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April 20, 1934

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

With reference to the statements appearing in the press, which were purported to have been made by Evelyn Frechette to the members of the Press, while she was in the Federal Building at the time she waived removal from Chicago to St. Paul, there are attached hereto two copies of a memorandum prepared by Special Agent H. H. Reinecke, concerning this matter.

For your information, the items mentioned are attached hereto and Special Agent Deaderick informs me that yesterday afternoon, while he was interviewing the Frechette woman, that she became very abusive of the newspaper men, and stated that she had not told the anything at all, and that the information appearing in the papers was a "lie".

Low I gained information from Abe Swett of the City News that Piquett (the attorney) was with the Frechette woman at the time she is alleged to have made these statements, and that while he was not present at the time, he had been informed that Piquett made most of the statements himself, and prompted the Frechette woman on occasions.

Very truly yours,

M. H. Purvis

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Doctor and Nurse Admit Aiding Him

Desperado 'Walked Out' on
U. S. Agents' Raid Here,
Girl Friend Reveals.

Desperado Wounded as
He Fought Police and
U. S. Agents.

'JUST SLITHERED OUT' HUNT HIM ON BORDER

John Dillinger, the well-known wood carver who has made "Scarface Al" Capone's career sound like that of a Boy Scout, walked out of a Chicago tavern that was being raided by agents of the United States bureau of investigation. Evelyn Frechette, his sweetheart, told newspaper men in the United States courtroom this afternoon.

Dillinger was with her on the night of April 9, in a tavern at State and Austin streets, when Melvin H. Purvis' agents burst in and seized her, the woman said.

She Tells Her Story.

At the persuasion of her attorneys, Louis Piquett and Paul Pomerooy, the woman told her story. Here it is:

"That Monday night John Dillinger and I went to the State and Austin tavern. I had been with him several times before. We sat there for quite a long time, eating and drinking. There were a number of other people there that neither John nor I knew.

"Suddenly these agents came bursting in—from the front and the rear and all sides, it seemed. They

(Copyright, 1934, by The United Press.)
St. Paul, Minn., April 18.—(UP)

—John Dillinger, elusive Indiana outlaw, escaped from a St. Paul apartment three weeks ago with a policeman's bullet in his body, it was disclosed today with apprehension of a Minneapolis physician who dressed the wound and a nurse who assisted.

After fleeing to Indiana, where he raided the Warsaw (Ind.) police station last Friday for bullet-proof vests, Dillinger is believed to have doubled back on his trail and is being sought along the Canadian border.

Dillinger's injury, suffered in a gun battle with a St. Paul policeman and a federal agent, was disclosed in a confession which department of justice investigators said they had obtained from the physician and the nurse.

Searched Records for Clue.

A search through the records of all hospitals and physicians in the twin cities preceded the discovery of the clues that resulted in the apprehension of the couple and their "confession."

Charges of conspiring to harbor a fugitive were filed against the

disclosed in dispatches from Winnipeg, which said that Manitoba provincial police had been supplied with descriptions of the fugitive and ordered to be on the lookout for him.

This part of the search is concentrated along the Manitoba-Minnesota border.

Provincial police said that they had no fear that Dillinger would attempt a spectacular crime in Canada but believed that if he is coming their way it is solely for the purpose of hiding until the furiousness of the hunt in the United States has relaxed.

BLUNK PLEADS NOT GUILTY TO AIDING DILLINGER FLIGHT

Crown Point, Ind., April 18.—(UP)—Ernest Blunk, fingerprint expert indicted on a charge of aiding the escape of John Dillinger from the county jail here, pleaded not guilty before Special Judge Maurice E. Crites today.

Blunk, indicted with Sam Cahoon, turnkey at the jail, was ordered to trial May 7 after Judge Crites overruled a defense motion to quash the indictment.

The attorney for Blunk asked an early trial and told the court that Criminal Court Judge William J. Murray, who discharged the fingerprint expert after his indictment, had promised to reinstate him if he was cleared of the charge.

Ready to Prove Bribery.

Indianapolis, Ind., April 18.—(UP)—The state virtually is ready to prove that John Dillinger, Indiana's most notorious outlaw, bribed his way out of the Lake county jail March 3, Edward J. Barce, a deputy attorney-general, said today.

"Only one minor link is missing in the chain of evidence to prove that certain jail employes took a large sum of money from Dillinger," he announced.

DILLINGER'S GIRL FRIEND TO BE TAKEN TO ST. PAUL

Evelyn Frechette, John Dillinger's sweetheart, planned to appear before United States Commissioner Edwin K. Walker this afternoon to waive examination on removal proceedings.

This means she will be taken to St. Paul to answer to a federal charge of harboring Dillinger, who faces a federal charge there of transporting a stolen automobile across a state line. Dillinger, the girl and a companion recently escaped a government agents' trap at St. Paul.

LOUISIANA BANK ROBBED; DILLINGER IS SUSPECTED

Shreveport, La., April 18.—(AP)—The Bank of Montgomery, in Grant parish, eighty-five miles south of Shreveport, was robbed by an armed band this morning and the bank president said he believed the gang was led by John Dillinger, notorious outlaw.

TAUNTS POLICE ON DILLINGER'S ESCAPE HERE

Girl Seized In Cafe Asserts Outlaw Was by Her Side; Doctor and Nurse Arrested

John Dillinger, wounded as he machine-gunned his way out of a St. Paul police trap March 31, was revealed yesterday by his Indian sweetheart to have been at her side when agents captured her here on April 8.

With the arrest of a Minneapolis physician and nurse yesterday, charged with treating the killer's wound, came the first definite knowledge that he had been winged by police bullets. Dillinger was shot in the leg.

Evelyn Frechette, dusky Menominee girl friend of Dillinger, taunted her federal agent captors with the declaration that he sauntered away unobserved as the dozen of them surrounded her in the restaurant at 418 N. State st.

BONDS SET AT \$25,000.

Dr. Clayton E. May and Mrs. Gurniath Ladelle, nurse, are charged in Minneapolis with conspiracy to harbor a fugitive. Their bonds were fixed at \$25,000 after hearing before a United States commissioner.

Blood stains found in the apartment from which Dillinger fled with the Frechette girl, as the government claims, put agents on the trail for a physician who had treated the wounds.

Meanwhile, in Chicago, the Frechette girl, still denying her guilt, waived examination when arraigned before United States Commissioner Edwin K. Walker and was held for removal to St. Paul to be tried on charges of harboring a fugitive.

Held under \$60,000 bonds, she probably will be taken to St. Paul Friday. Her fingerprints, found on a powder puff in the apartment, led to her arrest.

SAYS OUTLAW ON SEA.

Louis Piquette, Dillinger's attorney who appeared for the girl, said the outlaw was on the high seas, "bound for parts unknown."

Both Piquette and the girl claimed that Dillinger was seated with her at the restaurant counter when the agents swooped in.

She declared that he, with a smile at her, walked out with people sitting next to them when they arose to pay their bill at the height of the uproar caused by the raid.

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Examiner*

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DENIES DILLINGER WAS PRESENT AS GIRL WAS SEIZED

Melvin H. Purvis, chief of the bureau of federal investigation in Chicago, yesterday made a categorical denial that John Dillinger, fugitive outlaw, was in the State-Austin Inn, 418 North State Street, when federal agents raided it April 9 and seized Evelyn Frechette, Dillinger's sweetheart. Five agents inside the tavern and four guarding the exits established the identity of everyone there, Purvis declared. Miss Frechette had asserted that Dillinger had been there with her and had walked out unharmed.

Miss Frechette had stated that the federal agents were secret service operatives. Capt. Thomas J. Callaghan, chief of the secret service in Chicago, said yesterday that the raiders were agents of the department of justice and not of the secret service. The functions of the secret service are only to protect the life of the President and to catch counterfeiters, Capt. Callaghan said, and his agents have had no connection with the Dillinger investigations.

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April 20, 1934.

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DILLINGER 'PAID OFF': BARCE

INDIANAPOLIS, April 18.—(By International News Service.)—Deputy Attorney General Barce, who was assigned by Governor McNutt to investigate the escape of John

Dillinger, asserted today that the state was ready to prove that the notorious public enemy No. 1 made a "large payoff" to gain his freedom.

Barce said the state also was

building up a case of political corruption against certain Lake County officials.

Barce refused to disclose the amount of money which changed hands in the Dillinger escape.

Block this out

Girl Bares Dillinger Escape in Cafe Here

John Dillinger, America's Public Enemy No. 1, walked calmly out of a North Side restaurant a week ago Monday night, entered his parked car and drove away—while fifteen heavily armed federal agents looked on.

That was the amazing story told exclusively to The Chicago American today by Evelyn Frechetti, sweetheart of the notorious Indiana fugitive, who was seized in the restaurant two or three minutes after Dillinger had gone.

In the presence of her lawyer, Louise Piquett, the Frechetti girl, who is to be returned to St. Paul on a charge of harboring the outlaw, said:

"John and I drove to the State-Austion restaurant at 418 N. State st. I had been with him several times in the week previously and we had visited many public places.

"We were in that place some time and had met a couple of friends—who are in no way linked with John—when suddenly, from both doors, a lot of federal agents streamed in. They carried shotguns, machine guns and pistols. I learned later that Purvis (Melvin H. Purvis, head of the division of investigation here) was leading them.

"The agents told everybody to stand where they were. John and I, like the others, obeyed. The agents questioned several 'legitimate' persons and then told them to 'beat it.' John walked out with this bunch—just as cool as could be."

WENT TO HIS CAR

The much-wanted Dillinger went to the car, parked fifty feet away, Evelyn said. The girl was then recognized and arrested by the agents. Just as they were emerging from the restaurant, she declared, Dillinger was driving unhurriedly away.

Miss Frechetti waived examination today before United States Commissioner Walker and agreed

to extradition to St. Paul, to stand trial for harboring Dillinger, who slipped through the fingers of government agents in a gun battle there three weeks ago.

TO ST. PAUL FRIDAY

The woman was turned over to the United States marshal following today's hearing. She will be taken to St. Paul Friday.

She entered the office of Commissioner Walker today accompanied by three squads of detectives and ten government agents, in addition to Piquett. Piquett told reporters she was willing to stand trial in St. Paul, because she could easily prove that she was in Chicago while Dillinger was there.

Piquett, who is also lawyer for the missing Dillinger, said his notorious client is "on an ocean liner bound for parts unknown."

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Chicago, Illinois
April 19, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE M. H. PURVIS.

On Wednesday, April 18, 1934, Special Agents W. Carter Baum, J.J. Metcalfe, and myself, at your instructions, using one of the Division cars, accompanied a Deputy U.S. Marshal and three Chicago Police squad cars in bringing Evelyn Frechette from the Cook County Jail to the United States Commissioner's office on the 8th floor of the Federal Building, for the purpose of having her waive removal hearing to St. Paul. We left the Cook County jail at about 1.35 P.M. and arrived at the office of the U.S. Commissioner on the 8th floor of the Federal Building at approximately 1.50 P.M, when Evelyn Frechette was taken from the car in which she was riding with a Deputy U.S. Marshal and certain Detectives from the Chicago Police Department squad cars, she was immediately rushed through the lobby of the Federal Building into an elevator and from the elevator on the 8th floor to the U.S. Commissioner's office, at which latter place she was immediately seated at the counsel table. The Deputy U.S. Marshal sat immediately behind her and her attorney Louis Piquett, immediately in front of her on one side of the table, and on the other side of the table were Assistant U.S. Attorney Hall and myself. The other members of the guard were seated in other places in the Commissioner's office, and various newspaper reporters upon learning that she was in the Federal Building immediately flocked into the Commissioner's office. The discussion of the waiver of removal and certain other matters were engaged in between Miss Frechette's attorney, Assistant U.S. Attorney Hall and the Commissioner, which consumed approximately fifteen minutes. Evelyn Frechette was then taken from the Commissioner's office to the office of the U.S. Marshal, on the same floor, where she was placed in the temporary lockup, out of my sight, for approximately twenty minutes, during which time the arrangements were made by Assistant U.S. Attorney Hall and Chief Deputy Marshal King with Federal Judge Sullivan, to have her appear before him for the formal signing of the removal order. She was then taken directly to Judge Sullivan's Court, where the formalities consumed approximately five minutes, and from Judge Sullivan's Court was immediately taken down the elevator out to the cars which brought her to the Federal Building from the jail, and was immediately returned to the County Jail.

At no time up until the time Evelyn Frechette was placed in the temporary lockup in the Marshal's office, or from the time she was removed from this temporary lockup and taken to Judge Sullivan's Court, and thence to the County Jail, was she out of my sight for one moment, and during the time that she was in my sight I can state positively that she did not

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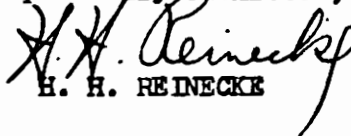
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visit with or speak to any newspaper reporter. This is particularly true as to the time she was in the Commissioner's office. I note from one or two newspaper articles of last evening, and this morning, that the newspapers claim that she told the story accredited to her while in the Commissioner's office. She positively did not speak to a single newspaper reporter while in the office of the U.S. Commissioner, as I sat directly across the counsel table every moment.

While she was held in the temporary lockup in the U.S. Marshal's office I do not believe that newspaper reporters were permitted to enter either the lockup or the hallway leading thereto, so that they could talk to Evelyn Frechette. Her Attorney Louis Piquett was permitted entry to talk with her during the time she was in this lockup. I was in the front part of the U.S. Marshal's office during the time she was in this temporary lockup, and know of my own personal knowledge that the various newspaper reporters whom I know by sight, as being assigned to the Federal Building, were constantly either in front part of the Marshal's office, or out in the hallway. I recall particularly Messrs. Sommerfeldt of the Hearst papers and Mr. Dorr of the Daily News, neither of whom could have contacted Evelyn Frechette while she was in the lockup, and therefore did not contact her during the entire time from the moment she left the Cook County Jail until she returned to the Cook County Jail.

It is my opinion that Evelyn Frechette was not interviewed by newspaper reporters as alleged in the articles printed, but that the story carried in the papers was given to the reporters by Louis Piquett, her attorney, for the purpose of endeavoring to belittle the work and activities of the Division of Investigation, he naturally having no love for the organization, in view of the fact that through it, and the cooperation of the U.S. Attorney's office, the U.S. Judges, and the U.S. Commissioner, he has been frustrated in every attempt to secure a reduction of the \$60,000 bond, and to delay the removal proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,


H. H. REINECKE

Special Agent.

HOLD DILLINGER'S GIRL AS ST. PAUL ESCAPE AID

Evelyn Frechette, sweetheart of the elusive John ("Toy Gun") Dillinger, was held here today on a fugitive warrant on St. Paul charges that she harbored the fugitive and aided and abetted his escape from an apartment in a vicious gun battle with St. Paul police and federal operatives March 21.

This was announced today as a hearing on a petition for a writ of habeas corpus for the woman, whose arrest was revealed exclusively yesterday by The Chicago American, was held before Judge

Woodward in federal court and continued until tomorrow.

Melvin H. Purvis, chief of the Department of Justice bureau of investigation here, said the woman would be arraigned on the fugitive warrant late today or tomorrow morning and hustled back to St. Paul at once.

The arraignment will be before United States Commissioner Walker and a removal warrant was prepared today so that she might be

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DILLINGER GIRL IS HELD FOR ST. PAUL

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taken back to St. Paul as soon as he orders her extradition there.

The removal warrant, Assistant District Attorney Hall said, will be turned over to the marshal to be served upon Miss Frechetti, "if she can be found."

The removal warrant was signed by J. J. Waters, a federal agent. It lists the woman as Evelyn Frechetti, Evelyn Frechette, Ann Martin, Mary Evelyn Frechetti, Evelyn Sparks, Evelyn Frisbetta, Grace Edwards, Mrs. John Dillinger and "Dillie."

It accuses her of conspiring with "Bess" and Edward Green to harbor Dillinger, knowing him to be a fugitive.

The district attorney's office denied any knowledge of her whereabouts, while Mr. Purvis, at the same time, openly admitted having her in custody. The hearing on the habeas corpus petition filed by Attorneys Louis Piquett and Paul Pomeroy was continued to give Mr. Hall more time to locate the woman.

Mr. Piquett, who was Dillinger's lawyer at the time he bluffed his way out of the Crown Point jail with a whittled pistol on March 3, said Evelyn's sister, Frances, was arrested yesterday. Evelyn was seized Monday. He did not seek Frances' freedom, however.

The day's developments in St. Paul, officials said, definitely linked Evelyn Frechetti with Dillinger and his pals as women's fingerprints found in an apartment on Lexington av. there were identified as hers.

The Lexington av. apartment in St. Paul, authorities there said, bore considerable evidence that it was a hangout of such notorious members of the Dillinger gang as John Hamilton, who is wanted for the murder of a Chicago police sergeant and Tommy Carron, suspected bank robber.

FIND \$4,500 IN BANK

Among other evidence discovered today in St. Paul was \$4,500 in \$5 bills found in a bank safety deposit box on directions of Beth Green, widow of Eugene Green, who died yesterday of bullet wounds suffered in a battle with police three days after he escaped with Dillinger from the apartment.

Authorities were seeking to determine whether the money was part of the ransom in a kidnaping or part of the loot from bank robberies.

In filing his petition for a writ of habeas corpus, Attorney Piquett said he had "information and belief" that Miss Frechetti was being held either by District Attorney Green, United States Marshal Lauenheimer, Mr. Purvis or Sheriff Meyerling.

Judge Woodward instructed the lawyer to inquire of the district attorney's office whether she was being held. Assistant District Attorney Hall conferred with Purvis and was informed that Evelyn was not in the custody of his department.

A few minutes later, however, Mr. Purvis admitted to reporters that he did have Miss Frechetti in custody and would lodge criminal charges against her. The admission completely substantiated The Chicago American's exclusive disclosure yesterday.

**REPORT DILLINGER'S
SWEETHEART HELD
BY FEDERAL AGENTS**

Federal officials last night refused to confirm a report that they had arrested and were holding Evelyn Frachette, sweetheart of John Dillinger. Attorney Louis P. Piquett, counsel for Dillinger, said he received an anonymous telephone call, informing him that the Frachette girl was arrested Monday night by government agents in the State-Austin Inn, 416 North State street. He declared that he would file a petition for a writ of habeas corpus in the federal court today for her release.

Melvin Purvis, chief of the Chicago bureau of investigation of the department of justice, when questioned concerning the report, said: "I have no comment to make."

Chicago avenue police questioned John Skeffington and Leo Dondia, owners of the inn, and learned that at 11 o'clock Monday night a girl and a man were drinking beer there when two men entered with drawn pistols, produced government badges and took the couple away. Employees at the inn said they believed the girl was Miss Frachette.

Chicago Daily Tribune

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U. S. Seizes Woman Here as Dillinger Sweetheart

Melvin H. Purvis, local head of the department of justice investigators, today was questioning a woman believed to be Evelyn Freschetti, one of Dillinger's reputed sweethearts, but he was very mysterious about it.

The young woman, who is said to have visited the notorious outlaw in the Crown Point (Ind.) jail shortly before the ludicrous toy-pistol escape, was arrested Monday night in a tavern at State street and Austin avenue.

While Purvis would neither affirm nor deny the report that he had her in custody, Louis Piquett, who was Dillinger's attorney at the

time the desperado was in the Indiana jail, ostensibly awaiting trial for murder, but in reality fashioning a pistol out of a stick of wood and some shoe polish, announced that he would seek her release tomorrow on a habeas corpus writ.

The arrest of the Freschetti woman was dramatic, according to the bartender at the tavern where she was drinking beer Monday night.

"She stood at one end of the bar," he said today. "Soon a short dark man with a big nose came in and he and the woman talked. They drank some beers. When they got up to leave, the government man.

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U. S. SEIZES WOMAN AS DILLINGER SWEETHEART

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who was at the other end of the bar, drew a gun and ordered them to put up their hands.

Stage Search of Tavern:

"Just then several men with machine guns entered the place. One of them showed me a government badge. They searched the tavern and even went down into the basement. Some one called the Chicago avenue police, but they didn't come. I suppose they knew the government men were going to make the arrest."

The bartender said there were seventeen government men, armed, in the tavern to effect the arrest of Dillinger's supposed moll.

Chicago Daily News

DILLINGER SWEETHEART SEIZED IN N. SIDE RAID

Evelyn Frechette, the comely brunette sweetheart and "right bower" of John Dillinger, was in custody of authorities today. The Chicago American learned, following her capture "somewhere on the North Side."

Eagerly sought since it was revealed that she had bought the automobile in which Dillinger was captured at Tucson, Ariz., before his sensational Crown Point jailbreak, the Frechette woman was

being held at an undisclosed hiding place.

This was a move to thwart the efforts of Louis P. Piquett, attorney for the master gangster, who was frantically trying to locate her so that he could seek a habeas corpus for her release.

