the only items which URSCHEL noted were missing from his effects were several photographs, which the subject had examined the previous Thursday and which had been taken in Germany.

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Following the Christmas holidays, which subject spent at home, he had advised URSCHER that he and his fiancée, [REDACTED] had driven halfway to Kentucky to get married, but had decided to return home on account of car trouble.

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According to URSCHER, COX was quite odd in some ways. If he did not desire to answer a question, he would remain silent. If the question were repeated, he would merely look up and acknowledge it with the statement, "I heard you", but would offer no further explanation.

Cadet WAYNE NEVILLE WHITE, Serial Number C-8661, Company A-2, advised that he is a member of the track team as was the subject.

During October of 1949, he and the subject visited the Lorelei Restaurant on 86th Street in New York City. WHITE was accompanied by his girl friend, BETH HURDER, and COX escorted Miss HURDER'S sister. WHITE was of the opinion that COX had never visited the Lorelei Restaurant previously.

WHITE stated he knew of no problems which might have annoyed the subject and could offer no explanation for the latter's disappearance.

Cadet THOMAS D. AYERS, Serial Number C-8017, Company A-2, advised that he has known the subject since March of 1948, when both were students at the United States Military Academy Preparatory School, Stewart Field, New York.

With the subject, AYERS made several trips to New York City to attend football games and other social events. On two of these occasions, they picked up several girls in the lobby of the Hotel Astor and later went with these girls to the Hotel Picadilly. Neither the subject nor AYERS knew these girls who were strictly "pick-ups". Outside of the trips and an occasional visit to the Green Room of the Hotel Newburgh, Newburgh, New York, AYERS was unable to furnish any information regarding COX'S activities or to offer any explanation regarding his disappearance.

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Cadet LOUIS MC ALESTER DAVIS, Serial Number C-8145, Company M-2, advised that he is a member of the track and cross country team and that COX was a member of the cross country team.

During various trips to New York, he and the subject visited the Lorelei Restaurant and the 86th Street Brauhaus. DAVIS recalled that COX was very discouraged following his return from a recent Christmas vacation at home and spoke frequently of his fiancée, [REDACTED]. He noted that it was very unusual for COX to volunteer any information.

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DAVIS was unable to offer any explanation regarding the subject's disappearance.

Cadet JACK RICHARD PILK, Serial Number C-8478, Company D-2, had been quite friendly with the subject especially during the summer of 1949, when both were stationed at Camp Buckner.

PILK identified a photo among COX'S possessions as that of himself, of JEAN CARR, a student at Wells College, Aurora, New York, and Cadet Cox. Miss CARR was dated by COX on several occasions.

PILK was unable to offer any explanation of COX'S disappearance.

Cadet RICHARD J. RUSSOMANO, Serial Number C-8531, Company B-2, advised that from 1800, January 13, 1950 until 1800, January 14, 1950, he was Cadet in Charge of Quarters. His office was located in the building next door to the room in which COX roomed.

RUSSOMANO did not see COX on January 14th. He advised that COX could have signed out for dining privileges several hours before actually leaving the barracks, the only requirement being that a cadet must sign the departure log before 1820, the deadline for supper formation.

RUSSOMANO stated that COX seldom attended the show and frequently took walks by himself.

RUSSOMANO was unable to offer any explanation regarding the subject's disappearance.

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Cadet LOUIS C. BRYAN, JR., Serial Number C-8074, who relieved RUSSOMANO as Cadet in Charge of Quarters at about 6:00 P. M., on the date of subject's disappearance, stated he did not see the subject on that date. BRYAN stated that he could offer no information regarding subject.

Cadet CLARENCE G. RUFF, Serial Number C-8526, was on duty as a Fire Guard on January 14, 1950, from about 6:20 P. M. until about 7:00 P. M. He stated that he did not see the subject leave the barracks during the tour of duty as Fire Guard.

