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DATE: August 2 1951

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: RICHARD C. COX, ASN C-8132 - FUGITIVE  
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

FILE NO **79-9 MJD**

REPORT MADE AT <b>SAVANNAH</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>8/8/51</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>7/29, 30; 8/1, 51</b>	REPORT MADE BY <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 15px;"></div>
TITLE <b>RICHARD COLVIN COX ASN C-8132-FUGITIVE</b> <i>a-8-21-1343</i>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>DESERTER</b>

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

LEONARD J. GRAVITT, US Air Force, Hunter Air Field, Ga., advised he knew subject during 1947 when he and subject were stationed in Germany with the US Armed Forces. He added that he had not seen the subject since the subject left Germany for the US to attend Officer's Training School. He knew of no contact of the subject in Germany or United States, or of any difficulty which the subject might have had while in Germany with the German officials. He advised he did not know anyone by the name of  GRAVITT could offer no explanation regarding the subject's sudden disappearance.

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**DETAILS:**

AT SAVANNAH, GEORGIA:

Private First Class LEONARD J. GRAVITT, United States Air Force, Serial Number 14143803, 2nd Air Police Squadron, Hunter Air Field, Georgia, advised that he knew the subject while he and the subject were stationed in Germany with the United States Armed Forces. He stated that during his contacts with the subject, he had always found him to be a

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person who was well liked by the other men and apparently had no enemies. He stated that to the best of his knowledge, the subject had no difficulty with the German police or any local authorities and as far as he knew, the subject has not had any difficulty with any girl friends in Germany. GRAVITT added that when the subject left Germany for the United States for the purpose of entering Officer's Training School, that he seemed to be extremely happy over the opportunity and to the best of his knowledge, that was the last time that he had seen the subject. GRAVITT added that he could not place the man [redacted] and as far as he knew, there was no one in his outfit by the name of [redacted]. GRAVITT added that he would recognize the subject if he should see him, and if he should happen to see him, would take him into custody and notify his Commanding Officer. GRAVITT could furnish no information as to why the subject might have left school.

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REFERENCES: Report of SA GERALD J. FLYNN, New York, 3/8/51.  
Atlanta letter to Savannah, 7/25/51.

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REPORT MADE AT <b>ST. LOUIS, MO.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>8-10-51</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>6-29;7-9-27-30-51</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>G. WAYNE MACK dw</b>
TITLE <b>RICHARD COLVIN COX, ASN C-8132- FUGITIVE</b> <i>9-8-22-B&amp;B</i>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>DESERTER</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Army service records on file at AGO, SLMO, reviewed and latest known addresses for THOMAS A. DEVORS, J. D. COX, and [redacted] former members of the 27th and 28th Constabulary Squadrons, obtained and set forth. No record could be located for DEAN A. BUTZLAFF ASN 19233012. RACAG records searched for [redacted] seven service records located, none formerly assigned to 27th or 28th Constabulary Squadrons, and none held rank of Sgt. A review of the payroll records for 1947 and 1948 of the 27th and 28th Constabulary Squadrons do not reflect the names of [redacted]

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**DETAILS: AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI**

The Army service records on file at the Demobilized Personnel Records Branch, Adjutant General's Office, Department of the Army, St. Louis, Missouri, were reviewed and the latest known addresses for the following three former members of the 27th and 28th Constabulary Squadrons were obtained as they appear below:

THOMAS A. DEVORS, Army Serial Number 46070616, 6331 South Lake Park, Chicago, Illinois. It should be noted that DEVORS received a bad conduct discharge.

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J. D. COX, Army Serial Number 44137149, Route 1, Buchanan, Georgia.

[redacted] Army Serial Number [redacted] or Army Serial Number [redacted] RFD #1, Markleton, Pennsylvania.

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No record could be located for DEAN A. BUTZLAFF, Army Serial Number 19233012; however, a check of the Numerical Files Section verified the Army Serial Number for BUTZLAFF. It is indicated that he enlisted November 9, 1945.

Personnel at the Demobilized Personnel Records Branch, made available all the records of service men with name of GEORGE SUMMERVILLE. A review of these records failed to indicate that any could be identical with the GEORGE SUMMERVILLE, who was reported to have associated with the subject R. C. COX in Germany.

The following records were reviewed:

1. GEORGE S. SUMMERVILLE, Army Serial Number 37110529. He was inducted November 12, 1941. He died at Mindoro Island on July 26, 1945, as a First Lieutenant, following airplane accident.
2. GEORGE R. SUMMERVILLE, Army Serial Number 34829896. He was inducted and entered on active duty November 9, 1943. He was honorably discharged January 28, 1946; highest rank held Private First Class. He was never assigned to a constabulary unit.
3. GEORGE R. SUMMERVILLE, Army Serial Number 33429958. He was in the service from February 19, 1943 to December 2, 1943 and had no foreign service.
4. GEORGE A. SUMMERVILLE, Army Serial Number 14242798. He enlisted December 31, 1946 and was discharged June 7, 1948, highest rank Technician Fifth Grade. He had no foreign service.
5. GEORGE M. SUMMERVILLE, Army Serial Number 33919302. He was inducted March 16, 1945 and received Certificate of Disability for Discharge July 25, 1945 as a Private. He had no foreign service.

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6. GEORGE B. SUMMERVILLE, Army Serial Number 22682384. He was inducted August 2, 1943 and honorably discharged October 21, 1944, by reason of below minimum physical standards for induction - arthritis. Highest rank was Private. He had no foreign service.
7. GEORGE H. SUMMERVILLE, Army Serial Number 31137313. He was inducted June 30, 1942 and was honorably discharged as a Corporal on May 11, 1945. He had no foreign service.

A review of the payroll records for the years 1947 and 1948 of the 27th and 28th Constabulary Squadrons do not reflect the names of GEORGE SUMMERVILLE or GEORGE SUMMERALL.

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Information copies of instant report are being designated for the Detroit and Mobile offices who have investigations pending.

REFERENCE: Report of SA [redacted] dated 7-13-51 at Detroit.  
Report of SA GERALD J. FLYNN dated 6-15-51 at New York.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK, NEW YORK**

**DETROIT**

FILE NO. **79-13**

REPORT MADE AT <b>DETROIT, MICHIGAN</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>8/14/51</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>7/13, 17, 19, 20; 8/4/51</b>	REPORT MADE BY <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 20px; display: inline-block;"></div> <b>AMP</b>
TITLE <b>RICHARD COLVIN COX - ASN C-8132 FUGITIVE</b> <i>0-8-27-2013</i>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>DESERTER</b>

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Credit and criminal, Grand Rapids, Michigan, Flint, Michigan, and Lansing, Michigan negative regarding Subject or auto accident involving Subject. Michigan Department of State has record of driver's license issued March 1951 to RICHARD CALVIN COX, not identical with Subject.

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**DETAILS:** At Grand Rapids, Michigan:

The following investigation was conducted by SA ROBERT L. LALLEY at Grand Rapids, Michigan:

Mrs. GERALDINE LARSON of the Merchants Service Bureau examined the records of her office and stated that no information was contained in them concerning COX.

Mr. HAROLD STODDARD, the Identification Division, Grand Rapids Police Department, stated after examing the office records, that no information was contained in them pertaining to COX.

Sergeant ROY JENNINGS of the Traffic Department, Grand Rapids Police Department, stated that the records of his department contained no information referring to COX.

At Flint, Michigan:

The following investigation was conducted by SA  at Flint, Michigan:

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Miss ELSIE ORMROD, Retailers' Credit Bureau, 302 Capitol Theatre Building, Flint, Michigan advised that the files of that organization contain no information regarding RICHARD COLVIN COX.

The following individuals checked the records of their respective police agencies for a record of an automobile accident in the Flint area which might be identified as one which the Subject reportedly had on July 5 or July 6, 1951, but none was located.

Detective BURT YUNGFER, Flint Post Michigan State Police, Flint, Michigan.

Captain, GEORGE RINGLER, NA. Traffic Division, Flint Police Department.

Detective Sergeant TOM V. WALDRON, Auto Squad, Flint Police Department.

Deputy Sheriff FRANK ZEITER, Genesee County Sheriff's Office, Flint, Michigan.

At Lansing, Michigan:

The following investigation was conducted by SA   
at Lansing, Michigan:

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Mrs. ROSE FALSETTA, secretary to supervisor, Operator's License Division, Department of State, stated that license # 2-187108, dated March 28, 1951 was issued to one RICHARD ~~CALVIN~~ COX of 23410 Kensington St., Inkster, Michigan. This person is described as male, white, 5'6", 140#, blue eyes, brown hair, born August 18, 1923.

No other license was located as having been issued to anyone bearing the Subject's name.

At East Lansing, Michigan:

The following investigation was conducted by SA   
at East Lansing, Michigan:

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Sergeant TOM GRANT, Operations Office, Michigan State Police stated:

1. Only those accidents where either or both vehicles cannot be driven away or where there has been any personal injury involved, the accidents must be reported to the Michigan State Police--only fatal accidents are reported by large cities such as Grand Rapids and Detroit.

2. No record of instant accident in the files of the Michigan State Police, Sergeant GRANT stated.

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At Wyandotte, Michigan:

RICHARD CALVIN COX, 23410 Kensington St., Inkster, Michigan was interviewed at his place of employment at Firestone Company, Wyandotte and it was determined by interview; examination of his draft card and birth certificate; and by observation that he was not identical with the Subject.

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Report of SA   
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July 13, 1951 at Detroit

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TO : Mr. Tolson *V.M.*

DATE: August 4, 1951

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: RICHARD T. COX

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Luther Connant, Templeton 8-5000, called from New York on July 27, 1951, advising that he was doing an article on the disappearance of West Point Cadet Richard T. Cox and had been given considerable help by the Army but that it was obvious that some of the more interesting aspects must come from the Bureau.

I told Mr. Connant that since our investigation was a matter of service to the Army and that our reports had been furnished to the military authorities, I felt it would be inadvisable for us to be of assistance to him. He thoroughly understands our position. I told him that he could state that the FBI has covered literally hundreds of leads; that there have been numerous reports of Cox having been seen but that nothing specifically has been tied down. I suggested that he use a good photograph and description of Cox and point out that anybody having knowledge, past or present, of this individual to contact the FBI.

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SA [REDACTED] JULY THIRTEEN, LAST AT DETROIT. RACAG UNABLE TO

LOCATE SERVICE RECORD FOR DEAN A. BUTZLAFF, ASN ONE NINE TWO THREE THREE  
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RECORD FOR A GEORGE SUMMERVILLE WHO MAY BE IDENTIFIED AS BEING A FORMER  
ASSOCIATE OF THE SUBJECT, R. C. COX, ASSIGNED TO THE TWENTY SEVENTH OR  
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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Mrs. J. K. BRIER, Ft. Knox, Ky., furnished names of employees at Red Cross Club in Coburg, Germany in late 1946 and early 1947.

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**DETAILS:**

Mrs. J. K. BRIER, 38A Rose Terrace, Fort Knox, Kentucky, stated that she was the Club Director for the Red Cross Club in Coburg, Germany from Thanksgiving, 1946 to June, 1947. Immediately prior to Mrs. BRIER's service the Club Director was Miss ELIZABETH TURNER, who is now in Korea. Mrs. EVELYN WATTAU was Assistant Club Director under Mrs. BRIER's supervision and when Mrs. BRIER left she became Club Director. Mrs. WATTAU's permanent legal address is 1110 7th Street South, Fargo, North Dakota. Her temporary address is presently 515 South Imperial Street, Brawley, California.

**Mrs. BRIER's service:**

The following Americans were employed at the Club during

Mrs. WILLIAM (nee LORRAINE STANLEY) BERLIN, RFD 5, Wayzata, Minnesota

Miss BARBARA CHULICK, Box 2, Lloydell, Pennsylvania

Miss FLORENCE GIBBONS, 448 Ferry Street, New Haven, Connecticut

In addition Mrs. BRIER stated that about a year after she left Coburg the Red Cross Club was closed and Special Services of the Army took over the operation of the servicemen's center. Mrs. FRANCIS COOMBS, whose husband is an officer assigned to Fort Campbell, Kentucky, was director of the club for Special Services.

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Since this office is not in possession of facts indicating information these Red Cross employees may have concerning subject, leads for their interview are being left to the discretion of the office of origin.

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REFERENCE:

Kansas City teletype to Louisville 8-8-51.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

**JAMES N. KELLY, RALPH RAINONE, and RALEIGHT L. FOLSOM, who formerly served with subject, were interviewed with negative results. CONRAD CING-MARS now in United States Army stationed Panama Canal Zone. Investigation conducted to locate LAURENT R. ST. LAURENT at Lewiston, Maine, with negative results.**

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**DETAILS:**

**AT SPRINGVALE, MAINE**

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN R. MOORE:

Mr. RALEIGHT L. FOLSOM, 16 Bradden Street, stated that he was formerly a member of the 27th and 28th Constabulary Squadron. He advised that he remembers the name COX but was unable to associate it with any individual of the Squadron. He stated that he had not seen or heard from anyone by the name of COX since his discharge in the latter part of 1948. Mr. FOLSOM stated that he was unable to identify the friend of COX known as  nor could he recall any member of the Squadron by the name of BRISTER.

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**AT PAWTUCKET, RHODE ISLAND**

The following investigation was conducted

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Mr. EDWARD J. CING-MARS, 12 Magnolia Street, stated his son, CONRAD C. CING-MARS, was still in the United States Army stationed at Fort Clayton, Panama Canal Zone. His Serial Number is 6143309. His address is Hg-SRTRIP-45 MECZ. Mr. CING-MARS stated he never heard his son speak of a person named COX as serving with him in the 27th and 28th Constabulary Squadron in Germany in 1947.

AT PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]

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Mr. JAMES N. KELLY, 221 Linwood Avenue, stated he was formerly a member of the 28th Constabulary in Germany in 1947. He was sent from the 28th Constabulary Squadron from Fulda, to Darnstat, Germany, when the 28th was changed to the 27th Squadron. He was a member of troop D but stated he never knew or heard of the subject, RICHARD COLVIN COX. He stated he was quite sure he would have remembered such a person, especially one who received an appointment to West Point while a member of the United States Army stationed in Germany.

Mr. RALPH RAINONE, 145 Spruce Street, Providence, stated he was a desk Sergeant in the 27th Squadron of the Constabulary after it had been changed from the 28th Squadron. He served in Schweinfurt, Germany, and knew the subject, RICHARD COLVIN COX, who was only with the Squadron for a very short time prior to leaving Germany to return to the United States after receiving an appointment to West Point in 1947. Captain DUDLEY F. COONEY was in charge of the troop and was the last person to see COX when he, COX, left for the United States. The subject was always in good spirits and was well liked by other members of the troop. COX associated with the other soldiers, and RAINONE never knew him to go out without other soldiers when on leave. RAINONE stated there was another soldier in the outfit named COX, first name unknown, who came from the South, and this person was a friend of the subject. RAINONE said he has not heard from the subject since he left Germany to attend West Point.

