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FORM NO. 1  
 THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Chicago, Illinois**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Cincinnati, Ohio</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>4-27-34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>4/20-27/34</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>Bliss, Norton</b>
TITLE <b>JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases, I.O. #1217 - FUGITIVE; JOHN HAMILTON, with alias, I.O. #1220 - FUGITIVE; LEVELYN FRECHETTE, with aliases, I.O. #1221 - FUGITIVE</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>NAT'L MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Various activities of Agents in the Cincinnati District outlined with no definite information as to the location of Subjects. The Kentucky license plates found on the abandoned Ford Sedan at Portage, Wisconsin, were issued to Mrs. E. K. Rogere, Postmistress, Guthrie, Ky., who bears an excellent reputation. No information obtained that any of Subjects have been in the vicinity of Guthrie.

**DETAILS:**

**AT CINCINNATI, OHIO**

A long distance telephone call was received from the St. Paul Office on the 23rd instant indicating that a 1933 model Ford V-8 DeLuxe Coach, maroon color, had been reported stolen at St. Paul that date having Minnesota license B 455-209. It was suspected that some of the Subjects had taken this car and might be on their way South.

Agent immediately contacted Special Agent E. O. Harris at Columbus, Ohio, Special Agent Chapman Fletcher at Dayton, Ohio, and Special Agent F. E. Hurley at Louisville, Kentucky, requesting them to contact local officers and have them be on the lookout for the car in question. Telegrams also were sent to the Chiefs of Police at Evansville and Madison, Indiana, at which points bridges cross the Ohio River. A like telegram was sent to the Chief of Police, Lexington, Kentucky. However, no trace of the car in question was reported to the Cincinnati Office.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>Bliss Norton</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	62-29777-936	RECORDED AND INDEXED: APR 30 1934
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On 4-25-34 a long distance telephone call was received at the Cincinnati Office from Special Agent in Charge H. H. Purvis at Chicago to the effect that Sheriff Shumann of Springfield, Ohio, had reported that six men in a Ford V-8 Sedan stopped at a filling station near London, Ohio, and inquired where they could locate a physician. One of the men appeared to be wounded in the head. The Sheriff stated he had notified the Sheriffs of Columbus and Lebanon, as well as the State Highway Patrol.

Special Agent Bliss Morton, Cincinnati, gave this information by telephone to Special Agent Chapman Fletcher at Dayton, Ohio, who immediately proceeded to the vicinity of Springfield and London and ascertained that a small town Constable, whose name has not yet been furnished the Cincinnati Office, had seen a car drive by with four or five men in it, one of whom appeared to have a bandage on his head. The car did not stop. The Constable mentioned this to the loafers up town and later some contractor, who had heard of the Constable's report "played a joke" on the Constable by telling him that the car in question had stopped at some filling station and one of the men had asked for a Doctor and the contractor believed the car might contain Dillinger and his gang. On that suggestion the Constable had immediately notified the Sheriffs. However, the Sheriffs had made efforts to locate the car in question but had failed. The results of Agent Fletcher's inquiry at Springfield were given by telephone to Supervisor Cowley at Washington and the Chicago Office.

At about 1:30 A. M., 4-26-34, Special Agent Chapman Fletcher at Dayton, Ohio, telephoned the Cincinnati Office and contacted Special Agent H. E. Roberts and stated that a press dispatch had been received at Dayton from Columbus, Ohio, advising that about 6:00 P.M. a maroon colored Ford Coach bearing Wisconsin license tags had been noticed at Akron, Ohio, and its occupants had made inquiry as to the direction of Columbus, Ohio; that about 10:30 P.M., at Columbus, Ohio, a car fitting the same description, bearing five male occupants, accosted Tom Jaeger, Columbus, Ohio, and asked for the name of a physician in Columbus. He noted the muzzle of a long barrel shot-gun in the hands of one of the individuals in the front seat, and also a bandage around the head of one of the rear occupants; that the Columbus police were making a detailed investigation of all doctors and hospitals at Columbus, Ohio, endeavoring to ascertain if the individual in this car might be members of the Dillinger gang.

Special Agent Morton at Cincinnati got in touch by long distance telephone with Special Agent H. D. Harris at Columbus, Ohio, requested him to obtain all available information concerning the Cincinnati Office. Special Agent Harris shortly thereafter telephoned Agent Morton at Cincinnati, stating that he had contacted the police of Columbus and informed

him that at about noon, the 25th of April, a maroon colored Ford V-8 Sedan bearing Illinois license plates #118-191 had been seen at Mogadore, Ohio. It had contained five or six men who had held up a bank at Mogadore and who had obtained a small sum of money from the bank and had carried off two bank employees. This car had driven north from Akron and had released the two men shortly after leaving the city. Nothing further was known concerning it.