Cadet WILLIAM N. PEDRICK, Serial Number C-8466, Company L-2, who was also on duty as Fire Guard at the same time as Cadet RUFF, stated he did not see COX leave the building during this time.

Cadet DONALD K. SYKES, Serial Number C-9626, Company G-1, advised that he was on guard duty on January 14, 1950 from 7:15 P. M. to 8:30 or 8:45 P. M.. He recalled that when he inspected Room 1943, Cadet WELCH'S card was unmarked. He advised that he would not have entered the room if anyone had been there.

Cadet MILTON DORHAN SULLIVAN, Serial Number C-8591, Company M-1, whose photograph appeared in close numerical sequence in the records of the Donato Studio, 48 Colden Street, Newburgh, New York, advised that he had met COX while both were stationed at the United States Military Academy Preparatory School, Stewart Field, New York, but had never gone out with the subject socially. He was unable to furnish any information for the latter's disappearance.

Cadet EDWARD J. FOX, Serial Number C-6262, Company C-2, advised that while in the Officer's Club at Governors Island, he had been told by a man working behind the snack bar that this man had served overseas with the subject.

Special Agent JOSEPH J. CAVANAUGH, of the First Army, CID, subsequently advised that this man had been interviewed, but was unable to furnish any information regarding instant investigation.

Cadet JUAN G. BURCIAGA, Serial Number C-8078, who has known the subject since both entered the Academy as members of the

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same class. When the subject returned from his last Christmas leave, he confided to BURCIAGA, "I feel like resigning and going home". //

BURCIAGA also advised that COX'S vanity appeared wounded because his girl friend had been dating a football player in the vicinity of Mansfield, Ohio.

COX often told BURCIAGA that "If it were not for my mother, I might not be at West Point". //

BURCIAGA last saw the subject on January 8, 1950, when BURCIAGA was in charge of quarters. Subject spent several hours with him about 2 or 3:00 P. M.

BURCIAGA was unable to offer an explanation regarding COX'S disappearance, but advised that if anything occurred to make COX decide to leave the Academy, it was his opinion that it would be something personal which might result in a disgrace to his mother or family and not a mere infraction of Academy rules.

A review of the records of the Hotel Thayer, West Point, New York, for the weekends January 7th and January 14, 1950 reflected that on January 7, 1950, [redacted] Columbia University, New York, New York, stayed there and was a guest of Lt. Colonel J. A. CLEVELAND, Associate Professor of Foreign Languages at West Point.

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Lt. Colonel CLEVELAND advised that [redacted] is a second cousin and a native of Ecuador. To his knowledge, CLEVELAND stated that this was the only time [redacted] had ever been at West Point. With the exception of South American cadets whom CLEVELAND introduced to him, [redacted] was not acquainted with anyone at West Point, New York.

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[redacted] was subsequently interviewed in New York City, but denied knowing the subject, and could furnish no information regarding the latter's disappearance.

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DAVID MYRON WESTERVELT, FBI #3694444, was interviewed at his present residence, 262 Center Street, New Milford, New Jersey.

WESTERVELT advised that he served in the Army overseas and became acquainted with the subject while both were attached to the

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6th Constabulary Squadron in Germany during the months of May, June and July, 1947. WESTERVELT stated that he had never been to West Point and that he did not know that COX was at the United States Military Academy until he saw an article in a New York paper stating that COX was missing.

WESTERVELT advised that on January 14, 1950, he and his wife, ALICIA, attended a basketball game at the Teaneck Armory with his uncle, aunt and their child. The game started at 8:00 P. M. and they did not return home until about 12:30 A. M., the next morning. WESTERVELT'S story was later verified by JOSEPH RUSSELL, during the course of which WESTERVELT advised that he married his wife, whose maiden name is ALICIA WEISS, on June 30, 1948 in Germany. His wife, ALICIA, was working for the United States Army in Germany, although she is a native of Russia.

WESTERVELT was subsequently subjected to a polygraph test by the First Army, CID, the results of which apparently verified his statements.