AT LEWISTON, MAINE

The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]

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Mrs. BERTRAND GOSSLAND, 460 Lisbon Street, said she

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and her family have occupied that building since approximately 1944 and that they use it as a dwelling and beauty salon. According to Mrs. GOSSLAND, LAURENT R. ST. LAURENT, ASN 111076257, has not resided there since 1944 and he is unknown to her. She said to her knowledge he did not live there when her family took possession of the premises.

A check of the Lewiston, Maine, City Directory and Telephone Directory revealed no person by the name of LAURENT R. ST. LAURENT.

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ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

No lead is being set out by the Boston Office to interview CONRAD C. CING-MARS, who is still in the United States Army stationed at Fort Clayton, Panama Canal Zone. The setting out of this lead is being left to the discretion of the Office of Origin.

REFERENCE: Report of SA [redacted] dated July 17, 1951,  
at Boston.

New York letter to Bureau dated August 28, 1950.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. LADD

FROM : A. ROSEN *[Handwritten signature]*

SUBJECT: RICHARD C. COX, ASN C-8132 - FUGITIVE  
DESERTER *[Handwritten: 1-8-16-1951]*

DATE: August 7, 1951

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PURPOSE:

To advise you of a recent development in the investigation of the captioned case.

BACKGROUND:

The subject deserted from the U. S. Military Academy at West Point on January 14, 1950, and Bureau assistance has been requested to locate him. You will recall that Congressman J. Harry McGregor, Ohio, has expressed an interest in this matter and that Assistant Director Rosen called upon Congressman McGregor on January 31, 1951, in his office to advise him of the status of investigation conducted in this matter to that date.

DETAILS:

All men who were formerly assigned with the subject while he was an enlisted man with the Army in Germany are being located for interview concerning the identity of the individual named  who allegedly visited the subject on the day of his desertion. One of them,



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ACTION:

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The New York Division has been instructed to vigorously pursue this angle of the investigation and to set out all leads by teletype inasmuch as it is the first good lead we have had in this case. The Army has been advised of this development.

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[REDACTED] QUINTO, ECUADOR, ARRIVED IN U.S. AT  
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CARE OF ECUADORAN EMBASSY, WASHINGTON, D.C. IN SEPT FORTYEIGHT  
HE WAS A STUDENT AT THE COLLEGE OF UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA,  
PHILADELPHIA, PA. HIS STATUS WAS CHANGED FROM VISITOR TO  
NONQUOTA IMMIGRANT STUDENT APRIL FIFTEEN FORTYNINE WHILE AT  
UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA. ON SEPT THIRTEEN FIFTY HE MADE  
APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF STAY IN U.S. WHICH WAS GRANTED UNTIL  
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GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON, D.C. AS A STUDENT WITH ADDRESS

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FROM THAT UNIVERSITY FEB NINE FIFTYONE. INS DOES NOT KNOW WHETHER

[REDACTED] AND GEORGETOWN UN.

HAS NOT ANSWERED INQUIRY IN THIS REGARD. INS ALSO ADVISES

[REDACTED] NOW ILLEGALLY IN U.S. BECAUSE HE

HAS NOT RENEWED HIS APPLICATION TO STAY IN U.S. WHICH EXPIRED

MAY THIRTEEN LAST. DUE TO BACKLOG OF WORK INS FILE FOR THIS

INDIVIDUAL HAS NOT BEEN REVIEWED AND NO EFFORT HAS BEEN MADE

TO LOCATE HIM TO DATE. WFO CHECK WITH GEORGETOWN UN. RE

CURRENT STATUS OF [REDACTED] NEW ORLEANS NOT ADVISED. IF ANY

ACTION FOR NEW ORLEANS, N.Y. OR WFO SHOULD ADVISE. RUC.

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REPORT  
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON D. C.

October 1, 1952

To: SAC, New York

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office September 18, 1952.

Re: RICHARD COLVIN COX, wa.  
ASN 8132  
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*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

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YOUR FILE NO. 79-108  
FBI FILE NO. 79-23729  
LAB. NO. D-154452 HD

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Examination requested by: New York

Reference: Letter dated 9/12/52 EX-115

Examination requested: Document

Specimens:

Qc13 Two photographs, each depicting one side of a WILLIAM SLOANE HOUSE registration card for a ROBERT R. COX.

RESULTS OF EXAMINATION:

A definite conclusion could not be reached whether any of the questioned handwriting or questioned handprinting on Qc13 was prepared by RICHARD COLVIN COX, #FBI-357872A, or ROBERT R. COX, whose signature appears on a U. S. Army Personal Identification fingerprint card #RA12114552, because of handwriting variations which cannot be explained on the basis of the available handwriting or because the handwriting was not comparable with the handprinting. However, some handwriting characteristics were observed to exist in common between the questioned ROBERT R. COX signature on Qc13 and the ROBERT R. COX signature appearing on the U. S. Army Personal Identification fingerprint card #RA12114552.

Specimen Qc13 is retained.

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- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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Re: RICHARD COLVIN COX, wa.  
ASN 8132  
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File # 79-23729 -274  
Lab. # D-154452 HD

SAC, New York 79-108

Examination requested by:

Date of reference communication: Let. 9-12-52

Date received: 9-18-52

Examination requested:

Document

Result of Examination:

Examination by:

*Ident + Ident.*  
*No concl quest Robert R. Cox sig Qc13 with Richard Colvin Cox, FBI # 357872A and the sig Robert R. Cox, USA Pers. Ident. # RA12 114552. because of ident variations unexplainable on basis of available ident of same ident similarities notes to ident between the Cox sig Qc13 and RA 12114552*

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*Retain Qc13*

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Qc13 Two photographs, each depicting one side of a WILLIAM SLOANE HOUSE registration card for a ROBERT R. COX.

not compared

*Qc13 Robert R. Cox*

*USA Personal Ident Ser. # RA 12 114552*

*Robert R. Cox*

*FBI #*

*357872A*

*Richard Colvin Cox*

*Dick Cox*

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (79-23729)  
 ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY  
 FROM : SAC, New York (79-108) *lae*  
 SUBJECT: RICHARD COLVIN COX, wa  
 ASN 8132  
 FUDE

DATE: 9/12/52

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Enclosed are two photographs, each depicting one side of a William Sloane House registration card for a ROBERT R. COX. This COX registered on 12/4/51, and checked out on 12/5/51. He gave his home address as 26 Lisle Ave., Binghamton, N.Y., his date of birth July 25, 1928, and his Army Serial Number as RA 12114552. The above birth date is noted as being the same as fugitive's.

Mr. OTTO KARSTENSEN, Record Clerk, advised that the printing on the reverse side of the reverse side of the card should be done by the guest, but sometimes this is omitted by the guest and subsequently done by one of the desk clerks.

The Laboratory is requested to compare the enclosed handwriting and handprinting with the handwriting and handprinting of RICHARD COLVIN COX, FBI #357872A and ROBERT R. COX ASN RA 12114552.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FORM No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

NEW YORK

FILE NO. 79-9 dsr

REPORT MADE AT SAVANNAH-	DATE WHEN MADE SEP 10 1951	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8-16,29-51	REPORT MADE BY <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 15px;"></div>
TITLE RICHARD COLVIN COX, ASN C-8132 FUGITIVE <i>a-9-14-BaB</i>		CHARACTER OF CASE DESERTER	

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Sgt. EUGENE ELLIS, Ft. Jackson, S.C. claims no knowledge relative to larceny in Germany other than gossip. Claimed subject had friend  in Schweinfurt, Germany. Also that a friend of ELLIS, LOTTIE WEBBER, Schweinfurt, Germany, will know  address. Names of other persons who may know subject obtained.

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**DETAILS:** Sergeant EUGENE ELLIS, ASN NG 14208480, Battery A, 933 AAA, 31st Division, Fort Jackson, South Carolina, on interview, stated that all he knew relative to the payroll theft in Germany in 1948 was what he picked up from gossip. He stated that he was not guarding or in charge of the payroll and had no idea as to who might have had charge of this or who stole same. He advised that when he was in Germany with the subject, subject had a close friend named  who dealt in the Black Market. He advised that he had a friend, Frauline LOTTIE WEBBER, 12 Oberstrass Street, Schweinfurt, Germany, who could furnish the address of  in Schweinfurt, Germany. He is of the opinion

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>[Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES
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that [ ] might possibly know something of subject's whereabouts. He is of the opinion that if the subject is not deceased he has returned to Germany to live. He had no basis for this statement except that subject liked Germany and had indicated he desired to live there. ELLIS stated that he was never close to the subject as he, ELLIS, was in Headquarters of the M.P. Company and the subject was in Battery D. He stated that RALPH MICHALES was in the same outfit with the subject, and was at a Hospital at Camp Kilmer, New Jersey, in July, 1949. Also that LEONARD E. TRUEBLOOD was in subject's outfit. TRUEBLOOD resides at Elizabeth City, North Carolina.

ELLIS was cooperative but could offer no other information. He is being transferred to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, about September 10, 1951.

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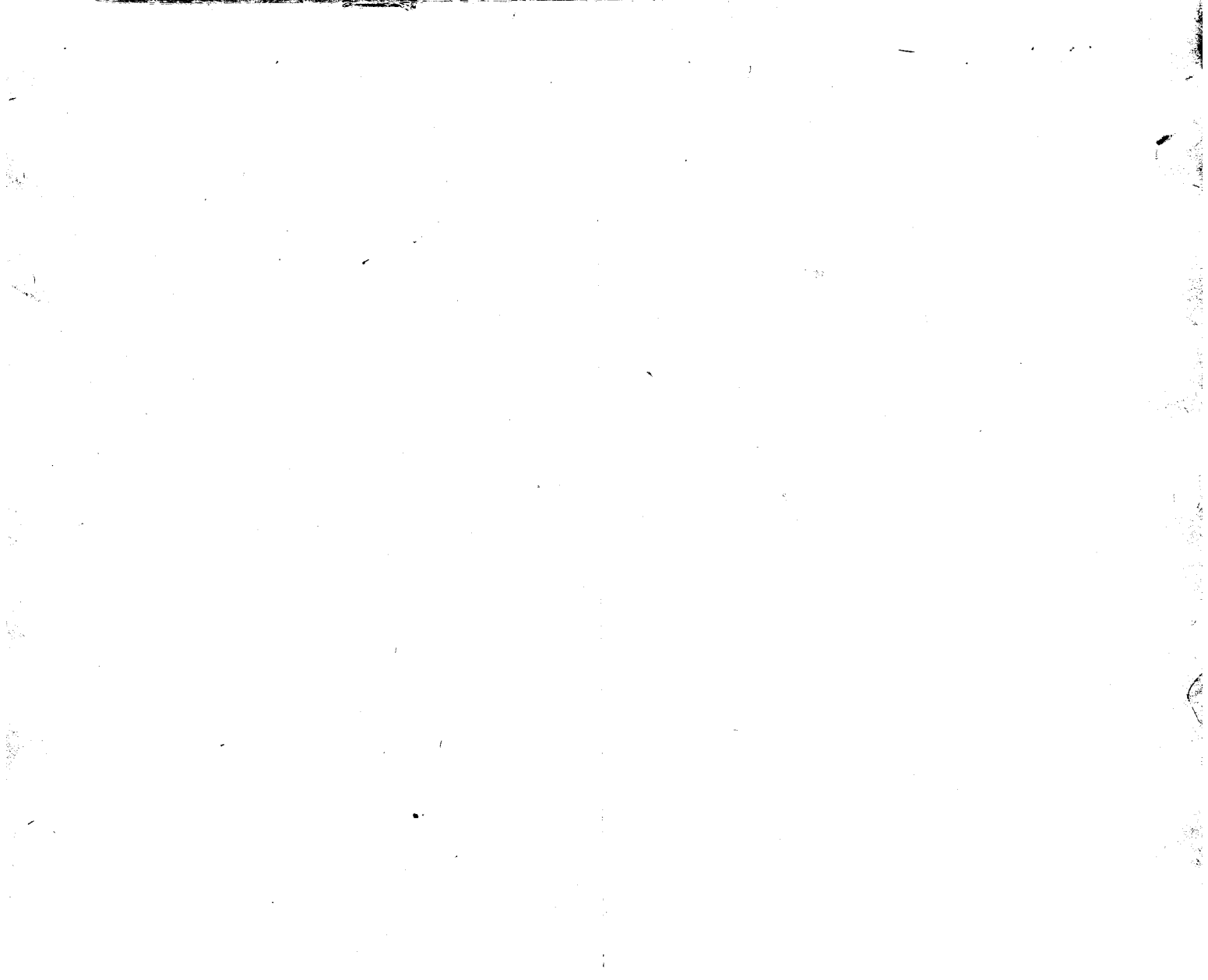
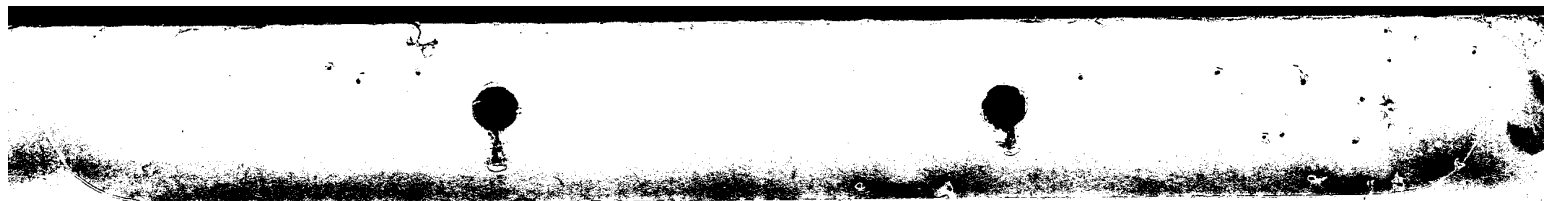
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LEADS

CHARLOTTE at Elizabeth City, N.C.  
will attempt to locate and interview LEONARD E. TRUEBLOOD  
relative to subject and his location.

NEWARK at Camp Kilmer, will attempt  
to develop information relative to RALPH MICHALES, who was  
stationed there in a hospital unit in 1949, and have him  
interviewed relative to subject.

REFERENCE: Report of SA GERALD J. FLYNN, 3-8-51, New York  
Teletype from Mobile to Savannah, 8-9-51



2 ENCLOSURES TO THE BUREAU 79-23729  
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY  
NY 79-108

Investigation Unit, U.S. Dept. of Justice - NEW YORK FIELD

### WILLIAM SLOANE HOUSE

#### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP AND PRIVILEGES

Application is hereby made for membership, including dormitory and other privileges, in William Sloane House of the Young Men's Christian Association of the City of New York and I hereby signify that I am in sympathy with the purpose of the Association. The management reserves the right to reject this application without giving reasons therefor. The management is not responsible for baggage or other properties in rooms or lockers. Valuables or baggage may be checked with the management.

(If a member of a YMCA outside of New York City please present your membership card.)

Signature Robert R. C. N.

Home Address 26 LISKE AVEN.  
No. Street

Binghamton, N.Y.