Authorities were extremely reluctant to discuss the important capture. Melvin H. Purvis, local head of the bureau of investigation of the Department of Justice,

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DILLINGER GIRL JAILED IN RAID

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would not admit that Evelyn was in custody.

Nevertheless, a bartender in the State-Austin Inn, 416 N. State st., revealed that government agents had entered the place on Monday night and had taken "a woman believed to be Evelyn Frechette" into custody.

And Attorney Piquett admitted that while he was in Washington yesterday a call came to his office asking him to represent the girl and to obtain her freedom. The caller, representing herself as Evelyn's sister, said she would call the lawyer again today on his return from Washington.

Evelyn Frechette, alias Ann Martin, is part Indian, a member of a Wisconsin tribe. The home of her relatives on a northern Wisconsin reservation was closely guarded shortly after Dillinger's "toy gun" escape in the belief he was heading for the hideaway in company with the girl.

CAR IS IDENTIFIED.

Anxiety of authorities to capture Evelyn was increased when it was established that she had traded a wrecked car, bearing the Illinois license number 1207-041, at Milwaukee on January 9 for a Wisconsin car. This machine was identified as Dillinger's car in Tucson.

Records revealed the Illinois license had been issued to Frank Kirtley, 2788 Pine Grove av., Chicago. Police were convinced the gang used that name as a "cover up."

DILLINGER AID DIES.

ST. PAUL, April 11.—(P)—Eugene Green, said by authorities to have been John Dillinger's companion when the outlaw escaped from an apartment here ten days ago, died in a hospital here today from gun shot wounds suffered three days later when he was captured by federal agents.

Dillinger Sweetheart

Seized Here

Girl Held by Police on N. Side

Evelyn Franchetti, one of Dillinger's reputed sweethearts, has been captured on the North Side of Chicago, it was learned by The Chicago American today.

Simultaneously Louis P. Piquett, attorney for the master gangster, who walked out of the Crown Point, Ind., jail, was trying to find out where she was held, in order to seek a writ of habeas corpus for her.

In substantiation to the story of the capture Mr. Piquett admitted that while he was in Washington yesterday a call came to his office asking him to represent the girl in her latest dilemma. The caller was a girl who said she was Evelyn's sister. She asked Mr. Piquett to represent her sister and said she would phone him again today.

Melvin H. Purvis, head of the bureau of investigation of the Department of Justice, however, denied today that Dillinger's "girl friend" was in custody.

The girl was also known as Ann Martin. She has been reported seen with Dillinger many times since his escape when government operatives were close on the trail.

Evelyn has relatives both in Chicago and Milwaukee. At one time a car used by Dillinger was purchased by her and found abandoned in Wisconsin near the Illinois line.

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DILLINGER GIVEN WARM WELCOME IN HOME TOWN

Suspected in Pana Bank Robbery.

Mooresville, Ind., April 19.—[Special.]—John Dillinger, America's most notorious outlaw of the present day, hunted though he may be by police everywhere else, still is a welcome visitor in his old home town.

This disclosure was made today after it was reported Dillinger led a gang of three aids into the First National bank of Pana, Ill., at 2 p. m. and, after terrorizing bank employes, fled with \$27,629.

Later investigation cast doubt on the theory that the bank raid was conducted by Dillinger's gang. Dispatches from Pana said that employes of the bank could not identify photographs of the Mooresville boy. It appeared to be established, however, that the leader of the robbers dragged one of his legs as he walked and gun wipers who saw the start of the gang's flight from the bank averred that the limping man resembled pictures he had seen of Dillinger.

Pays Visit to Father.

It has been established that Dillinger was shot March 31 in St. Paul, Minn., while fleeing a trap set for him by federal agents. Mooresville knows that he has since been here, dragging the injured leg and paying

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The great in the morning...
The paper, in charge of John...
states that he was given...
sentence when he was first...
of robbing a grocery. Now...
had many signatures from...
of Indianapolis as well as...
Al G. Feeney, state safety...
was solemnly critical of the...
Mooresville for their failure...
the presence among them...
hunted fugitive. Although...
he was at the elder Dillinger's...
"It is unusual," he said...
community to withhold such...
information for days and then...
to let it reach the newspapers...
in a way that disparages...
the police. I simply can't...
understand it."

Leach Knows the Law!

Matt Leach, captain of the...
police, asserted that he had...
no intention of questioning...
old John.

"What good would it do?"...
he demanded. "Dillinger's...
been and gone, and under...
the law the old man has a...
right to protect his son."

All the criticizing wasn't...
done by the authorities, however...
Old John had a word or two...
of unfavorable comment for...
Sheriff Lillian Holley of...
Lancaster county, from whose...
jail at Crown Point the son...
fled on March 2.

"The sheriff made it too...
easy for John," he declared...
"He didn't have to spend...
a lot of money to get out...
of there with his little wooden...
gun."

Robbery Calm and Leisurely.

The Pana robbery was staged...
in a leisurely manner. The...
four robbers, arriving in...
the town shortly after...
sunup, breakfasted in a...
restaurant and then in a...
leisurely manner drove...
over to the bank. While one...
man stayed in the car, the...
limping leader and the other...
pair walked into the bank...
doors.

At the time the janitor...
Godfrey Schmittz, was...
washing windows, taking...
possession of his keys, they...
compelled him to accompany...
them to a rear door, through...
which they entered. Inside...
were only two persons, Assistant...
Cashier W. C. Kerr and Miss...
Kathryn Johnston, a clerk.

Miss Johnston, forced to...
sit on the floor, was guarded...
by one man. Another made...
Kerr open the vaults. The...
third, the man with the limp...
stood at the door. Three girl...
employes, arriving soon...
afterward, were compelled...
to sit in chairs while the...
band covered them with a...
machine gun.

Gather Cash for Half Hour.

In less than a half hour...
the gang had gathered the...
money into two suitcases...
and departed. They drove...
toward Taylorville. It was...
reported.

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Ernest Butterfield, a neighboring jeweler, watched the getaway. One of the robbers, he asserted, looked like the photographs he had seen of Dillinger, the hunted outlaw. The identification was strengthened by the boldness and precision of the robbers and the fact that the leader limped. Dillinger is alleged to have been wounded in escaping a government trap at St. Paul. Accurate descriptions of the robbers, however, were not obtained.

'Free Pierpont and Makley,' Is Threat to Governor White

COLUMBUS, O., April 19.—(AP)—A threat on the life of Governor George White apparently emanating from Dillinger gangsters is under investigation of postal authorities, the governor revealed today.

The threat was made in a letter mailed in Chicago and signed by "friends of Harry Pierpont and Charles Makley, Dillinger gangsters under sentence of death in the electric chair for slaying Sheriff Jess Barber at Lima.

Governor White disclosed the letter said that if he did not pardon "Harry and Charley" before the execution date, July 18, he would not live out his term in office. The governor said:

"I turned the letter over to Postmaster Nate McCoy of Columbus and he submitted it to postal inspectors."

The letter was received a week ago Tuesday. It was written on the stationery of a St. Louis hotel.

WOMEN IN BAND RAID

EDWARDSVILLE, Kan., April 19.—(By International News Service).—The Edwardsville State Bank was looted of all its cash—\$1,480—today by two heavily armed men and a woman who shielded their escape by kidnaping K. H. Veatch, vice president of the bank, and Arthur Knight, a bystander.

Veatch and Knight later were released near Bonner Springs, Kan.

Veatch discounted reports that the bandits were Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker and Ray Hamilton, widely sought southwest desperadoes.

TRAILED BY INDIAN.

Morris claimed he had done. Morris was arrested with William Woodrow, 35, in Gallup, New Mexico, for the holdup of a hotel bridge game in Pasadena and the theft of \$120 from the four players. The pair broke jail, but were recaptured several days later when an Indian guide trailed them to a desolate hide-out in the nearby hills.

Extradited, Morris made his startling confessions of murder last Saturday, but was doubted until police found the gun in the shop where he said it had been pawned.

According to a letter sent to the Chicago detective bureau by Chief of Police Charles Kelley of Pasadena, Morris said he had taken part in the slaying of Policeman Miles Cunningham and the daring loop mail robbery which led up to the killing on September 22 last; beside the murder of the watchman and that of a constable in Fairfield, Ia.

WATCHMAN SLAIN HERE.

The watchman was an employe of the Sterling Watch Service, who was beaten to death at Division and Wells st. last January. The numbers of his revolver, which was stolen by the thugs, corresponded to that recovered through Morris' admissions.

With the revolver Morris said he and Woodrow had robbed a druggist at Sedgwick and Sullivan sts.

Afterward, he said, both he and

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ADMITS SLAYINGS

Recognize Bandit Chief

SUSPECT OUTLAW FUGITIVE
LED PANA ROBBERY; LOOP
MAIL HOLDUP CONFESSED

Bandits Flee With \$27,000 Bank Loot | **Tells Killings Here to Pasadena Police**

PANA, Ill., April 19.—(AP) —Four bandits whose limping leader bore a resemblance to John Dillinger raided the Pana National Bank today of \$27,629. Flourishing pistols, the quartet invaded the bank nearly an hour before it opened for business, slugged the janitor, forced the employes to open the vault and fled with the fortune in cash and securities.

Jack Morris, 30, was held by Pasadena, Cal., police today after he had confessed to taking part in three murders in the Middle West as a member of the John Dillinger gang of outlaws. A portion of the confession was corroborated by Chicago authorities who traced one of the guns he had pawned and found it had been

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KILLINGS BARED BY TRACED GUN

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Woodrow had joined forces with the Dillinger crowd and Woodrow had driven the car for a machine-gun crew headed by John Hamilton, Dillinger's right-hand aid.

The mail robbery in which Morris involved himself on Jackson Blvd. and two sacks of registered mail were taken from four Federal Reserve Bank guards, who had just emerged from the postoffice.

Morris said he had driven the car in which the bandits escaped. The wild drive ended at Adams and Halsted sts. when the car crashed into another automobile. Cornered by Policeman Cunningham and another officer, the thugs shot their way to freedom, leaving Cunningham fatally wounded. Their abandoned car was found to have been armor plated and equipped with a smoke screen device.

Fleeing from Chicago, Morris said he and Woodrow had been questioned by the Fairfield constable and killed him when he attempted to arrest them.

The Chicago authorities requested that Pasadena investigators grill both prisoners more thoroughly on their stories and if they deemed it advisable that a Chicago police representative be dispatched to aid in the grilling.

DILLINGER VISITS FAMILY.

MOORESVILLE, Ind., April 19.—His hair dyed red as the only disguise, John Dillinger boldly attended a family reunion at the ancestral home here the week-end of April 7 and 8, it was admitted today by the desperado's father, John W. Dillinger.

While the fugitive killer and bank robber enjoyed his two-day visit with relatives armed posses were searching central Indiana for him. Authorities were confident he was not far away after Dillinger's automobile, purchased at St. Paul, Minn., a few days before, was wrecked twelve miles from Noblesville, Ind.

PAID "PAYOFF" CHARGED.

INDIANAPOLIS, April 19.—(By International News Service.)—John Dillinger made a "large payoff" to gain his freedom from the Lake County jail at Crown Point, Ind., it was asserted today by Edward Barco, deputy attorney general.

Barco is investigating the desperado's escape from the jail March 3 with the aid of a wooden pistol Dillinger had whittled out in his cell.

FOUR ROBBERS FORCE WORKERS TO OPEN VAULT

Rumors That Dillinger Was
Leader in Raid Not
Confirmed.

ESCAPE IN AN AUTO

Pana, Ill., April 19.—(AP)—A quartet of polite robbers held up the Pana National Bank before it opened for business this morning and escaped with \$27,629.04 in cash and securities.

Armed with pistols, the men forced bank employes to open the vault almost an hour before the bank was scheduled to open its doors at 9 a. m.

Rumors at once flooded this Christian county city that the leader of the gang was John Dillinger, the nation's most hunted fugitive whose name has been connected with many bank robberies since he escaped from an Indiana jail two months ago.

Definite descriptions were not obtained, however, and there apparently was no evidence to connect Dillinger with the man who ate breakfast at a near-by cafe before going to the bank.

Ernest Buttefield, a jeweler who watched the getaway, said he thought the leader, who limped, resembled Dillinger's photographs.

Last week the Warsaw (Ind.) police arsenal was despoiled of its choicest stock of rifles and pistols by a pair of desperadoes, and a night policeman said Dillinger was one of them.

The latest rumor of Dillinger's exploits was a bank robbery at Shreveport, La., yesterday, in which it was thought by Shreveport police that he participated.

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DOCTOR, NURSE; CONFESS AIDING FLEEING KILLER

Desperado Wounded as
He Fought Police and
U. S. Agents.

HUNT HIM ON BORDER

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St. Paul, Minn., April 18.—(UP)
—John Dillinger, elusive Indiana outlaw, escaped from a St. Paul apartment three weeks ago with a policeman's bullet in his body, it was disclosed today with apprehension of a Minneapolis physician who dressed the wound and a nurse who assisted.

After fleeing to Indiana, where he raided the Warsaw (Ind.) police station last Friday for bullet-proof vests, Dillinger is believed to have doubled back on his trail and is being sought along the Canadian border.

Dillinger's injury, suffered in a gun battle with a St. Paul policeman and a federal agent, was disclosed in a confession which department of justice investigators said they had obtained from the physician and the nurse.

Searched Records for Clue.

A search through the records of all hospitals and physicians in the twin cities preceded the discovery of the clues that resulted in the apprehension of the couple and their "confession."

Charges of conspiring to harbor a fugitive were filed against the pair in a complaint, naming them as Dr. Clayton E. May and Mrs. Gurniath Ladelle, both of Minneapolis.

They were arraigned before United States Commissioner W. J. Goddard today and held in bonds of \$25,000 each. The case will be given to a federal grand jury, which convenes here next Tuesday.

Dillinger was wounded March 31, when he machine-gunned his way out of an apartment where he and two other persons had been surprised by a federal agent and a police officer in the course of a routine investigation.

Sergt. Harry Cummings, veteran detective, is believed to have fired the shot that winged the fleeing desperado as the federal agent, R. R. Nalls, fought a gun battle with Eugene Green, St. Paul ex-convict, in another part of the building.

Red Head Starts Auto.

The third person routed out of the apartment was a mysterious red-haired woman, who ran out of the building with Dillinger and started the automobile in which the trio escaped.

The automobile was taken from a garage several doors away and the wheel was turned over to Dillinger despite his wound.

In the snow at a spot where Dillinger waited for the woman to back up the machine bloodstains from his wound were found.

Three days later Green was cornered in the Negro section of St. Paul and wounded five times when he made a threatening gesture toward federal agents. He died in a hospital eight days later.

Border Police on Lookout.

The suspicion that Dillinger is attempting to escape to Canada was

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BARE SHOOTING OF DILLINGER IN TRAP AT ST. PAUL

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disclosed in dispatches from Winnipeg, which said that Manitoba provincial police had been supplied with descriptions of the fugitive and ordered to be on the lookout for him.

This part of the search is concentrated along the Manitoba-Minnesota border.

Provincial police said that they had no fear that Dillinger would attempt a spectacular crime in Canada but believed that if he is coming their way it is solely for the purpose of hiding until the fierceness of the hunt in the United States has relaxed.

BLUNK PLEADS NOT GUILTY TO AIDING DILLINGER FLIGHT

Crown Point, Ind., April 18.—(UP)—Ernest Blunk, fingerprint expert indicted on a charge of aiding the escape of John Dillinger from the county jail here, pleaded not guilty before Special Judge Maurice E. Crites today.

Blunk, indicted with Sam Cahoon, turnkey at the jail, was ordered to trial May 7 after Judge Crites overruled a defense motion to quash the indictment.

The attorney for Blunk asked an early trial and told the court that Criminal Court Judge William J. Murray, who discharged the fingerprint expert after his indictment, had promised to reinstate him if he was cleared of the charge.

Ready to Prove Bribery.

Indianapolis, Ind., April 18.—(UP)—The state virtually is ready to prove that John Dillinger, Indiana's most notorious outlaw, bribed his way out of the Lake county jail March 3, Edward J. Barce, a deputy attorney-general, said today.

"Only one minor link is missing in the chain of evidence to prove that certain jail employes took a large sum of money from Dillinger," he announced.

DILLINGER'S GIRL FRIEND TO BE TAKEN TO ST. PAUL

Evelyn Frechette, John Dillinger's sweetheart, planned to appear before United States Commissioner Edwin K. Walker this afternoon to waive examination on removal proceedings.

This means she will be taken to St. Paul to answer to a federal charge of harboring Dillinger, who faces a federal charge there of transporting a stolen automobile across a state line. Dillinger, the girl and a companion recently escaped a government agents' trap at St. Paul.

LOUISIANA BANK ROBBED; DILLINGER IS SUSPECTED

Shreveport, La., April 18.—(AP)—The Bank of Montgomery, in Grant parish, eighty-five miles south of Shreveport, was robbed by an armed band this morning and the bank president said he believed the gang was led by John Dillinger, notorious outlaw.

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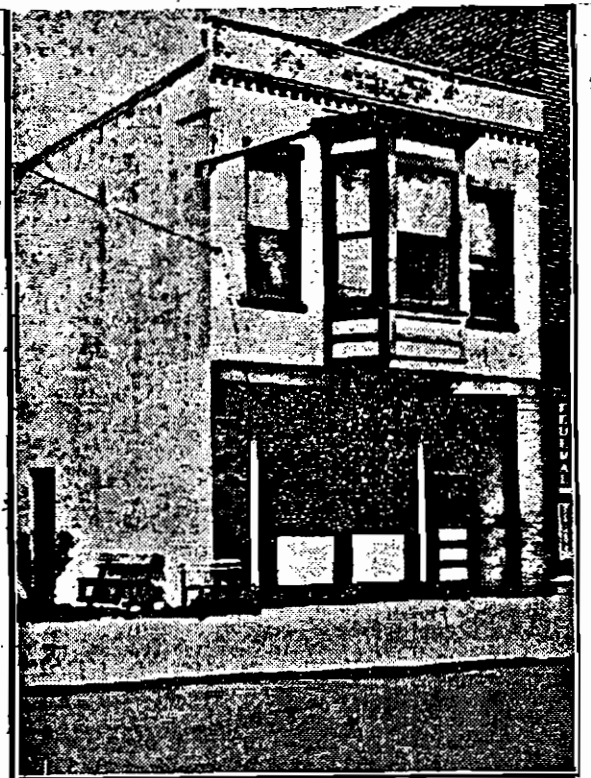


WITH DILLINGER?
 Homer Van Meter, believed
 companion of desperado in
 police station raid.
(Story on page 6.)



[Associated Press Photo.]

INDIANA POLICEMAN SLUGGED BY DILLINGER.
 Jud Pittenger, kidnaped by desperado in Warsaw, Ind., and
 taken to police station, shown pointing to picture of Dillinger
 on display in the station. *(Story on page 6.)*



[Associated Press Photo.]

DILLINGER RAIDS POLICE STATION.
 Combination fire and police headquarters at
 Warsaw, Ind., visited by desperado early
 yesterday. *(Story on page 6.)*

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DILLINGER'S GIRL SENT TO JAIL.
Evelyn Frechetti, friend of gangster, with
federal agent after hearing before United
States commissioner, where bond was set.

Patrol Northern Indiana After Jail Raid by Dillinger

(Pictures on back page.)

Warsaw, Ind., April 18.—[Special.]—America's public enemy No. 1, John Dillinger, who visited Warsaw at 1 o'clock on the morning of Friday the 18th and left his calling card, in the form of a badly battered head on the shoulders of Night Police Officer Judd H. Pittenger, has again disappeared, without leaving a forwarding address.

No trace of Dillinger or his companion, identified by Officer Pittenger as Homer Van Meter, 26, an escaped Indiana convict and a henchman of Dillinger, has been found since the two made their escape in a dark colored sedan. Indiana state police officers, rushed here early today by Capt. Matt Leach, have been busy all day patrolling highways and searching for just the resemblance of a clew to his whereabouts.

Accosted on Street.

Dillinger and the man suspected of being Van Meter, accosted Officer Pittenger as he was making his rounds in the heart of the business section early Friday morning. Both were armed with sub-machine guns.

"We want your vests," Dillinger said quietly as he accosted the policeman. "Where are your keys to the police station?"

Pittenger denied having the keys as he stalled for time, hoping that some one would come to his aid. He seized the gun held by Dillinger and the two wrestled with it for more than a minute. Then Van Meter poked his gun in Pittenger's back and Dillinger was

quoted as saying:

"Don't be a d— fool. We don't want to kill you."

Officer Pittenger said "I don't want to be killed." I have two kids at home."

Struck Four Times.

The two bandits then disarmed Pittenger and struck him three blows over the head and one on the back.

The bandits then marched the officer one block through an alley and half a block along a main street to the jail, concealing their guns under their overcoats and warning him not to make a noise or give a signal.

