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UNKNOWN SUBJECTS: Lynching of CHARLES LANG, alias, Charlie Lang, and Ernest Green, Shubuta, Miss. 10/12/42.	CIVIL RIGHTS AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: No telephone calls made to Quitman 3701 on night 10/11,12/42. Automobile license #525-957 registered to LOUIS CAMPBELL, Collinsville, Miss. Rope used in lynching bore rust, grease and yellow paint pigment. FGJ

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent JOHN W. T. FALKNER,IV, dated 10/27/42 at Jackson, Miss.

Teletype from JACKSON FIELD DIVISION to the BUREAU dated 1/14/43.

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DETAILS:

By memorandum dated January 18, 1943, Special Agent JOHN L. SULLIVAN advised that a review of the telephone toll tickets emanating from Pachuta, Mississippi and from Shubuta, Mississippi, to telephone number Quitman, Mississippi, 3701, the number of G. FORTNER DABBS, failed to indicate any toll call was made on the night of October 11,12, 1942.

Also, Sheriff FRED ROSS, Meridian, Lauderdale County, Mississippi advised Special Agent JOHN L. SULLIVAN that 1942 Mississippi license plates number 525-957 were registered in the name of LOUIS CAMPBELL, Route 1, Collinsville, Mississippi, and were for a Nash Coach automobile, year of make not reflected on the records, motor # 17042.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: R. J. Gutierrez SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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By letter dated December 1, 1942, this office was advised of the results of the examination made by the laboratory of the rope used in instant lynching, one complete long rope with a noose on one end and a second piece of rope consisting only of a noose. The long complete rope with a noose on one end consisted of manila fibers which are laid into twenty-one separate strands that are divided into three ply groups of seven strands. A blue right twist of cotton string, possessing six plies, is used as a core for this rope. This core is 0.05 of an inch in diameter while the total diameter of the rope is five-eighths of an inch.

The laboratory further reflects the piece of rope consisting solely of a noose was found to be the same type of rope as the long rope mentioned above. Although a search through the reference cordage collection maintained in the Technical Laboratory failed to reveal the presence of exactly similar rope as the above, other sizes possessing an exactly similar blue tracer core to that in the questioned specimens were found. These ropes were produced by the Hoover and Allisin Company of Xenia, Ohio.

The only foreign substances occuring on the specimens submitted are rust and a small amount of grease. A spectrographic analysis of a yellow material contained on some of the outside fibers of the rope consisting of a noose revealed it to be lead chromate pigments from a yellow paint. The paint appears to have been applied after the noose was tied.

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