Agent Harris also obtained from the police the information that about 10:00 P.M., four or five men in a Ford car had accosted Tom Yaeger, Columbus, Ohio, and requested directions to a doctor; that one of the men appeared to have his head tied up, and that Yaeger had seen a long barrel shot-gun in the car. Yaeger had stated that the car had a white license plate. The police had sent out crews but had been unable to locate any such car, and had broadcasted the information over the state in order that the car might be watched for and had also sent out a broadcast that hospitals and doctors should report anyone calling for treatment of a head wound.

Agent Harris was compelled to leave Columbus, Ohio, early on the morning of the 26th to appear as a Government witness in the U. S. Commissioner's Court at Steubenville, Ohio. He requested Lieut. Tom Scully of the Columbus Police Department to obtain further information on this and telephone Agent Horton. Lieut. Scully telephoned Agent Horton at Cincinnati about twelve noon, 4-26-34, and stated as follows:

A man named Thomas Yaeger, age 40, 317 South Eureka Ave., employed as a city foreman in the Street Repair Department for the last five years, is the originator of the information in this matter. Yaeger had stated that at 9:45 he was walking east on the north side of Sullivan Ave., between Eureka and Wayne, when a dark colored Ford V-8 Coach going west on Sullivan Ave. with two men in the front seat, and three or four men in the back seat, was noticed. Yaeger at this time was at the corner of Sullivan Ave., and the car slowed down but did not stop. One of the men in the back seat had what appeared to be a bandage on the left side of his face, covering his ear. Yaeger noticed what appeared to be the barrels of three shot guns sticking out between the two men in the front seat. One appeared to be octagon shape. When they slowed down one of the men yelled: "Heh, Buddy, where's a doctor's office around here?" Yaeger told them to go to the next carline and turn north in Eureka Ave. The men sped west on Sullivan Ave., honking the auto horn and going at a high rate of speed. Yaeger talked with a man at a filling station on Wayne and Sullivan, and they also had noticed the car going by. The front license plates were on the right side of the front bumper and appeared to be dark numerals on a white background. The license number was not obtained. The car appeared to be a very dark color and dirty. Yaeger noticed the driver, who had a peaked face, and the other man in the front seat had a round face, dark hair,

hanging over the forehead, and wore a brown hat. He could not describe the others in the car. Yaeger called the police immediately by telephone, and at their request he waited on Sullivan and Wayne until they arrived, and gave them directions in which the car had gone. Squads in four police cars immediately searched Columbus but found no trace of any such car. They likewise visited doctors in the neighborhood and broadcast that doctors and hospitals should be on the lookout for a wounded man. Broadcast also was given to other law enforcement officials over the state.

In this connection, Lieut. Scully states that he resides on Sullivan Ave., some four or five blocks east of the point where Yaeger states he saw the car. At the time the car was allegedly seen by Yaeger, Lieut. Scully states he was sitting in the front room of his home, looking out towards the street. He feels very certain that if such a car had gone by, and especially if the driver had been honking the horn, he would certainly have noticed it. He states that while Yaeger does not bear a bad reputation, Lieut. Scully nevertheless somewhat doubts the accuracy of his statements.

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Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley of the Cincinnati Office, presently working on this case at Indianapolis, Indiana, [REDACTED]

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b7E [REDACTED]

Special Agent in Charge Connelley on 4-20-34 wired direct to the San Francisco Office to check the identity of [REDACTED] on the possibility that Subjects might be there or might be contacting that residence. Telegraphic reply was received from the San Francisco Office advising that Clyde E. Duncan and wife have resided at Oakland about two years, originally coming from Indiana, where they have relatives, and that Duncan is employed as a painter and has no police record at Oakland.

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Following is a memorandum submitted by Special Agent H. S. Roberts concerning an inquiry at Hamilton, Ohio, 4-26-34:

b7D Referring to a communication received by Acting Special Agent in Charge Bliss Morton, relative to confidential informant [REDACTED] furnishing this office information on 4-25-34 relative to a telegram received at Hamilton, Ohio, addressed to Maude Filler, 1276 Azel Ave., Hamilton, Ohio, Agent interviewed George A. Zetler, Postal Clerk, Hamilton, Ohio,

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who stated that he had received request from the Western Union Office early that morning relative to the address of Maude Filler; that in checking back records it was found that one Clifford Filler, formerly resided at 1123 Azel Ave., and in 1931 moved to R. R. #5, thence later to R. R. #2, on Starr Ave., and from there no address was furnished. Postal Carrier #28, Allan Linn, Hamilton, Ohio, advised that he formerly carried mail to 1123 Azel Ave.; that he knows Clifford Filler and his wife, Maude Filler, slightly; that they are Kentuckians and their present address is unknown to him; however, he suggested that James Stewart, 1131 Azel Ave., might know of their address and furnish information relative to them. He recommended Mr. Stewart very highly.

