Dear Sir

I was a teacher in the St Louis Ill public schools from Sept 1928 to Dec 31st, 1940 during which time Martin Luther King attended schools in that city. The family also was in Chillicothe Mo. when I attended St Josephs Academy there. The school in which I first taught the Franklin became a negro school after I was transferred from there. When I taught there, I had John Fitzgerald Kennedy, and some other notables in my room, also I taught Betty Grable there.

Some negro escapees

from Jordland ran through my bedroom one night last winter. They were E. St Louis men. One had red scars on his head and was very black. A straight haired, light brown skinned negro was with them. He left the room, came back again and threw something or shot them I was fainting.

The day Martin Luther King was killed, there was a white mountain lion in my fields I was alone and frightened. Soon I noticed a car or house trailer on the truck. A man who looked like Eric Galt got out. The lion sprang a den, had kittens, watched the woodchucks. The man cleaned his trailer

and went on. The lion had what looked like an old door stop doll. It looked like a mamed person foot but after watching a few minutes I saw it was not.

Ewa Gelt, James Hoag and Richard Lynch were names of janitors at the Academy. also of people at Sacred Heart Church in E St Louis Ills.

Yours Truly
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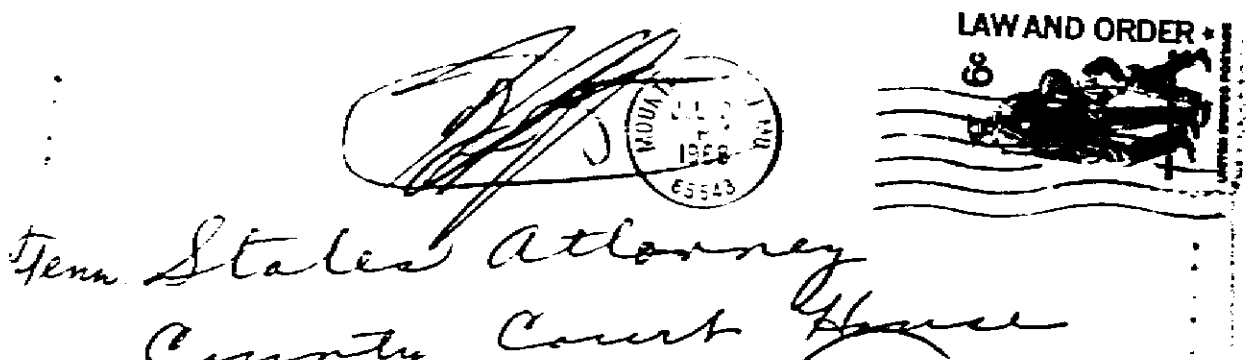

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