They followed him up the stairs to the police station which is on the second floor of the city building, over the fire station. Pittenger turned on the light and had an opportunity to compare Dillinger with a large picture of the desperado on the police bulletin board. He was positive of the identification.

After unlocking the door leading to the inner office of the station, Van Meter tore open a glass case on the wall, containing three bullet proof vests. He also picked up a revolver.

Officer Flees Bandits.

As Dillinger, who was standing within the small room, turned his head for an instant, Officer Pittenger slammed the door and ran for the stairs. The bandits followed, but he succeeded in gaining the shelter of an alley, hiding behind a theater building. He saw the two bandits enter a car parked near the station and drive away to the north.

JUDGE SETTLES DISPUTE WITH DILLINGER JURY

Expunges Report on Jail Break from Records.

(Picture on back page.)

A settlement of the controversy between Judge William J. Murray of the Lake county, Ind., Circuit court and six grand jurors who aroused the judge's anger by criticisms contained in their report on the escape of John Dillinger from the Crown Point jail was arrived at yesterday. This settlement seemed to be satisfactory to all concerned.

Judge Murray, who had cited the grand jurors to show cause why they should not be held in contempt, listened to an answer in which the six asserted they had only tried to carry out the court's orders and had no intention of casting personal aspersions upon him. He then expunged the report from the records and ordered the grand jury discharged.

Judge Accepts Answer.

"I am sorry that this has come up, gentlemen," Judge Murray said. "It is not pleasant for the court. I accept the answer. It was unfortunate that you were not better advised."

The grand jurors, in the original report, had sharply criticized the judge for failing to order Dillinger, the most notorious of present day criminals, confined in the Michigan City prison rather than in the Crown Point jail while he was awaiting trial for murder.

Indictments against Ernest Blunk and Sam Cahoon, deputy sheriff and jail turnkey, who were accused of willingly aiding Dillinger in his flight, will stand, it was said. It was indicated that Judge Murray plans no more action against Special Prosecutor Martin J. Smith and Deputy Attorney General Homer Barca, advisers of the grand jury in their investigation.

Arraign Dillinger's Wife

In Chicago the focus of attention in the Dillinger case was the arraignment of Evelyn Frechetti, the post-law's woman companion, before United States Commissioner Edward Walker. A removal warrant for her return to St. Paul was presented, but on motion of the government there was a continuation of the hearing until April 23. Bonds for the woman were set at \$60,000, although a plea that it be made \$200,000 was made by United States Attorney Dwight H. Green.

"This man Dillinger," said Mr. Green, "is the most dangerous criminal in this country. To set bonds of less than \$200,000 in this matter will place the full responsibility for her appearance on the commissioner."

When the demand for such a high bond was first made by Assistant United States Attorney Austin Hall, there was a vigorous protest from Miss Frechetti's attorney, Louis Piquett.

"That's asinine," he shouted.

Orders Attorney to Apologize.

Commissioner Walker reprimanded the attorney and ordered that he apologize to Mr. Hall.

Unusual precautions to keep the woman prisoner from escape were taken. She was accompanied from her cell to the hearing by no less than fifteen guards. So great is the reputation of the missing Dillinger that it was feared he might attempt to rescue her, even from the court building.

It has been established, according to Melvin H. Purvis, chief investigator here for the Department of Justice, that Miss Frechetti was with Dillinger in St. Paul shortly before he shot his way out of a trap set for him there by government men. She is charged with harboring a fugitive.

Government agents yesterday visited a safety deposit box at 2805 North Clark street, said to have been used by Dillinger and Evelyn while they were in Chicago. The key to the box was found in their St. Paul apartment.

TELLS OF LOST CACHE.

She told, after three days of questioning, where she believed a large portion of the Dillinger gang's loot was cached. She said Patricia Cherrington, another girl companion of Dillinger in his flights about the country, had rented the box on March 14.

When the box was opened it yielded only two small diamond rings, a watch and a receipt for the box rent. Evelyn had led her questioners to believe it might contain cash and stolen bonds.

Dillinger Grand Jurors Apologize to Judge.

The Lake County grand jury at Crown Point, Ind., yesterday purged itself of contempt before Judge William J. Murray when the six members filed affidavits that they had not intended to cast reflections upon the court in their report criticizing Judge Murray for making possible the escape of John Dillinger.

In their report the jurors expressed the opinion that Judge Murray erred in advising against the transfer of the outlaw to the Michigan City penitentiary after his return from Arizona.

When Attorney Fred Crumpacker, for the jurors, presented a statement of the jurors' position to the court, Attorneys Joseph Conroy and William F. Hodges, as friends of the court, objected that it was more objectionable than the original report.

After a conference the objectionable passages were deleted and the toned-down statement was accepted by the court as satisfactory. He dismissed the citation for contempt and expunged the original report from the record.

CALLED THE WOMAN



Evelyn Frechette, whose capture last Monday was revealed exclusively by The Chicago American, was named today as the woman who drove the automobile in which John Dillinger and John Hamilton escaped from federal agents in St. Paul. She is shown with Attorney Piquett before United States Commissioner Walker, who continued her case until witnesses arrive from St. Paul. (Chicago American photo.)

DILLINGER BOND FUND BARED AT HEARING

With the arraignment of John Dillinger's sweetheart, Evelyn Frechette, today for aiding his St. Paul Escape, three startling disclosures were made. They were:

- District Attorney Dwight Green has learned the desperado's mob has "unlimited" funds to post for the girl's release.
1. A key to a strong box in the Lincoln Safe Deposit Co. vaults at 2805 N. Clark St. was found in Dillinger's St. Paul apartment.
 2. The government has evidence that Miss Frechette drove the car in the St. Paul escape while Dillinger and John Hamilton sprayed federal agents with machine gun bullets.
 - 3.

The revelation of the huge defense fund was made when Mr. Green appeared before Commissioner Walker, as Miss Frechette was arraigned.

ASKS BIG BOND.

He told the court:

"Our St. Paul investigators have requested that this woman be held in \$200,000 bonds.

"We have learned that the Dillinger mob has already posted \$45,000 in cash with a certain security company to obtain her release.

"We have learned that they have unlimited funds obtained in bank robberies in back of them. Should this defendant be released on bond it is our opinion that she will never reappear.

"I wish to advise the court that should she be released on a lesser bond than \$200,000 the responsibility will be on the court's shoulders."

\$65,000 BOND SET.

After hearing Mr. Green's argument Commissioner Walker set the bond at \$65,000.

Finding of the safe deposit box key sent squads racing to the

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DILLINGER GIRL ARRAIGNED IN COURT

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vaults at Clark st. and Diversey parkway, a neighborhood which for the past few weeks has been under the constant surveillance of federal investigators and local police.

The revelation that the government believes Miss Frechette drove the car in the St. Paul escape was made in an earlier hearing before Commissioner Walker.

HABEAS WRIT BALKED

After making this assertion Assistant District Attorney Austin Hall secured a continuance for ten days, with the provision that Commissioner Walker would set bail in the afternoon.

This move was taken to thwart Miss Frechette's release on a writ of habeas corpus, which was later dismissed when Federal Judge Woodward was informed that she had been arraigned.

Throughout the hearing Miss Frechette, plainly worn by her week in custody, remained silent. Even when asked if her plea were guilty or not guilty, she stood mute.

FINGERPRINTS TAKEN

Afterwards she was taken to the United States marshal's office and fingerprinted. As she was held there guards bearing machine guns guarded all entrances and exits and patrolled the corridors of the Federal Court House.

Habeas corpus proceedings before Federal Judge Woodward were dismissed when the court was informed of Miss Frechette's arraignment.

At the Federal Court it was learned that the safe deposit vault was rented in the name of Patricia Cherrington, who was described as a sweetheart of Dillinger.

It is believed to contain the proceeds of bank robberies at Mason City, Ia., and Sioux Falls, D. S.

GIRL SPECIALLY GUARDED

After the court hearings Miss Frechette was taken to the House of Correction. A special federal guard was detailed to watch her.

She was seized Monday in a loop

DILLINGER IN RAID, ELUDES PURSUERS

Robs Warsaw Police Station of Guns and Vanishes

John Dillinger apparently made a clean getaway from the law again today with all of northern Indiana and the Chicago area thrown into intense excitement as he was reported seen at various places after boldly raiding the police station at Warsaw, Ind., and stealing two revolvers and three bullet-proof vests.

Hurried police squads dashed hither and thither over Indiana highways in search of clues to the elusive desperado's whereabouts and tracing down reports that he was seen in several localities with a man companion, supposedly the same one who accompanied him on the impudently daring Warsaw raid.

FARMER BATTLES POLICE

The Dillinger search resulted directly this afternoon in a brisk gun battle between two squads of deputy sheriffs and highway police and a farmer, Frank Long, who lives near Elma Green, a few miles from Warsaw and who has threatened to kill any police who sought to arrest him on a warrant charging non-support.

The shooting caused considerable excitement until it was learned that Dillinger did not figure in it.

VANISH INTO AIR

But all the mad activity by police was in vain and the apparently hottest clue of all collapsed dimly after brief investigation.

Dillinger and his unidentified companion had apparently vanished into thin air in his customary manner after impudently capturing the night policeman of Warsaw, marching him to the police station on the second floor of the town hall and then coolly looting the police

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arsenal as the officer boldly fled to freedom.

Soon after the Warsaw raid state police, vigilantes and deputy sheriffs spread fan-like over all of northern Indiana, vainly seeking a trace to the desperado's whereabouts.

Union Mills, a small town not far from Laporte, became the focal point for the most intense activity during the morning when a woman reported she saw Dillinger boldly kidnap a man on the street there. Sheriff Alfred Norris and Deputy Sheriff Taylor Ray raced to Union Mills from the county seat, Laporte, and questioned the woman, Mrs. R. C. Wheeler, wife of a filling station owner.

She told of a carload of men, one of whom she described as resembling Dillinger, entering Union Mills and seizing a man, forcing him into their car. Then, she said, all sped away toward Chicago.

The alarm was flashed to the police of surrounding towns and Chicago police ordered a strict watch kept upon highways entering the city from the south.

Then the Union Mills angle collapsed when it was discovered that the "kidnaping" actually was the arrest by a Hammond police squad of Sam Cammine, charged in a warrant with robbery. "Dillinger" turned out to be one of the policemen.

Meanwhile the search in the territory around Warsaw was carried on vigorously by thirty deputies and state police under Sheriff Harley Person, Lieut. Ralph Liggett of the state force, and Chief Frank Lucas of Warsaw.

Acting on a "tip" that Dillinger contacted a friend last night in Warsaw, a detail of police was stationed to watch an undisclosed summer resort locality where the friend supposedly rented a cottage or Dillinger to use as a hideaway. Sheriff Person left a heavy guard around the courthouse, where are stored machine guns and heavy rifles, in the fear the Dillingers might return for another arsenal raid. Chief Lucas refused to believe the fugitives were more than twenty-five miles from Warsaw.

HITS POLICE CAR.

The shooting affray involving Long occurred, police said, when one of their cars started to pass his on a lonely road near Etna Green, Ind., seeing the police uniforms, fired a bullet from a pistol which whizzed through the squad car. The police squad sped ahead of Long out of sight, then turned round and started back.

Long, seeing the car again and apparently thinking that his arrest was sought, fired several more shots, two of which struck the bullet-proof windshield of the squad car and another shattering a headlight. Then he swiftly turned round and started to flee, with the squad car in hot pursuit.

The police, convinced they were chasing a Dillinger gangster or some other desperate criminal, peppered the back of Long's car and at one more shot in return, the bullet piercing the cowling and popping harmlessly to the floor.

AVES EMPTY PISTOL.

Long finally stopped by the side of the road and stood on the run-

ting environ- a which to perpetrate one of those brazenly impudent master strokes that have made him the most feared man in America.

Down in Warsaw, a placid Kosciusko County seat of 6,000 inhabitants, Dillinger—positively identified through police photographs—and a man companion raided the police station in the Town Hall.

The companion of Dillinger was partially identified by photographs as Homer Van Meter, 37, of Fort Wayne, Ind., who served time in the Michigan City prison for a bank robbery at Hometown, Ind., and was paroled last May on the same day that Dillinger was paroled. The men became close pals in prison.

DESTINATION A PUZZLE.

Policeman Judd Pittenger, who had been kidnaped and later broke away from the desperadoes, was the hero of the hour. In the excitement of his recital it developed that a second car, carrying two or three men, had been parked near Dillinger's machine and had followed the leader in a scorching exit from Warsaw.

The cars headed north out of the county seat, but there was a suspicion they might have back-tracked and were heading southward for Dillinger's home town in Mooresville, Morgan County.

Hours later, the two-car cavalcade had not been sighted by any of the state and county squads who were patrolling every highway. Meanwhile, back in Warsaw, Policeman Pittenger was holding the citizenry breathless as he recounted his night's experience as follows:

"I was patrolling my beat and was standing on Buffalo st. at an alley near Center st. (the town's main thoroughfare) when two men approached.

"I didn't know it then, but I learned later the men had been eyeing me for a half hour. Both carried machine guns, and as they approached from the rear I had no chance to draw my revolver.

"The smaller man came up to me, shoved his machine gun at me, and I recognized him at once as Dillinger. I grabbed the gun and deflected it. Then the other, larger man pressed his machine gun against my back. Dillinger said, quietly enough:

"Now, you don't want to die."

"I answered:

"No, I don't. I've got a wife and two kids."

"The outlaw said, persuasively:

"Alright, then let go that gun."

"I said:

"Let's go that gun."

Pittenger saw the futility of resisting, he said, and complied. The pair marched him through the alley a block and a half to the Town Hall on Center st., on the second floor of which is the police station.

En route, the officer said, Dillinger remarked:

"You're the peculiardest damned fool I ever saw."

Pittenger answered:

"I'm not scared of you or anybody else."

This bit of braggadocio let Pittenger in for a severe beating. The big man swung his machine gun effectively on the prisoner's head, Dillinger did likewise, and a third blow struck him in the back. Pittenger bore cuts and bruises as evidence of the beating.



Kidnaped and slugged by John Dillinger and Dillinger's companion during the outlaw's daredevil raid on the police station at Warsaw, Ind., Policeman Judd Pittenger exhibits his battered head to his chief, Frank Lucas. Their arsenal augmented by two guns and three bullet-proof vests, Dillinger and his pal streaked away. They were sighted later south of LaPorte, Chicago bound. (Chicago American photo.)

DILLINGER JURY REPORT ERASED

CROWN POINT, Ind., April 11.

(AP)—The grand jury investigation of John Dillinger's toy pistol fall-break was wiped off the Criminal Court books today by Judge William J. Murray after a two-hour conference in chambers with the jurors he had accused of contemptuous action toward him.

Judge Murray expunged the entire grand jury investigation of the Dillinger escape, having held the jury report was contemptuous.

The contempt citation was dismissed after the six men disavowed any intention of basing aspersions on the courts.

The grand jurors had criticized the judge for failing to order Dillinger's transfer to the state prison for safekeeping pending trial.

Indiana Policeman Rights Dillinger; Outlaw Raids Jail, Stocks Up on Guns

Hunt Dillinger's Cash

John Dillinger's money caches was hunted this afternoon in a raid on the Lincoln safety deposit vaults at 2805 North Clark street. The clew to Dillinger's safety box, where he is believed to have his "fall money," maybe many thousands, came out of the recent raid in St. Paul when Dillinger, a male confederate and a woman companion escaped. The box key was found in the apartment there.

While the raid was in progress United States District Attorney Dwight H. Green charged before United States Commissioner Edwin K. Walker that Dillinger had posted \$45,000 with a surety company here. The charge was made on a plea that a bond of \$200,000 be fixed for Evelyn Frechetti, charged with aiding and abetting Dillinger's escape. The commissioner, after a lengthy argument, set the woman's bond at \$80,000. Hearing on her removal to St. Paul has been set for April 23.

John Dillinger, who is regarded as the most desperate outlaw in America, today met a policeman who had the courage to try to take his machine gun away from him and who lives to tell the tale.

The hero is Judd Pittinger, who, recognizing Dillinger after being cracked in the head, wrestled with the ace desperado at Warsaw, Ind. Chief of Police Frank Lucas of Warsaw today told, with a degree of understandable pride, how Pittinger fought with the Hoosier wood carver.

Accosted in Alley.

Pittinger was accosted by Dillinger and Howard Van Meter, paroled Indiana convict, in an alley. He said he recognized the notorious outlaw immediately. After they knocked him in the head, he said, they forced him to take them to police headquarters. But not until after he had struggled with Dillinger for his machine gun. Van Meter frustrated him.

"Don't be a fool," he quoted Van

Meter as telling him, "this is John Dillinger."

"I know it is," Pittinger replied. "I've got a wife and kids."

"That's why you're still alive," Dillinger said harshly and ordered him to police headquarters, where the arsenal was taken.

Pittinger slammed the door on them there and later said that if the door had been equipped with a lock they would be there yet. Dillinger and Van Meter took three bullet-proof vests, two revolvers and fled.

Meanwhile Indiana again has taken up the search for Dillinger.

Flurry Over Another Chase.

There was a flurry of excitement through northern Indiana when squads of Hammond police dashed over to Union Mills and arrested a man named Camini, charged with robbery and murder. The report became widespread that Dillinger

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Indiana Policeman Battles Dillinger; Outlaw Raids Jail

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was the object of the hunt. When the mixup was straightened out the business of chasing Dillinger was revived.

Pittinger later identified a photograph of Homer Van Meter, Indiana paroled convict, as the man who accompanied Dillinger. Earlier it had been thought that John Hamilton, murderer and bank robber, was along with the desperado.

Pittinger was slugged by Dillinger. He said Dillinger made no comment in the police station when he observed five photographs of himself.

Slugged in Alley.

Pittinger said the two men accosted him in an alley a block away from the police station, and that one struck him over the head. Then they forced him into their car and drove to the police quarters located on the second floor of the fire department.

There, he reported, the two men looted the armament case, and while they were doing it Pittinger fled. The two raiders chased after him, and they had a scuffle on the stairway, awakening Paul Hodges, city fireman. He saw Dillinger and his companion leave.

Last night's raid was the third of its kind attributed to Dillinger and his mob. Last Oct. 14, two days after the gang had released the desperado from the Lima (O.) jail after killing Sheriff Jesse Sarber,

three men held up the police station at Auburn, Ind., and fled with all the armament in the place. A week later a similar raid occurred at Peru, Ind.

ST. PAUL OFFICIALS LAY

MORE CRIMES TO DILLINGER

St. Paul, Minn., April 13.—(AP) A long list of killings, kidnapings and robberies was attributed by authorities today to John Dillinger and his gang.

Officers revealed names of other notorious criminals they believed to be associated with Dillinger. They include Harry Campbell, Alvin Karpis, Fred and "Doc" Barker, all of Tulsa, Okla.; Tommy Carroll, Homer Van Meter, alias Wayne, Chicago, and George ("Baby Face") Nelson, Chicago, as well as Dillinger's chief lieutenant, John Hamilton.

JUDGE PURGES JURY CITED

FOR DILLINGER CRITICISM

Crown Point, Ind., April 13.—(AP) Judge William J. Murray today purged of contempt the six grand jurors who criticized him in their report on John Dillinger's break from the Crown Point jail.

The contempt citation was dismissed by Judge Murray after the six men had filed an answer in which they disavowed any intention of casting aspersions on the court.

The grand jurors had criticized the judge for failing to order Dillinger's transfer to the state prison for safekeeping pending trial on a charge of slaying Patrick O'Malley, East Chicago policeman.

DILLINGER PAT DIES; QUIZ GIRL!

Eugene Green, first of the Dillinger mob to be felled by bullets of federal officers, died in a St. Paul (Minn.) hospital yesterday as Department of Justice agents in Chicago questioned Evelyn Freschetti, reputed sweetheart of the outlaw.

Green was shot in a trap three days after Dillinger had fled from a St. Paul hideout with his assistance.

After critically wounding Green, agents seized his wife, who is still being held in the Minnesota city on a charge of conspiring to harbor a fugitive.

Long sought for aiding Dillinger in his escape from the county jail at Crown Point, Ind., Miss Freschetti was arrested Monday night in a restaurant at Austin av. and State st. She has been held by police since then and has been questioned several times by Department of Justice agents.

She has been identified as the woman who, posing as Dillinger's wife, visited him at Crown Point shortly before he brazened his way out with a wooden revolver.

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Crime Pays—For a While

By T. E. Power

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WE HAVE PLENTY OF CRIMINALS AT HOME

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

DILLINGER

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DILLINGER ESCAPES CITIZENS HIDE IN DUG-OUTS-PANIC REIGNS FROM LONDON PRESS

DILLINGER'S AUTO IS TRACED TO WOMAN BUYER IN INDIANAPOLIS

Indianapolis, Ind., April 10.—[Special.]—Ann Martin, alias Martini, the French-Indian woman who was captured with John Dillinger when he and three other members of his gang were caught at Tucson, Ariz., in January, bought an automobile for Dillinger here last Saturday, it was asserted tonight.