Lt. Colonel EDWIN HOWELL, Provost Marshal, United States Military Academy, West Point, New York, advised that a thorough search had been made of all buildings and of the grounds of the United States Military Academy reservation at West Point, but that no trace of either the subject or his unidentified friend, had been found.

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Captain AUGUST HLAVATY, Palisades Interstate Park Police, advised that the Bear Mountain and Harriman State Park reservations had been searched by the members of his department and the Rangers attached thereto, but no trace of the subject or any unidentified body had been found.

By letter dated April 24, 1950, the St. Louis Office furnished a list of names of the enlisted personnel attached to Troop D, 27th Constabulary Squadron for the period July, 1947 through September, 1947 and Troop D, 28th Constabulary Squadron for the period September, 1947 through December, 1947.

The above comprised the units to which the subject was assigned while serving overseas as a member of the Regular Army prior to his commission to West Point.

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Leads were set out to contact all members of these units in an effort to either explain the disappearance of COX or to identify the unknown civilian friend, believed to be [redacted]

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To date, the results of this investigation have been negative.

Interviews with former officers who commanded the units in which the subject was reported to have served overseas have also proved negative.

Major DUDLEY F. COMEY, former Commanding Officer of D Troop, 28th Constabulary Squadron at Schweinfurt, Germany, was interviewed at Camp Gordon, Georgia, but was unable to furnish any explanation regarding the subject's disappearance or any information as to the identity of subject's civilian friend.

Among COX'S effects found at West Point was a letter dated January 10, 1950 and apparently written to his fiancée, [redacted]. This letter was not mailed. In this letter subject stated, "I asked MINNIE (subject's mother) what she'd think or do if I gave this place the boot it deserves and go to a business or an insurance school for two years and then sponge off her until I got on to the cruel ways of the world."

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"Actually though the thought keeps entering my mind and I have yet to discover exactly what I'll have lost by leaving the dear old corps. But that day does have some good features and I think I'd better go explore them. Maybe WELCH is in it again." ?

Also among COX'S effects was a letter from his fiancée, [redacted] dated January 5, 1950, in which she inquires "Who are DEANE and JOE all the days about? I was about to give up on these two bachelors (I had another word for them but bachelors will do)."

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In the letter dated January 8, 1950, [redacted] advised subject that she had met a girl who lives in New York and goes to a dress designing school, and who promised to drag her around to the agency when she, [redacted] comes to New York in March.

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AT MANSFIELD, OHIO

Mrs. RUPERT F. COX, SR., 554 Cook Road, advised that her son, RICHARD C. COX, was born in Mansfield, Ohio, on July 25, 1928. He attended schools therein and graduated from high school in 1946. Following his graduation from high school, he worked as a truck driver for the National Ice Company until he enlisted in the Army in September of that year.

Mrs. COX advised that her son has no bank account available to him and has never used her checking account. The service account was opened in 1928 in the name of RICHARD COX and on February 20, 1950 the balance in this account was \$459.06. Mrs. COX possesses the passbook for this account and has handled all the deposits and withdrawals since her son has been in the Army.

Mrs. COX stated that she has determined that all of the civilian clothing known to belong to subject has been accounted for, including when he was wearing his uniform and a recently purchased new civilian outfit when he left the Academy.

Mrs. COX estimated that he could not possibly have had more than five dollars in his possession at the time he left West Point and pointed out that among other things he had left in his room was a wristwatch which he prized highly and which under normal circumstances he would have carried with him.

Mrs. COX was unable to furnish any information as to the identity of [redacted] or ALICE.

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During his last vacation spent at home, during Christmas of 1949, the subject was constantly in the company of his fiancée, [redacted]. When he left home, he had plans to meet his fiancée in New York City in March and gave no indication that he was thinking of leaving West Point.