PLEASE SHOW IDENTIFICATION WHEN REQUESTED

Date of Birth 25<sup>th</sup> July 28

RA-12114592

Investigation, U.S. Dept. of Justice - NEW YORK FIELD

COX, ROBERT, R. 1118- CLERK

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: SEPTEMBER 10, 1951 URGENT

SAC, NEW YORK

RICHARD C. COX, ASN C EIGHT ONE THREE TWO, FUG., DESERTER. SUTEL  
SUMMARY, PRESENT STATUS OF INVESTIGATION AND KEEP BUREAU ADVISED OF  
PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

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7:30 P.M.

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RICHARD COLVIN COX, ASN C DASH EIGHT ONE THREE TWO, FUGITIVE, DESERTER. RE-BALTIMORE

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REVEAL

[Redacted]

[Redacted] VALPARAISO, CHILE ENTERED SCHOOL SEPT EIGHTEEN NINETEEN FIFTY. WAS ON SCHOLARSHIP AS RESULT OF RECOMMENDATIONS OF OFFICIALS OF ECUADOR. GAVE RESIDENCE ASTWENTY TEN R STREET, N. W. CITY DIRECTORY REVEALS NO SUCH ADDRESS. WHILE ATTENDING GU, [Redacted] RESIDED CAMPUS DORMITORY. ON FEB NINE LAST [Redacted] RESIGNED FROM SCHOLARSHIP AS RESULT OF INABILITY TO MAKE REQUIRED MARKS ON SUBJECTS. NO FORWARDING ADDRESS AVAILABLE GU FILE. IN NINETEEN FIFTY [Redacted] HAD ADDRESS OF ONE FIVE THREE NINE OCTAVIA STREET, NEW ORLEANS DASH POSSIBLY ADDRESS OF FATHER MENTIONED WFO TEL AUG THIRTY LAST. GU FILE ALSO REVEALED THAT IN NINETEEN FIFTY [Redacted] AS AMBASSADOR OF EQUADOR AT EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON. MUG PHOTO OF [Redacted] OBTAINED FROM GU AND PRINTS BEING PREPARED FOR FORWARDING TO NY. NO FURTHER INVESTIGATIVE ACTION WFO UNLESS SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED.

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Miss Gandy	

WASH FROM NEW YORK 9 13 2-13 AM  
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RICHARD COLVIN COX, ASN C EIGHT ONE THREE TWO - FUG, DESERTER. X3-7

REBUTEL SEPT TEN INSTANT. NEW ORLEANS REQUESTED TO LOCATE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IS BELIEVED TO BE JORGE CONCHA,  
ECQUADORIAN CONSUL GENERAL, STATION AT NEW ORLEANS. ON THE EVENINGS  
OF AUGUST TWENTY FOURTH AND TWENTY SEVENTH, LAST, WITH THE AID OF ARMY  
PRIVATE [REDACTED] SURVEILLANCES WERE CONDUCTED AT THE

[REDACTED]

AS WELL AS HIS ASSOCIATE HAVE INDICATED THAT THEY BELIEVE THEY HAVE  
SEEN AN INDIVIDUAL IDENTICAL WITH COX FOUR OR FIVE TIMES DURING  
WINTER NINETEEN FIFTY OR NINETEEN FIFTY ONE AROUND THESE CAFES.  
THERE HAVE BEEN NO INDICATIONS THAT THIS INDIVIDUAL HAS BEEN IN NYC  
SINCE THAT TIME. [REDACTED]

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OF NYC . IN VIEW OF THIS INFO. AND INASMUCH AS INVESTIGATION PREVIOUSLY WAS CONDUCTED AT [REDACTED] AS SET FORTH IN REPORT OF SA GERALD J. FLYNN DATED MAY TWENTY SIXTH, NINETEEN FIFTY, AT NY, NO OPEN INQUIRY HAS BEEN CONDUCTED AT [REDACTED] EFFORTS ARE BEING MADE TO HAVE THIS COVERED BY THE USE OF INFORMANTS. [REDACTED] WILL BE DISCHARGED BY THE ARMY IN THE NEAR FUTURE. LIST OF REGISTRANTS AT HOTEL THAYER, WEST POINT, NY, JANUARY SEVENTH AND EIGHTH AND FOURTEENTH, NINETEEN FIFTY HAVE BEEN OBTAINED AND THESE PERSONS WILL BE INTERVIEWED. A PHOTOSTATIC COPY OF A LETTER WRITTEN TO COX BY JOSEPH GRONER, FORMER ARMY ASSOCIATE OF COX, IN WHICH GRONER MENTIONS ROSEMARIE VOGEL IN VERY INTIMATE MANNER IS BEING SENT TO PHILADELPHIA WITH REQUEST THAT THEY INTERVIEW GRONER. THIS LETTER INDICATES THAT COX AND GRONER ENGAGED IN MANY ESCAPADES IN GERMANY. GRONER HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS BY AGENTS OF THE PHILA OFFICE, BUT HE HAS NOT REVEALED ANY INFO. ABOUT THESE ESCAPADES AND IT APPEARS THAT HE HAS WITHHELD INFO. ABOUT ROSEMARIE VOGEL. CID, NYC,  
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HAS ADVISED THAT NO RECORD CAN BE LOCATED OF ARMY PAYROLL THEFT  
IN GERMANY IN FEBRUARY, NINETEEN THIRTY EIGHT, WHICH IS MENTIONED IN  
DETROIT REPORT OF SA [REDACTED] DATED JULY THIRTEENTH, LAST.  
IN VIEW OF INFO CONTAINED IN ABOVE DETROIT REPORT, COX-S ROOMMATES  
CADETS WELCH AND URSHEL WILL BE REINTERVIEWED AWAY FROM WEST POINT  
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September 7, 1951

TO : SAC, NEW YORK

FROM : J. Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

SUBJECT: RICHARD C. COX, C 8132, WA  
FUGITIVE, DESERTER

Transmitted herewith are two copies of a memorandum prepared by the Identification Division concerning the above subject.

Two photographs of the above individual are also transmitted herewith, together with one copy of subject's identification record and two copies of data obtained from records of the Adjutant's Office.

~~Enclosure~~

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TRACY *ST*  
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Reference is made to the Fugitive Index Card submitted by Division Six, in the case of Richard C. Cox, C 8132, Bureau File #79-23729. There are transmitted herewith two copies of this subject's fingerprint record, FBI#-357 872 A, as disclosed by the files of the Identification Division. There are also attached herewith three photostatic copies of subject's enlistment record obtained from the Department of the Army, Washington, D. C.

The information listed below is a summary of the descriptive data appearing on the prints contained in subject's record:

Race	White
Born	July 25, 1928, Mansfield, Ohio
Height	5' 6 3/4" to 5' 7 1/2"
Weight	148 pounds to 158 pounds
Complexion	Fair; ruddy; light
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown; light brown
Build	Regular; heavy; medium
Scars and Marks	6" scar above right elbow
Residence	388 West Third Street, Mansfield, Ohio, July, 1938
Notify	Rupert F. Cox and Minnie Cox, 388 West Third, Mansfield, Ohio, July, 1938

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The information listed below appears on the noncriminal fingerprint card, ASN C-8132, Department of the Army, Washington, D.C.:

Richard Colvin Cox, appointed July 1, 1948, as Cadet at United States Military Academy, at West Point, New York; original entry into service on September 16, 1946, last prior service on June 30, 1948; fingerprints taken August 2, 1948, at West Point, New York.

The signature of this individual appears on all fingerprint cards comprising his record. His fingerprint classification is as follows:

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Memorandum for Mr. Tracy

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August 28, 1951

There are transmitted herewith three copies of a photograph of Richard C. Cox, FBI#-357 872 A, submitted by the Police Department, Mansfield, Ohio, on January 28, 1950. This is the only photograph of this person available in the files of the Identification Division.

Respectfully,

*Quinn Tamm*  
*Per [Signature]*

Quinn Tamm

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*J. Edgar Hoover*  
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The following is the record of FBI number 357 872 A

CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
Army	Richard Colvin Cox #RA-15355161	9-16-46 Cleveland Ohio		
Army	Richard Colvin Cox #C-8132	7-1-48 West Point N.Y.		

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The following is the record of FBI number 357 872 A.

CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
	<p>MISSING PERSON #13550. As Richard C. Cox, Since 1-14-50 from US Military Academy, West Point, NY. Notify Mr. [redacted] Detective Bureau, FD, Mansfield, Ohio, per inf rec therefrom by letter dated 1-28-50. Also Notify: BFD, NY, NY, per inf rec therefrom 2-1-50. Bu file #79-23729.</p>			
	<p>Wanted notice relative to this Missing Person included in Bureau bulletin for March, 1950.</p>			

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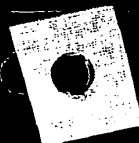
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*J. Edgar Hoover*  
 Director.

CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
<p>PD Mansfield Ohio</p>	<p>Richard Colvin Cox</p> <p>Alias: <u>Richard Calvin Cox</u></p>	<p>fingerprinted for civil identification purposes (prt rec 7-27-38)</p>		<p>WANTED BY BUREAU: As Richard C. Cox Fug Deserter Bu file #79-23729 O.O. NY NY inf rec 1-27-51.</p>

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Surname First Middle Date and Place of Birth

Aliases Rank or Rating

M. E. Spates 8-16-51

Service Number Submitted by Date Case Number

INFORMATION DESIRED FROM (Dept. of Bureau of ) Checked by

Cox, Richard Colvin RA-15355161 Surname First Middle Service Number

Aliases

Present Assignment 6-30-48 Honorable Discharge - West Point, New York - Con. of Gov't to

Date enter U.S. Military Academy Rating Organization

Enlisted 9-16-46 Cleveland, Local Board Ohio for three years

Inducted Number City State Order Number

Description 7-25-28 Mansfield, Ohio white 663/4" 148 Blue Brown Date and Place of Birth Race Height Weight Eyes Hair

Ruddy Complexion Scars, Marks or Tattoos Marital Status Social Security Number

US student Citizenship FBI Number Former Occupation Employer and Address

Military Occupation Insurance Yes No

Savings Bonds Yes No Family Allowance Yes No

Co-Owner: Allottee:

Photograph Yes No xx Fingerprints Yes No Handwriting available Yes No

Bank Accounts: Schools

38 West Third St., Mansfield, Ohio Home Address None Previous Military Service

Liaison Section  
M. E. Spates

August 16, 1951

West Point Section

Cadet Richard C. Cox, #C-8132, U.S.C.C., Class 1952, appointed ~~in~~ from 17th Congressional District, State of Ohio having remained absent from U.S. Military Academy fro a period in excess of one month and his name will be dropped from all rolls.

Appointed 7-1-48 as cadet, U. S. Military Academy, West.

3-14-50 Cadet Richard C. Cox #C-8132 dropped from the rolls as AWOL 1-14-50. Co. "B", 2nd Reg. U.S. Corps of Cadets, U. S. Military Academy, West Point, New York.

Residence: 554 Cook Road  
Mansfield, Ohio

Next of Kin: Mrs. R. F. Cox, mother  
554 Cook Road  
Mansfield, Ohio

Next of Kin: Mary Virginia Catlett, sister  
1023 Woodland Road  
Mansfield, Ohio

1023 Cook Road (?)  
Mansfield, Ohio

Missing since January 14, 1950

**Relatives:**

Minnie Marguerite Cox - mother - 388 West Third St., Mansfield, Ohio

Name Relationship Street City State

[Redacted] Mansfield, Ohio

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ENCLOSURE  
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RICHARD C. COX FBI#357 872 A



# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: September 19, 1951

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FROM : SAC, WFO

SUBJECT: RICHARD C. COX *a-b*  
ASN C-8132 - FUGITIVE  
DESERTER  
(Bureau file 77-23729)

ReNYtel dated August 30, 1950, and WFOtel dated September 7, 1951.

Mr. FRANK MANN, School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University, Washington, D. C., made available the school record for [redacted] which revealed that this individual was born on [redacted] Valparaiso, Chile, and had entered Georgetown University on September 18, 1950. A review of the file revealed that [redacted] was on a scholarship as a result of recommendations furnished by various individuals including the Ambassador of Equador, Washington, D. C. At the time he entered this school he gave his residence as 2010 R Street, N.W., and also used an address of 1436 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W. While attending the school his address was Box 84, Georgetown University, which Mr. MANN stated indicated that [redacted] resided in a campus dormitory. Immediately prior to his entrance into the University he was furnished a letter advising him of his being awarded a scholarship and this letter was directed to him at 1539 Octavia Street, New Orleans, Louisiana. This letter pointed out that he was being awarded the scholarship on the recommendation of Dr. A. DILLON, Ambassador of Equador, Washington, D. C., who was referred to elsewhere in the record as [redacted] of [redacted]. The records revealed that [redacted] was formerly at the Embassy of Equador, in San Jose, Costa Rica, and more recently was in New Orleans, Louisiana.

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Through Mr. MANN it was ascertained that at the time [redacted] left the University on February 9, 1951, he had a guardian who had been helping him in his school work by the name of Lieutenant HAROLD L. STEIFMAN, Military Air Transport Service, Andrews Air Force Base, Andrews Field, Maryland. He stated that when [redacted] left the University he was supposed to have gone to 1639 Ontario Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.

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The file revealed that [redacted] had experienced a great deal of trouble in his studies at the University and that

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he had dropped one or two courses prior to leaving the University on February 9. Mr. MANN advised that it was his impression that [ ] difficulties had come as a result of his inability to understand and speak the English language. He stated that there was nothing to indicate that [ ] had had any other personal difficulties besides his studies but that [ ] had worried extensively in this regard.

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A photograph of [ ] was obtained from the University and a negative and three copies thereof are being furnished the New York Office. One photograph is being retained in the WFO file. No further action is contemplated by this office in this regard.

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AT CAMP GORDON, GEORGIA, [REDACTED] HE HAS COOPERATED  
WITH CID NYC AS AN INFORMANT IN NYC IN A CASE INVOLVING [REDACTED]  
ARMY OFFICER. THIS INFORMANT HAS STATED THAT HE HAS SEEN AN INDIVIDUAL  
WHOM HE BELIEVES IDENTICAL WITH COX [REDACTED]

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RICHARD COLVIN COX, ASN C EIGHT ONE THREE TWO, FUG., DESERTER.

COX-S FORMER ROOMMATES AT WEST POINT ADVISE THEY BELIEVE THE UN  
IDENTIFIED FRIEND [ ] WHO VISITED COX AT WEST POINT IN JAN. FIFTY,  
HAD SERVED IN THE AMERICAN ARMY RANGER UNIT AND ENGAGED IN COMBAT  
WITH THE GERMAN ARMY, AND HAD SUBSEQUENTLY REENLISTED AND SERVED  
IN COX-S UNIT, THE TWENTY SEVENTH OR TWENTY EIGHTH CONSTABULARY IN  
GERMANY. ADVISE IF POSSIBLE WHETHER ANY ENLISTED MEMBERS OF COX-S  
UNIT HAD PREVIOUS SERVICE AS AMERICAN ARMY RANGERS AND ALSO HOW  
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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FILE NO. **79-35**

REPORT MADE AT <b>SEATTLE, WASHINGTON</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>OCT - 3 1951</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>9/19/51</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>ELGIN E. OLOGG</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>EG</b></span>
TITLE <b>RICHARD CALVIN COX ASN C-8132 - FUGITIVE</b> <i>a-ba</i>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>DESERTER</b>	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Master Sergeant DEAN ALFRED BUTZLAFF was interviewed at Fort Lewis, Washington and advised that while stationed at Schweinfurt, Germany during 1947, he was well acquainted with a fellow soldier known to him as J. C. COX. BUTZLAFF advised he does not believe J. C. COX is identical with the subject and he recalls there was another COX assigned to the same unit. BUTZLAFF stated he could furnish no information as to the background or whereabouts of either J. C. COX or the subject.