Carrying a purse crammed with \$10 bills, the woman paid cash for an automobile at a downtown salesroom, but when a check was made on the address she gave it was found to be the home of one of Dillinger's nephews, Fred Hancock, who disclaimed any knowledge of the gangster's whereabouts.

The same car was reported seen in Pittsburgh Monday, driven by Dillinger, whose hair, it was said, had been dyed red. With him, according to reports, was John Hamilton, his gunman companion, whose hand was described as being mutilated. Hamilton was wounded in the holdup of the East Chicago bank raid in which Patrolman William O'Malley was slain, it is charged by Dillinger.

The desperado and a companion fled from an automobile which was wrecked near Noblesville early Saturday, it is believed here. In this car a machine gun and a card bearing the name of a St. Paul, Minn., firm were found, adding strength to the belief Dillinger had driven south after he escaped from Minneapolis authorities.

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DILLINGER JURY FACES CONTEMPT CITATION TODAY

State's Attorney Robert G. Estill of Lake county, Ind., who was preparing to prosecute John Dillinger for murder when the desperado escaped from the Crown Point jail, said yesterday he was undecided what stand he would take in the proceedings today when six grand jurors are to appear to face a citation for contempt of court.

Prosecution of the contempt charge comes under the statutory duties of his office, Mr. Estill explained, but he added that he could delegate an assistant to appear for him inasmuch as he was one of the Lake county officials whose conduct in the Dillinger case was investigated by the jury.

Objects to Language.

The jurors were cited by Circuit Judge William J. Murray because of "scandalous and contemptuous" language in the report today made on Dillinger's jail break. The court took exception to the part of the report which criticized him for not having ordered the transfer of Dillinger to the state penitentiary at Michigan City. Judge Murray holds that the transfer could not legally have been made unless Dillinger's life was in danger.

It was reported in Indiana yesterday that the judge believes the jurors were "unduly influenced." He will seek to determine, it was said, what means were taken to influence them. The jury report declared that State's Attorney Estill was in no way to blame for the escape.

Creatures of the Court.

It was explained that under the Indiana law the grand jurors are "creatures of the court" and answerable to the judge for all their actions and the language of their report. Although grand jury reports have been frequent in Indiana, it was said there is no precedent for citing an entire jury for contempt.

Philip Lutz Jr., attorney general of Indiana, has ruled that the jurors were within their rights in making any findings they saw fit. His deputy, Edward J. Larce, is expected to appear today to defend the jurors.

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JUDGE CITES DILLINGER JURY FOR 'CONTEMPT'

Action Looked Upon as Touching Off Political Blast Fuse; Court Charges 'Defamation'

Angered by the grand jury report which held him partly to blame for John Dillinger's escape from the Crown Point jail, Criminal Court Judge Murray of Lake County, Indiana, launched contempt of court action against the six jurors yesterday.

His action is looked upon as touching off the fuse of a big political explosion, because the disciplinary steps against the jurors are believed to be but a prelude to punitive measures against Prosecutor Robert G. Estill and his associates.

Estill has already said he would defend the jurors against any consequences of their activities and he is expected to appear with them when they go before Judge Murray on Monday.

JUDGE HUNTS 'INFLUENCE'

The judge has indicated his determination to learn whether the jury's findings were influenced by Estill, former Judge Martin J. Smith, the special deputy prosecutor, and Assistant Attorney General Edward Barce. If he finds evidence of such influence, he has hinted, he will also cite these three for contempt.

In requiring the jurors to show cause why they should not be held in contempt, Judge Murray described their report of April 3 as "destructive of the respect to courts of justice" and "in defamation of the judge of this court."

"Scandalous and contemptuous" was the judge's description of the report, which criticized him for failing to transfer Dillinger from the jail to the state penitentiary at Michigan City.

DEFENDS HIS COURSE.

Defending his course, the judge said he lacked authority to transfer Dillinger unless it were shown the jail was unsafe or that the prisoner was in danger of mob violence.

In defending the jurors, Estill is expected to refer to Judge Murray's instructions to them to make a full and frank report, "because I, myself, have been criticized"; and to "name the party or parties responsible for said jail break, whether they are criminally responsible or not."

The jurors cited are James Purdy, foreman; Charles Sutton, John Tangerman, Joshua Tyler, Walter A. Powell and Fred Niemeyer.

SEIZE 5; NO DILLINGER!

VICTORVILLE, Cal., April 6.—(AP)—A flurry of excitement over the reported presence in southern California of the fugitive John Dillinger ended tonight with the detention here of five men in a green sedan with a Georgia license.

Deputy Sheriff R. Stanly Snodgrass declared none of the five was the wanted man.

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DILLINGER JURY FOR 'CONTEMPT'

Murray Charges Inquiry Defamed Him.

Contempt proceedings were started by Judge William J. Murray of the Lake County [Ind.] Criminal court yesterday against the entire county grand jury which investigated the escape of John Dillinger from the jail at Crown Point on March 3, and laid a portion of the blame at Judge Murray's door.

Declaring that the grand jury report was in "scandalous and contemptuous language," the judge ordered the six jurors to appear before him on Monday at 9 a. m., and show cause why they should not be held in direct contempt.

Indiana law provides a penalty for direct contempt of not more than six months in jail, or a fine of not more than \$500, or both. Appeal is to the State Supreme court.

Hint Action Against Estill.

There was no confirmation of earlier reports that Prosecutor Robert G. Estill, and former Judge Martin J. Smith, who aided Estill as a special prosecutor in directing the jury's work, would be the targets of similar action, after the jurors' case was heard.

The jurors, who made their report last Tuesday, are: Donald Purday, a farmer of Hobart, Ind., the foreman; Joshua Tyler, a farmer of Shelby; John Langerman, a medical supply salesman of Hammond; Charles Sutt of Gary, a plumber; Walter Powell of Hobart, a mechanical engineer, and Fred Niemeyer, a farmer of Crown Point.

"The report," said Judge Murray, in issuing his order, "is worded in language not contemplated in law. It is lacking in the respect due courts of justice, and judicial officers, and is particularly disrespectful to this particular court and its present judge.

"It is in defamation of the judge, and contains languages which scandalize the court."

Cites Transfer Criticism.

The judge cited the passage in the report which criticized him for not issuing an order for the transfer of Dillinger from the county jail at Crown Point to the Indiana state penitentiary at Michigan City, as suggested by Prosecutor Estill.

The court had no authority to order such a transfer, Judge Murray said, unless Dillinger's life were endangered by mob violence. The jury, in the report, had said that the judge "could, and should have ordered the transfer."

The judge, discussing the passage in the report which exonerated Ma Estill and Sheriff Lillian Holley, seemed to believe that, by inference, the report of the jury had placed a stigma upon him.

Provoked by Criticism.

Other passages provoking the judge's ire were those criticizing Ralph Pierce, Judge Murray's bailiff, for not making a proper search of Dillinger and his quarters in the jail, and the conclusion of the report that it was "important that citizens hereafter look into the qualifications of all candidates for office."

This, the judge ruled, was also contemptuous. In explaining why he had waited until yesterday to start the contempt proceedings, Judge Murray

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**FIND DILLINGER
CAR IN GARAGE IN
MANKATO, MINN.**

St. Paul, Minn., April 8.—(P)—The green automobile in which John Dillinger, outlaw, fled from St. Paul March 31 with another man and a woman, has been found in a garage at Mankato, Minn., it became known here tonight.

The car, it was learned, was brought to the garage by a man said by authorities to have been Tommy Carroll, pal of Dillinger. It had been left with instructions for repainting the wheels, changing hub caps, the name of the car filed off, and the body refinished.

The federal government got a trace of the automobile last week, and since Friday had maintained a guard at the building. The guard was reported to have been withdrawn tonight.

Dillinger and his companions escaped from a St. Paul apartment after a machine gun fight with federal agents. Dillinger was reported to have been wounded in the leg.

Authorities learned Carroll had purchased a light car from a dealer at Mankato. He is believed to have escaped in the new machine.

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PLAN WRIT TO FIND GIRL OF DILLINGER

The question of whether ~~agents~~ agents are holding Evelyn Franchette, reputed sweetheart of John ("Toy Gun") Dillinger, following the mysterious seizure of a man and a woman in the State-Austin Inn, 416 N. State st., Monday night, was expected to be answered today.

Attorney Paul Pomeroy announced that he would go into federal court during the day and file a petition for a writ of habeas corpus, citing U. S. District Attorney Green, U. S. Marshal Laubenheimer, Melvin Purvis, head of the bureau of investigation of the Department of Justice, and Sheriff Meyering to produce the woman and show cause why she should not be freed.

Purvis, notified of the attorney's plan, and questioned concerning the reported seizure, declined to comment.

POLICE BEGIN PROBE.

At the same time Capt. Andrew Barry of Chicago av. station launched an investigation into circumstances surrounding the seizure.

Capt. Barry said that neighbors told of seeing seven or eight carloads of armed men congregate about the tavern Monday night.

John Skeffington, bartender, and Leo ("The Lion") Bonola, part owner of the place, told that two men entered the tavern with drawn pistols about 11 o'clock Monday night, exhibited government badges, and seized a woman and a man who were drinking at the bar.

HOOVER AID JOINS HUNT.

ST. PAUL, April 12.—(AP)—The federal government's hunt for John Dillinger appeared today to be nearing a period of fresh activity.

Considered significant was the arrival here of Harold Nathan, first assistant to J. Edgar Hoover, head of the Department of Justice.

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Melvin H. Purvis
Evelyn Frechetti, girl friend of John Dillinger, with man whose name is not known. The woman is in the custody of U. S. agents.

DILLINGER'S GIRL FRIEND HELD ON FEDERAL CHARGE

Warrant Discloses Capture in Chicago Cafe.

Federal authorities in Chicago yesterday obtained from United States Commissioner Edwin K. Walker a warrant on which they intend to remove Evelyn Frechetti, alias Anne Martin, woman companion of the notorious outlaw, John Dillinger, to St. Paul. She has already been charged in the Minnesota city with harboring a fugitive.

An application for a writ of habeas corpus, filed in Evelyn's behalf by Attorney Louis Piquett yesterday, will be heard by Federal Judge Charles E. Woodward this morning. It is expected, in view of the fact that the formal charge has been placed against her, that the writ will be denied.

Woman in Custody Here.

Melvin H. Purvis, chief of the in-

vestigating forces of the department of justice in this area, admitted yesterday that his men had had the gangster's woman friend in custody for several days. She was seized in a cafe at 416 North State street and a man with her also was taken into custody. His identity was not disclosed, but Mr. Purvis said he was not John Hamilton, one of Dillinger's chief lieutenants who is still at large.

From St. Paul came dispatches stating that fingerprints of Evelyn, sent there by the Chicago investigators, had been compared with those found in a house outside which Dillinger gangsters and agents battled on March 21, and were identical.

From Eugene Green, who was fatally injured in this battle, and from other sources it was learned that Dillinger was one of the two men who escaped the trap and that Evelyn was the woman who accompanied him. The second man who fled, it was asserted, was Hamilton.

Link Gang to Bremer Kidnaping.

The St. Paul investigators also averred that the Dillinger-Green-Hamilton gang had been responsible for a number of crimes in the northwest and the central west in the last eighteen months, including the kidnaping Jan. 22 of Edward G. Bremer of St. Paul. Dillinger is not believed to have been directly involved in this crime, however. He is, however, believed to have led raids on banks in Sioux Falls, S. D., on March 6 and in Mason City, Ia., on March 13. The combined

loot in these stickups was more than \$100,000.

Evelyn Frechetti has played throughout the last year or more prominent part in the affairs of the fugitive Dillinger. She accompanied him to Arizona, where he was captured on Jan. 20. Previously she had lived with him in a Chicago apartment.

She is also known to have visited Dillinger in the Crown Point jail several days before he waved a wooden gun at his jailers and escaped. The escape occurred on March 2.

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DILLINGER AND AID SLIP OUT OF POLICE NET

South Bend Druggist Tells
of the Two Buying Cigaretts;
Roads Are Combed in Vain

John Dillinger apparently escaped from another trap laid by the police of Indiana and Michigan yesterday.

Dillinger, if it was the desperado, sped by the Niles, Mich., police station early in the morning and disappeared, as state police blocked the roads as far as St. Joseph.

South Bend police were put on the trail when a druggist reported Dillinger and a man believed to be Homer Van Meter stopped in his store at midnight to buy cigarettes. The two left in a black La Salle sedan which a few minutes later was seen by Niles police, traveling north at a high rate of speed.

ASKS ROUNDABOUT WAY.

Previously the desperado had stopped at the home of friends in Elkhart and asked directions for a roundabout route to South Bend. He told the friends, whose names were not revealed, that Van Meter was in the car with him.

Roads for a radius of thirty miles were blocked by police and every car stopped, but no trace was found of Dillinger and his companion.

The hunt for the desperado is directed from three centers in Indianapolis, Chicago and St. Paul. A crew of fifty picked operatives from the Department of Justice has organized a net which they feel confident the elusive criminal cannot escape.

DIRECTED BY NATHAN.

The Dillinger hunt is under the direction of William Nathan, first assistant to Edgar Hoover, head of the federal bureau of investigation.

Edward Barce, deputy attorney general, has returned to Crown Point, where he will continue the investigation of Dillinger's daring escape from the county jail March 3. He indicated he already had information that might lead to further movements in the near future.

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Dillinger was standing near the door. He walked right through them as quiet as you please. He strolled down the street and got into a car not fifty feet away. Then he waited until the agents brought me out of the place and I saw him drive away."

Melvin H. Purvis, head of the department of justice intelligence division in Chicago, joined other officials in denying any possibility of truth in the woman's story.

"I have no comment to make at all on such a ridiculous statement," he said.

in Chicago Several Days.
But Evelyn related that Dillinger had been in Chicago for several days

cial Judge Maurice R. Crites of East Chicago.

Judge Crites set his case for trial on May 7, after overruling a motion to quash the indictment, which was entered by Blunk's attorney, Allen P. Twyman of East Chicago.

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HELD AS GIVING DILLINGER HELP

Bandit's Pay Agent Died in Ambush.

St. Paul, Minn., April 18.—[Special.]—With the disclosure today that John Dillinger, Indiana desperado, had been wounded in his gun battle with police and federal agents here on March 31, a Minneapolis physician and his nurse were taken into government custody. The physician, Dr. Clayton E. May, and the nurse, Mrs. Gurniath La Delle, were charged with conspiracy to harbor a fugitive from justice.

They were arraigned before United States Commissioner W. T. Goddard and pleaded not guilty. Their bonds were set at \$50,000 each and a preliminary hearing was set for May 3.

Bandit Shot in Leg.

Dillinger, still at large, and his sweetheart, Evelyn Frechette, who is now in custody in Chicago on a charge of harboring the gangster from justice, shot their way out of the police trap here. Bloodstains following Dillinger's footsteps indicated he had been wounded in a leg.

Federal authorities said that Dr. May was to have been paid \$500 for treating Dillinger but never received the money. Eugene Green, one of Dillinger's henchmen, was to have taken the money to the physician on April 3, but he was ambushed and fatally wounded by federal operatives as he stopped in St. Paul to get his luggage en route to Minneapolis.

According to department of justice agents, Dr. May and Mrs. La Delle made statements identifying Dillinger as their patient. The seriousness of the gangster's wound was not disclosed. Dr. May failed to make a report of the case, authorities said, although Minnesota law requires the reporting of all cases of gunshot wounds. Dillinger, it was understood, told the physician that the wound was suffered accidentally.

Federal operatives had been hunting for two weeks the physician who treated Dillinger.

Raid's Louisiana Bank.

Shreveport, La., April 18.—[Special.]—Three bandits, one of them believed to be John Dillinger, yesterday held up the Bank of Montgomery in Grant parish, 28 miles south of Shreveport, and escaped with an undetermined amount of loot. The bandits fled in an automobile, driving north toward Shreveport.

L. D. Wardlaw, president of the bank, said the features of the bandit leader tallied with those of Dillinger, whose picture was hanging on a wall of the bank at the time of the robbery. The man carried a machine gun. Wardlaw said while his employees were seated at the counter,

WOMAN'S PUNISHMENT

...before she was seized. She said she had been with him most of the time. The night of the raid, she asserted, Dillinger drove her to the house and they sat at the bar drinking with other guests.

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Asked if she knew that Dillinger had been wounded in escaping from the St. Paul apartment where Mrs. La Delle said.

"I'll not answer that one. I'm in enough trouble as it is. I won't talk because he might read about it in the newspapers."

REVEAL DILLINGER VISITED HIS FATHER'S FARM HOME APRIL 7

Mooreville, Ind., April 18.—(AP)—Hunted throughout the country as leader of an outlaw gang, John Dillinger was revealed today to have spent a few quiet hours at his father's farm home near here the week-end of April 7.

Confirmation came from the father, John W. Dillinger. "I talked with him for some time," the elderly man said, adding, "John isn't in Indiana now."

It was on April 7 that an automobile believed by police to have carried the fugitive desperado was wrecked near Noblesville, and a new one was purchased for cash at Indianapolis. Salesmen said a woman who bought the car resembled Evelyn Frechette, under arrest at Chicago.

Neighbors who saw the younger Dillinger on his week-end visit here reported the color of the fugitive's hair has changed from chestnut to henna.

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Character	WICHITA, JOHN HILLINGER, with aliases			Department	DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Priority	19, 1930; HENRY VAN WAGONER, with aliases			Division	DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Reference	I.O. 1211, et al.			Field Office	CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Owner of Ford coupe, near 541 Cornwell Avenue, Chicago, traced to J. D. Griffin, 1522 Westland Avenue, Minneapolis, which is address of Robert Steinhart, alias "Redco" Duran, well known hoodlum. Robert Griffin interviewed at present Chicago address, 312 Eastwood, which address has been under surveillance. Unable to locate Erico Dutchy Co. Illinois or possible connection between Erico and R. D. Griffin. Erico Griffin, parolee delinquent from Indiana State prison is alleged to be in contact with Hillinger. Survey gotten at Louisville, Kentucky, being conducted to locate Hillinger, but same has proved negative as yet. Hillinger alleged to be at present time.

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Special Agent J. H. Rice, who with Special Agent R. G. Gillespie, had been covering a watch at 841 Cornelia Avenue, telephoned the Chicago Division Office at 7 A.M. April 13, 1934, and stated he had observed a new-appearing black Ford V-8 Sedan parked around the corner from 841 Cornelia Avenue, this car bearing 1934 Minnesota license plates # B95-264. Agent Rice later telephoned at 7:40 A.M. advising he had observed two men and a woman entering this car and drive away; that he was able to get a fairly good look at the men, but from his observations they did not answer to the descriptions of any of the persons in this case.

Upon receipt of the above information, the Chicago Office sent a teletype message to the St. Paul Office furnishing the above information, and requested that a check be made on the license and the Chicago Office advised. Shortly thereafter a teletype was received from Inspector Glegg of the St. Paul Office, advising that the above mentioned license plates were issued to R. D. Batten for a 1933 Ford Coupe, motor #18-480865, the address given being 433 Portland Avenue, but that an investigation revealed that no such address is in St. Paul.

Agent R. G. Gillespie, who was on observation at 841 Cornelia Avenue, observed a maroon colored Ford V-8 Coach bearing Minnesota license plates # B95-264, at about 2 P.M. on 4/13/34, drive up in front of 3411 Rita Street with one man in the car. A few minutes later three men entered this car and put several suitcases therein and drove away. Agent Gillespie followed this car to 819 Eastwood Avenue where the men unloaded the baggage and went into the apartment building. One of the men in this car, appeared to be about 5'8" tall, slightly slender build, with a small mustache, dark hair and slightly turned up nose. The other two men have herein before been described. Agent Gillespie telephoned this information to Special Agent in Charge M. H. Purvis and watched the address until other agents arrived.

At approximately 4 P.M. Special Agent in Charge M. H. Purvis, lead a raiding party consisting of Special Agents Waters, Newman, Mullen, Peterson, Johnson, Van Wagoner, Knittle, Suran, Gillespie, Welles, McLawton, Jamison, Metcalfe, Brown, White, Nichols, Anderson, and Deadrick. After a watch had been maintained until about 6:30 P.M. all agents were taken off with the exception of Agents Waters, White, Brown and Anderson, who were detailed to maintain a watch inside the apartment house at 819 Eastwood Avenue. Agents Knittle, Suran and Peterson were detailed to watch the rear of this apartment house, and Agents Deadrick, Nichols, Welles and

Gillespie were assigned to the front of the apartment house.