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By letter dated January 11, 1951, Mrs. RUPERT COX advised Colonel P. D. HARKINS, United States Military Academy, West Point, that while in Germany the subject complained to his Commanding Officer when notified to appear for examination to West Point and was told that "someone would pay for this mistake". She advised

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advised that she had written this letter in an attempt to uncover some possible reason for her son's disappearance from West Point. She made available some of the subject's correspondence, and the following quoted portions appear to bear on this incident:

"September 28, 1947

"I may as well get that sour news over with right away although things aren't completely washed up. As you know I passed my physical OK and I had all my papers submitted on time and was just anxiously waiting around for things to start popping. About three weeks after that, it popped all right. I'm glancing through a 'Stars and Stripes' and what do I see but a big front page spread and picture of 17 men and their alternates who have just been seated from a field of 55 from Constabulary to go to the Point via an exam 'just taken' at Kassel...I've written to the Inspector General, the man who reads all the EM's complaints but doesn't too often do much about them..."

"November 12, 1947

"Got an answer to my inquiry about that West Point mess-up from the Inspector General and he beat so far around the bush that I'm more puzzled now than before the 'investigation'. They don't plan to do anything about it and so fall right in line with the usual Army way of doing things. I took the other exam the 3rd and I think it was mailed the next day back to Washington."

"December 30, 1947

"That letter to the Inspector General I wrote caused a bigger stink than I ever knew and I found out today that the West Point deal was far from being dead...I'll either go before a board of officers in Heidelberg or else be sent straight to a prep school as the personnel officer here thinks. If I go straight to prep school I might make out OK but if I go before a board I'm afraid they'll discover how much I dislike the Army and throw me out. To tell you the truth I don't want to go because whether a general or a private, you're still in the Army and I've

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"finally discovered that I don't like the Army or any of its principals or ways so don't think I'll make too red hot an officer. I see now that West Point is far from being a bargain." //

JOSEPH EDWARD GRONER, Super Highway Langhorne, Philadelphia, was interviewed on several occasions at his home and at Mansfield, Ohio, where he visited the family of the subject.

GRONER advised that he and COX met at Camp Kilmer, New Jersey, in February of 1947 and both subsequently were sent overseas where they were both assigned in the 6th Constabulary Squadron at Marburg, Bayruth and Coburg, Germany. GRONER has corresponded regularly with COX and advised that he last saw him in the fall of 1948 following an Army Navy football game.

GRONER was questioned concerning the identity of one ROSEMARIE VOGEL, to whom the subject had mailed a letter on December 12, 1949, addressed to her at Lichtenfels, On Main, Bavaria, Germany. The above letter had been returned to the United States Military Academy following COX'S disappearance, with the notation that the addressee could not be found.

GRONER advised that he and the subject met ROSEMARIE VOGEL and her brother, LUTZ VOGEL, while they were riding near Lichtenfels in Germany. They became quite friendly and GRONER and the subject made a visit in the home of ROSEMARIE'S parents. GRONER advised that he was more friendly with ROSEMARIE and her family than COX. ROSEMARIE'S father was the local schoolmaster of Koesten, a small suburb of Lichtenfels. He advised that he corresponded with ROSEMARIE on several occasions and last received a letter from her dated January 10, 1951 with the return address Mainech Post, Mainroth, Germany.

He furnished the names of two civilians whom he and the subject were acquainted with while they were in Germany, and advised that both of these people were Red Cross hostesses. These individuals were BARBARA CKULICK, Loydell, Pennsylvania, and FLORENCE GIBBONS, Lynn, Massachusetts.

Leads have already been set out to interview the two above-mentioned individuals.

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[redacted] Mansfield, Ohio, advised that she is twenty years of age and has known the subject for the past eight years, both having graduated from Mansfield schools. She first began dating the subject in the summer of 1946, prior to his entrance into the military service.

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[redacted] was unable to assist in the identification of ALICE or [redacted], and a review of the correspondence in her possession contained nothing of assistance to locate COX.