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**DETAILS:**

**AT FORT LEWIS, WASHINGTON**

Master Sergeant DEAN ALFRED BUTZLAFF, Army Serial Number 19233012, 95th Armored Tank Company, Fort Lewis, advised he was a member of the 1st Platoon, "D" Troop, 27th Constabulary Group, stationed at Schweinfurt, Germany during 1947.

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BUTZLAFF advised at that time he was well acquainted with a fellow soldier known to him as J. C. COX, who was assigned to the same unit. BUTZLAFF advised that the COX he was associated with was known as J. C. and although this COX meets the subject's physical description somewhat, he does not believe them to be identical.

BUTZLAFF advised that J. C. COX was from Georgia and had a southern accent. BUTZLAFF further advised that he last saw J. C. COX in July of 1949 at Degerndorf, Germany and he has no idea as to the present whereabouts of J. C. COX.

BUTZLAFF advised he recalls there was another soldier in the same unit by the name of COX but he was not well acquainted with this individual.

BUTZLAFF advised that he could not furnish any information concerning the background or whereabouts of either man named COX he also does not recall a German bootlegger,

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New York City teletype to Seattle, dated 9/13/51.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

FILE NO. **79-123**

REPORT MADE AT <b>WASHINGTON, D. C.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10/8/51</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>9/22,24;10/5/51</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>JOEL R. HITT JRH:FK</b>
TITLE <b>RICHARD COLVIN COX ASN C-8132 - FUGITIVE</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>DESERTER</b>	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

FLORENCE GIBBONS, Red Cross Hostess in Germany during 1947 and 1948, identified photograph of COX as person with whom she was acquainted at that time. Claims not to have seen COX since being in Germany and to have no knowledge regarding his disappearance. GIBBONS states she has no knowledge of an alleged payroll theft occurring in the 27th Constabulary. GIBBONS advised that she knows of no civilian personnel with whom COX was friendly and only close associate to her knowledge was JOSEPH GRONER, a serviceman. GIBBONS has no information regarding [redacted] and states that COX was a conservative drinker. No information developed pertaining to present whereabouts of COX.

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**DETAILS:**

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.:

Miss FLORENCE GIBBONS, an employee of the Department of Agriculture, who resides at 3318 13th Street, S. E., upon being interviewed first stated that she knew of no person by the name of RICHARD COLVIN COX. However, upon viewing a photograph of COX she readily stated that she recalled him. She advised that she had known COX first in approximately May, 1947, when she was a Red Cross Hostess assigned Coberg, Germany. She advised that COX

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was assigned there with the 6th Constabulary at that time. Miss GIBBONS said that when she was transferred to Schweinfurt, Germany, COX was also assigned there with the 27th Constabulary. She said that she remained in Schweinfurt until December, 1948, and that she has not seen COX nor heard from him since that time.

Miss GIBBONS advised that she was not aware of the fact that COX had deserted or disappeared but that she recalled having read in the newspaper articles relating to the disappearance of a cadet from West Point some time ago. She stated that she did not associate the name of this cadet with the COX with whom she had been acquainted. She said that COX was known only by his last name to her as was generally the case with military personnel with whom she came in contact while with the Red Cross.

She recalled COX as a quiet, easy going, somewhat reticent person. She said that he had no real close friends and recalled that at the final dance at Coberg she noted that he had not been dancing. She said that she approached COX and asked him to dance with some of the girls at which time he advised her that he had a close girl friend at home who he had promised to be faithful to. She informed that he never had anything to do with any girls insofar as she knew. Miss GIBBONS advised that she knew of no native Germans or other civilians with whom COX was associated. She said that his only friend insofar as she knew was a soldier named JOSEPH GRONER who was assigned at both Coberg and Schweinfurt with COX. Miss GIBBONS advised that since being in Germany she has corresponded with Sergeant JOHN J. SCHULTES, who was also associated with the 27th Constabulary and who would also have known COX. She stated that SCHULTES and COX were not closely associated but that they would have known each other in that they were assigned the same outfit. She said that when she last heard from SCHULTES about a year ago he had just returned to Germany for further service in that country with the Army. She said that she also recalled a girl by the name of BETTY GILBERT who had been with the 27th Constabulary in Germany, and whom she had met in Washington, D. C., more than a year ago. She said that her recollection was that BETTY GILBERT had been assigned the 27th some time after COX had left. It was her recollection that GILBERT and COX would not have been acquainted. She also said that she

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and GILBERT did not discuss COX at the time they last met. She stated that she does not know the present whereabouts of BETTY GILBERT.

Miss GIBBONS was questioned concerning an alleged payroll shortage occurring in the 27th Constabulary in Germany and she stated that she has never heard of such an incident. She said that in the event such a theft occurred while she was in Germany it had been kept quiet inasmuch as she had not heard of it. She was also questioned regarding her knowledge of any person by the name of [redacted] [redacted] or any bootlegger from whom members of the 27th Constabulary purchased whiskey. She stated that she had never heard of [redacted] and she had no information concerning any bootlegger from whom whiskey had been purchased by the soldiers. In this connection she advised that COX was considered by her to be a very conservative drinker. She stated that the only drinking that COX was known by her to have done was at Coberg, Germany. She stated that it was her impression that COX had been worried while there and on one or two occasions he had become intoxicated. She advised that the reason for this worry insofar as she knew was due to the pressure under which COX as well as other service personnel were living. She recalled one incident where COX had become intoxicated and broken windows out of the barracks. She stated that it was her opinion that only a few drinks would make COX rather intoxicated and that when he became intoxicated he was boisterous and rough as evidenced by the breakage of the windows in his barracks.

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Miss GIBBONS also related that she hears from the above-mentioned JOSEPH GRONER on occasions. She stated that GRONER was last known by her to be somewhere in Pennsylvania shortly after his discharge from the Army. It is noted that the New York Office has interviewed one JOSEPH GROVER, an Army associate of COX, who mentioned that COX had met FLORENCE GIBBONS while in Germany. It is believed that this person is identical with the JOSEPH GRONER mentioned by Miss GIBBONS.

Miss GIBBONS stated that she is unable to furnish the names of any additional persons with whom COX might possibly have been associated and she stated that she has not seen or heard from COX since she left Germany in December, 1948.

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REFERENCE: New Haven teletype to Washington  
Field dated September 14, 1951.

SAC, New York (79-108)

October 12, 1951

Director, FBI

RICHARD C. COX  
ASN 68132  
FUGITIVE DESERTER

A review of the Bufile in the captioned matter reflects that in your teletype of March 14, 1950, you advised that the CID had indicated that [redacted] a former captain in the Medical Corps at Stewart Field, New York, had employed a private detective to investigate the disappearance of Cox. You advised that [redacted] was then residing at [redacted] [redacted] Pasadena, California, and that Los Angeles had been requested to discreetly interview [redacted]. There is no indication in the Bufile of the results of the inquiry conducted by the Los Angeles Division at your request. You are requested to advise the Bureau of the results of this inquiry.

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In the event that this investigation has not been conducted, you should ascertain [redacted] present whereabouts and his interest in this investigation. It should be noted that [redacted] [redacted] may have been acquainted with the subject during the time that Cox was stationed at Stewart Field.

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The subject is also known to have advised his roommate Joseph J. Urschel on one occasion that the Army was full of [redacted]

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REPORT MADE AT <b>CLEVELAND</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10-12-51</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>6-14, 15; 7-23, 31; 8-20; 9-12, 17; 10-6-51</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>JOSEPH B. GARCIA</b> <span style="float: right;">dht</span>
TITLE <b>RICHARD COLVIN COX ASN C-8132 - FUGITIVE</b> <i>a-b</i>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>DESERTER</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Relatives of subject have no additional information. Mother owns prosperous insurance agency valued at \$40,000. Former girl friend of subject states he seemed concerned about girl in Germany. Former associates of subject state he was normal and average during school period.

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**Details:**

At Mansfield, Ohio

Mrs. RUPERT F. COX, 554 Cook Road, mother of the subject, was re-interviewed and she advised that she had no further information concerning the reason for subject's disappearance.

She produced a copy of her son's honorable discharge from service which reflected the following information:

He enlisted September 16, 1946, at Cleveland, Ohio, and was separated from the service on June 30, 1948, at the United States Military Academy at West Point. He was born July 25, 1928, at Mansfield, Ohio.

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Under an item "Service Outside the USA" it was reflected subject departed February 6, 1947, for Germany, arriving there February 18, 1947. He departed Germany January 24, 1948, and arrived in the United States January 25, 1948. Service in the United States nine months twenty-five days; foreign service eleven months nineteen days. He obtained the rank of Sergeant on November 15, 1947. Another item reflects "Reason and Authority for Separation" Paragraph 1 AR 615-365 (COG to enter USMA). The discharge further lists a National Service Insurance policy on which the monthly premium is \$6.50. He has blood group O. His home address at the time of enlistment was 388 West Third Street, Mansfield, Ohio.

With reference to the report of SA GERALD J. FLYNN dated March 8, 1951, at New York requesting the location from where subject wrote three letters to his home dated August 29, November 12, and December 30, all 1947, it should be noted that the August 29th letter was written at Frankfurt, Germany, while the subject was there for the purpose of taking a physical examination in connection with his candidacy for West Point. The November 12th and December 30th letters were written at Schweinfurt, Germany. During the period when these letters were written, the subject was stationed with the 28th Constabulary at Schweinfurt.

Mrs. COX further stated that in her opinion her son fully expected to complete his military career at West Point, adding that his fiancée, [redacted] had once asked him if he would leave the Point for her and he answered her in the negative.

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[redacted] temporarily visiting her mother at Mansfield, Ohio, advised that her brother seemed to be "up and down mentally." However, she felt that he would not leave West Point and that impression had never entered her mind. She further advised that he had made his own decision to enlist in the Army and that he had intended to enter college. She stated that as far as his West Point career was concerned, the members of the family seemed to persuade him to enter the academy. She further stated that her brother at one time had stated prior to entering West Point that it would be like four years of prison.

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A review of correspondence reflects that the subject was in Marburg, Germany, for a short time in February, 1947, and in May he was transferred to Colburg, where he was stationed until June. In July he was with the 27th Constabulary at Schweinfurt, where he remained until January, 1948.

The tone of subject's letters from Germany indicated that he was at times unhappy with Army life and that other times he was quite pleased with the "deal" he had been able to work out. The deal involved playing basketball with the Army team which travelled widely in Germany.

[redacted] were interviewed. [redacted] is a sister of the subject. She advised that she and [redacted] and that the disappearance of her [redacted] had caused her a great deal of concern but that she could not bring herself to reason what brought her brother to leave the academy and his subsequent disappearance. She stated that the subject more closely resembled Mr. COX, now deceased, his father, in that he seemed to be close-mouthed and not inclined to volunteer information. As an example of this trait, she stated that she and [redacted] [redacted] who were closest to the subject in age, would often times converse with him regarding his social activities, at which time he would be very brief in his replies. If they asked whom he was dating, he would merely reply, "Oh, some girl. You wouldn't be interested." She further advised that it was not the close relationship that normally exists between brother and sister as far as the exchange of information was concerned.

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[redacted] advised that he was not too well acquainted with the subject as he had left for the Army shortly before [redacted] the subject's [redacted] He advised that he had on infrequent occasions had an opportunity to take a few drinks with the subject. He was under the impression that the subject was not able to imbibe much liquor. [redacted] has no information which bears on the subject's character or morals. As far as [redacted] is concerned, the subject has not differed greatly from other young men of his age in the community.

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[redacted] is presently employed by the R. F. Cox Insurance Agency located in the Richland Trust Building, which agency is owned by Mrs. COX, the subject's mother. [redacted] advised that the subject's father did not die under mysterious circumstances as related in New York teletype to Cleveland dated May 31, 1951. [redacted] further advised that the mother of the subject is a confirmed Christian Scientist and spends a great deal of her time practicing her faith. He stated that Mr. COX, who died in 1939 and was older by a number of years than Mrs. COX, had been a Christian Scientist and had converted Mrs. COX to that faith. It is [redacted] opinion that Mr. COX may have lived longer had he received medical attention at an earlier time. The reason for [redacted] death was an aggravated diabetic condition.

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It was later learned that the individual referred to in the New York teletype who disappeared on the voyage to Europe was Mr. CLAUDE V. MARCUS.

A review of the Health Department records at Mansfield, Ohio, reflected that in Book 74, Page 93, there is an entry recording the death of Mr. R. F. COX, age fifty-nine, of 388 West Third Street. This certificate further reflected that he was afflicted with acute myocarditis as of March 12, 1927. Another entry lists the term decompensating March 12, 1939, with diabetes, mel, acute nephritis and cystitis (contributing cause, untreated diabetes). His attending physician was Dr. K. G. PARKER, who attended Mr. COX from March 11, 1939, until his death March 15, 1939.

A review of the high school records at Senior High School, Mansfield, Ohio, reflected that the subject was born July 25, 1928, at Mansfield, Ohio, and studied a general course from September 8, 1943, until his graduation June 6, 1946. He ranked 63rd in a class of 337 and was a member of the National Honor Society. He attended the Brinkerhoff School and the John Simpson Junior High School. The Mansfield yearbook called the "Manhigan" lists a name of "HARRY" for the subject. He was on the "Manhigan" staff as a sports editor for two years. He stated that he liked physics, according to an entry in the yearbook. He belonged to the Hi-Y, the Student Representative



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Council, the Society of Progressive Collegians, the Pep Club, and he was class president in his sophomore year.

Mr. H. D. BISHOP and EMILY BROWN advised that they had been acquainted with the subject during his attendance at Senior High School and that they were at a loss to understand his disappearance at West Point. He seemed to be an above-average type while going through high school and there did not appear anything in his make-up which would later cause him to take the action of leaving West Point. Mr. BISHOP advised that he had been a counselor of the Hi-Y of which the subject was a member and that no abnormal incidents took place which would cause him to remember the subject's activities with the Hi-Y group.

RAY E. EISAMAN, US 52003710, First Composite Troop Unit, Army Chemical Center located twenty-five miles from Baltimore, was interviewed at home while on military leave. EISAMAN resides at 5 Summit Court and he has known the subject since the seventh grade in Simpson Junior High School. He was a member of the Hi-Y with the subject from the sophomore year through senior year at the high school. He stated that the subject was well liked, a typical boy, that he was the leader type and one who would be considered an "organizer."

EISAMAN stated that the subject began to associate with [redacted] late in their high school life. He stated that he had occasion to talk to the subject three or four times after he had entered West Point and had received the impression that the subject was enthusiastic about his military career. He considered the subject to be an active individual who is doing something all the time.

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Based on his recollection, EISAMAN feels that subject's closest friends during their high school period at Mansfield were EARL AUXTER, ROBERT GANDERT, [redacted] HELMUT WIEHM, and RICHARD HOSTLER.