While Agents Anderson, White, Brown and Waters were in the apartment a thorough search was made of the apartment and the clothing therein, and information was obtained indicating that the names of the persons residing there were J. C. Hodges, an employee of Dun & Bradstreet, Inc., and Robert D. Battin. At approximately 8:30 P.M. a man, who appeared to be about 35 years of age, entered the apartment and he was questioned by the Agents present. Two additional men waited out in the car outside, and they were brought into the apartment for questioning. It was established that one of the men was Robert D. Battin, an employee of the Seibert Paper Co., 205 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, and the other was J. C. Hodges. The third man was a younger brother of Hodges. Hodges stated that he had rented the apartment the day before, and had planned to move on Saturday, April 14, 1934. Battin had in his possession a registration card for 1934 license tags # 505-264, which showed his address to be 4433 Portland Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota. This address was checked by the St. Paul Office, and it was established that Battin had no apparent connection with the instant investigation.

After the interview with the persons found in this apartment on the first floor, Special Agent in Charge Purvis sent a teletype to Inspector Clegg at the St. Paul Office, setting forth the above information and requesting that a recheck of the license records be made to determine if the car in question was a Coupe or a Coach, and also a recheck on the address given in Minneapolis.

In response to the above message, Special Agent Nicholson, of the St. Paul Office, replied that R. D. Battin's name was listed in the phone book, and that a further check of the license would be made.

On the same evening the Chicago Office received a teletype from Special Agent Nicholson of the St. Paul Office verifying that the above license plates were issued to R. D. Battin, 4433 Portland Avenue, Minneapolis for a 1933 Ford Coach, motor number same as given above; that the previous teletype message advising that the license plates were registered for a Ford Coupe was an error; and that the name of Battin was listed in the telephone book and city directory. The St. Paul Office was requested to check the address to determine the identity of Battin, which the St. Paul Office advised would be done the following day.

After the questioning of the occupants of the apartment, Special Agent Waters, no watch was maintained at 819 Eastwood Avenue until about 7 A.M., April 14, 1934, at which time Special Agent Metcalfe was detailed to watch the apartment from an automobile parked in front of the building. This watch continued until 8 A.M., the same morning when he was relieved by Special Agent W. C. Jamison. During the watch from 1 A.M. to 8 A.M., nothing of importance took place.

Special Agent Jamison who had under surveillance the apartment at 819 Eastwood Avenue, observed about 2:30 P.M., a Ford V8 Coach, dark maroon in color, bearing 1934 Minnesota license plates # B95-264, pull up in front of this apartment, and that the car was occupied by three men and one woman; that the two men in the front seat appeared to be brothers, as they bore a marked resemblance to each other. The descriptions of these men are as follows:

No. 1

Height 5'10"
 Weight 175 to 180 lbs.
 Build medium heavy
 Complexion sallow
 Hair dark
 Face round
 erect carriage; wore a light topcoat, gray hat and dark suit.

No. 2

Height 5'11"
 Weight 175 to 180 lbs.
 Build medium heavy
 Complexion sallow
 Hair dark
 Face round
 erect carriage; wore a light topcoat, dark suit, dark gray hat.

Agent Jamison was unable to get a good view of the third man or the woman due to the fact that as they left the car Agent's vision was obscured by the fact that the two taller men were standing to the side of the car in such a manner that close observation was not possible. The third man, however, appeared to be about 5'9" tall, and rather a stocky build. The woman appeared to be about 5'5" or 6" tall and of medium build.

At this time the two taller men took into the apartment a black oblong suitcase, a black handbag, a small portable radio, a suit box and several coat hangers.

The car remained in front of this address for about forty minutes, and as Agent was preparing to make a telephone call he observed the car being driven south on Clarendon Avenue, occupied by the two taller men mentioned above. Agent attempted to follow the car but due to the fact that he was delayed by the necessity of going back to his car he was several blocks behind them and lost the trail at the intersection of Broadway, Grace and Halsted Streets. The

Agent therefore proceeded back to 512 Eastwood Avenue and again resumed observation at that address.

Approximately at 3 P.M. the Ford Coach, above referred to, returned, again occupied by the two taller men, who, this time carried a typewriter into the apartment. The car again left about 4:30 P.M., Agent making no attempt to follow as it was again only occupied by the two taller men and the car returned at 5:30 P.M. and remained there until 7:15 P.M., when Agent Jansica was relieved by Agents Van Wagoner and Knittle.

On the afternoon of April 14, 1934, the Chicago Office sent a teletype to the St. Paul Office inquiring if that Office had determined the identity of Battin as requested in a previous teletype message.

Special Agent O. G. Hall of the St. Paul Office, called over the telephone at 4:15 P.M., April 14, 1934, and advised that 4433 Portland Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, is the address of Robert Steinhart, alias Robert S. Schmidt, alias Frisco Dutch, who is believed to be connected with a bank robbery at Ottumwa, Iowa, as well as others, although there is no warrant outstanding for him at the present time. This address was secured as a result of observing 1934 Minnesota license plates # B92-264 on a 1933 model Ford Coach, which is registered in the name of R. D. Battin at this address in Minneapolis. Mr. Hall stated that the telephone book for Minneapolis lists a telephone at this address for both Battin and Steinhart. Steinhart has a Chicago Police No. C-5813, and these photographs are available at the Chicago Division Office with complete description thereon.

Agent Hall further advised that Frisco Dutch's woman is a prostitute by the name of Billie, and that she is probably Jewish, and a very clever woman; that they have a little girl, but probably Billie and the little girl are not with Frisco Dutch in Chicago.

Agent Hall also stated that Frisco Dutch runs around with a girl by the name of Lucy Hogan of the Twin Cities, and that she might be there with him.

It is the desire of the St. Paul Office that Frisco Dutch and all other members of his party be constantly watched, as they will very likely contact individuals who might be wanted in both the Bremer and Dillinger cases.

As a result of the long distance telephone call from Special Agent Hall of St. Paul, Special Agent H. H. Reinecke furnished Special Agents Van Wagoner and Knittle with photographs of Robert Schmidt, alias Robert H. Steinhardt, alias Frisco Dutch, with the following description:

Age	42 (1927)
Height	5'5 7/8"
Weight	195 lbs.
Complexion	ruddy
Eyes	hazel
Hair	medium chestnut
Birthplace	New York
Crime	murder
Chgo. P.D.	# C-5813
Fingerprint Classification	<u>1 8 000 17</u> 1 - 8 - 00

During the surveillance of Agents Van Wagoner and Knittle, two men, both wearing light gray topcoats and light gray or tan hats, came out and got in the Ford Coach, bearing the Minnesota license plates above referred to, and drove away. Agent Knittle followed this car until he was lost in traffic, leaving Agent Van Wagoner to continue the watch at the apartment. In the absence of Agent Knittle, this Ford Coach returned to the above address, followed by a Model A Ford Sedan, bearing 1933 Illinois license plates # 787-019, from which two or three women and two men got out, and all of them went into the first floor apartment at 819 Eastwood Avenue. It was difficult to get a good view of the individuals from where Agent Van Wagoner was sitting in his car, but he did observe that two of the women had on dark coats with black fur collars and black hats, and one was rather tall and slender. None of the men resembled the description of Frisco Dutch. Agent Van Wagoner immediately telephoned this information to Special Agent Reinecke of the Chicago Office, and was advised after a check of the license plates had been made, that this Model A Ford Sedan bearing the 1933 Illinois license plates was registered in the name of Stanley Shields of 5429 North Sawyer Street, Chicago. The motor number of this car was A-2552018.

Agent Knittle returned to the apartment and advised that while Agent Van Wagoner was telephoning the above information to

the Chicago Office that some of the members of the party came out and got in the new Ford Coach and drove away, but that in his attempt to follow them he again lost them in the traffic and was unable to determine their destination. However, they later returned to the apartment and after spending some time in the apartment, two women and two men came out and got in the old Model A Ford and drove away.

Agent Van Wagoner noticed one of the men, possibly 40 or 45 years of age, about 5'10" tall, weighing approximately 180 lbs., wearing a light gray overcoat and light hat, come out of the apartment and go to the Lake Villa Cafe, and this man was followed by Agent to this point. Agent Van Wagoner observed this man take a drink or two, at which time he left the cafe and returned to the apartment. At approximately 1 P.M. this same man came out of the apartment and this time walked to the Chelsea Tavern which is just around the corner of the apartment and across the street from the Lake Villa Cafe. Agent remained on the opposite of the street watching the entrance of this cafe until after 2:15 A.M. on 4/15/34, at which time most of the lights were turned out and the place was being closed for the day. A man came out of this place who resembled the man who went in and Agent followed him, but discovered that he was not the same individual who had gone in the tavern and so Agent returned to the apartment. Agent Knittle advised that this man returned shortly before Agent Van Wagoner's arrival.

The bedroom blind in this apartment had since been raised and Agents Van Wagoner and Knittle observed this same individual, a bald headed man, and another heavier set man in the bedroom making preparations for retiring, and from their observations before the lights were turned out, were unable to identify any of them as Frisco Dutch. Agents did observe any women in the apartment up until the time the lights were turned out. This watch continued until 8 A.M. Sunday morning, 4/15/34, when these two Agents were relieved by Special Agent Jamison. No further activities during the early morning hours were noticed.

On Sunday morning, 4/15/34, Agent Jamison commenced his surveillance and at about 8:10 A.M. the Ford Coach, occupied by the two men previously described, pulled out. Agent Jamison did not follow the car but it was observed later by Agent Gillespie, who happened to be driving north on Lake Shore Drive. Agent Gillespie followed the car which eventually returned to 819 Eastwood Avenue. This car again pulled out at 9:37 A.M. occupied by the same two men and was again followed by Agent Gillespie to 3513 Rita, then to a tavern at 3546 Halsted Street, then to Belmont and North Clark Streets, and then to 819 Eastwood Avenue. The car returned at 10 A.M. and did not move the rest of the day.

Agent M. Chaffetz relieved Agent Gillespie at 2 P.M. Agent Jamison communicated the activities observed up to this time to Agent Reinecke.

At 5:40 P.M. the Chicago Office received a teletype from the St. Paul Office, in which they advised that R. D. Battin, 4433 Portland Avenue, Minneapolis, has resided at this address about six months with his mother-in-law; that he moved from this address April 14, 1934 and is reported to have a position in Chicago, but the nature of this employment was unknown; that he was formerly employed as a salesman by Hayden Motor Company, Ford Dealers, Minneapolis; that his mother-in-law is Mary E. MacMurray, superintendent of Rest Home, 600 West 32nd Street, Minneapolis.

The Chicago Office inquired of the St. Paul Office in this teletype message if they had established that Battin has any connection with Frisco Dutch, since it appeared from the long distance telephone call with Agent Hall that the address of Battin was the same as that of Robert Steinhardt, alias Frisco Dutch, and further informed them that investigation in Chicago had failed to identify any of the parties here as being Frisco Dutch; that this Office had four men tied up on a watch and was desirous of definite information on this point, as the Chicago Office was unable to establish that Battin had any connection with Frisco Dutch. The St. Paul Office requested in this message the information as to whether we were endeavoring to establish his identity in Chicago, and they were advised that Battin was questioned on April 13, 1934 and he identified himself as an employee of Seibert Paper Company, Chicago, Illinois, but due to the fact that it was a weekend and the company was closed down, no further investigation could be made relative to Battin's connections.

Special Agent Gillespie remained with Agent Jamison until 8:15 P.M., at which time Agent Jamison telephoned the Chicago Office and was instructed by Agent Reinecke to give up the surveillance in view of the teletype message from the St. Paul Office failing to establish any connection of Battin with Frisco Dutch.

At no time did Agents Jamison and Gillespie observe anyone answering to the descriptions of the suspects in this case.

Agents Van Wagoner and Rise were detailed to interview Evelyn Frchette at the Cook County Jail for the purpose of obtaining an admission if possible from her that she was with Dillinger at

the time Dr. May rendered medical attention to Dillinger, agents Van Wagner and Hiss attempted to interview Evelyn Frechette in her cell but she declined to make any statements, advising that she could not be required to talk and that her attorney, Mr. Fiquett, had been to see her that morning, and requested her not to make any statements. The matron at the Cook County Jail advised Agents that since Attorney Fiquett's interview with Evelyn Frechette, she had been very defiant. It is apparent that no information will be forthcoming from Evelyn Frechette relative to this matter, and she stated that it would not do any good for any of the Agents of the Division to attempt to obtain any more information from her.

During the morning of April 17, 1934, Special Agent in Charge Purvis received a long distance telephone call from Special Agent in Charge Larson, of the Detroit Office, from Muncie, Indiana, advising that he, Larson, had contacted an informant at Muncie, and that the informant had stated to him that John Hamilton was at the Pastime Club at Muncie, Indiana on Saturday, and that Dillinger is still supposed to be at Elkhart, Indiana, but that the informant could not state where. It further appears that Mr. Larson sent the informant back to talk to a party from whom he was securing information, and the informant was to determine the address of Dillinger in Elkhart. It also appears that Hamilton is planning to kidnap a Mr. Ball of the Ball Fruit Jar Manufacturing Company. Mr. Larson advised that he was registered in the Roberts Hotel in Muncie as Mr. Jones.

Mr. Larson further informed Mr. Purvis that his informant advised that Dillinger was probably in contact with Otto McAbee, alias McAble, who apparently is a delinquent on parole from the Indiana State Prison at Michigan City, Indiana.

Upon receipt of the above information Agent Mullen obtained from the Indiana State Prison at Michigan City information that Otto McAbee, alias McAble, is now delinquent on his parole from the Indiana State Prison at Michigan City, and that his address is 240 East Walnut Street, Louisville, Kentucky; that his sponsor is William Kriel, Jr., 636 West Second Street, Louisville, Kentucky, and that it is believed that McAbee is associated with some gang in Muncie, Indiana, and the prison authorities, while not advised of the purpose of Agent Mullen's inquiry, stated that if McAbee is found Van Meter will be found with him.

The records at the prison disclose that Maabee communicated with or had the following visitors while at the penitentiary:

- Earl Maabee, Red Key, Indiana, brother;
- Miss Mary Siders, 400 Johnson Street, Garrett, Indiana, friend;
- Miss Marge Swain, 1042 East 4th Street, Mishawaka, Indiana, friend;
- Charles Bender, 651 Navajo, Detroit, Michigan, friend;
- Charley Brewer, 9447 Phillips Avenue, Detroit, Michigan, friend.

The records further disclose that Maabee has a wife whose exact name is unknown, who is supposed to live at Portland, Indiana, but Maabee never wrote her or communicated with her while in the prison. The following description of Otto Maabee was obtained from the prison records:

Age	38 (1934)
Height	5'2 1/6"
Weight	about 149 lbs.
Build	stocky
Eyes	gray slate
Hair	dark chestnut
Complexion	dark
Photograph	Ind. S.P. 14330 on file at Division, Chicago, Detroit and Cincinnati Offices
Fingerprints	on file Division, Chicago, Detroit, and Cincinnati Offices

The photographs and fingerprints of Otto Maabee were obtained at the Indiana State Prison in Michigan City, Indiana, and photostatic copies of the same are being forwarded with copies of this report to the Division, Detroit and Cincinnati Offices, and the photographic copies are being retained in the Chicago Office files.

Mr. Purvis of Chicago being unable to contact Mr. Connelley telephoned to Agent Hurley, of Louisville, Kentucky, and asked him to get the above information concerning Otto Maabee to Mr. Connelley as soon as possible.

On April 17, 1934, Acting Special Agent in Charge Klein, of the Cincinnati Office, telephoned the Chicago Office and talked with Special Agent T. E. Billings of this Office, and advised that some woman, who refused to give her name, had telephoned the Detroit Office and advised that she had identified Dillinger as being the

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driver of a 1931 Buick Coupe, bearing Indiana license plates # 457-334, which she had seen on the outskirts of Detroit; further that a check of the above license plates revealed that they were issued to W. R. Riblet, 420 Bower Street, Elkhart, Indiana; that the records also reflected that Riblet was 43 years of age, white, weighed 160 lbs., was 5'8 1/2" tall, had brown hair and eyes. Mr. Klein suggested that the Chicago Office check Riblet to find out if he was the individual driving this car in Michigan and if not, whether or not his license plates had been stolen, and that the Detroit Office be advised of the investigation.

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Mr. Klein, of the Cincinnati Office, again telephoned Special Agent Billings of the Chicago Office, advising that informant [redacted] had advised Special Agent Harris, at Columbus, Ohio, that Dotty Humes, who was alleged to be an associate of the Dillinger gang, is to meet Dillinger at the Whitcomb Hotel, St. Joseph, Michigan, Saturday night, April 21, 1934; that some Dutchman, who is in with the Dillinger gang, runs the above hotel and therefore, no cooperation could be expected from him. He further advised that he knew nothing of the reliability of [redacted] but that Mr. Harris was not pleased with him, stating that he seemed to be of the braggadocio type and seemed to want to get some publicity at Columbus; that [redacted] was running short of money and might have given this information to deflect attention from Indiana, where Dillinger is now supposed to be. He also advised that the informant did not know the name which Dotty Humes will use when meeting Dillinger, nor did he know the hour of supposed meeting.

Mr. Purvis, of Chicago, received a telephone call from Acting Special Agent in Charge Meekins, of the Detroit Office, who stated that the International News Service had called him, stating that they understood that Dillinger was surrounded at Ferndale, Michigan, a suburb of Detroit; the above information was likewise sent by teletype to the Division on the same afternoon.

Mr. Purvis dispatched Special Agents Jay C. Newman and W. J. Devereux from South Bend, Indiana to Elkhart, Indiana, to make an immediate and discreet inquiry to determine the identity of Riblet. Special Agent J. J. Waters was registered at the Elkhart Hotel as J. J. Walsh, and Agent Devereux was registered as W. J. Riley. These two agents were to cover the address at 420 Bower Street, Elkhart, Indiana. Special Agent Newman was registered at the La Salle Annex, ^{South Bend} telephone 3-9361, Room 107, as J. J. Harlan, and Agent Waters was also registered at the La Salle Hotel, South Bend, as J. J. Walsh.

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In the same teletype to the Division Mr. Purvis advised that he was unable to see why [redacted] would desire publicity in view of his criminal record, and could see no harm in securing information from him. Further that most assuredly Agent Harris would not give the informant any information. It also appears that Foster of the Universal News Service called Mr. Purvis and stated that he had received information that Dillinger had an appointment with a doctor in Louisville, Kentucky, at 1 o'clock April 17, 1934, for the purpose of securing an x-ray treatment for a wound in his left leg; that Foster desired information from Mr. Purvis in that respect, but Mr. Purvis informed Foster that in view of the fact that he had received so many inquiries concerning Dillinger he had no comment to make about any of them.

The investigation concerning the telephone call with Mr. Larson, the investigation at the Indiana State Prison and the telephone conversations with Mr. Klein of Cincinnati, and the telephone conversations with the Universal News Service, has been transmitted to the Division by teletype by Mr. Purvis under date of April 17, 1934.

On April 14, 1934, Mr. Larson, of the Detroit Office, advised that he had not heard from his informant since yesterday morning, April 13, when informant left him; that his informant stated at that time that he might have to go to Fort Wayne, Indiana. Mr. Larson advised that he was still registered at the Roberts Hotel, Muncie, Indiana, under the name of Jones, and that the five Special Agents he had with him had been sent back to Indianapolis; that he was standing by waiting for developments.

Mr. Purvis received a long distance telephone call from Mr. Connelley from Indianapolis, on the morning of April 18, 1934, stating that H. E. Baugh, Box 394, E. R. A., Indianapolis, is the father-in-law of Hubert Dillinger, and that Hubert Dillinger lives only a short distance from Baugh; that Hubert, as well as Baugh, gets his mail in the box indicated above; that Ann Jackson is said to have received a letter there at the time of her trip to that point on or about March 19, 1934; that a letter came to H. E. Baugh on April 18, postmarked Chicago, April 17, at 7 P.M.; that the envelope bore the printed words "PENNSYLVANIAN RAILROAD COMPANY, UNION STATION"; that the following was typed on the envelope "ROOM 514, UNION STATION". Mr. Connelley advised he did not know the contents of the letter, and further informed Mr. Purvis that Hubert Dillinger had moved his wife to Bloomington, ostensibly for the purpose of having her out of the way in the event anything happened there; that Hubert has been questioned thoroughly and states that he does not desire to furnish

information as to how John Dillinger can be located, but he added that if his mail was watched Dillinger could be located through that means. Mr. Connelley further advised that he has a man on duty at all times at Spink Arms Hotel, Room 515, telephone Lincoln 2361.