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[redacted] advised that during the Christmas vacation of 1949, the subject spent the entire time at Mansfield, Ohio, the major portion of it in her company. On New Years Eve of this vacation period, she and COX visited the home of MARGE GOODMAN in Mansfield.

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It is noted here that the subject in one of his letters to [redacted] told the latter to tell MARGE GOODMAN that he would be home in June.

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[redacted] advised the subject drank liquor infrequently and he was a very poor drinker because a few drinks seemed to affect him considerably.

[redacted] stated that she knew nothing that would indicate the whereabouts of COX since the date of his disappearance, and could recall no statement of his which might explain his sudden disappearance.

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Investigation at the Richland Trust Company of Mansfield, Ohio, reflected no information pertinent to this case.

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK

A review of the records of the First Army, 10th CID, reflected that the name of the subject and that of Private [redacted] Army Serial Number [redacted] appeared among others on the Morning Report of Troop C, 6th Constabulary Squadron, Coburg, Germany, dated March 6, 1947.

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Special Agent MURRAY KAPLAN, of the First Army, CID, advised that his organization had checked the whereabouts of [redacted]

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[redacted] and accounted for him on the pertinent dates of this investigation.

The records of the Adjutant General's Office as of December 6, 1950 reflected that Sergeant [redacted] was a patient at the 141st Patient's Medical Holding Detachment, APO, San Francisco, California.

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WILLIAM O'DELL, Manager of the Mohawk Bus Company, of Highland Falls, New York, advised that on January 14, 1950, at about 6:45 P. M., a cadet from the United States Military Academy was one of ten passengers on a bus leaving Highland Falls, New York. This was reported by [redacted] driver of the bus. [redacted] was formerly employed by the Westwood Transportation Company, of Westwood, New Jersey.

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A lead has been set out for the Newark Office to contact this company and to locate [redacted] and interview him regarding the incident.

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Captain ROBERT SATTERFIELD, Assistant Provost Marshal, West Point, New York, advised that he had received information that in the December 11, 1950 issue of "Life" magazine, there appeared on page 36 a picture of a GI holding a pair of frozen longjohns. The title of this picture identified the soldier as Sergeant COX, of the 7th Division, Artillery.

SATTERFIELD advised that CHESTER HOWELLS, a former cadet at the United States Military Academy, had identified this photo as that of the subject. Cadets MARESCA and SAMOTIS also noted the similarity between this photograph and the subject.

Major MURPHY, Chief of the CID, First Army, advised that the editors of "Life" magazine identified this soldier as one [redacted] Battery C, 31st Field Artillery Battalion, 7th Infantry Division, which is now located in Korea.

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Two copies of the fingerprints of [redacted] Army Serial Number [redacted], were obtained by the Superintendent of the United States Military Academy, from the Headquarters of the 31st Field Artillery Battalion, APO #7.

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By letter dated February 9, 1951, the Bureau was requested to compare these fingerprints with those of the missing subject, RICHARD COLVIN COX.

The following descriptive background information of RICHARD COLVIN COX was obtained from the Office of Lt. Colonel EDWIN N. HOWELL, Provost Marshal, West Point, New York, and from an interview with the subject's mother:

Name:	RICHARD COLVIN COX
Fingerprint Classification:	20 M 9 R 000 20 I I U 000 18
Army Serial Number:	RA 15255161
Age:	21, born July 25, 1928
Height:	5'8"
Weight:	165 lbs.
Build:	Medium
Complexion:	Fair
Hair:	Brown, crew cut
Eyes:	Blue
Race:	White
Scars:	Diagonal scar on right elbow
Relatives:	Mother - Mrs. RUPERT F. COX, 554 Cook Road, Mansfield, Ohio; Brother - [redacted] [redacted] Mansfield, Ohio; Sister - [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] Mansfield, Ohio; Sister - [redacted] [redacted] Mansfield, Ohio; Sister - [redacted] [redacted] Mansfield, Ohio; Sister - [redacted] [redacted] Road, Mansfield, Ohio
Fiancee:	[redacted] Avenue, Mansfield, Ohio
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LEADS

CLEVELAND

At Mansfield, Ohio

Will interview subject's fiancée, [redacted] and obtain an explanation of her comment in her letter dated January 5, 1950 in which she inquires about subject's roommates, DEANE and JOE, referring to them as bachelors.