Miss Margaret Schneider of the Western Union, Hamilton, was interviewed and advised that her messenger boy left a notice at 1276 Azel Ave., about 8:00 A.M., 4-25-34, and after being unable to find anyone living at that address; however, at 10:30 a lady called and advised that she was with Mrs. Maude Filler, for whom a notice had been left at 1276 Azel Ave., whereupon Miss Schneider delivered the message by telephone to the alleged Maude Filler.

James Stewart, 1131 Azel Ave., was interviewed and advised that he had lived in that vicinity for over 25 years; that he was personally acquainted with Martha E. Smith of Kerby Knob, Ky., mother of Mrs. Maude Filler; that Mrs. Smith is a very fine lady. He stated that he is not so well acquainted with Clifford and Maude Filler; however, his wife, whom Agent also interviewed, had advised him that she conversed with Mrs. Filler recently and ascertained that her husband was some place in northern Ohio working on some Government bridge or job. Mr. Stewart advised that Mrs. Clifford (Maude) Filler resides at the rear of 1276 Azel Ave., on the alley, at the present time. (This may explain why the Western Union boy was unable to deliver the telegram).

Agent interviewed T.E. Payne, 1100 Ross Ave., who operates a grocery store at this address. He stated that he has personally known Mr. and Mrs. Clifford (Maude) Filler for five years; that they trade with him regularly and are very fine type of people; that Mrs. Filler is a Kentuckian and her husband was formerly employed by the Sinclair Oil Company about three years ago; however, when his wife became ill it was necessary for him to quit his job, because it entailed considerable traveling. He stated that recently Mr. Clifford Filler has returned to his job with the Sinclair Oil Company and travels from place to place painting oil stations for this company. He stated that he believes Clifford Filler owns a Chevrolet Coupe, however, he would not be positive.

It was ascertained on a second visit to the Post Office that Marcum's drug store in West Hamilton, Ohio, is located under Station "B" of the Hamilton Post Office. Mr. G. Marcum was interviewed and advised Agent that Mr. and Mrs. Clifford (Hanks) Filler receive mail through General Delivery in that Post Office at the present time and have so received mail off and on for about five years. He displayed a letter postmarked Ketchy Knob, Ky., dated 4-24-34 from Mrs. Martha E. Smith to Mrs. Hanks Filler and stated that he also knows Martha E. Smith, who is the mother of Mrs. Filler, and knows of nothing against their reputation and character.

From investigation, it would appear that Mr. Filler was engaged in lawful pursuits and occupation and it appears that there would be no connection between the Dillinger gang and the telegram sent by Mr. Filler to his wife, relative to obtaining a machine at Dayton, Ohio, on the night of 4-26-34.

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Special Agent Chapman Fletcher, Dayton, Ohio, reports that he and Special Agent G. H. Treadwell are continuing to watch the apartment of Mary Longnaker but no events of any importance have been noted. Special Agent Fletcher reports, as follows, 4-24-34:

Up to noon today there have been no further developments of interest. Special Agent Treadwell and this agent are continuing to cruise in the car in the vicinity of 214 Clay Street and the Stricker Hotel. Mrs. Lucille Stricker was contacted by telephone today for the main purpose of showing her Agents were still on the job and that while Dillinger was reported elsewhere she was still to maintain a close watch and advise of any suspicious persons or cars in her neighborhood.

Immediately after telephone conversation with Special Agent in Charge Connelley on the night of 4-23-34, this agent got in touch with Sergeant C. C. Cadot of the Dayton Police and he advised he had a few minutes before broadcasting over the Dayton Police radio the lookout for Ford V-8 Deluxe Coach, Minnesota 1934 license #B 455 209, maroon color. He stated he received this information over the Columbus State Police Radio and Columbus had received the information from St. Paul by radio. It seems they have a good radio hook-up. Arrangements have been made with the Night Clerk in the Gibbons Hotel, Dayton, to turn his radio on the Dayton Police and he will call Agent if anything of importance is broadcast.

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Special Agent F. E. Hurley at Louisville, Ky., has made the following observations on his inquiries in the western section of Kentucky, 4-25-34:



no indications that Dillinger has been in the region since his last visit, a few days after his escape from jail, Crown Point, Indiana, last March. Contacts are being maintained.