Special Agent E. B. Brown interviewed Joseph E. Prendergast, Chief of Police, Chicago Union Station, relative to the persons occupying Room 514, Union Station. He advised that this room is occupied by Mr. Porter Allen, Chief Engineer, Maintenance of Way, Pennsylvania Railroad, and that he has several employees working in the office. Mr. Prendergast advised that the [redacted] is a very reliable source of information and a good friend of his. Mr. Prendergast interviewed [redacted] under the pretext of a desire to know if any of the employees of that office had recently been called back to work, and learned, after examining a list of employees who have recently been called back to work after being on furlough for a long period of time, that H. E. Baugh, Box #394, R. R. #3, Indianapolis, Indiana, was notified by letter on April 17, 1934, to return to work immediately as a line-man of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

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In order to substantiate this, Agent E. B. Brown, accompanied by Chief Prendergast, interviewed [redacted] at which time he displayed a list of the persons recently called back to work on which was observed the name of H. E. Baugh. [redacted] also showed Agent Brown a copy of the letter requesting Baugh to return to work, which letter is dated April 17, 1934.

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In addition to the above information being furnished the Division by teletype on the afternoon of April 18, Mr. Purvis further advised the Division by another teletype that Agent [redacted] reported

[redacted] that his investigation disclosed that W. R. Riblet has been in the garage business in Elkhart for many years, and that he was in Detroit recently for two days; that Agent Devereux casually dropped in at the Police Department and they informed him that they had checked up on the Riblet story by going to see his wife; that apparently there is nothing to this angle of the case; that Mr. Waters and Mr. Devereux returned to South Bend and Mr. Purvis directed the former to return to Chicago leaving Mr. Newman in charge at South Bend with five other Agents; that Mr. Devereux advised he has a bankruptcy case at Elkhart, Indiana, which he can use as a [redacted]

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On April 18, 1934 at 10:24 A.M. the Chicago office received a telegram from ██████████ Columbus, Ohio, in which he requested that the Chicago office wire him at once without fail \$50 to \$75, a/o Agent Harris; that he had very important developments for Saturday or Sunday, and requested that this matter be attended to at once.

At 4:35 P.M. Mr. Larsen, of the Detroit office, at Muncie, Indiana, called Mr. Purvis and stated that he had not seen or heard from his informant since 5 o'clock yesterday morning, April 17th, and that Mr. Purvis suggested to Mr. Larsen that he remain in Muncie at least until the morning of April 19th and to communicate with him again at that time in the event he did not do so before. At 5 P.M. Mr. Purvis telephoned Mr. Harris of the Cincinnati Office, at Columbus, Ohio, and asked him to lay the law down to informant ██████████ about his talking to newspaper men, as well as talking to people and telling them that he is a Federal Agent. At 5:05 P.M. Mr. Purvis telephoned Agent Hirsch at Indianapolis, and Mr. Hirsch advised that Mr. Connelley stated to him that morning that they are unable to locate Otto McAbee in Louisville, Kentucky, and that he still has an Agent working on this matter at Louisville, and that Mr. Connelley was to get in touch with Mr. Purvis later that afternoon. The above information was sent to the Division by teletype on April 18, 1934.

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Mr. Purvis was advised by long distance telephone from Mr. Klein, of the Cincinnati Office, that Mr. Harris in Columbus, Ohio, had informed him that Mr. Charles B. Kirby, of the Cleveland Free Press newspaper, had made inquiries to determine whether Mr. Harris is a Special Agent. It appears that Kirby called on an Internal Revenue Agent in Columbus, Ohio, who informed Assistant United States Attorney O'Donnell, who in turn informed Mr. Harris. It appears further that informant ██████████ had communicated previously with Kirby and told him that he could furnish the Dillinger story for \$3,000 when the story broke; that ██████████ also told Kirby that he would accept this money and resign as a "Federal Agent" on May 1st. It appears that this informant has endeavored to lead Kirby to believe that he is a Federal Agent. It is assumed that the important details referred to by informant ██████████ for Saturday or Sunday have reference with the meeting that ██████████ said Dillinger will have Saturday night at St. Joseph, Michigan, with Dotty Humes.

On the afternoon of April 18, Mr. Belling of the Chicago Office, received a telephone call from Miss Lucile Fields who gave her address as 2408 North Kedzie Boulevard, Chicago, who advised that a woman by the name of Margie Wells, 2408 West Congress Street, was getting ready to go to Indianapolis that night with some man from Cicero who lives off Roosevelt Road; that Lucile Fields advised that three months ago Special Agent Keating asked her to locate this girl and get in touch with him; that Miss Fields stated that if an Agent would call at the above address she would furnish more definite information relative to the phone call, but that she did not like to disclose further information over the phone.

Special Agents Denderick and Van Wagoner called at 2408 West Congress Street about 2 P.M. and there located Mrs. Margaret Kouba, personally known to Mr. Van Wagoner. Mrs. Kouba stated that when she was

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[REDACTED] and has been residing at this address ever since. Agents questioned Mrs. Kouba relative to her knowledge of Miss Lucile Fields, and she denied knowing such a party. Agents also inquired if she had called Agent Van Wagoner at any time during his absence from Chicago without disclosing her name, and she stated that she had not. She was questioned relative to her

acquaintance with any of the Billinger gang, and she advised that she did not know any of them, but that some time last October Special Agent Keating called on her and drove her to a house on the north side of Chicago, which had been under surveillance for several weeks according to Mrs. Kouba; that Mr. Keating was unable to obtain information from the girl living at this house, who was supposed to be a sweetheart of John Hamilton; that she, Mrs. Kouba, was to represent herself as a sweetheart of the Billinger gang and named over several of the members in order to make it appear regular; that this girl went for her and her line, and furnished the information desired by Mr. Keating at that time. It should be noted that on or about January 11, 1934, an unknown person called the Chicago Office and asked for Mr. Van Wagoner and upon being advised that he was out of Chicago, left information to the effect that there was a blonde woman on the third floor of 2410 West Congress Street with John Dillinger; that based upon this information a raiding party was organized consisting of Special Agents and Law Enforcement Officers who went to this address but found only some Greeks, who had just moved into the apartment. Mrs. Kouba did not mention knowing anything about the raid which took place immediately over her apartment and denied having called Mr. Van Wagoner at that time.

Agents Deadrick and Van Wagoner called at 2022 North Kedzie Blvd., which is a two story frame house, and has an English basement. There a Mrs. Avishious, of the first floor, was interviewed, and she advised that she did not know a Miss Lucile Fields who was supposed to live at this address, and that her son lived immediately above her, and that a Mrs. Stall lived in the basement. Agents interviewed Mrs. Virginia Stall in the basement of this address, and she denied knowing a Lucile Fields or of ever having heard of her.

Agents, believing that perhaps there could have been a mistake in the address taken over the telephone, called at 2220 North Kedzie Blvd., which was the Northwest Fellowship Club, and there interviewed the proprietor, who advised that he did not know a Lucile Fields but that he did know a Margie, whose last name was very peculiar. Agent mentioned the name of Kouba and the proprietor believed that was the name of the woman employed by him at odd times. It will be noted that when Mrs. Kouba was interviewed that the address of Lucile Fields was mentioned and she remarked that it sounded like the address of the Northwest Fellowship Club, as it was in the 2200 block on North Kedzie.

Since the telephone call of April 18, 1934, no additional information has been received from Miss Lucile Fields.

On the morning of April 19, 1934, Mr. Connelley reported that the address given in Louisville, Kentucky by Otto Maabee, formerly a prisoner in the Indiana State Prison, Michigan City, is false; that no such number was found there; that Kriel is not the sponsor of Maabee and evidently Maabee gave prison officials false information in this respect. He advised that Kriel is a bookmaker in Louisville and is a friend of the Chief of Police; that the Chief of Police talked with Kriel on April 18, and that Kriel denied any knowledge of the matter. It was the opinion of Mr. Connelley that Billinger was in Louisville Saturday night, April 14, 1934, wearing a light brown overcoat mixed with gray and a light brown hat with a band darker than the hat, a blue suit, black shoes; that Billinger previously had a light gray summer suit and generally wears his hat well down over his eyes. Mr. Connelley further advised that the doctor who was approached in Louisville positively identifies this man as Billinger and states that Billinger kept on his overcoat, and had his hand on his pistol in his pocket all the time he was talking to the doctor; that he spoke very roughly to the doctor, who offered to treat him at that time, Billinger desiring x-ray treatment on his left leg; that Billinger was, however, unwilling to wait for the treatment on Saturday, apparently becoming suspicious, and made an appointment for Monday, April 16, which he did not keep.

Mr. Larsen reported on the morning of April 19 that Mr. Connelley arrived at Muncie, Indiana, on April 18 at about 8 P.M., and that both Mr. Connelley and Mr. Larsen took the informant for a drive because the informant was afraid to meet them anywhere. He further stated that the informant told them that he had been in Indianapolis and that he had seen Mary Kinder there; that Mr. Larsen and Mr. Connelley believed that the informant must have lied about having seen Mary Kinder in Indianapolis because the description given by informant of the woman he saw did not at all fit that of Mary Kinder. However, the informant stated that the woman he saw in Indianapolis was to go to Muncie, Indiana to see one Hugh Berry; that Berry, according to Mr. Larsen, formerly served time in the Indiana State Prison at Michigan City. The Chicago Office is checking the record of Hugh Berry to verify the same, and the results will be reported at a later date.

Mr. Larsen and Mr. Connelley went to the place operated by Berry in Muncie and watched for a while, but did not see the informant go in. Informant had previously stated that he was to see Berry on the evening of April 18. Later Mr. Larsen advised he went in and talked

to Barry under cover and Barry took him in a back room where Mr. Larson saw the informant; that the informant then left and Barry informed Mr. Larson that he did not know Mary Kinder; that one Russ, last name unknown, has gotten in touch with him about a week ago and wanted Barry to keep two men for him, names unknown at the present time; that Barry told Russ that he would keep them if there were enough money in it for him. Mr. Larson believes that the two men Barry was to keep might be Hamilton and Gillingar, or it might be that Russ wanted Barry to help on a kidnapping of Hall, hereinbefore referred to. Mr. Larson advised he was endeavoring to contact informant again in Muncie; that he planned to leave Muncie about noon and go to Detroit via Chicago. Mr. Purvis advised that Mr. Connelley want back to Indianapolis at midnight on April 19, 1934. Mr. Larson suggested that the informant could contact Mr. Connelley at Indianapolis. It was suggested by Mr. Purvis that Mr. Larson remain in Muncie for the purpose of making additional contacts with Barry and the informant, and to remain there until at least April 20, 1934. Mr. Purvis requested advice relative to these plans, which plans were approved by the Division.

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Mr. Harris, at Columbus, Ohio reported to Mr. Purvis on the morning of April 19 that informant [redacted] had been advanced \$25. that [redacted] informed him, Harris, that he saw Dotty Humes last night, April 18, riding with a man in a 1932 or 1933 Buick coupe; that the man had a large scar on the left cheek, a small mustache and black hair, and that the informant was unable to get the license number. According to informant, the plans of this woman were to leave the night of April 19 for Cleveland, and to proceed from there to St. Joseph, Michigan. However, an additional telephone call from Mr. Harris furnished information that the informant stated that Dotty Humes left for Cleveland on the night of April 18 and so far as he knows, there is apparently no change in her plans for the supposed meeting to take place in St. Joseph, Michigan, Saturday night, April 21, 1934.

Inspector Clegg, at St. Paul, furnished information to Mr. Purvis that the doctor and nurse and Bessie Skinner in St. Paul have advised that Dillinger is very fat now and weighs about 187 lbs; that photographs in their possession do not resemble him; that out of the number of characteristic closeups of Dillinger exhibited to the above people, contained on the photograph of group pictures, the above people selected two which resemble him most. This information was transmitted by Mr. Purvis to Agent Donnegan for Mr. Connelley and asked that an effort be made to contact Mr. Larsen in order to give him this information.

The above information was transmitted to the Division by teletype on the morning of April 19, 1934.

At 9:45 a.m., April 18, 1934, Agent Harris telephoned from Columbus, Ohio, and furnished the following description of Dotty Humes:

Age	32
Height	5'6"
Weight	120 lbs.
Hair	black
Eyes	dark
Complexion	olive
	appears to be French
	well dressed, making nice appearance

According to Mr. Harris, Dotty Humes left on the night of April 18, probably with the man she had been seen with, but he does not know where she went and does not know of any change in her plans.

On April 19, 1934, Agents Van Wagoner and Jamison conducted an investigation to verify the statement made by Evelyn Frechette to Agent Deadrick on Sunday, April 8, 1934, that she left Indianapolis with John Dillinger in a Ford V-8 DeLuxe Sedan, with black body, black wheels, spare tire on the rear, bearing 1934 Indiana tags # 86-389, and that on that night she and Dillinger had stayed at a tourist camp located on a highway #6 about 24 miles before reaching Chicago; that at this point there is a tourist camp on the right hand side of the road with a white building in front; that they did not register, and that the following day, Monday, April 19, she and Dillinger left the camp in the Ford Sedan shortly after noon and drove around the country until dark.

Agents Van Wagoner and Jamison left Chicago by way of Route #1 to its intersection with U. S. Route #6, which is 23 miles south of the Chicago Loop. Proceeding eastward on Route #6 to the intersection of Burnham and 169th Street, Calumet City, Illinois, they found a roadhouse and tourist camp situated on the north side of highway #6, which is known as "The Pines." The main building is painted white and has tourist cabins in the rear, and in other respects appeared to answer to the meagre description furnished by Evelyn Frechette. The manager of the roadhouse, Ray Banghart, was

interviewed, and he stated that he had purchased this roadhouse from Mr. Arthur Kistler, who resides at 7009 State Line Street, Hammond, Indiana, on Tuesday, April 19, 1934, and that on April 8 he had been in Iowa visiting his wife and was therefore unable to state whether or not anyone answering to the descriptions of Dillinger and Evelyn Frechette had stayed at this place. Banghart stated, however, that the tourist cabins were not yet opened as they were not heated, and that he doubted if anyone had been permitted to rent a cabin overnight. He further stated he kept no register for persons renting these cabins.

Mr. Arthur Kistler, business agent for the Steam Fitters' Union, 7009 State Line Street, Hammond, Indiana, stated that the Pines was really the property of Ray Banghart, and that he, Kistler, had entered into an agreement to take the place over provided Banghart had decided to retire from this business, but that Banghart, after a recent visit to Iowa, had decided to return, and hence he, Kistler, had withdrawn. Kistler stated, however, that on April 8 he had been in charge of the Pines, but denied that anyone had rented a cabin or rooms on Sunday April 8. Kistler stated, however, that either on Saturday, April 7, or on Sunday, April 8, a man and a woman had entered the place; that the woman had remained at the front of the building, and that the man had gone back to the rear, where the bar is located and had a conversation with Kistler. Kistler stated that this man had told him that he had just bought a new Ford in Ohio, and had driven in from Ohio that day; that he was tired and worn out; that his feet and legs were swelling from the long drive and that he would like to get a cabin and take a shower bath. Kistler told this man that he was unable to accommodate him, and referred him to the Savoy Hotel in Hammond, Indiana, which has a Turkish bath, and recommended that he stay there. Kistler described this man as being about 5'8" tall, wore a gray coat with a V stripe in it, and a black slouch hat pulled well down over his face. Kistler stated this man appeared to weigh about 180 lbs., but was unable to get a very good look at his face due to the fact that his hat was pulled down so far over his face. Kistler was shown photographs of Dillinger and Evelyn Frechette, and stated that the photograph of Dillinger did not resemble the man who had been trying to rent a cabin from him. Kistler stated he had been unable to get a good look at the woman and could furnish no description of her.

Mr. P. H. Snyder, manager of the Savoy Hotel, Hammond, Indiana, was interviewed and he produced his register for Sunday, April 8. Only six persons were registered on that date, the only

woman being a Miss Smith, address not given, who registered in Room 224 at 7 P.M. unaccompanied.

Agents proceeded east on highway 46 to a point about 3 miles beyond Gary, Indiana, but found only one other tourist camp which was open. This camp is known as the "Tourist Camp Beautiful", Highland, Illinois, and is managed by Walter Hughes. Mr. Hughes stated that he had not rented any cabins during the month of April and was quite positive that no man accompanied by a woman had rented a cabin on Sunday, April 8.

Appropriate inquiry was made along the route of filling stations as to locations of other tourist camps, but agents were invariably informed that the camps were closed and would not open until warmer weather. "The Pines" tourist camp, above referred to, was the only one noted which appeared in any way to conform to the description furnished by Evelyn Frechette.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

CINCINNATI OFFICE.

At Louisville, Kentucky.

As indicated in the body of this report, Otto McAbee is alleged to be in contact with Dillinger. The Cincinnati office is accordingly requested to continue efforts to locate McAbee at Louisville, Kentucky.

DETROIT OFFICE.

At Detroit, Michigan.

Is requested to attempt to locate Otto McAbee through Charles Bender, 651 Navajo and Charlie Brewer, 9447 Phillips Avenue, Detroit. These individuals are friends of Otto McAbee.

CHICAGO OFFICE.

At Red Key, Indiana.

Will attempt to locate Otto McAbee through Earl McAbee, brother.

At Garrett, Indiana.

Will conduct similar investigation through Miss Mary Siders, 400 Johnson Street, who is a friend of Otto McAbee.

At Mishawaka, Indiana,

Will conduct similar investigation through Miss Marge Swain, 1042 East Fourth Street, who is a friend of Otto McAbbe.

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and finger prints of

Otto McCabe

Fingerprints +
photos of Otto
McCabe sent
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Laboratory 5/3/34 -
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WASH DIRECTOR A [] VIS CHGO

From St. Paul

24, 1934

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A INFORMANT IS NOW UNDERTAKING A COMPLICATED TAXI CARRIAGE TRIP FROM ST PAUL TO MPLS AND OUT A CERTAIN STREET IN MPLS MINN TO MEET TOMMY CARROLL OR A MESSENGER OF CARROLLS FOR PURPOSE OF OBTAINING MONEY TO BUY A CAR FOR CARROLL OR A FRIEND OF CARROLLS INFT LEFT ST PAUL AT TEN THIRTY AND WILL REPORT BACK HERE FIRST OPPORTUNITY

A MAN CALLED A AT MPLS POLICE DEPT FEW MINUTES AGO AND SAID HE WAS GEORGE NELSON THE MAN WHOSE PICTURE APPEARED IN LOCAL PAPERS TODAY WITH ANNOUNCEMENT THAT HE ~~WAS~~ SHOT AGENT BAUM HE IS AFRAID TO GET OUT ON THE STREETS AND HE IS A FORMER INMATE OF MINN STATE PRISON AGENT IS NOW PROCEEDING TO MPLS PD TO TRY TO EFFECT AN IDENTIFICATION WILL ADVISE IF ANYTHING OF INTEREST DEVELOPES

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- MR. NATHAN.....
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April 21, 1934.

The man identified as John Billinger sat down because he felt faint and I went into the kitchen to get a glass of water for him. He drank the water and after a few moments of resting in the chair, they all left and went across the street and entered the cars.

It seems to me that both wounds had been covered with gauze and bound down with adhesive tape. The wounds looked clean. I did not discover any iodine on them. I believe I put the dressing back in position, told them there was no danger, for them to go ahead and told them to come down to the office in the morning. I told that to Mr. Reilly.

The man identified as Homer Van Meter I discovered later carried a machine gun. He removed his coat and I found out later that there was a machine gun under the coat. I did not know any of these men by name that night except Pat Reilly.

(Signed)

Wels G. Mortenson.

(Witnessed)

H.H. Clegg

W.A. Rorer

In addition to the foregoing appearing in this statement, Mr. Clegg furnished briefly the following information:

Dr. Mortenson was born in Copenhagen, Denmark on March 15, 1884, arrived in the United States in 1885. Dr. Mortenson's father was naturalized but lost his papers in a flood. In view of the loss of papers, Dr. Mortenson himself was naturalized at St. Paul, Minnesota in 1920. He studied medicine at the University of Minnesota, receiving a degree in 1909. He began practice in 1910, enlisted in the military service on July 1, 1918 at St. Paul, was stationed at Camp Cody, New Mexico, later went overseas with the A.E.F. serving with the 34th and later with the 6th Division. Dr. Mortenson was a member of the forty and eight, is an ex-post commander of the American Legion, is President of American Legion Hospital Association of Minnesota, President of State Board of Health, City Health Commission, St. Paul, Minnesota, ran for the position of county coroner a few years ago and is or was planning to announce again in the next few weeks his candidacy for coroner.