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A review of the Probate Court records, Richland County, reflects that Mr. COX filed a will on January 29, 1924,

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indicating MINNIE M. COX, his wife, was to receive all of the estate, real and personal. When the estate was probated, it was determined that as of August 8, 1940, personal property amounted to \$11,846.00, real estate \$21,600.00, for a total of \$33,446.75. The debts of said estate totalled \$31,057.72.

The record further reflects that a note held by the Richland Trust Company in the amount of \$7,000.00 which was borrowed February 27, 1939 (just prior to Mr. COX's death on March 15, 1939) was cancelled and released on August 31, 1940. Another note held by the Farmers Savings and Trust Company in the amount of \$1550.00 dated February 28, 1939, was cancelled and released on October 31, 1940.

C. N. SUTTON, President, Richland Trust Company, advised that Mrs. COX had to make a determined effort to pay off accumulated debts at the time of her husband's death which she was able to do within the next two years after his death. He stated that a savings account is still in existence for the subject at the bank and it shows the following entries in 1950:

April 13, 1950	Withdrawal	\$113.60
December 2, 1950	Deposit	306.38
December 30, 1950	Deposit	10.00
Balance	December 30, 1950	\$665.47

Mr. SUTTON advised that Mrs. COX's insurance agency, the R. F. Cox Company, is worth approximately \$40,000.00 and that that offer has been made to Mrs. COX and declined by her. He estimates her monthly income from this business to be between \$500.00 and \$600.00.

of the subject, 76 Brickman Avenue, advised that she had thought a great deal about her boyfriend's disappearance but that she had no specific information which would throw any light on his disappearance.

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She stated that she recalls on a trip to Cleveland in January, 1950, prior to his disappearance, that she had accompanied his mother in a car to Cleveland. She stated that they were taking him to meet a train in Cleveland when subject embarked for New York. She advised that when she had a few minutes alone with him on the station platform, she had asked him in a somewhat joking manner whether he had answered the letter that he had received from a girl in Germany. She stated that she noticed a change of expression upon the part of her boyfriend and that he did not reply immediately and that he appeared to her to be worried and concerned.

She stated that he had told her about receiving a letter from a girl in Germany but had not mentioned too many details concerning it and she does not recall her name or whether he had ever mentioned her name.

She stated that the subject had mentioned his roommates, JOE URSCHEL and DEANE WELCH, on numerous occasions but she did not feel that the three of them had too much in common. She recalled having met both URSCHEL and WELCH and described DEANE as being the "clinging type" and JOE was a "kid and inexperienced."

She was requested to make a clarification of her January 5, 1950, letter to the subject in which she inquired about the subject's roommates, DEANE and JOE, referring to them as bachelors or ..... and she explained that the dots in her letter actually refer to bastards although she meant no offense. She tried to explain that it was her poor idea of a joke. She is of the opinion that the association of the subject and his roommates, DEANE and JOE, was normal in every respect. She advised that in her association with the subject she had never observed any trait which might be classified as abnormal. She stated that actually the subject possessed an inferiority complex which he covered up by a feigned aloofness and a reticent manner. She further advised that she had never travelled to Kentucky with the subject nor was it their intention to marry before he finished his military career at West Point. She stated that the subject's mother was socially inclined and that she may have been the motivating force in seeing that the subject remained at the academy.

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At Mansfield, Ohio

Will interview the following individuals who were considered close associates of the subject during his school period:

EARL AUXTER  
604 West Fourth Street

ROBERT GANDERT  
94 Ausdale

STANLEY PACKER  
25 Bowman

Will maintain contact with relatives and with Miss [redacted] for any further information concerning the subject's disappearance.

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Will verify employment with the National Ice Company and will attempt to obtain a Social Security Number for the subject.

Reference: Report of SA GERALD J. FLYNN 6-15-50, New York.  
New York teletype to Cleveland 5-31-51.  
Report of SA GERALD J. FLYNN 3-8-51, New York.

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TITLE <b>RICHARD COLVIN COX, Army Serial Number C-8132 - FUGITIVE</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>DESERTER</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Camp Kilmer Hospital records covering 7/49 forwarded to Kansas City, Mo. in 2/50 when Kilmer was closed. Records Post Locator, Kilmer, negative as to RALPH MICHALES.

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**DETAILS:**

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Warrant Officer R. W. CYR, Assistant Registrar, Post Hospital, Camp Kilmer, N.J., advised that the hospital at this camp was closed in February, 1950 at which time records covering July, 1949 were sent to the Chief of Demobilized Records Branch, 601 Hardesty Ave., Kansas City, Mo.

Mr. CYR advised that if RALPH MICHALES was a patient at Kilmer Hospital, the hospital records should indicate his organization, his army serial number, the name and address of his nearest relative and the organization to which he was transferred from the hospital.

Sgt. WILLIAM PRICE, Post Locator, Camp Kilmer, N.J., advised that the records maintained by this locator contained no information concerning RALPH MICHALES.

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For the information of the Kansas City Office, it may be noted that in a report of SA [redacted] Savannah, 9/10/51, it was reported that Sgt. EUGENE ELLIS, ASN NG 14208480, Battery A, 933AAA 31st Division, Fort Jackson, S.C., advised that a RALPH MICHALES was in the same outfit with COX overseas. Sgt. ELLIS advised that MICHALES was at a hospital at Camp Kilmer, N.J., in 7/49.

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The Savannah Office requested Newark to attempt to develop information relative to MICHALES and to have him interviewed for information concerning COX.

LEADS

KANSAS CITY OFFICE

At Kansas City, Mo.

Will review the Camp Kilmer Hospital records which are maintained by the Chief of Demobilized Records Branch, 601 Hardesty Ave. in an attempt to obtain information concerning RALPH MICHALES in order that he may be located for interview concerning the whereabouts of COX.

REFERENCE:

Summary report of GERALD J. FLYNN at New York 3/8/51.  
Report of [redacted] at Savannah 9/10/51.

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 VIEWED. URSCHEL SAID HE NOW BELIEVES UNIDENTIFIED FRIEND,  
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REPORT MADE AT <b>CHARLOTTE</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10/31/51</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10/15,21/51</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>BASIL G. L. PETTIT</b>
TITLE <b>RICHARD COLVIN COX ASN C-8132 - FUGITIVE</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>DESERTER</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

**LEONARD E. TRUEBLOOD** presently located  
Camp Gordon, Ga.

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**DETAILS:**

**AT ELIZABETH CITY, NORTH CAROLINA**

Mrs. **EARL T. EVERTON**, 306 Queen Street, advised that she is the mother of **LEONARD E. TRUEBLOOD**. She said that he is presently in the Army and is assigned at Camp Gordon, Georgia. She gave his address as follows:

**Sergeant L. E. TRUEBLOOD**, ASN 346 69 821  
Company A, 504 M. P.  
Camp Gordon, Georgia

She gave his home address as 2609 Deans Bridge Road,  
Magnolia Trailer Court, Augusta, Georgia.

Mrs. **EVERTON** advised that she has never heard of subject and did not know if her son knew him.

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REFERENCE: Report of SA  At Savannah, 9/10/51.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (79-23729) AMSD

FROM : JWH, NEW ORLEANS (79-47)

SUBJECT: RICHARD C. COX, ASN C-8132 -  
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DATE: November 23, 1951

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On receipt of New York teletype dated 9/21/51, Mr. FALER ARMITAGE, Inspector, I & NS, New Orleans, was contacted by SA JAMES W. HAMILTON, and ARMITAGE advised at that time that he had no record of [redacted]. It was determined, however, that [redacted] Ecuadorian Consul-General at New Orleans, resided at 2223 Short Street, this city. Mrs. JOHN N. COLLINS, 2225 Short Street on contact advised an individual, apparently the son of the Consul and whose description was similar to that of [redacted] resided at the [redacted] home next door. On September 25, 1951, Mr. ARMITAGE with I & NS telephonically advised that the individual about whom inquiry had previously been made by Agent, had that day appeared at the I & NS office in regards to request for extension of stay in this country and had advised he was enrolled at Tulane University and was residing at 2223 Short Street, New Orleans.

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Butel dated 10/17/51 instructed [redacted] be interviewed re his associations and activities at West Point, N. Y. Several efforts were made to telephonically contact [redacted] at his home and arrange for interview at the New Orleans Office. It was believed advisable this this interview be conducted in this office rather than at the the [redacted] home and, therefore, effort was not made to contact him in person prior to obtaining an appointment. At those times of telephonic inquiry for [redacted] the person at the [redacted] home answering the call, and who spoke English only with some difficulty, on each occasion that he was at Tulane attending classes or was otherwise unavailable.

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On November 16, 1951, Agent HAMILTON made inquiry at the [redacted] home and spoke with [redacted] who advised he was [redacted] that he, [redacted] was attending Tulane University and that his [redacted] had left New Orleans in approximately March, 1951, and was not in Santiago, Chile, where he is employed with the Chilean-North American Institute. It is apparent that the information previously furnished Agent of this office that [redacted] [redacted] was presently residing in New Orleans was erroneous.

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On November 16, 1951, subsequent to contact with [redacted] that individual telephonically contacted Agent HAMILTON and advised that his father, the Ecuadorian Consul, desired Agent to contact him at the consulate in regards to previous inquiry made concerning his son. In accordance with his request, [redacted] was so contacted by Agent HAMILTON at the Ecuadorian Consulate, Delta Building, New Orleans on November 16, 1951, at which time he inquired as to the reason interview was desired with his [redacted]. It was explained that this

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Bureau was seeking the apprehension of RICHARD COX, a deserter; that his whereabouts since January 14, 1950, was unknown but who shortly prior thereto reportedly visited the Hotel Thayer in West Point, N. Y., and as [redacted] had also been a guest of that hotel about that time, interview with him, as with all other guests of the hotel at that time, was desired in view of the possibility he might be able to furnish information of value concerning COX's activities or associates at the hotel. [redacted] appeared completely satisfied at this explanation and expressed no undue concern that this inquiry was being made. He expressed an apparent sincere desire to cooperate with the Bureau in every way possible, should he be of possible further assistance. He advised that his son was expected to remain in Chile indefinitely.

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Inasmuch as [redacted] is no longer residing in this country and as there is no further investigation in the New Orleans Division, this case is considered RUC.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

LEONARD E. TRUEBLOOD, Camp Gordon, Ga., states subject unknown to him. Not acquainted with facts pertaining to payroll theft of 27th Constabulary Squadron in January or February 1948.

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**DETAILS:**

AT CAMP GORDON, GEORGIA

Sergeant LEONARD E. TRUEBLOOD, Company A, 504th Military Police Battalion, advised he was with the 6th Constabulary Regiment from approximately September 1946 to March 1948. He stated during this time he was stationed at Schweinfurt, Germany. He advised the 27th, 6th, 28th and 53rd Constabulary Squadrons made up the 6th Constabulary Regiment. He stated he knew very few individuals outside of the 6th Constabulary Regimental Headquarters and had no recollection of knowing anyone by the name of COX or any fitting the description of COX. He stated he had never heard of any payroll theft of any of the Squadrons of the 6th Constabulary Regiment.

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TRUEBLOOD stated he was acquainted with Sergeant EUGENE ELLIS; however, could not recall meeting any of Sgt. ELLIS' friends by the name of COX.

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TITLE RICHARD COLVIN COX, also known as Harry Cox - FUGITIVE	CHARACTER OF CASE DESERTER		
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:			

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Informant of CID, USA, NYC, has advised that he had seen an individual whom he believes to be identical with COX 4 or 5 times during late 1950 or early 1951 in the vicinity of



this informant. COX'S former roommates, Cadets DEANE WELCH and JOSEPH URSCHEL, were re-interviewed 9/18/51. URSCHEL now states that he believes COX had indicated the unidentified visitor, [redacted] had been a Ranger in the U.S. Army who had served in combat in Germany during World War II and had re-enlisted in the U.S. Occupation Army in Germany and served in the same unit as COX. COX also indicated to URSCHEL that he did not know [redacted] well in Germany. WELCH also states he believes that [redacted] had been a Ranger with the U.S. Army in Germany.

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URSCHEL and WELCH state that COX indicated he had been intimate on many occasions with his girlfriend [redacted] of Mansfield, Ohio, and had once referred to her as a "two-bit whore". COX had also expressed the desire to have abnormal sexual relations. St. Louis has advised it will be necessary to review several hundred individual service records to determine if anyone who served in the Constabulary with COX in Germany had previously served as a Ranger with the U.S. Army. New Orleans has advised that [redacted] is now in Chile. List of registered guests of Hotel Thayer, West Point, New York, 1/7/50 and 1/14/50 have been obtained. Leads set out. Results of interviews with men who served in US Army with COX set forth. Letter written to ROSEMARIE VOGEL and unmailed letter written to [redacted] 1/10/50 set out.

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DETAILS:      At New York, New York

The title of this case has been marked changed to reflect the additional name of HARRY COX as interviews with COX'S roommates, Cadets URSHEL and WELCH, indicate that COX was also known as HARRY COX.

The Bureau by letter dated April 25, 1951,  
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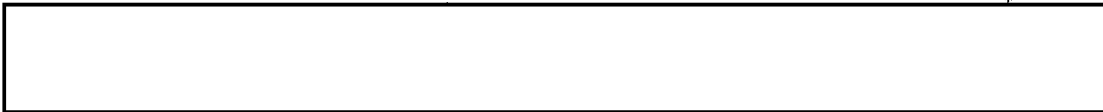
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The Cincinnati Office furnished the following information by letter dated July 9, 1951:

"Mrs. R. M. LEWIS, 608 Delaware Avenue, Dayton, Ohio, telephonically contacted the Cincinnati Office this date and referred to a photo and article which appeared in the 'Columbus Citizen' newspaper, on Sunday, July 8, 1951, concerning the subject. The article described COX as a missing West Point cadet whose whereabouts was being sought by the FBI.

"Mrs. LEWIS stated that she had just returned from a trip to Michigan and that on July 6, 1951, she travelled on a Greyhound Bus from Grand Rapids to Flint, Michigan, arriving at Flint at 1:30 p.m. She said while on the trip she talked to an individual who looked very similar to the newspaper photo of COX. The individual was described by her as shabbily dressed in an ordinary suit, 22 years of age, and of average height. He told her he was being 'pushed by the Government,' and that he was travelling around, not staying in any one place. He further said that he had, either that same day or the previous day, smashed up a new automobile as an occupation. She interpreted the statement that he was being 'pushed by the Government' to mean that he was being sought by the Government.

"Mrs. LEWIS stated that the person she referred to got off the bus just outside of Flint, Michigan."

Subsequent investigation by the Detroit Office failed to develop any information concerning the individual above described by Mrs. LEWIS. Inquiry was made of the Michigan State Police by the Detroit Office and this inquiry failed to substantiate the information furnished by Mrs. LEWIS concerning the smash-up of a new automobile.