AT LEBANON, KENTUCKY

[redacted] garageman, friendly to agent and an informant, stated that Frank Whitehouse has discontinued his activities as a bootlegger; that he is living quietly and in the open as of late; that in a recent conversation, Whitehouse emphatically declared that "Dillinger is crazy", that he will soon get shot full of holes; that he is a "D--- fool". He further told [redacted] when questioned as to Dillinger that should the latter come to Lebanon Mo., Dillinger, could have his home but that he, Whitehouse, would immediately move out. [redacted] is convinced that Whitehouse is not going to get involved with the Dillinger gang; that he has been invited to do so in the past but that he declined; that he is further convinced that Whitehouse is too smart to get tangled up with Dillinger especially at this time when his life is in danger and all trails are hot. Whitehouse has so expressed himself, according to [redacted]. The latter is undoubtedly playing fair with Agent. He also stated that Mayme Dunn is well known to him; that he is sure that Miss Dunn would never get involved in such a desperate and criminal gang as the Dillinger gang. He speaks of her past and as to her character and reputation very much as did Chief of Police Gordon and Assistant Postmaster Burke. The latter statements as to Miss Dunn were not provoked by Agent. They were given when a question was asked as to a Miss Mayme Dunn. [redacted] suggested that Agent might mean Miss Dunn. He could think of no other person of that name or a similar name. The nature of the inquiry was not revealed.

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AT PERRYVILLE, KENTUCKY

With Agent A. C. Russell, Postmaster John J. Farrell, Perryville, was interviewed relative to one Jesse Dillinger, reported uncle of Subject Dillinger. It was learned that Dillinger is a highly respectable man, a retired farmer; that he gets his mail out of the Danville Post Office. The relationship is doubted.

AT DANVILLE, KENTUCKY

Postmaster Heardon, Danville, stated that he knows Jesse Dillinger very well; that so far as is known, he is not related to Subject Dillinger. The former is one of the most respected citizens in the county.

Fred Hart, a retired farmer and a close neighbor of Jesse Dillinger, stated that the latter is not related to Subject Dillinger; that he is certain that they are not of kin.

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Chief of Police Bob Sale, Danville, stated that he has heard nothing of late relative to Dillinger's whereabouts except as told in the newspapers. He suggested that Deputy Sheriff Cochran, Liberty, Ky., be interviewed because the latter is a former Federal Prohibition Agent and is said to have conducted an investigation as to Dillinger.

#### AT LIBERTY, KENTUCKY

Agents Russell and Hurley interviewed Cochran, Prosecuting Attorney Charles Fair, Sheriff D. C. Gibbs relative to Dillinger and his movements. Nothing was learned that has not been previously reported. These men will fully cooperate and can be depended upon. They are crack shots and men used to Kentucky mountain life.

#### AT LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

Chief of Police Carl Million, New Albany, Indiana, reported quite recently two men telephoned at Elliott's filling station, New Albany, telephone #322, to Midway #1601, Chicago, Ill. The men spoke in code such as "the baby is sick" and "the strings are too long". The rest of the conversation was equally unintelligent to H. B. Sommers, the attendant at the Elliott filling station. The call was put in at 8:35 P.M., 4-16-34. The descriptions of the men were too vague to be of value. The car they were driving is not known as they parked it some distance away in the dark. The license plates were not obtained. Their identity could not be established. Possibly the call can be traced and be of some value. The men acted very mysteriously. It is thought that they may have been George T. Williams and Robert J. Hern. This latter suggestion is only a hunch with no evidential backing.

The police at Louisville have no additional reports to make as to Dillinger.

Inspector H. H. Clegg telephoned the Cincinnati Office on the evening of 4-25-34 from St. Paul, Minn., stating that 1934 Ford Sedan, motor #884515, was found at Portage, Wisc., bearing 1934 Kentucky license #781-779, which had been issued to Mrs. W. E. Rogers, Guthrie, Kentucky, for an Essex Coupe. The Ford Sedan in question had previously been seen at St. Paul bearing 1934 Minn. license plates #B 420-213.

Special Agent F. E. Hurley conducted the following investigation on 4-26-34:

AT GUTHRIE, KENTUCKY

The recent request of the Cincinnati Office to trace the theft of Kentucky 1934 license plates #731-779 developed that they had been issued to Mrs. Woodfin E. Rogers, Postmistress, Guthrie, 4-6-34. They covered an Essex Coupe. They were stolen at night from close to her home on 4-11-34. Neither she nor Judge Rogers has any idea as to the identity of the thief.