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Will interrogate [redacted] thoroughly regarding her knowledge of the association between the subject and his roommates DEANE WELCH and JOSEPH URSCHEL.

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Will ascertain from [redacted] the identity of the girl whom she mentions in her letter of January 8, 1950 as having promised to take [redacted] around to all the agencies when the latter comes to New York.

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Will interview Mrs. RUPERT COX to ascertain where the subject was located in Germany at the time he wrote to her the letters dated August 29, 1947, November 12, 1947 and December 30, 1947.

Will question Mrs. COX concerning her knowledge of the fact that her son apparently desired to leave West Point.

Will ascertain from Mrs. COX what discussions or what correspondence took place as a result of his desire to leave the United States Military Academy.

Will reinterview the other members of the subject's family to determine if they have had any contact with the subject or can offer any explanation regarding his disappearance.

Will interview MARGE GOODMAN, of Mansfield, Ohio, at whose home subject and [redacted] spent New Years Eve, 1950.

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Will through confidential sources attempt to determine if any unexplained withdrawal has been made from the bank account of the Rupert F. Cox Insurance Company.

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NEW YORK

At West Point, New York

Will reinterview Cadets DEANE WELCHE and JOSEPH URSCHEL regarding the activities of the subject on January 8, 1950.

Will reinterview Cadet JUAN BURCIAGA regarding his statement that he spent two or three hours with Cadet COX about 2:00 P. M. on the afternoon of January 8, 1950.

Will question Cadets WELCHE and URSCHEL closely regarding their association with subject.

At New York, New York

Will maintain contact with the 10th CID, First Army.

A copy of this report is being forwarded to all offices for their information in view of the past investigation which has been conducted on a nationwide basis and in view of the possibility of future developments in this case.

REFERENCE: Report of SA GERALD J. FLYNN, 10/26/50, New York
Bureau Letter to New York, 2/21/51

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CHANGED: RICHARD COVLIN COX, Army
Serial No. C-8132 - FUG.

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REPORT MADE AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	DATE WHEN MADE 3-17-51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2-27; 3-15-51	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] mbt
TITLE RICHARD COLVIN COX, Cadet, U. S. Military Academy, West Point, New York - FUG. <i>C-8132</i>			CHARACTER OF CASE DESERTER

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Records DPRB, AGO, St. Louis, reflect latest address for [REDACTED] Monterey, California, upon discharge 12-10-47. [REDACTED] stationed at Schweinfurt, Germany, in August to November, 1947.

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DETAILS: The records at the Demobilized Personnel Records Branch, Adjutant General's Office, Department of the Army, St. Louis, Missouri, reflect [REDACTED] was given a General Discharge on December 10, 1947 at Camp Kilmer, New Jersey, while a Private for misconduct, inadaptability and being a chronic AWOL. Latest address 541 Foam St., Monterey, Calif.

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[REDACTED] was attached to the Headquarters Troop 14th Constabulary Regiment, APO 800, which was Wurzburg and Kitzinger, Germany, from February through July, 1947. He was attached to the 27th Constabulary Squadron at Schweinfurt, Germany, from July to September, 1947; the 6th Constabulary Squadron at Schweinfurt from September to October 1947; and the 28th Constabulary Squadron at Schweinfurt from October to November, when he was returned to the United States as "undesirable".

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[REDACTED] at Oakland, California, was occupied as a warehouseman and claimed to be single. His mother is [REDACTED] Monterey, and previously at [REDACTED] Oakland, California, in November, 1946. He was described as 5' 8½", 180 lbs., brown hair and eyes.

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at San Francisco.
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at New York.