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The Tenth CID, USA, New York City, forwarded to this office a statement taken from A. J. HUNTLEY, Army Serial No. 18220267. This statement was furnished to the CID, USA, July 13, 1951, at Linz, Austria. This statement is as follows:

"In 1947, I was a member of 6th Constabulary Squadron, Coburg, Germany, APO 139. On January 1947, Pvt. Richard COX was assigned to the outfit. We became very good friends. COX remained in the unit approximately six months, then was transferred to the 6th Regiment in Schweinfurth, Germany. He remained in that outfit for about three months and then was sent back to the States to enter West Point. I lost contact with him. In March 1951, while I was on maneuver assigned with the French alpine troops in the French Zone. During maneuvers I was assigned a room in a guesthouse at Finkenberg, Austria (French Zone). In the room I discovered an American detective story magazine and read an article concerning the mysterious disappearance of Pvt. COX from West Point. Up to that time I did not know that COX was missing. In the Story it was mentioned that COX was assigned to my outfit, he was quite friendly with a soldier from the unit whose last name was [redacted], I believe that [redacted] first name is [redacted]. In 1947 [redacted] was returned to the States where he was discharged. I believe that [redacted] resided in Pittsburgh, Penna. COX was also friendly with another soldier from the unit. I can only remember his first name which was 'Joseph'. In 1948 'Joseph' was returned to the States for discharge. 'Joseph' came from Bristol, Penna. I wish to explain that when I read the article in a detective magazine concerning COX's disappearance, at the time I did not connect the COX with the COX from my unit, however, about four days ago I read an article in Stars and Stripes about the disappearance of one Cadet from West Point by name of Richard COX. Then I realized that it was the COX with whom I soldiered in 1947. COX was assigned as a clerk in Battalion Headquarters, and was a quiet and unassuming young soldier. I believe he came from Ohio."

It is believed that the JOSEPH referred to in the above mentioned statement is identical with JOSEPH GRONER

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Langhorne, Pennsylvania, who has been previously interviewed by the Philadelphia Office.

The following investigation was conducted by SA FREDERICK L. WILT:

Miss LOUISE MUGRIDGE, 320 East 83rd Street, Apartment 5F, advised that she has no further information concerning COX other than that she contributed when originally contacted concerning COX. MUGRIDGE is presently employed at 23 Park Row, New York City, telephone WO-2-8772.

Mr. HANS SCHADEN, Owner, Little Haufbrau, 247 East 86th Street, could contribute nothing concerning COX, other than the information he gave when originally contacted regarding the matter.

Mrs. ANNA BILLERA, 2598 Pitkin Avenue, Brooklyn (AP 7-2219) displayed an army discharge reflecting that JOSEPH BILLERA was discharged from the Army January 11, 1950. He left home following a family quarrel about July 4, 1950. His present whereabouts are unknown. Mrs. BILLERA was again contacted June 13, 1951, at which time she advised that her son, JOSEPH BILLERA, is now a merchant seaman, whereabouts unknown.

Mrs. HAROLD D. WILLIAMS, 31-49 33rd Street, Long Island City, New York, (AS-4-8010) advised that her estranged husband is presently located at the following address:

Cpl. HAROLD D. WILLIAMS, RA 12151238  
FLD SDC Co, 2nd QM, BN.  
Ft. Hood, Texas

AARON APPEL, 415 Sutter Avenue, Brooklyn (HY-8-3680), Army Serial Number 12264474, advised he served in the 27th Constabulary Company, 14th Regiment, approximately April 1946 to August 1946 in Parmstadt, Germany. APPEL does not know COX or recognize his photo, and did not know COX is missing. APPEL did not recall any [redacted] in this Army Unit. APPEL has never been to West Point. He

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was unable to recognize or identify the 40 odd photos found among COX'S personal possessions. APPEL was in Weisbaden only about 2 days,

JOSEPH R. VALERIO, 1215 Grand Concourse, Bronx, (LU-8-0420), Army Serial Number 12264090, served in the U.S. Army October 4, 1946 to October 5, 1949. He was in Schweinfurt, Germany, May 1948 to September 1948 with Troop "D" of the 27th Constabulary Squadron. Between May 1948 and September 1948 the 27th Constabulary Squadron changed names to 28th Constabulary Squadron. VALERIO served September 1948 to September 1948 in the 53rd Constabulary Squadron at Weiden, Germany and thereafter returned to the United States. He recognized COX'S photo as a fellow soldier in "D" Troop, 27th & 28th Constabulary Squadrons, stationed in Schweinfurt, Germany. VALERIO denies any knowledge of COX'S whereabouts, although he had read in the newspapers of COX'S disappearance. VALERIO does not fit the description of [redacted]. He has been in West Point but never visited or saw COX there. VALERIO and COX were not close personal friends.

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Efforts to locate FRANCES MALONEY at 291 East 192nd Street, Bronx, met with negative results.

JOHN L. LAUNDERS, 1791 First Avenue, New York City (SA-2-5821), Army Serial No. 42250282, advised that he knew COX about 6 months in 1947 in Schweinfurt, Germany, APO 62, when he and COX were teammates on the 27th Constabulary Basketball team of the 14th Regiment. LAUNDERS has never been to West Point, does not fit the description of [redacted] and does not know "Alice Higgins" or [redacted]

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LAUNDERS never heard of any kidnappings by "GI's" for Russians, and knew of no sex perverts in his outfit. COX was not an outstanding basketball player. He does not know the whereabouts of FRANCES MALONEY.

LAUNDERS and COX were not close personal friends. He recalled that there was a Lieutenant who graduated from West Point in 1944 or 1945 who coached this basketball team. This Lieutenant had trick knees and wore braces. From his observation of COX, LAUNDERS has no reason to believe COX was a sex pervert.

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MURRAY J. KAPLAN, CID Agent, 139 Center Street, (WO-4-7300, Ext. 416) advised that SALVITORE CANIZIO has been contacted by the CID.

DONALD RYGOR, 32-40 36th Street, Long Island City, New York, ASN 12262511, advised that he was in the 6th Constabulary Squadron, Company C, Coburg, Germany, January, 1948 to December, 1948 during which time he knew COX only casually. RYGOR said that COX had only one close friend, but RYGOR was unable to recall the name of this friend. He said that he had never visited COX at West Point or elsewhere. He indicated that COX was a good friend of R.A. Captain TAYLOR and possibly R.A. Major GREEN. RYGOR did not know anyone in New York who had visited COX at West Point.

RYGOR advised his best recollection is that he had last seen COX about October or November, 1948. He was unable to furnish any explanation for COX'S disappearance.

Mr. JACK HAUPT, an executive at the Grand Street Boys Association, 106 West 55th Street, New York City, advised that this organization has never had any summer camp of any nature anywhere. The Grand Street Boys association "farms out" boys to various summer camps in the New York area, but Mr. HAUPT was unable to advise whether any boys were "farmed out" to any summer camp at Mountainville, New York.

The Richmond Office advised by letter dated July 26, 1951, that ERNEST SHOTWELL, JR., 1714 Chamberlain Avenue, South Boston, Virginia, had contacted an agent of this Bureau at Danville, Virginia, in response to a newspaper article requesting information concerning COX. SHOTWELL reflected that he had attended the United States Military Academy Preparatory School at Newburgh, New York, in 1948 with the subject.

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SHOTWELL stated he was not personally acquainted with the subject, but did know he associated with RICHARD SHAY, Route #2, Box 428, Portsmouth, Virginia, PETER S. GILLICH, University of Maryland, and ALVIN H. COOLIDGE, now stationed at Bowling Field, Washington, D.C. SHOTWELL remembers subject as a quiet person, adopting moods at times, and has heard him make the statement "Wait until the Circle 'C' hits them" but has no idea what this could mean. SHOTWELL added he left the Preparatory School in June of 1948 and has neither seen nor heard of subject since that time, though he does have a copy of the Preparatory School Year Book for 1948 called the "Pretirona" which lists the names and addresses of the entire cadet body. SHOTWELL could furnish no further information concerning subject.

LT. JOHN TIERNEY of the Newburgh, New York Police Department, advised SA GERALD J. FLYNN that on July 7, 1951, the badly decomposed body of a man was found in a steel drum in the vicinity of the Regional Market on Dickson Street, Newburgh, New York.

Lt. TIERNEY advised that although the body was in very bad shape, it was estimated that the man had been dead for only several weeks. He stated that a tentative identification to date indicated that the deceased was one PAUL BOKO, approximately 58 years of age, a vagrant, who has been seen in these parts quite frequently during the past years.

Lt. TIERNEY advised that an examination of the body was made in an effort to determine if it could possibly be that of RICHARD COLVIN COX. However, in view of the difference in sizes, it was determined definitely that the deceased was not identical with the subject of this investigation.

Coroner WILLIAM E. DOULIN issued a verdict of death due to natural causes.

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Bureau letter dated July 19, 1951, indicated that information had been received from the CID, USA, Washington, D.C., that no information could be located in the CID files concerning a payroll robbery which is alleged to have occurred at Schweinfurt, Germany, in the early part of 1948. Information concerning this alleged payroll theft was furnished to the Detroit Office by

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MURRAY J. KAPLAN, CID Agent in New York, subsequently advised that a check of the CID records in Europe failed to disclose any information concerning this alleged payroll theft.

KAPLAN furnished a copy of the following statement which was furnished by JOSEPH L. DALY, ER 31511457, which was obtained from DALY at Trieste, where DALY was serving with the 281st Military Police Service Company.

"I first met Richard COLVIN COX, on board the US Army Transport General R. L. HOWZE, during the month of February 1947. At the time the vessel was headed for Bremerhaven. We left Staten Island on or about 6 February 1947, and landed in Bremerhaven on or about 19 February 1947. These casual conversations during the trip did not lead to any after the landing friendship. From Bremerhaven I was transferred to Marburg, and a few days later I was assigned to Troop 'C', 6th Constabulary Squadron, Coburg, Germany. However, in the meanwhile I was attached to the Provisional Company for training, and therefore I was quartered in the 3rd floor of Troop 'D' barracks. During my stay at Troop 'D' barracks, which lasted a month, I met COX again, as a matter of fact COX and I shared the same room in the company of a Pvt SLATER, Pvt COMOFORD and Pvt SALVATORE CANIZIO from 33rd St., Brooklyn and also a kid from Texas. During said training period, all the occupants of our room were in the field with the exception of COX (at the time still Pvt or Pfc). However, during this period, the rear board of my wall locker was pulled out and four cartons of ship stores cigarettes (Chesterfield) were removed

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from it. Upon discovering the theft I immediately notified the Charge of Quarters. The Charge of Quarters reported the matter to one 1st Lt JACKS, the Duty Officer at the time. 1st Lt JACKS made an immediate search and strangely enough four cartons of ship stores cigarettes (Chesterfield) were found in Pvt or Pfc COX's footlocker, oddly enough the latter was out of cigarettes the previous evening. That evening he asked me for money to buy cigarettes, but I believe I gave him a package of cigarettes instead. I related this to Lt JACKS at the time, however, not being able to prove that the cigarettes found in COX's locker were mine, the matter was dropped. After this I stayed clear of COX, as I did not trust him. Later COX was rapidly promoted to Staff Sergeant, and transferred to S-2. After the cigarette incident I only spoke to him 2 or 3 times. Pvt COMOFORD was friendly with Sgt COX. I believe his first name is JOHN, a Chicago boy who lives in the vicinity of Roger Williams Square, weighing about 155 or 160 lbs., brown hair, (wavy), dark complexion, and at the time I knew him he had a moustache, and he was also a well developed man. At home I have a picture of the group with the exception of Sgt COX that occupied the above mentioned room. While I was in the States I noticed the circular announcing Cadet COX's disappearance. That is all I can remember at this time about Cadet COX."

On August 23, 1951, MURRAY J. KAPLAN, CID Agent, New York, advised the reporting agent that an informant of his office, a Private in the U.S. Army, had furnished some information indicating that this informant might have seen COX in New York City.

Agent KAPLAN advised that this informant who had been cooperative with his office, had been shown a group of photographs in which some photos of COX were included. The informant examined the photographs and picked out COX's stating that he believed that he had seen COX approximately four times in the New York City area in the latter part of 1950 or early in 1951. The informant indicated that he had seen COX in [redacted] New York.

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This informant designated as Confidential Informant T-1, of unknown reliability, was interviewed by reporting agent in the presence of MURRAY J. KAPLAN and JOHN P. STEGER, CID agents. The informant repeated the information previously set out and indicated that after looking at the photographs of COX that he had seen this individual, whom he believed to be identical with COX, at

[redacted] The informant could not believe it was one or two of the following:

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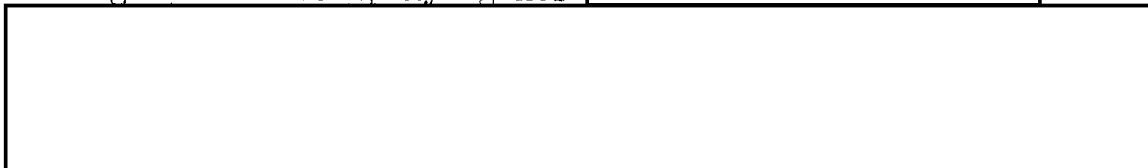
The informant believed that of all these five [redacted] it was likely that he had seen COX in the [redacted] or [redacted] but was not sure which one it was.

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Confidential Informant T-2, of unknown reliability, who is a [redacted] T-1, was interviewed at his apartment by the reporting agent and agents KAPLAN and STEGER of the CID. A group of photographs in which photographs of COX were included were exhibited to T-2 and this informant corroborated T-1's statements concerning COX.

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These informants appeared to be cooperative and agreed to accompany agents [redacted]



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On August 27, 1951, agents accompanied by these same informants conducted a surveillance of the [redacted]

[redacted] from approximately 8:00 p.m. until 4:30 a.m., August 28, 1951, with negative results. Contact has been maintained with these informants through the CID Office in New York and they have advised that on [redacted]

individual whom they believed to be identical with COX.

On September 18, 1951, through the cooperation of the officials at West Point, DEANE ELLIOT WELCH and JOSEPH URSCHEL, former roommates of COX at West Point, appeared at the New York Office and were interviewed by the reporting agent and SA FREDERICK . WILT. The following information was furnished by WELCH:

WELCH stated he first met COX in July, 1948 when both entered West Point as cadets. During the summer of 1948 WELCH said he roomed with Cadets KIDWELL and BRODSINSKI and that he lived across the hall from COX, URSCHEL and THOMAS FITZPATRICK.

In September, 1948 COX, URSCHEL, WELCH and FITZPATRICK roomed together but after several weeks FITZPATRICK moved out and he was replaced by CHET HOWELLS. In December, 1948 there was a reshuffling of the room assignments and COX, URSCHEL and PANCSHISIN occupied one room, while WELCH and Cadets WRIGHT and GIBNEY occupied a room nearby until June, 1949.

During Christmas, 1948, known as Plebe Christmas, COX'S girlfriend [redacted] visited him at West Point. The Academy regulations do not permit Plebe cadets to leave the Military Reservation from the time they enter the Academy until the completion of their first year. COX indicated to WELCH that during this vacation period at West Point around Christmas 1948 that he had been intimate with her, [redacted] on several occasions on the Military Reservation at West Point and on one occasion he had borrowed a contraceptive from WELCH.