Mr. Claude Kimbrough, partner of Mr. Rogers, stated that he has no idea as to the identity of the person who stole the plates. He obtained them for Mrs. Rogers at the request of Mr. Rogers. The latter was Speaker of the House, Kentucky Legislature. Rogers bears one of the finest reputations in the region. He is above suspicion. Mr. Kimbrough is a man of the same type. They are highly intelligent, extremely well educated and are good business men. Chief of Police Dave Minns, Guthrie, stated that he knows of no person who might be connected with the Dillinger gang who resides at or near Guthrie. Minns is a young, live and alert officer. The Dillinger case is of great interest to him. He has several confidential informants in the city. None of them has reported any Dillinger angle to him. He cannot give any idea as to the identity of the person who stole Mrs. Rogers' license plates, other than to state that she may have had them stolen in Hopkinsville, Ky., inasmuch as she had been in that city shortly before her return to Guthrie about 8:30 P.M., 4-11-34. He advised that Mrs. Rogers does not know for a certainty where and when she lost the plates. This latter statement is given in confidence.

Nothing could be learned at Guthrie of value to this investigation. The persons interviewed will continue their investigations and will report any later fact of value.

In this connection, attention is invited to the report of Special Agent J. M. Towler, Birmingham, Alabama, dated 4-20-34, indicating that persons suspected of being Dillinger and some of his gang were in Nashville and other points in Tennessee on or about April 9 and 10, 1934. It is altogether probable that after they left the vicinity of Nashville they headed North and stopped at Guthrie, Kentucky, long enough to steal the license plates from Mrs. Rogers' car, it being noted the said plates were reported stolen on the night of 4-11-34.

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**Division of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice  
311 Hurley-Wright Building,  
Washington, D. C.**

April 28, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I. O. 1217, et al--NATIONAL  
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT; OBSTRUCTION  
OF JUSTICE

Reference is made to the article appearing in the Washington Post of April 26, 1934 relative to the police of Staunton, Virginia searching Baltimore and Ohio Train No. 6, eastbound, for John Dillinger.

You are advised that this search was occasioned by the following information received by Lt. Talley of the Metropolitan Police:

Lt. Talley was confidentially informed by the Western Union that the following telegram had been sent from White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia:

"8:52 P.M.  
White Sulphur, W. Va.

"Staunton 500  
"John Dillinger  
c/o Train No. 6  
Staunton, Va.

arrive 10:57 P.M.

"104 is going strong; cocktails lasting unusually long; ice is cold; water is wet; just shook up the last one yet.

/"Nuts and Bolts, 104."

Captain Harris of the Staunton Police force made this search at the request of Lt. Talley.

The Pittsburgh Office was telephonically contacted and an immediate investigation was instituted at White Sulphur, West Virginia and it was ascertained that this wire was sent to John Allen Dillon by F. E. Driscoll, Purchasing Agent of the Erie Railway

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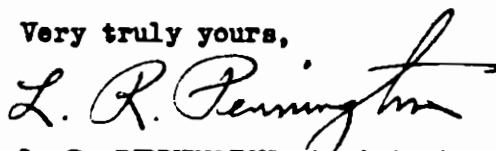
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at Cleveland, Ohio, and W. E. Corrigan, who had been on a party  
at White Sulphur with Mr. Dillon.

Very truly yours,



L. R. PENNINGTON, Assistant  
Special Agent in Charge.

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# U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice  
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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

April 27, 1934.

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

RE: JOHN HERBERT<sup>6</sup> DILLINGER with  
aliases---FUGITIVE --I. O. 1217  
et al - NAT'L MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT  
ACT; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE.

Dear Sir:

Special Agent M.C. Falkner, at Eagle River, Wisconsin, on April 24, 1934, interviewed P. J. Gaffney, undertaker and County Coroner, who stated that no inquest had been held as to Agent W. C. Baum and Eugene Phillip Boisoeneau; that the body of Agent Baum, accompanied by Agent K. R. McIntire, left Eagle River at 9 A.M. April 24, 1934, enroute to Rhinelander, Wisconsin; that the departure was in the hearse belonging to Bert Surges of Eagle River; that he gave Agent McIntire a copy of the death certificate, and of the expenses incident to the embalming of Baum's body and transportation of the body to his place of business in Eagle River, and from there to Rhinelander, Wisconsin; that the total amount of this bill is \$345.00 which Agent McIntire advised him would be taken care of after he arrived in Chicago.

With reference to the body of Eugene Phillip Boisoeneau, Mr. Gaffney stated that it was being held in his establishment pending arrangements for burial to be made by the officers of the Citizens Conservation Camp to which Boisoeneau was attached.

Agent inspected Mr. Gaffney's records which reflect Boisoeneau's name to be as above set out, indicating that his father is dead; his mother is Mrs. Phillip Boisoeneau, Mellon, Wisconsin; and he is 28 years of age.