Respectfully,

T. E. Stapleton

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April 24, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. COWLEY

In regard to the attached memorandum of April 21, 1934, from Mr. Stapleton, concerning a conversation which he had with Mr. Clegg concerning the facts in the case of Dr. H. G. Mortenson, who treated John Dillinger, I believe that action should be taken against Dr. Mortenson of some character. I note that he violated the State Statute in connection with this matter, which apparently carries a more severe penalty than the Federal law covering the harboring of a fugitive, and I think that the Division should take steps to see that this doctor is prosecuted under this State law. I note that Mr. Clegg is of the opinion that no publicity should be given to the matter at this time, and further is inclined to the view that no action should be taken against Dr. Mortenson because of the possibility that he might be used as a witness against Pat Reilly in the event Reilly is apprehended. We have, apparently, a sworn statement from Dr. Mortenson which I believe would be of evidentiary value in any event. Furthermore, I believe that an example should be made of this physician, particularly in view of his official status in the medical profession in St. Paul. I wish that you would confer with Mr. Clegg by phone concerning this matter, and obtain any further views which he may have upon it. I think the matter is of sufficient importance for a careful and detailed statement to be prepared for the Attorney General, as he may desire to make the release concerning the activities of this physician from Washington, but of course, before doing this, I would like to have the detailed facts from Mr. Clegg, and obtain any views he may have concerning this possible action, for I do not want to take any action which might in any way interfere with the efforts of Mr. Clegg and the Agents at St. Paul. However, I do not feel Dr. Mortenson is entitled to any consideration, and for that reason should be publicly exposed and prosecuted for the action which he has indulged in.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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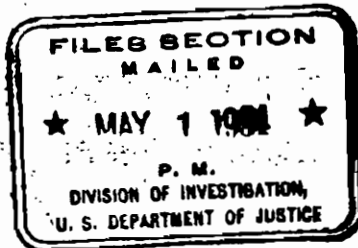
Mr. J. B. Webber,
Chief of Police,
La Crosse, Wisconsin.

My dear Chief:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated April 27, 1934, furnishing information concerning Emil Wanatka, the proprietor of the "Little Bohemia" resort near Mercer, Wisconsin, for which I desire to express my sincere thanks.

If this Division may be of service to you at any time, I trust that you will not hesitate to call on it.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover



Director.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.**

FILE NO. **26-48. MEH.**

REPORT MADE AT: BOSTON, MASS.	DATE WHEN MADE: 4-24-34	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 4-23 & 24-34	REPORT MADE BY: EDGAR K. THOMPSON.
TITLE: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1217; JOHN HAMILTON, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1220; HOMER VAN METER, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1222.		CHARACTER OF CASE: NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Emery Waterhouse Co., Portland, Maine, records before 1930 destroyed by fire. Record at Brown Company, Portland, Maine, reveal that key was one of nine to the front door of their Berlin, N. H. office.			
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REFERENCE: Telegram from the Philadelphia Office dated April 20, 1934.			
DETAILS: Mr. Hill, a price clerk at the Emery Waterhouse Company, Portland, Maine, was contacted by telephone and he advised that all records of the concern were destroyed by fire in 1930, and it would be impossible to trace the number on the key found in the purse of Mary Evelyn Freshette. Mr. Hill stated, however, that his firm did a large business with the Brown Company, in Portland, Maine, and also at Berlin, New Hampshire, and he advised that Mr. Crowe of the Portland Office of the Brown Company be contacted. Mr. Hill stated that from the number given to him over the telephone he would judge that the key in question was a master key.			
DETAILS: Mr. John M. Crowe of the Brown Company, at Portland, Maine, stated that all records of their concern which date before 1930 were destroyed by the company, and that this would also cover all files before that date in their Berlin, New Hampshire office.			
DETAILS: On April 24, 1934, Mr. Crowe called the Boston Division Office by long distance telephone and stated that the key in question was one of nine which had been issued in 1929 to nine of their employees, the said key being used to open the front door of their Berlin, New Hampshire, office. Due to the fact that these keys in the course of time were lost or not turned in by employees who left their employment, the lock on the			
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front door was changed in 1930, thereby rendering the outstanding keys of no value.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD: Boston Division Office

At Portland, Maine: Will keep in touch with Mr. Crowe in an effort to learn the names of the employees who originally possessed these keys.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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April 23, 1934.

MR. NATHAN.....
MR. TOLSON.....
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

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I called Mr. Clegg at Rhinelander, Wisconsin, and asked him whether a constable was injured in the shooting that occurred there. Mr. Clegg advised that he understood that a constable or a Deputy Sheriff was shot three times; that he is in a hospital at the present time but that he was not seriously wounded. I asked Mr. Clegg whether the car that Agent Newman was driving was stolen. Mr. Clegg advised that he had heard at first that the car was stolen but later had heard that it was not; that, however, he has not heard all of the details as yet.

Deputy

In reply to your question as to the details of the shooting, particularly the killing of a C.C.C. man and the wounding of two others, Mr. Clegg advised that as the house was approached some dogs started barking; that three men started to leave the house and enter one of the machines; that they were instructed to stop and were told that officers of the law were instructing them to stop but they refused; that as they started to get into the car our Agents shot at the tires; that as soon as they started firing machine gun fire started from the house between the roof and the ground and the men in the car were shot.

Mr. Clegg advised that it was safe to state definitely that Dillinger, Hamilton, Van Meter and Carroll were in the house but he did not know whether they were there at the time of the shooting as the girl there stated that they left before that; that inquiry was made of the owner of the place and he stated that he was in the beer room at the time and did not know, but that they had not checked out.

Mr. Clegg advised that the Ford V-8 that they now have has the same tags on it that were on the automobile that was used at the time that the Frechette woman was in Chicago; that the car contained Dillinger's baggage; that one of the bags contained a machine gun and a high powered rifle; that they also have another car and both cars are being processed at the present time.

Respectfully,

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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April 23, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CLEGG. *us for HHC*

(1) In accordance with the telephonic request of Mr. Stapleton, there are transmitted herewith ten copies of the criminal record as reflected by the files of this Unit of George Nelson alias Baby Face Nelson alias Lester Gillis, Illinois State Penitentiary, Joliet, Illinois #5437.

The following description appears on the fingerprints submitted by the Illinois State Penitentiary:

Date of birth-12/6/08
Birthplace-Illinois
Age-22
Height-54 3/4 inches
Weight-133
Build-medium

Occupation-Oiler
Nationality-American
Complexion-Light
Eyes-Yel. & gr. sl.
Hair-Ches. Lt.

In a circular received from the Illinois State Penitentiary, Joliet, February 23, 1932, the same description is given as above set forth, with the following additional information:

"Mother, Mary Nelson, lives at 2715 West 39th Street; his wife, Helen Nelson lives at 2142 South Millard Avenue, both, Chicago, Illinois."

The jacket in this Unit indicates that this individual was listed as a Chicago public enemy according to information received from the Chicago Division office on January 2, 1934. (Number of Division file not shown).

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder

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JOHN DILLINGER NMVTA AGENTS RAIDED HOME HAMILTONS SISTER SAULT SAINTE MARIE REPORT DILLINGER AND HAMILTON WITH PAT CHERRINGTON STOPPED THERE TUESDAY THIS WEEK FOR TWO HOURS AND HAD DINNER HAMILTON HAD HIS POSSESSION FORD V8 SEDAN WITH TENNESSEE PLATES 127-032 MOTOR 8157244 PLATES WERE ISSUED TO ART MORTON PRESUMABLY ALIAS USED BY HAMILTON WHEN PURCHASING CAR. CAR GIVEN BY HAMILTON TO HIS SISTER TUESDAY. HAMILTON COMPLAINED OF SEVERE SHOULDER INJURY WHILE PAT CHERRINGTON ALSO COMPLAINED OF BEING ILL RESULT OF APPENDICITIS OPERATION CHICAGO RECENTLY. DILLINGER REPORTED TO HAVE LIGHT BLOND HAIR. AGENTS INSTRUCTED MAKE THOROUGH INVESTIGATION NEIGHBORHOOD PURPOSE DETERMINING IF POSSIBLE ROUTE TAKEN BY SUBJECTS ON DEPARTING. AUTOMOBILE ALSO BEING HELD AND UNITED STATES ATTORNEY GRAND RAPIDS BEING REQUESTED OPINION AS TO PROSECUTION HAMILTONS SISTER FOR HARBORING FUGITIVES. FURTHER DETAILS AS TO ROUTE TAKEN BY SUBJECTS WILL BE FURNISHED WHEN OBTAINED FROM QUESTIONING HAMILTONS SISTER. WHEN SUBJECTS ENTERED HOME OF HAMILTONS SISTER THEY BROUGHT MACHINE GUN WITH THEM. SINCE STARTING THIS MESSAGE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY GRAND RAPIDS HAS BEEN CONTACTED AND HE ADVISES PROSECUTION PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR HARBORING FUGITIVES AT SAULT SAINTE MARIE

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JOHN DILLINGER ETAL NMVTA PARTY IDENTIFIED AS SUBJECT
 CALLED ON DOCTOR HERE SATURDAY IN THREATENING MANNER
 DEMANDED APPOINTMENT FOR EXRAY TO KNEE TUESDAY ELEVEN
 AM APPARENTLY CAME WITH INTENTION HAVING WORK DONE
 SATURDAY BUT ON PRETEXT OF TUESDAY APPOINTMENT DEPARTED
 STOP INFORMATION FURNISHED TO POLICE WHO ARRANGED COVER FOR
 APPEARANCE PRIOR OUR ARRIVAL WE COOPERATED MYSELF AND
 AGENT BEING INSIDE TO TAKE IF HE APPEARED STOP HE DID NOT
 APPEAR STOP NEWSPAPERS LEARNED POLICE ACTIVITY AND SOME
 PUBLICITY APPEARED LATER TODAY AND IN VIEW OF THIS
 POSSIBILITIES ELIMINATED STOP AGENT HURLEY WILL KEEP IN
 TOUCH STOP RETURNING INDIANAPOLIS TONIGHT=

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DILLINGER NMVTA EVELYN FRECHETTES ATTORNEY LATE TODAY ADVISED US
COMMISSIONER WOULD WAIVE REMOVAL HEARING AND SHE WILL BE BROUGHT BEFORE
COMMISSIONER TWO PM TOMORROW FOR THAT PURPOSE AND ON FRIDAY TWENTIETH
INSTANT US ATTORNEY WILL HAVE ORDER OF REMOVAL SIGNED. AS RESULT NO
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JOHN DILLINGER FUGITIVE NMVTA CONNELLEY REPORTS THAT ADDRESS GIVEN IN LOUISVILLE BY OTTO MCABEE FORMERLY PRISONER MICHIGAN CITY INDIANA IS FALSE NO SUCH NUMBER THERE KRIEL IS NOT THE SPONSOR OF MCABEE AND EVIDENTLY MCABEE GAVE PRISON OFFICIALS FALSE INFORMATION IN THIS RESPECT KRIEL IS A BOOKMAKER IN LOUISVILLE AND IS A FRIEND OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE AND THE CHIEF OF POLICE TALKED TO HIM YESTERDAY AND KRIEL DENIES ALL KNOWLEDGE OF THE MATTER. CONNELLEY BELIEVES DILLINGER IN LOUISVILLE LAST SATURDAY NIGHT WEARING LIGHT BROWN OVERCOAT MIXED WITH GREY AND LIGHT BROWN HAT WITH A BAND DARKER THAN THE HAT BLUE SUIT BLACK SHOES DILLINGER PREVIOUSLY HAD A LIGHT GREY SUMMER SUIT AND GENERALLY WEARS HIS HAT WELL DOWN OVER HIS EYES. THE DOCTOR WHO WAS APPROACHED IN LOUISVILLE POSITIVELY IDENTIFIES HIM AS DILLINGER AND STATES THAT ~~DILLINGER~~ DILLINGER KEPT ON HIS OVERCOAT AND HAD HIS HAND ON HIS PISTOL IN HIS POCKET ALL OF THE TIME HE WAS TALKING TO THE DOCTOR HE SPOKE VERY ROUGHLY TO THE DOCTOR WHO OFFERED TO TREAT HIM AT THAT TIME DILLINGER DESIRING XRAY TREATMENT ON HIS LEFT LEG DILLINGER WAS HOWEVER UNWILLING TO WAIT FOR THE TREATMENT ON SATURDAY APPARENTLY BECOMING SUSPICIOUS AND MADE APPOINTMENT FOR MONDAY LAST WHICH HE DID NOT KEEP. LARSON INFORMS ME THIS MORNING THAT CONNELLEY ARRIVED AT MUNCIE LAST NIGHT AT ABOUT EIGHT OCLOCK AND THAT BOTH CONNELLEY AND LARSON TOOK THE INFORMANT FOR A DRIVE BECAUSE THE INFORMANT WAS AFRAID TO MEET THEM ANYWHERE

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THE INFORMANT TOLD THEM THAT HE HAD BEEN TO INDIANAPOLIS AND THAT HE HAD SEEN MARY KINDER THERE. LARSON AND CONNELLEY BELIEVE THAT THE INFORMANT MUST HAVE LIED ABOUT HAVING SEEN MARY KINDER AT INDIANAPOLIS BECAUSE THE DESCRIPTION HE GAVE OF THE WOMAN HE SAW DOES NOT AT ALL FIT THAT OF MARY KINDER HOWEVER THE INFORMANT FURTHER STATED THAT THE WOMAN HE SAW IN INDIANAPOLIS WAS TO GO TO MUNCIE INDIANA TO SEE ONE HUGH BERRY BERRY ACCORDING TO LARSON FORMERLY SERVED TIME IN THE MICHIGAN CITY PRISON THIS IS BEING CHECKED HERE. LARSON AND CONNELLEY WENT TO THE PLACE OPERATED BY BERRY IN MUNCIE AND WATCHED FOR AWHILE BUT DID NOT SEE THE INFORMANT GO IN INFORMANT HAD PREVIOUSLY STATED THAT HE WAS GOING TO SEE BERRY LAST NIGHT. LATER LARSON WENT IN AND TALKED TO BERRY UNDER COVER AND BERRY TOOK HIM IN A BACK ROOM WHERE HE SAW THE INFORMANT THE INFORMANT THEN LEFT AND BERRY INFORMED LARSON THAT HE DID NOT KNOW MARY KINDER BERRY STATED THAT ONE RUSS LAST NAME UNKNOWN GOT IN TOUCH WITH HIM ABOUT A WEEK OR TWO AGO AND WANTED BERRY TO KEEP TWO MEN FOR HIM NAMES UNKNOWN AT THE PRESENT TIME BERRY TOLD RUSS THAT HE WOULD KEEP THEM IF THERE WERE ENOUGH MONEY IN IT FOR HIM. LARSON BELIEVES THE TWO MEN BERRY WAS TO KEEP MIGHT BE HAMILTON AND DILLINGER OR IT MIGHT BE THAT RUSS WANTED BERRY TO HELP ON A KIDNAPING OF ^{George} BALL. LARSON ENDEAVORING NOW TO CONTACT INFORMANT AGAIN IN MUNCIE. LARSON STATES PLANS TO LEAVE MUNCIE ABOUT NOON AND COME TO CHICAGO THENCE TO DETROIT. CONNELLEY WENT BACK TO INDIANAPOLIS AT MIDNIGHT LARSON SUGGESTS THAT THE INFORMANT CAN CONTACT CONNELLEY AT INDIANAPOLIS. I SUGGEST LARSON REMAIN MUNCIE FOR PURPOSE OF MAKING ADDITIONAL CONTACTS WITH BERRY AND THE INFORMANT AT LEAST UNTIL



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TOMORROW PLEASE ADVISE IN THIS RESPECT. AGENT HARRIS COLUMBUS OHIO REPORTS THIS MORNING THAT INFORMANT [REDACTED] HAS BEEN ADVANCED TWENTY FIVE DOLLARS MORE [REDACTED] INFORMS HARRIS THAT HE SAW DOTTY HUMES LAST NIGHT RIDING WITH A MAN IN A BUICK 1932 OR 1933 COUPE THE MAN HAD A LARGE SCAR ON THE LEFT CHEEK SMALL BLACK MUSTACHE BLACK HAIR AND THE INFORMANT DID NOT GET THE LICENSE NUMBER. THIS WOMANS PLANS ACCORDING TO INFORMANT WERE TO LEAVE TONIGHT FOR CLEVELAND AND FROM THERE TO PROCEED TO ST JOSEPH MICHIGAN HOWEVER AN ADDITIONAL CALL FROM HARRIS FURNISHES INFORMATION THAT THE INFORMANT STATES THAT DOTTY HUMES LEFT LAST NIGHT FOR CLEVELAND THEREFORE THERE IS APPARENTLY NO CHANGE IN THE PLANS FOR THE ~~SUPPOSED~~ SUPPOSED MEETING TO TAKE PLACE AT ST JOSEPH MICHIGAN THIS COMING SATURDAY NIGHT. CLEGG AT ST PAUL HAS JUST FURNISHED INFORMATION THAT THE DOCTOR AND NURSE AND BESSIE SKINNER IN ST PAUL HAVE ADVISED THAT DILLINGER IS VERY FAT NOW AND WEIGHS ABOUT 187 POUNDS AND THAT PHOTOGRAPHRS IN THEIR POSSESSION DO NOT RESEMBLE HIM ONE PHOTOGRAPH SHOWING NINE CHARACTERISTIC CLOSEUPS EXHIBITED TO THE ABOVE PEOPLE IN STPAUL AND THEY SELECTED TWO WHICH RESEMBLE HIM MOST THIS INFORMATION TRANSMITTED TO AGENT DONNEGAN INDIANAPOLIS FOR MR CONNELLEY AND AM ENDEAVORING TO CONTACT LARSON NOW TO GIVE HIM THIS INFORMATION

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JOHN DILLINGER NMVTA SAC LARSON CALLED ME FROM MUNCIE THIS MORNING AND STATED THAT HE HAD CONTACTED INFORMANT THERE AND THAT INFORMANT HAD STATED TO HIM THAT JOHN HAMILTON WAS IN THE PASTIME CLUB AT MUNCIE INDIANA SATURDAY AND THAT DILLINGER IS STILL SUPOSED TO BE AT ELKHART INDIANA BUT THE INFORMANT COULD NOT STATE WHERE. LARSON SENT THE INFORMANT BACK TO TALK TO A PARTY FROM WHOM HE WAS SECURING INFORMATION AND THE INFORMANT WAS TO DETERMINE THE ADDRESS IN ELKHART. LARSON REGISTERED IN ROBERTS HOTEL MUNCIE AS JONES. INFORMANT TOLD LARSON THIS MORNING THAT DILLINGER IS PROBABLY CONTACTING OTTO MCABEE ALIAS MCABLE WHO I HAVE DETERMINED IS DELINQUENT ON PAROLE FROM THE INDIANA STATE PRISON AT MICHIGAN CITY. THE ADDRESS OF MCABEE IS 240 EAST WALNUT STREET LOUISVILLE KENTUCKY HIS SPONSOR IS WILLIAM KRIEL JUNIOR 636 WEST SECOND STREET LOUISVILLE KENTUCKY. WHILE THE MICHIGAN CITY PENITENTIARY AUTHORITIES WERE NOT ADVISED OF THE PURPOSE OF THE INQUIRY THEY STATED THAT MCABEE IS ASSOCIATED WITH SOME GANG IN MUNCIE INDIANA AND THAT IF MCABEE IS FOUND ~~HOW~~ ~~XXX~~ HOMER VAN METER WILL BE ~~FOUND~~ ~~XXX~~ FOUND WITH HIM. PRISON RECORDS SHOW OTTO MCABEE HAS FOLLOWING RELATIVES AND FRIENDS EARL MCABEE BROTHER RED KEY INDIANA MISS MARY SIDERS FRIEND 400 JOHNSON STREET GARY INDIANA MISS MARGE SWAIN FRIEND 1042 EAST FOURTH STREET MISHAWAKA INDIANA CHARLES BENDER FRIEND 651 NAVAJO DETROIT MICHIGAN CHARLEY BREWER FRIEND 9447 PHILLIPS AVENUE ~~DETROIT~~ ~~XXX~~ DETROIT MICHIGAN. OTTO MCABEE'S WIFE SUPPOSED TO LIVE IN PORTLAND