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On June 7, 1949 all the members of COX'S Class received a 27 day leave and WELCH drove his brother, who was also a graduate of West Point, to Ann Harbor, Michigan, and on the return trip WELCH went to see COX at his home at MANSFIELD, OHIO, and stayed there for one night.

During the summer of 1949 while the class was at Camp Buckner, WELCH did not see much of COX.

[redacted] had again visited COX over a three-day weekend at Camp Buckner during the period that is known as Camp Illumination. WELCH believed that COX had given [redacted] an "A" Pin, which is a symbol of an engagement, during Plebe Christmas.

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About October, 1949 COX found out that [redacted] [redacted] was dating someone else in Mansfield, Ohio, and COX seemed to be considerably disturbed by this. However, COX seemed to patch this matter up during the Christmas vacation during 1949. WELCH believed that when COX returned to West Point in the early part of January, 1950 he had contacted the Caldwell Jewelry representative at West Point for the purpose of purchasing a miniature West Point ring. According to WELCH, this ring takes the place of an engagement ring for Cadets.

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On January 7, 1950, about 5:15 p.m. WELCH, URSCHEL and COX were in the room at West Point when COX advised he was going on dining privileges and he left shortly thereafter. URSCHEL and WELCH went to supper about 6:00 p.m. and WELCH went to a movie and did not return to the room until about 9:00 p.m. and at that time URSCHEL was writing letters at his desk and COX appeared to have passed out from drinking. COX at that time had on his gray cadet skee jacket and his pajama bottoms, and COX had his hand on his private.

WELCH and URSCHEL decided that they should take a picture of COX. At this time they called in another Cadet

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who took COX'S picture seated at the desk asleep. WELCH recalled that on that evening, a short time after he returned to the room, COX stood up and walked out to the hall and said something that sound to WELCH like "Who is that down there, is that you ALICE!". It was obvious that COX was intoxicated at this time and WELCH had gone out into the hall to make sure that COX did not fall down the stairs. COX staggered back into the room and folded his mattress flat on the bed, put the bed clothes on the floor and fell asleep on the floor. About 11:00 p.m., before the bed check was made, URSCHEL and WELCH made COX'S bed up and put him to bed in order that there would be nothing unusual noted when the bed check was made.

The next morning COX had a hangover but he did attend chapel formation. After chapel formation COX said that he was going on dining privileges again and he left about 2:00 p.m. and did not return until approximately 5:00 p.m. At that time he was considerably disturbed, indicating that his unknown friend, [redacted] had wasted his whole afternoon and he had intended to complete an English theme and do someother studies that afternoon. He complained that [redacted] would not let him return to the barracks earlier.

During his conversation with COX, WELCH had the impression that [redacted] had not been a good friend of COX; that COX did not know him too well; that the [redacted] was a guy he knew who was in his outfit overseas. WELCH had the impression that [redacted] worked somewhere in New York City and he believed that he had a car, although he had not seen the car.

WELCH indicated that while COX was on the track team he had had several opportunities to go to New York City and on several of these occasions he had gone to the "Lorelei" located on East 86th Street, Manhattan, New York, with another Cadet WAYNE WHITE.

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On Saturday, January 14th, after lunch WELCH and COX attended a basketball game and fights in the Academy gymnasium between West Point and Syracuse. On the way back to the barracks, after leaving the gymnasium COX said that he was going to stop at the "East Sallyport" where the Third Classmen's grades are posted. WELCH left him in front of the last "Sallyport" and in approximately 20 or 30 minutes COX returned to the barracks, and COX told WELCH that he was going on dining privileges again.

WELCH asked COX who he was going with and COX replied "same guy I went with last week." WELCH expressed surprise inasmuch as COX indicated that he did not like this individual, but then COX indicated that it was a chance to have a free meal and he did not want to pass it up.

During the week between January 8 and 14, COX made no mention of the visitor [redacted]. He only spoke of him upon his return to the barracks Sunday, January 8, and at that time he indicated that [redacted] was a very morbid character who had told him that when he served with the American Army during World War II he had [redacted]

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WELCH said that to his knowledge COX was not involved in any of the wide-spread violations of the Honor System which had been uncovered at West Point. However, he said that one of the cadets who had been dismissed, HARDY STONE, seemed to know anyone who had ever been involved in these violations and he suggested that STONE be contacted. He indicated that STONE came from the State of Mississippi.

JOSEPH URSCHEL gave the following information concerning his relationship with COX:

URSCHEL stated he first met COX when both entered the Academy as cadets in July, 1948. Though he had

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roomed with COX during the majority of his Plebe year, he and COX were not very close because COX was older than URSCHEL and according to URSCHEL'S impression, COX seemed to look down on and resent URSCHEL.

URSCHEL indicated that COX in his conversations

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] URSCHEL used  
to hear COX telling WELCH of his [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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URSCHEL stated that shortly before Christmas 1949 COX learned that [REDACTED] was dating someone else in Ohio and he became angry and COX referred to her on this occasion as a "two-bit whore". COX indicated that he was disturbed because he feared that this individual who was dating [REDACTED] might be having intimacies with her. URSCHEL did not believe that COX was serious in wanting to marry [REDACTED]. He was of the impression that COX [REDACTED]

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URSCHEL stated he had never met any of COX'S friends except [REDACTED] and he did not like [REDACTED] very much. In his opinion [REDACTED] was not very intelligent.

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On January 7, 1950, URSCHEL said he had seen COX in the morning and he had not seen him again until between 7:05 and 7:10 p.m. when COX came into the room from the shower. At that time COX rushed into the room, flung open the door and shouted "whoopie!". URSCHEL had asked him where he had been, but COX did not answer. He put on his skee jacket and pajama bottoms and sat down at the desk as if to write a letter. He fell asleep with one hand on his private. He and WELCH thought that this was a comical pose so they had another cadet take his picture in that position, and this was about 9:15 p.m. It was obvious to URSCHEL that COX was intoxicated.

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COX walked out into the hall. URSCHEL did not hear too well what was said because he remained in the room and did not go out into the hall as WELCH had done. The following day, January 8th, URSCHEL did not see COX until about 5:00 p.m. when he returned from his visit with [redacted]. At that time there was no indication that COX had been drinking. COX at that time was considerably disturbed because this friend had wasted so much of his time. URSCHEL recalled COX stated that on the evening of January 7, 1950 this unknown visitor had forced him to drink some whiskey and that the visitor and COX between them had consumed a fifth of a gallon.

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URSCHEL believed that COX had been drinking in an automobile because between the time that COX had signed out on that evening and the time he returned to the barracks he would not have had much time to travel far. URSCHEL believed that COX had signed in at 6:55 p.m. January 7. Although he was not certain of this, according to URSCHEL, if COX had been drinking prior to 6:55 p.m. when he was signed out, he would have violated the Honor System, but if he had been drinking after 6:00 p.m. it would have been a violation of regulations only.

URSCHEL stated that from the statements made by COX on the evening of January 8, 1950, he gathered the impression that COX did not know the unidentified visitor very well, but COX knew that [redacted] had been in his outfit overseas, and also that during World War II they had served with the Rangers in the U.S. Army in combat against the Germans.

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COX had described [redacted] as a morbid individual, and URSCHEL also recalled COX telling him that this [redacted] castrated dead German soldiers and had hung a German girl whom he had caused to become pregnant.

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WELCH was re-interviewed and he then recalled that COX did say something about the unidentified [redacted] having served in the U.S. Army Rangers.

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The reporting agent and CID agent MURRAY J. KAPLAN on the evening of January 18, 1950 visited the Rivera, Terrace Cafe, Blue Parrot Cafe, previously mentioned in this report, in an effort to locate COX with negative results.

KAPLAN furnished the following letters to the reporting agent which had been addressed to Cadet URSCHEL shortly after COX'S disappearance. The original letter signed by PAUL MILLER is being retained in the files of this office. The anonymous letter has been returned to CID agent KAPLAN:

"New York City,  
"May 14th-50  
"54 West 74th St.

"My dear Mr. Urschel---

"In looking over an old newspaper I was amazed at the close resemblance to a friend of years ago- this was in connection to the disappearance of your roommate Mr. COX which was a very sad event but proves that anything can happen in life. Years ago I had a friend who taught at your academy by name of ALLEN SHARRER but as I have not heard from him for many years do not even know if he is alive-yet.

"I am in the Physical Culture business so I naturally appreciate the fine precision of the cadets and have long admired their physical training tho not all are of the finest build or even correct posture-your photo shows you with a nice body-that is your finest possession and I hope you will always take the very best of it.

"Could you tell me the price of your year book-thanks?

"And if you are down to our city will be glad to have you drop in to say hello and tell me all about your work-my phone is Tr. 4-5722.



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"Trusting you will receive this in the spirit intended and with all good wishes, I remain

"Yours respectfully,

"/s/ PAUL MILLER"

"(A hint to the wise is sufficient)

"Greenwich Village

"City of New York - March 30, 1950

"Dear Joseph Urschel  
"West Point

"Could it be possible that your room-mate  
RICHARD C. <sup>P</sup>COX, is the victim of a crazy

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"A sure anonymous tip, I'm sure."

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This letter, the anonymous letter, was postmarked New York, New York, 3:00 p.m., March 31, 1950, and was addressed:

Cadet Joseph Urschel  
West Point  
New York

West Point Military Academy

Agent KAPLAN also furnished the reporting agent with the following letter which had been addressed to him by Cadet URSCHEL and received by KAPLAN October 3, 1951. The original of this letter is being retained in the New York files:

"Sunday

"Dear Mr. KAPLAN,

"I finally located that letter. My parents sent it to me just as soon as they found it. I guess I hadn't given it to Mr. De Lorenzo as I had thought. Also, here are the signout times of DICK'S COX

8th of Jan.      Time out: Did not sign out  
                  Time in:    "    "    sign in

7th of Jan.      Time out: 1700  
                  Time in: 1823 ? (over)

"According to the times there is a good chance that he ate at the hotel and had time to sign in and go out again before call to quarters at 7:15. By this - I had always been under the opposite impression - it does not look as though he had any indication of breaking his honor - I also doubt seriously if he did on this weekend.

"If there is anything more I can do, let me know. I hope your new assignment works out fine for you.

"sincerely,

"/s/ JOE"

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"In checking on the sign out & sign in times I just noticed that the time 1823 had been previously erased. The original time (written in indelible pencil) looks as though it was 1923. That means he did violate his honor as the Call-to-Quarters is at 1915 (0715). Maybe it was after call to quarters when I did see him. I am thoroughly mixed up now. The only thing I am sure of now is that his sign in time has been erased."

A number of letters which were confiscated from the personal effects of Cadet COX at West Point were furnished the writer by CID agent MURRAY J. KAPLAN. Photostatic copies are being made of these letters and the originals are being returned to the CID Office in New York. Among these are a number of letters written by [redacted] and a letter which JOSEPH GRONER had written to COX in which he mentions ROSEMARIE VOGEL in a very intimate manner.

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Three photostatic albums, the property of Steven Ditko, Jr., were obtained by the Pittsburgh Office from Mrs. ANNA DITKO, Johnstown, Pennsylvania, and forwarded to this office. These albums were reviewed by Cadets URSCHER and WELCH with negative results. These Albums will also be exhibited to other associates of COX at West Point.

Mrs. J. K. BRIER, 38 A, Rose Terrace, Fort Knox, Kentucky, advised the Louisville Office that she was Club Director for the Red Cross Club in Coburg, Germany, from Thanksgiving 1946 until June, 1948. Mrs. EVELYN WATTAU was assistant club director under Mrs. BRIER's Supervision and became Club Director when Mrs. BRIER left. Mrs. WATTAU's permanent legal address is 110 Seventh Street, South Fargo, North Dakota. Her temporary address in August, 1951 was 515 South Imperial Street, Brawley, California. Mrs. BRIER advised that the following Americans were employed at the Club while she was there:

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Mrs. WILLIAM BERLIN (nee LORRAINE STANLEY)  
RFD 5, Wayzata, Minnesota; BARBARA CHULICK, Lloydell,  
Pennsylvania, and FLORENCE GIBBONS of New Haven, Connecticut.

Miss CHULICK and GIBBONS have been previously interviewed.

Under date of September 7, 1951, the Bureau forwarded two photographs of COX together with one copy of COX'S identification record and two copies of data obtained from the records of the Adjutant General's Office, United States Army. The identification record of COX, FBI # 357872A, is set out below:

<u>Contributor of Fingerprints</u>	<u>Name And Number</u>	<u>Arrested Or Received</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Dis- posi- tion</u>
Army	Richard Colvin Cox #RA-15355161	9-16-46 Cleveland Ohio		
Army	Richard Colvin Cox #C-8132	7-1-48 West Point N.Y.		

The Identification Division furnished the following summary of the descriptive data appearing on COX's fingerprint record.

Race: White  
Born: July 25, 1928, Mansfield, Ohio  
Height: 5' 6 3/4" to 5' 7 1/2"  
Weight: 148 pounds to 158 pounds  
Complexion: Fair; ruddy; light  
Eyes: Blue  
Hair: Brown; light brown  
Build: Regular; heavy; medium  
Scars & Marks: 6" scar above right elbow  
Residence: 388 West Third Street, Mansfield, Ohio,  
July, 1938  
Notify: Rupert F. Cox & Minnie Cox, 388 West  
Third, Mansfield, Ohio, July, 1938

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Efforts were made to locate [redacted] and the Washington Field Office advised that he had attended Georgetown University September 18, 1950 on a scholarship as a result of a recommendation of the officials of Ecuador. On February 9, 1951, [redacted] resigned due to inability to make required grades.

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The Baltimore Office advised on August 31, 1951, that [redacted] arrived in the United States at Miami, Florida, as a visitor July 28, 1948 giving destination as c/o Ecuadoran Embassy, Washington, D.C. In September, 1948 he was a student of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He became a non-quota immigrant student April 15, 1949, while at the University of Pennsylvania. On September 13, 1950, he applied for extension of stay in the United States which was granted until May 13, 1951. His address as of September, 1950 was 1539 Octavia Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

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Photographs of [redacted] were forwarded to the New York Office under date of September 19, 1951, and these photographs will be exhibited to associates of COX at West Point.

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The New Orleans Office advised on November 23, 1951, that it had been ascertained that [redacted] had returned to Chile and was expected to remain there indefinitely.

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The following letter written by COX to ROSEMARIE VOGEL dated December 11, 1949, was furnished to the reporting agent by CID agent MURRAY J. KAPLAN. The original has been returned to the CID Office in New York and photostatic copies are being retained in this office. The letter is as follows:

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"December 11, 1949

"Dear Rosemarie,

"I don't know if you remember me or not - probably not - but whether you do or not I wonder if you'd be interested in exchanging a few letters? I've enclosed two pictures, one taken in the Airs Corps barracks at Schweinfurt and the other here at West Point this year. As you probably don't recall, I was with JOE GRONER, who I think you do remember, when he first visited Lichtenfel in the summer of 1947. There were four of us and we went with you and Lutz down to the river with your boat on the top of our jeep. Today I was looking through some of the pictures I took of Germany and noticed yours and Lutz' and so I decided to write.