Agent Falkner interviewed Bert Surges, who stated that he resides in Eagle River, Wisconsin, and owns and operates an ambulance and a hearse; that he was present when Agent Baum's body was embalmed; that one shot only was evidenced, which entered just above the heart, and the point of exit was below the left shoulder, indicating that the shot must have been fired at a point above the position in which Baum was sitting when struck; that apparently the bullet went through his heart; that Agent McIntire accompanied the body in the ambulance

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from Eagle River to Rhinelander, Wisconsin; that he, Surges, drove the ambulance, leaving Eagle River at 9 A.M. and arriving at Rhinelander, at 9.50 A.M.; that at Rhinelander the body was placed on the train for Chicago, Illinois; that Agent McIntire left on the same train, which was the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad, and departed from Rhinelander at 9.58 A.M. on April 24, 1934.

Very truly yours,

*M. H. Purvis*  
*by J. W. P.*

M. H. PURVIS,

Special Agent in Charge.

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U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box #766  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

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April 28, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

Will you please furnish this office with one  
hundred fifty additional Identification Orders No. 1225,  
ALBERT W. REILLY, with aliases.

Very truly yours,

*Bliss Morton*

BLISS MORTON,  
Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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I talked to Mr. Clegg last night. He advised that Mr. Rorer had just called and stated that there had been no petition filed at Rhinelander, Wisconsin; that the petition filed at Mercer, Wisconsin, had on it between 30 and 40 names; that Mr. Rorer, when he first called and advised that there were seven names on the petition, had only been shown the first page containing the seven names; that Mr. Rorer had contacted the Sheriff and County Attorney at Rhinelander and they were both displeased because they had not been advised and taken into the confidence of the Division before the raid, but that after discussing the matter with them for about two hours they were both left in good spirits. Mr. Clegg stated that Mr. Rorer had pointed out to them that they were not in the county in which the raid was conducted and consequently had no jurisdiction.

Mr. Clegg stated also that the Police Department at Minneapolis had arrested a girl friend of Alvin Karpis and that they were questioning her then but that up to date she had not given any information and had denied acquaintance with this gang; that the indications were she was also a close associate of Dr. May.

Mr. Clegg stated that there was a rumor to the effect that Volney Davis, a member of the Barker-Karpis gang, was in the city and that the Division had a man working under cover at a hotel where it was reported Davis would likely be.

Mr. Clegg stated, further, that he was proceeding to Mercer, Wisconsin, tonight at seven o'clock for the purpose of attending the Coroner's inquest and requested advice as to the nature of the testimony to be given by him, asking whether he should prepare a statement to read at the inquest or whether the testimony should be oral. He stated that he was inclined at the present time, though he had not had time to give the matter enough consideration, to believe that the testimony should be oral. I am strongly of the opinion that Mr. Clegg's testimony should be oral and frank. I see no reason why the Division should not disclose the facts as known to Mr. Clegg. Mr. Clegg also suggested the advisability of requesting that the inquest be held in private chambers and not made public. I am of the opinion that this is not possible; that it must necessarily be an open hearing. However, I will have this matter taken up with Mr. Parrish.

Respectfully,

S. P. Cowley  
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TITLE: <b>JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. 1217</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT</b>	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <b>Eugene Bartlett, Chicago, Illinois, evidently acquainted with Charles Makley. Investigation at Tucson, Arizona, discloses other persons who probably are acquainted with Subject or members of his mob.</b>			
REFERENCE: <b>Letter from the Chicago Division Office dated April 12, 1934.</b>			
DETAILS: <b>AT TUCSON, ARIZONA:</b>  <b>G. A. WOLLARD, Chief of Police and City Detectives Mark L. Robbins and Chester Sherman advise that they did not capture Subject with other members of his mob on January 25, 1934, through information received from any confidential informant. Chief WOLLARD stated that [REDACTED] after the capture of the DILLINGER mob, gave him some information.</b>			
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Mr. and Mrs. R. L. RITTER, proprietors of the Heidel Hotel, advise that CHARLES MAKLEY, as J. C. DAVIES, and RUSSELL CLARK, as L. L. LONG, registered at the hotel on January 1, 1934, giving their address as Daytona Beach, Florida, and occupied Rooms 110 and 111; that on January 2, 1934, DAVIES telephoned long distance to Chicago, Illinois, and on the same date sent a telegram to the same party at Chicago, Ill. Mrs. RITTER advises that she made a copy of the telegram which she turned over to the Sheriff's office after the apprehension of the DILLINGER mob on January 25, 1934. Informants further advise that MAKLEY and CLARK left the Hotel on January 6, 1934, at which time they stated that they were going to California.

Mr. RITTER further advises that on January 19, 1934, HARRY PIERPONT, as R. E. MCGEE, registered at the hotel and left again on January 20, 1934. PIERPONT had no telegrams or phone calls.

Informants further advise that BONNIE WYATT, Mrs. MADGE RITZER and Mrs. ANNA SIEBERT BARTLETT were the only persons who contacted MAKLEY and CLARK during their stay at the Heidel Hotel.