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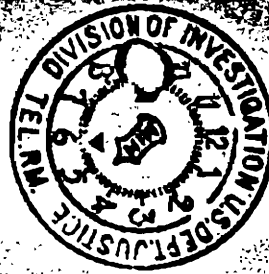
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INDIANA BUT MCABEE NEVER COMMUNICATED WITH HER WHILE HE WAS IN PRISON. MCABEE IS 38 YEARS OLD HEIGHT 5 FEET 2 1/6 INCHES EYES GREY SLATE HAIR DARK CHESTNUT COMPLEXION DARK WEIGHT ABOUT 149 POUNDS BUILD STOCKY PHOTOGRAPH AND FINGERPRINTS BEING OBTAINED. AM ENDEAVORING TO CONTACT WITH CONNELLEY IN LOUISVILLE NOW. JUST RECEIVED CALL FROM ACTING SAC MEEKINS DETROIT OFFICE WHO STATED THAT THE INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE HAD CALLED HIM STATING THAT THEY UNDERSTOOD DILLINGER WAS SURROUNDED AT FERNDALE MICHIGAN A SUBURB OF DETROIT. THEY APPARENTLY HAVE THE INFORMATION WHICH WE HAVE AND WHICH IS AS FOLLOWS A WOMAN WHO REFUSED TO GIVE HER NAME TELEPHONED THE POLICE IN DETROIT AND ADVISED THAT SHE HAD IDENTIFIED DILLINGER AS BEING THE DRIVER OF A 1931 BUICK COUPE BEARING INDIANA LICENSE PLATES NUMBER 457554. SHE IS SAID TO HAVE SEEN THIS CAR ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF DETROIT. THESE LICENSE PLATES WERE ISSUED TO W R RIBLET OF 420 BOWER STREET ELKHART INDIANA THE LICENSE RECORDS REFLECT THAT RIBLET IS 45 YEARS OF AGE WHITE WEIGHT 160 POUNDS HEIGHT 5 FEET 8 1/2 INCHES BROWN HAIR AND BROWN EYES. I HAVE SENT SPECIAL AGENTS J C NEWMAN AND W J DEVEREUX FROM SOUTH BEND TO ELKHART INDIANA TO MAKE IMMEDIATE AND DISCREET INQUIRY TO DETERMINE IDENTITY OF RIBLET. ACTING AGENT IN CHARGE KLINE CINCINNATI TELEPHONED STATING THAT INFORMANT [REDACTED] HAD ADVISED AGENT HARRIS AT COLUMBUS OHIO THAT A WOMAN NAMED DOTTY HUMES WHO IS ALLEGED TO BE AN ASSOCIATE OF THE DILLINGER GANG IS TO MEET DILLINGER AT THE WHITECOMB HOTEL AT ST JOSEPH MICHIGAN THIS COMING SATURDAY NIGHT. INFORMANT [REDACTED] FURTHER STATES THAT THIS PLACE IS RUN BY A DUTCHMAN WHO IS IN WITH THE DILLINGER GANG AND

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SHOULD READ AS FOLLOWS

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DILLINGER NMVTA REFERENCE YOUR TELETYPE EVELYN FRECHETTE ADMITTED TO AGENTS THIS OFFICE THAT SHE AND DILLINGER LEFT INDIANAPOLIS SUNDAY APRIL 8 IN FORD V8 DELUXE SEDAN WITH BLACK BODY BLACK WHEELS AND SPARE TIRE ON REAR CAR BEARING INDIANA 1934 TAGS 751673 THAT THEY STAYED

STAYED SUNDAY NIGHT AT A TOURIST CAMP ON HIGHWAY NUMBER 26 ABOUT 24 MILES BEFORE REACHING CHICAGO THAT ABOUT NOON MONDAY APRIL 9 THEY LEFT THE TOURIST CAMP AND DROVE AROUND THE COUNTRY UNTIL DARK WHEN THEY CAME INTO CHICAGO SHE THEN MADE CONTACT WITH

LARRY STRENG ON EVENING APRIL 9

WHEN SHE WAS TAKEN IN CUSTODY AGENTS THIS OFFICE NOW ATTEMPTING TO LOCATE TOURIST CAMP BUT ABOVE INFORMATION FURNISHED BY BULLIE FRECHETTE BELIEVED UNRELIABLE BECAUSE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT ADVISED THIS OFFICE THAT BILLIE FRECHETTE WAS IN CHICAGO ON AFTERNOON MONDAY APRIL 9 REPORT COVERING DETAILS OF HER APPREHENSION FORWARDED P

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NIGHT BILLIE FRECHETTE INTERVIEWED THIS AFTERNOON DENIES ABSOLUTELY HAVING MADE STATEMENT TO NEWSPAPER MEN AND STATES NEWSPAPER STORIES ACCREDITED TO HER ABSOLUTELY FALSE

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April 24, 1934.

Mr. E. H. Clegg,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
803 Post Office Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

There are being transmitted under separate cover today the original charts referred to in my letter of even date which illustrate the identification effected at the Division between two latent fingerprints appearing on a negative photograph submitted by the Chicago Division Office as having been obtained from Lieutenant Tierney, and the right index and middle fingers of Evelyn Frochette as they appear on a fingerprint card received from the Chicago Division Office on April 12, 1934.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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JON DILLINGER WITH ALIASES ET AL NMTA BASED ON INFORMATION FURNISHED BY SHERIFF WELCH SAULTE STE MARIE FIVE AGENTS NOW THAT CITY PURPOSE RAIDING HOME OF HAMILTONS BROTHER WHERE DILLINGER AND SUBJECT HAMITON REPORTED TO BE ON INFOFMATION FURNISHED MSHERIFF NO ACTION AS YET TAKEN BY AGENTS LOSANGELES ADVISES THAT ON JANUARY Q 1 1934 MAKLEY AS J C DAVIS SENT TELEGRAM FROM TUCSON TO ONE EUGENE BARTLETT 3550 WEST 60 TH STREET CHICAGO LATTER RAILROAD EMPLOYEE FOR NUMBER YEARS BUT FURTHER CHECK BEING MADE DETROIT OFFICE ADVS ADVISED ODAY THAT OPAL LONG HAD RETURNED TO CLARKS RESIDENCE IN THAT CITY AND THAT INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED SHE PLANS TO LEAVE IN DAY OR SO POSSIBLY FOR TUCSON INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM JU JUNE YOUNG DAUGHTER OF PATRICIA CHERRINGTON ALIAS YOUNG INDICATED HER MOTHER WAS AT 135 BELMONT STEET CHICAGO. INVESTIGATION REVEALS NO SUCH ADDRESS HERE SAC LARSON ADVISES HE HAS NOT SEEN HIS INFORMANT SINCE WEND WEDNESDAY NIGHT BUT THAT ONE DOCTOR XY SMITH ON LAST SUNDAY INFORMED GENE WILLIAMS AN ATTORNEY THAT SOMEONE WOULD CALL ON WILLIAMS ON WILLIAMS ON FOLLOWING DAY MONDAY FTHAT THIS PERSON DID CALL O ON WILLIAMS SPOKE VAGUELY BUT INDICATED THAT A KIDNAPING WAS ABOUT TO BE PERPRETRATED SMITH IS SUPPOSED TO HAVE SERVED TERM MICHIGAN CITY INDIANA FOR MANSLAUGHTER WHILE WILLIAMS IS SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN SENTENCED IN INDIANA FOR POSTOFFICE ROBBERY RECORDS OF BOTH

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BEING CHECKED BY THIS OFFICE KIRBY DAVIS 69 604 THIRD
STREET FORT WAYNE INDIANA REPORTED BY SAC LARSON TO BE CON
TACT MAN FOR DILLINGER AND THAT LATTER STAYED ABOVE RESIDENCE LAST
SUMMER. DAVIS RESIDENCE ABOVE DESCRIBED NOW BEING CHECKED
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CONLEY

Mr. Gridley of the United Press telephoned to obtain confirmation of the story that Nelson, of the Touhy gang was identified. I informed him that we had identified Nelson, but had no information of his connection with the Touhys. I stated that Nelson has a long criminal record, having escaped from the Illinois State Penitentiary in 1932. Mr. Gridley stated he would send some one up to the Division to obtain a photograph of Nelson.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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**MEMORANDUM FOR THE EQUIPMENT SECTION
UNIT FOUR**

**RE: GEORGE NELSON, with aliases,
BABY FACE NELSON, LESTER GILLIS,
"JIMMIE",
Murder.**

There are transmitted herewith data for Identification Order No. 1223, to be issued relative to the above subject.

Kindly verify the fingerprint classification, use the best available photograph appearing in the files of the Identification Unit, and place on the photograph the date when taken.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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ORDER NO. 1223
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CLASSIFICATION:

WANTED:

GEORGE NELSON, aliases
BABY FACE NELSON, LESTER GILLIS, "JIMMIE"

MURDER

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DESCRIPTION

Age, 25 years
Height, 5 feet 4 1/2 inches
Weight, 133 pounds
Build, medium
Eyes, yellow and grey slats
Hair, light chestnut
Complexion, light
Occupation, oiler

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taken on the photograph)

CRIMINAL RECORD

As George Nelson, #5637,
received State Penitentiary,
Joliet, Illinois, July 17,
1931; crime, robbery; sentence,
1 year to life; escaped February
17, 1932.

RELATIVES

Mrs. Mary Nelson, mother,
2715 West 39th Street,
Chicago, Illinois;
Mrs. Helen Nelson, wife,
2142 South Millard Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

George Nelson is wanted for the murder of W. Carter Beun, Special Agent,
Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, near Rhineland, Wisconsin,
on April 23, 1934.

Law enforcement agencies kindly transmit any additional information or
criminal record to the nearest office of the Division of Investigation, U. S. De-
partment of Justice.

If apprehended, please notify the Director, Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., or the Special Agent in Charge
of the office of the Division of Investigation listed on the back hereof which is
nearest your city.

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Director.

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April 24, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 536,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Sir:

Please refer to Division letter dated April 9, 1934,
requesting that a complete report be submitted by your office
covering the investigation made at Tucson, Arizona, following the
arrest of John Herbert Dillinger with aliases and other members
of his gang.

The Division desires that this report be submitted without
further delay.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. COWLEY

In regard to the attached memorandum dated April 21, 1934, from Special Agent Erik G. Peterson covering a conversation which he had with Special Agent in Charge Connelley, I am willing for the time being that no legal action be taken against Hubert Dillinger and the members of his family who were present at the farm of the father of Dillinger on April 8th. However, if they do not extend the cooperation which they have indicated they will, I think very definite action should be taken against all, or at least against those who do not extend such cooperation, on the ground of harboring a fugitive. Will you please keep this matter in mind and inform Mr. Connelley that we want him to be certain to have sufficient facts so that he may at any time, on orders from this office, proceed against any or all of these persons. I am strongly of the opinion that any person who renders any aid or assistance to Dillinger and his associates should be immediately arrested under the Federal charge unless such person would prove to be a source of information that might ultimately bring about Dillinger's apprehension.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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(Incl. attached to Mr. Cowley's memo)

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Laboratory Report

April 23, 1934.

Case: John Dillinger, with aliases, Fugitive,
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Number: 62-29777-483

Specimens: 1 registration card for automobile signed by Mrs.
Harmon L. Osgood, and bearing Motor No. 18694580.

Examination requested by: Birmingham Office.

Date received: April 14, 1934.

Examination requested: Laboratory.

Result of examination:

Examination by: C.A. Appel.

April 21. It is concluded that the handwriting is not the same as that on the notebook route chart that was found at the automobile wreck at Noblesville, Indiana.

A comparison of the signature of Mrs. Harmon L. Osgood with that of Paula Harmon shown on the fingerprint card in the Identification Division indicates that she wrote the specimens. No disguise was used and the identification is complete and positive.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 314,
Birmingham, Alabama.

APR 25 1934

Re: John Dillinger, with aliases, Fugitive,
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Division

April 14, 1934.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

Director.

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Washington, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CLEGG.

In accordance with telephonic request of Mr. Stapleton, there are transmitted herewith ten copies of the criminal record appearing in the files of this Unit on Frank Stone, with aliases, St. Paul, Minnesota, Police Department #23979.

The following description appears on fingerprint card received from Police Department, St. Paul, Minnesota, May 20, 1933.

Color - White	Complexion - Medium
Age - 37 - 1933	Hair - Dark chestnut
Height- 5'10"	Eyes - Light blue
Weight- 166	Residence -St. Paul, Minn.
Build - Medium	Birthplace -Red Lodge, Mont.

Scars and Marks: I 2 ^{1 2 inch scar} cic's upper l arm. II Sev pit scrs upper r arm. III prom scr. on r. lower jaw bone; scr. on neck front; furrow upper lip; brows heavy and dist; scr center back of neck in hair; mouth turns to right.

On fingerprint card received from Police Department, Omaha, Nebraska, showing his arrest there on January 25, 1920, the notation appears that this subject was arrested by Officers, Andersen, Cooper, Danbaum, and Haze. A further notation appears that he was taking orders to deliver stolen automobiles and was suspected of being a member of an automobile stealing gang. On fingerprint card received from Police Department, Kansas City, Missouri, February 9, 1925 his residence is shown as Omaha, Nebraska and place of birth, Red Lodge, Montana. On fingerprint card received from Police Department, St. Louis, Missouri, August 15, 1925, his place of birth was shown as Springfield, Illinois. On prints received in July, 1930 from United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, his occupation is shown as boilermaker.

There will be submitted ten photographic copies of photographs appearing on fingerprint record received from Police Department, St. Paul, Minnesota, May 20, 1933. There are several other photographs available in the jacket. There will also be submitted photographic copies of Carroll's various signatures appearing on the fingerprints submitted.

Respectfully,

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L. C. Schilder.

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April 24, 1934.

**MEMORANDUM FOR THE EQUIPMENT SECTION,
UNIT FOUR**

Re: THOMAS LEONARD CARROLL, aliases
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JIM BROCK, FRANK O'LOAN, FRANK SLOWE,
GEORGE McLARREN, J. C. McLARREN,
THOMAS MURPHY, THOMAS MURRAY.

There is transmitted herewith data for Identification Order #1224 to be issued relative to the above subject.

Kindly verify the fingerprint classification from your files and obtain fingerprints and best available photograph from the files of the Identification Unit.

Very truly yours,

Director

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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THOMAS LEONARD CARROLL, aliases
TOM CARROLL, JAMES ROY BROCK,
JIM BROCK, FRANK SLOAN, FRANK SLOAN,
GEORGE McLARKEN, J. E. McLARKEN,
THOMAS MURPHY, THOMAS MURRAY

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DESCRIPTION

Age, 37 (1933) (Date of Photograph here)
Height, 5 feet 10 inches
Weight, 166 pounds
Build, medium (Place photograph here)
Hair, dark chestnut
Eyes, light blue
Complexion, medium (Place signature here)
Scars and marks, 1 2
Scars upper; 1 arm. II
Sev pit scars upper r arm;
III prom scar on r lower
jaw bone; scar on neck front;
furrow upper lip; brows heavy
and dist; scar center back of
neck in hair; mouth turns to
right.

RELATIVES

Mrs. Sally Carroll, wife,
3242 South 16th Avenue,
Minneapolis, Minnesota

CRIMINAL RECORD

As Thomas L. Carroll, #6497, arrested
Police Department, Omaha, Nebraska,
January 24, 1920; charge, investiga-
tion; sentence 60 days County Jail;
As Tom Carroll, #42, arrested Sheriff
Office, Council Bluffs, Iowa,
October 24, 1921; charge, larceny;
sentence 5 years;
As Ron Carroll, #9912, received State
Reformatory, Anamosa, Iowa, February
3, 1922; crime, larceny; sentence
55 years; served 13 months - paroled;
As Thomas Carroll, #13258, arrested
Police Department, Kansas City,
Missouri, November 21, 1924; charge
robbery; dismissed December 10, 1924
As James Roy Brock, #22165, arrested
Police Department, St. Louis,
Missouri, August 11, 1925; charge,
suspicion-robbery; released August 1
1925, insufficient evidence;
As Tommy Carroll, #434, arrested
Police Department, St. Joseph,
Missouri, August 18, 1926; charge,
larceny of auto; released;
As Frank Sloan, #1274, arrested
Sheriff's Office, Tulsa, Oklahoma,
September 19, 1926; charge, investi-
gation-concealed weapons; released
to Police Department St. Joseph,
Missouri, September 29, 1926;
As Tommy Carroll, #434, arrested
Police Department, St. Joseph,
Missouri, September 29, 1926; charge,
bank robbery; acquitted January 11,
1927-turned over to United States
Marshal, Kansas City, Missouri, and
released on \$2500 bond.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE EQUIPMENT SECTION
UNIT FOUR

RE: HOMER VAN METER, aliases
KENNETH JACKSON, KENNETH R. JACKSON

There is transmitted herewith, data for Identification Order #1222 to be issued relative to the above subject.

Kindly verify the fingerprint classification from your files and obtain fingerprints and best available photograph from the files of the Identification Unit.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Incl. 780765.

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KENNETH JACKSON, KENNETH E. JACKSON

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DESCRIPTION

Age, 29 (1934)
Height, 5 feet 10 1/2 inches
Weight, 134 pounds
Build, slender
Hair, dark chestnut
Eyes, blue
Complexion, medium
Nationality, American
Occupation, waiter
Scars and marks, II. tattoo
anchor and banner with
word "HOPE" forearm inner;
scar of 1 1/2 inches middle
forehead edge of hair.

RELATIVES

Harry Van Meter, brother,
2821 Cambridge Street,
Ft. Wayne, Indiana;
Mrs. Helen Ober, sister,
Wayne, Pennsylvania.

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CRIMINAL RECORD

As Kenneth E. Jackson, #589, arrested
Police Department, Aurora, Illinois
June 23, 1923; charge, larceny;
changed to disorderly conduct
June 29, 1923; sentence 21 days,
fine \$200;

As Kenneth Jackson, #6124, received
State Prison, Menard, Illinois,
January 11, 1924; crime larceny;
sentence 1 to 10 years; paroled
December 1924;

As Homer Van Meter, #4851, arrested
Sheriff's Office, Crown Point, Indiana
March 12, 1925; charge robbery
(2 charges); sentence 10 to 21 years
on each charge;

As Homer Van Meter, #14991, received
Indiana State Reformatory, Pendleton,
Indiana, March 25, 1925; crime
robbery (2 charges); sentence 10
to 21 years on each charge;

As Homer Van Meter, #11561, received
State Prison, Michigan City, Indiana
July 28, 1926; transferred from
Indiana State Reformatory; paroled
under Reformatory jurisdiction
May 19, 1933.

Homer Van Meter is wanted at St. Paul, Minnesota for the obstruction
of justice. Van Meter is also wanted for bank robbery.

Law enforcement agencies kindly transmit any additional information or
criminal record to the nearest office of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department
of Justice.

If apprehended, please notify the Director, Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C. or the Special Agent in Charge of the
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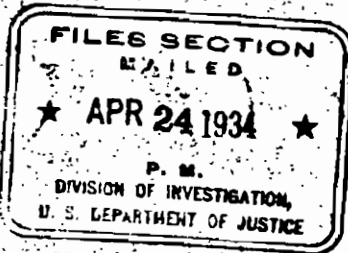
MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CONLEY

The City Editor of the Washington Herald telephoned to inquire concerning the Dillinger matter. He was advised that we are giving out no information. Upon his request, I agreed to furnish him a photograph of Mr. Baum. He stated he would send for it.

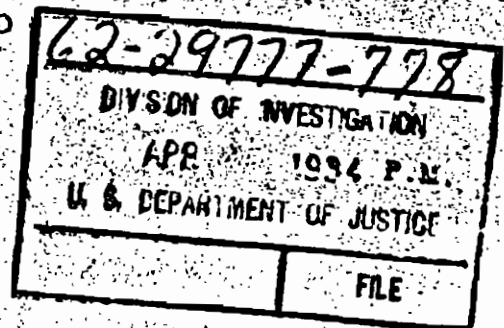
Mr. Walter Fitzmaurice of Universal Service also telephoned to request information on this case and was informed that we are making no statement.

Very truly yours,

Director.



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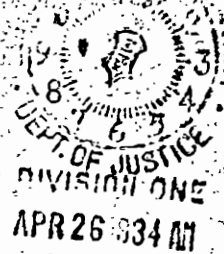
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Room 1403
370 Lexington Avenue
New York City

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April 24, 1934



Director
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Re: John Dillinger with aliases
I.O. 1217, Fugitive, et al
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to telephonic communication of April 20th with me by Mr. Stapleton of the Division, at which time the latter advised that Amanda Thomas, daughter of the Warden of the State Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio, was leaving Washington, D.C. for New York City, where she might be reached at the Paramount Hotel.

In accordance with the suggestion of Mr. Stapleton, Special Agent F. I. McGarraghy of this office conferred with Miss Thomas at her hotel on the evening of April 21st, having been unsuccessful in contacting her previous to that time, although continuous efforts were made, and she was furnished with the telephone number of the New York Division office, as well as that of my home, and the home telephone of Special Agent V. C. Zimmer of this office.

Miss Thomas advised that she would call the New York Division office in the event she received any information which would indicate that she might be in a dangerous position.

Very truly yours,

F. I. Fay
F. I. FAY
Special Agent in Charge

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From
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Indicated below by check mark

MR. TOLSON
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MR. COWLEY
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 13, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

With reference to the investigation concerning and search for the desperado, John Dillinger, you may be interested in the information which I have just received from the Chicago office of the Division of Investigation to the effect that Sheriff Harry D. Person, at Warsaw, Indiana, has advised the Chicago office that two men, each armed with a machine gun and driving a large black almost new sedan, make and license number being unknown, last night forced night police officer Judd Tittinger, at Warsaw, to open the police station where they obtained three bullet proof vests and two .38 calibre revolvers. They also used machine guns, but none were found. Sheriff Person advised that officer Tittinger has positively identified one of these men as Dillinger. Subsequent to the robbery of the police station the automobile used by the two men was observed driving west from the police station on a street which had access to highways leading in all directions. The Sheriff further advised that the strange car had been observed circling the town of Warsaw since the robbery. Warsaw has one bank and a population of about thirty thousand people.

Any further information obtained will be immediately communicated to the Division.

Respectfully,

Director.