"Sorry I don't know enough German to write, but since you spoke English I suppose you can do a better job reading English than I could do writing German. I've been here in the Academy for one and a half years now and have been studying, along with a lot of other subjects, Russian. (illegible) Not too easy a language. Not too good a people to deal with either.

What is the Russian situation in Lichtenfel and the vicinity? And how are your food reations? I don't have too much time to write now, but I'd like to hear about your and your family and the situation in Germany now. I'm very interested in the Russian situation, of course, or anything else you'd like to tell me. And let me know if there is anything I can do for your. Would like very much to hear from you.

"Sincerely,

"Richard Cox  
"Co. B-2, USMA  
"West Point  
"New York"

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Also, in order to indicate COX'S mental attitude just prior to his disappearance the following letter is set forth: The original of this letter was furnished by CID Agent MURRAY J. KAPLAN, photostatic copies were made and the original returned to CID, New York. Photostatic copies are being maintained in the New York files.

"Still God-damned January  
"Still the G-D first part of  
"it But - the last week of  
"the first part - 10th to  
"be more exact

"Sweetest, dearest, love - oh, hell, you old bat,

"Haven't written you a good PBT (prior to being trapped) letter for a long time. I hope you saved some of those old masterpieces - since love, strangely enough, got into my vocabulary. I think I've lost a lot of my good old-style talent of smear. Know you've missed it. I could start questioning you on your night life or your flirtings around on Nip's wedding day; but since you'd probably think that I wanted you to take up knitting or combing Steve's hair at night and since I do finally care what you think - I won't start questioning. The last thing I'd want to see you do - or could imagine you doing - would be to try and kill the old party spirit - there's no sense of two in same family being off their nut (sing.) from frustration. I asked Minnie what she'd think - or do - if I'd give this place the boot it deserves, go to a business or insurance school for two years and then sponge off her until I caught onto the cruel ways of the world. I expect to start receiving the Christian Science Monitor, Sentinel, Life of Mary Baker Eddy. copy of 'Why I'm not Deat' by the fire-feeding Christian Scientist, plus regular visits by a dozen or so practitioners, plus Minnie herself in reply to my interesting little query. Actually though, the thought keeps entering my mind, and I've yet to discover exactly what I'll have lost by leaving the dear old Corps. But then again, if you can find a job in New York, I might survive **another** two years by just living from week-end to

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" week-end. Remind me to buy some shares in the bus line from N.Y. to W.P. if you do capture N.Y.'s heart - too. May be I should invest in a motor scooter or at least a plastic thumb.

"I feel like this is the second letter I've written you tonight - one I addressed to Minnie but it was about the one thing I care about - not West Point dearie - just you. I was going to tell her to send it over to you when she was through reading about you and save me the trouble of writing again but I might as well write to you as lie in bed thinking of you. But that bed does have some good features and I think I'd better go explore them. May be Welch is in it - again. (can't think of a new way to tell you how much I love you so will just end here.

"/s/ DICK"

The Cleveland Office forwarded by letter dated May 26, 1951, two enlisted men's caps bearing number C-5161, belonging to Cadet COX which were furnished to the Cleveland Office by his mother Mrs. Rupert F. COX of Mansfield, Ohio. These caps have been forwarded to the Laboratory for comparison with the human hairs found in the West Point Military cap found at Mountainville, New York.

The information which has been furnished by Sergeant EUGENE ELLIS, Ft. Jackson, South Carolina, indicating that COX had a close friend named [redacted] who dealt in the black market in Germany, was brought to the attention of CID agent ROBERT L. RAST, who indicated that he would request investigation be conducted to locate and interview [redacted] in Germany.

Agent RAST also indicated that efforts would be made to locate ROSEMARIE VOGEL, who according to JOSEPH GRONER, was acquainted with COX in Germany.



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Cadet URSCHER had also indicated that COX had exhibited ROSEMARIE VOGEL'S photograph and claimed that he had been intimate with her on many occasions. The following former associates of COX have been determined to be overseas and the CID Office in New York will be requested to locate them for interview:

LUTHER GODWIN, HOWARD ELAM, GILBERT DESCHENER, Sgt. DENNIS O'BRIEN, Sgt. MACK S. ADAMS, Sgt. GLEN L. MC LARAN, ERNEST LE ROY BRIGHT, EARL G. PRITCHARD.

At West Point, New York

SA GERALD J. FLYNN obtained the following list of persons who were registered at the Thayer Hotel on January 7 and 14th, 1950:

These registrations are being listed according to the offices in which districts the registrants reside. These offices are requested to interview these registrants and exhibit to them photographs of COX which have been previously furnished and determine if these individuals are able to furnish any information concerning COX'S whereabouts at the time that they were registered at the hotel:

NEWARK - Registrants January 7, 1950

JEANNE & CAROL ARNDT  
126 Jefferson Avenue  
Cresskill, New Jersey

BOBIE ARNOLD  
Centenary Junior College,  
Hackettstown, New Jersey

Pfc DOUGLAS M. GRAVEL  
McGuire Air Force Base,  
Ft. Dix, New Jersey

Registrants January 14, 1951

MARY LOU BEPPLER  
4606 Hudson Blvd.  
Union City, New Jersey

Phyllis Birkby  
135 Sallerthwaite Avenue  
Nutley, New Jersey

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MARY BOYDEN  
Pompton Lakes Nursing Home  
Pompton Lakes, New Jersey

JOAN DALLENBACH,  
441 Rice (or Ruci) Street,  
Middletown, New Jersey

BERNICE BRUCKNER  
118 Sheridan Avenue  
Roselle, New Jersey

NANCY COYNE  
521 Muriel Parkway  
Elizabeth, New Jersey

JUDY DI PAOLA  
293 Eagle Street  
Tenafly, New Jersey

GORGIA R. MARVIN  
15 Maple Street  
Ridgefield Park, New Jersey

NEW YORK - Registrants January 7, 1950

NANCY ADAMS  
11 North Oakwood Terrace  
New Paltz, New York

NANCY BARTHOLD  
Edgewood Park,  
Briarcliff Manor, New York

Miss NANCY BREW  
330 East 43rd Street  
New York, New York

GINCI DALMAS  
22 Irving Place  
New York City

JANE DEES  
West Haverstraw  
New York

MARY E. CODLING  
13-20 127th Street  
College Point, N.Y.

Columbia University  
New York City

JACKIE AIMERS  
1353 East 14th Street  
Brooklyn, New York

EILEEN BOEHM  
100 Riverside Drive  
New York, New York

PHYLLIS BOGARDUS  
136 Chamber Street  
Newburgh, New York

NANCY DAY  
Hastings House  
Hastings-on-Hudson, N.Y.

CYNTHIA CLARK  
Edgewood Park,  
Briarcliff Manor, N.Y.

HARRIETT CALVIN  
50 Nevins Street  
Brooklyn 17, New York

FAITH COMMEY  
210 East 77th Street  
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RUTH E. DICKEY,  
Edgewood Park  
Briarcliff Manor, New York

PAT GIBBONS  
65 Magnolia Avenue  
Garden City, Long Island, N.Y.

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HARRIET ADAMS  
47 East 67th Street  
New York City

RUTH A'HEARNE  
72 Bay Street  
Long Beach, New York

D. H. F. BENTZ  
25 Ocean Avenue  
Larchmont, New York

ELSIE BILLY  
369 Vernon Avenue  
Brooklyn, New York

CYNTHIA BLAIR  
703 Jewett  
Vassar College  
Poughkeepsie, New York

EILEEN BOEHM  
100 Riverside Drive  
New York City

BETTY JEAN BOOTH  
150 West 58th Street (9B)  
New York City

CORA JEAN BORK  
Barbizon Hotel  
New York City

Miss JOAN BOULWARE  
325 Main Street  
Beacon, New York

GERALDINE BOYCE  
177-49 Ursina Road  
St. Albans, New York

COLINNE CORYAT  
Sparkill Avenue  
Sparkill, New York

DRANI CROMMELUI  
Vassar College  
Poughkeepsie, New York

HELEN CURZIO  
1337 65th Street  
Brooklyn, New York

PAT DALTON  
201 Clinton Avenue  
Brooklyn, New York

ANNE LEEDS DALTON  
310 Beverly Road  
Douglaston, New York

JOYCE DELLOT  
8 Hoffman Avenue  
Poughkeepsie, New York

MIMI DE SYLVA  
10 Barry Road  
Scarsdale, New York

M. CONSIDINE  
28 Childs Avenue  
Floral Park, New York

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BETTY DE VIRGILIO  
30-44 14th Street  
Astoria, New York

CARYL BROWN  
Sunnyridge Road  
Harrison, New York

RICHARD FOULBKES  
600 W 113th Street (2D)  
New York 25, N.Y.

JACK D. GABRIEL  
111 - 75th Street  
Brooklyn, New York

ALBANY - Registrants January 14, 1950

KATHRYN BOSSLER  
Skidmore College  
Saratoga Springs, New York

MARGARET COX  
33 Ray Street  
Schenectady, New York

ANNA MAVIS DEAN  
518 Wyckoff Street  
Ithaca, New York

MAVIS DEAN  
518 Wyckoff Street  
Ithaca, New York

MARIE CONNELLY  
795 Livingston Avenue  
Albany, New York

FRANCIS J. LA BAN  
87 Ellsworth Avenue  
Mechanicville, New York

EDWARD P. HOLLAND  
18 Mabbeth Street  
Mechanicville, New York

PHILADELPHIA - Registrants January 7, 1950

FRANK J. BLAIR, JR.  
J. E. Caldwell & Co.,  
Philadelphia 7, Pennsylvania

CAROL B. BROWN  
Parkwood Manor Apartments  
Upper Darby, Pennsylvania

NEW HAVEN - Registrants January 14, 1950

RAY BREWSTER  
Yale University  
New Haven, Connecticut

WASCELLA CHODACYEK  
Fox's Lane  
Greenwich, Connecticut

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BUFFALO - Registrant January 14, 1950

SARA & NICKIE BRITTON  
144 Ravine Avenue  
Glenwood, New York

SPRINGFIELD - Registrant January 14, 1950

M. H. Albert  
717 North 37th Street  
East St. Louis, Illinois

RICHMOND - Registrant January 14, 1950

BETTY LOU BROWN  
2205 20th Street N.  
Arlington, Virginia

WASHINGTON FIELD - Registrant January 7, 1950

BARBARA ARMIGER  
2721 Ordway Street, N.W.  
Washington, D. C.

For the information of the San Diego and St. Paul Offices who are being requested to interview former Red Cross personnel, **it** should be noted that while COX was in Germany in February, 1947 to February, 1948 he was stationed near Coburg during a portion of this period, and frequently visited the Red Cross Club in Coburg. It is believed that the personnel at this club might be able to furnish some information to indicate who the unidentified [redacted] is, or they might be able to furnish information concerning the persons who associated with COX who might possibly be identical with [redacted]

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For the information of all offices receiving copies of this report a composite description of [redacted] is hereinafter set forth:

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Height:	5' 10" to 5' 11"
Weight:	180 to 185 lbs.
Age:	About 25 years old
Hair:	Blond, short, but not crew cut
Face:	Full
Clothes:	Pinkish tan topcoat

Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, [redacted]

[redacted] New York has been on the lookout for COX in [redacted]

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The St. Louis Office by letter dated November 15, 1951, advised that it will be necessary to review several hundred individual service records to determine if anyone who served in the constabulary with COX in Germany had previously served as a Ranger in the U.S. Army.

The Bureau by teletype of November 20, 1951 was requested to advise if this review should be made.

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Informants

- T-1 ANTHONY M. <sup>V</sup>FERRARO, ASN 51106509,  
formerly stations at Camp Gordon,  
Georgia, now discharged and residing  
at 142 East 33rd Street, Apartment 3C,  
New York City
- T-2 JACK <sup>V</sup>BORIS, aka MICHAEL <sup>V</sup>FERRARA, 142  
East 33rd Street, Apartment 3C
- T-3 NYC -C40

Leads

ALBANY

At Albany New York

Will interview registrants of the Thayer  
Hotel as set out on page 31 of this report.

BALTIMORE

At College Park, Maryland

Will interview PETER S. GILLICH at the  
University of Maryland who is reported to have attended  
the U.S. Military Academy Prep School in New York in 1948  
with COX.

BUFFALO

At Buffalo, New York

Will interview registrants of Thayer Hotel as  
set out on page 32 of this report.

CLEVELAND

At Mansfield, Ohio

Will place a mail cover on Mrs. RUPERT F. COX  
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NEWARK

At Newark, New Jersey

Will interview registrants of Thayer Hotel as set out on pages 28 and 29 of this report.

NEW HAVEN

At New Haven, Connecticut

Will interview registrants of the Thayer Hotel as set out in page 31 of this report.

NORFOLK

At Portsmouth, Virginia

Will interview RICHARD SHAY, Route 2, Box 248, who attended U.S. Military Academy Prep School, Newburgh, New York, in 1948 with COX.

PHILADELPHIA

At Langhorne, Pennsylvania

Will re-interview JOSEPH GRONER regarding the letter addressed by GRONER to COX at West Point indicating that GRONER and COX had been intimate with ROSEMARIE VOGEL. A photostatic copy of this letter is being forwarded to the Philadelphia Office for their use in conducting this interview.

At Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Will check the records of the University of Pennsylvania for a record of [redacted] who has been reported to have been a student there in 1948 and 1949 and will obtain any available photograph of [redacted]

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Will interview registrants of Thayer Hotel as set out on page 31 of this report.



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RICHMOND

At Arlington, Virginia

Will interview registrant of Thayer Hotel as set out on page 32 of this report.

SAN DIEGO

At Brawley, California

Will interview Mrs. EVELYN WATTAU, 515 South Imperial Street, for any information she may be able to furnish concerning her association or the associates of COX at Coburg, Germany.

SPRINGFIELD

At East St. Louis, Missouri

Will interview registrant of Thayer Hotel as set out on page 32 of this report.

ST. PAUL

At Wayzata, Minnesota

Will interview Mrs. WILLIAM BERLIN, Rfd 5, for any information she may be able to furnish concerning her association with COX or the associates of COX at Coburg, Germany.

WASHINGTON FIELD

At Washington, D.C.

Will interview ALVIN H. COOLIDGE stationed at Bowling Field who attended U.S. Military Academy Prep School, Newburgh, New York, in 1948 with COX.

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NEW YORK

At West Point, New York

Will contact the officials at the United States Military Academy and obtain the available address of HARDY STONE, who it is believed can furnish information indicating whether COX was involved in the violations of the Honor System at West Point.

Will interview WAYNE WHITE, Cadet, who is reported to have frequently accompanied COX to New York City while both were on the track team.

Will re-interview Cadet THOMAS D. AYERS to determine if he can furnish any information concerning the identity of the girls with whom he and COX frequented the Piccadilly Hotel.

Will interview Cadet LOUIS MC ALESTER DAVIS who accompanied COX on one occasion when he visited the "Lorelei" Restaurant in New York City and COX left DAVIS indicating that he intended to effect a pick-up. It should be determined if DAVIS knows what happened to COX on this case.

At New York, New York

Will maintain contact with informants who  in New York in an effort to determine information concerning COX and will interview registrants of Hotel Thayer indicated on pages 29, 30 & 31 of this report.

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