MAURICE T. GUINNEY, Deputy Sheriff, advised that Mrs. RITTER gave him a copy of the telegram sent by CHARLES MAKLEY on January 2, 1934. This telegram is as follows:

"Eugene Bartlett, 3550 W. 60 St., Chicago, Ill.

Say old man what has happened here I am and no Eugene stop saw the sister and she did not even expect you out here this year stop Bob was here and has gone let me know if you expect to come out here at once if not I am going out.

J. C. Davies  
Heidel Hotel

Sheriff JOHN BELTON and Under-sheriff C. S. Farrar advise that after the receipt of the above information, Mrs. ANNA SIEBERT BARTLETT was brought to the Sheriff's Office and there telephoned to her brother, ROBERT BARTLETT at Chicago, Illinois. Sheriff BELTON informs that ROBERT BARTLETT, over long distance telephone, denied that he was acquainted with the activities or personnel of the DILLINGER mob.

A. A. SUNDIN, manager of the local Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company, located the record of the long distance phone call referred to in the interview with Mr. and Mrs. R. L. RITTER. This phone call was placed at 5:39 A. M. on January 2, 1934, to EUGENE BARTLETT, 3550 West 60th Street, Chicago, Illinois, telephone number Hemlock 2018, and was placed by Mrs. DAVIES, Room 110, Heidel Hotel. Mr. SUNDIN further advised that an application for installation of a telephone had been received for the address at 927 No. Second Avenue, but that the telephone had not been installed up to the time of the capture of the DILLINGER mob.

Chief of Police C. A. WOLLARD advised Agent that he had also received information that MAKLEY had contacted EUGENE BARTLETT, Chicago, Ill., by telephone and telegram and that he wired Chief of Detectives Shoemaker, Chicago, Illinois, and in return he had received a signed statement from EUGENE BARTLETT dated January 27, 1934. This statement is as follows:

4th Division Headquarters

January 27th, 1934

Statement of Eugene Bartlett 3550 W. 60th Street regarding telegram sent by one J. G. Davis from Tucson Arizona to Eugene Bartlett.

- Q. What is your name and address?  
A. Eugene Bartlett 3550 W. 60th Street Chicago Ill.  
Q. What is your telephone number?  
A. Pros 10258  
Q. What is your occupation?  
A. Brakeman for the C. B. & Q. Railroad.  
Q. How long have you been employed there?  
A. 14 years.  
Q. I will show you a copy telegram addressed to Eugene Bartlett, 3550 W 60th St, is this you. It is signed by Mr. J. G. Davis.  
A. Yes. It is me.  
Q. Do you recall of receiving this telegram?  
A. Yes. I do.  
Q. Do you know this Mr. J. G. Davis?  
A. I never knew anybody by that name.  
Q. Did you know who it was sent by at the time you received this telegram?  
A. No. I did not.  
Q. Were you contemplating a trip to Arizona?  
A. For the last ten years I have been making a trip to Tucson, Arizona, annually, about the first part of the year, I fully intended going this year in fact I had transportation but I mentioned the fact to Mr. Charles McGray, (who I now know is Charles Makley) and he in turn stated that he might see me out there, after finding out the character of this man, I immediately changed my plans because I did not want to be seen in his presence or have anything to do with him. I went to Breckinridge Springs, Missouri on January 5th, 1934 and registered at the Udell Apartments, next to the Bath House (Doctor Ball's Bath House) instead.  
Q. Do you know a person by the name of Bob, that was mentioned in this telegram?  
A. Yes. He is my Brother.  
Q. Do you know where he is now?  
A. He is in Chicago now, in his office in the Conway Building.  
Q. What business is he in?  
A. Real Estate Business.  
Q. Does your Brother Bob know this man Charles McGray, alias Charles Makley?  
A. No, he does not, he never saw or heard of him. In fact at the time this telegram was written he did not know that I knew him.

- Q. Did you know that your Brother was in Tucson, Arizona at the time this telegram was written.
- A. No. I did not know.
- Q. Did you ever know of your brother going to Tucson Arizona.
- A. He goes there every year, his family lives in Phoenix Arizona and I have a sister by the name of Mrs Helen Jacobs, who owns and operates a small Maternity Hospital, known as the Stokes Nest in Tucson, Arizona, and my Brother visits her in Tucson when he goes to Arizona.
- Q. Does your sister, Mrs. Helen Jacobs know this man Charles Makley.
- A. I believe it is the first time this man ever saw my sister, he just went there and looked her up.
- Q. Did you know at the time that you make a statement in this office on January 2, 1934, that Charles Makley would be in Tucson Arizona or that he was contemplating going there.
- A. No. Only that he stated he might see me there and I did not think any more of it.
- Q. If you knew that this man named Mr. J. C. Davis was Charles Makley would you have notified the Police.
- A. I most surely would.
- Q. Will you sign this statement.
- A. Yes.

EUGENE BARTLETT

He further advises that he received a letter from JOHN STEGER, Supervising Captain, 4th Division Headquarters, Chicago Police Department, January 27, 1934. A copy of this letter was received from Chief of Police WOLLARD and will be forwarded to the Chicago Office. A portion of the letter is quoted as follows:

"It is further requested that a letter be sent air-mail to the Chief of Police at Tucson, Arizona, informing that Eugene Bartlett is a reputable citizen of our City."

CHESTER SHERMAN, City Detective, gave Agent seven snapshot photographs found in the effects of ANN MARTIN. These photographs will be forwarded to the Chicago Office for use in investigation. Detective SHERMAN also gave Agent a letter which had been torn by one of the DILLINGER mob at the time of the apprehension. This letter has been pasted on three sheets of paper and will be forwarded to the Chicago Office to be compared with other handwriting on file there in an attempt to identify the handwriting.

At the time of the apprehension of HARRY PIERPONT on January 25th, 1934, PIERPONT attempted to chew and swallow a note which was taken from his mouth by arresting officers. Detective SHERMAN gave Agent this note, which evidently consists of two pieces of paper. The first one has the name



EUGENE BARTLETT thereon, but the address is not legible. The second evidently is the address of Mr. JOHN PETERSON, 88 Wabasha, St. Paul, Minnesota. Detective SHERMAN also gave Agent three sales slips taken from the effects of ANN MARTIN. These also are being forwarded to the Chicago Office for their information.

FRED W. FICKETT, Judge of the Superior Court, Pima County, Tucson, Arizona, advised Agent that a clerk in his office had made a thorough check of the money taken from the DILLINGER mob, which is now in the safety deposit vault of the Consolidated National Bank. Judge FICKETT gave Agent a copy of the description of this money, which will be forwarded to the Chicago Office.

Agent, Judge F. W. FICKETT and City Detective CHESTER SHERMAN checked the personal effects of the DILLINGER mob, which were in the safety deposit vault of the Consolidated National Bank and the following information is noted:

In the effects of HARRY PIERPONT was found a portion of a note, which, when pieced together with the note which HARRY PIERPONT attempted to masticate and swallow, indicates that EUGENE BARTLETT resides at 3550 W. 60th Street, Chicago, Ill.

In the effects of CHARLES MAKLEY was found a photograph of two women seated on the rear bumper of a car. On the back of this photograph appears the following: FLORENCE REEVES, Room 211, Heidelberg Hotel, Tucson, Arizona. The woman on the right has been identified as FLORENCE REEVES, but the woman on the left has not been identified. A pocket notebook was found in the effects of HARRY PIERPONT. This notebook contains various figures which are meaningless to Agent and will be forwarded to the Chicago Division Office.

In the effects of HARRY PIERPONT was found a repair bill which indicated that on January 12, 1934, some repair work was done on a Buick Sedan by the Ungar Buick Company of Miami, Florida.

Operator's license No. 51130 in the name of JOHN DONOVAN, 2916 East 10th Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, was also found.

The following information concerning the automobiles in possession of the DILLINGER mob was found in the personal effects which are being held in the safety deposit vault of the Consolidated National Bank. On December 27, 1933, Buick Sedan, Motor No. 2966900, Serial No. 2707596, was registered by J. C. EVANS, an alias of PIERPONT, at Tallahassee, Florida, and 1934 license No. W-3789 was issued. At this time PIERPONT gave his address as 930 Daly St., Indianapolis, Indiana. On December 25, 1933, Mrs. J. C. DAVIES made application at Jacksonville, Florida, for license on a Ford Deluxe Sedan, Motor No. 807064, and license No. 24148 was assigned. At this time Mrs. DAVIES gave the address of 901 Atlantic Avenue, Daytona Beach, Florida. On January 17, 1934, at Jacksonville, Florida, an application for 1934 registration was made by Mrs. J. C. DAVIES on a Studebaker Sedan, engine No. C-24036, serial No. 8048838 and license D-13373 was assigned. At this time Mrs. DAVIES gave the same address as above.

On January 10, 1934, at Miami, Florida, CHARLES MAKLEY as J. C. DAVIES registered a letter, registry number being 21850.

The following names and addresses were also obtained from the effects of the DILLINGER mob; Mr. ~~W~~DIETSCHMAN, telephone Daly 5160, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; H. HUGHES, 6916 Forrer Street, Dearborn, Michigan, near corner of Warren and Division.

In the effects of HARRY PIEPONT was found a receipt for electric light and gas, which indicated that on January 25, 1934, PIEPONT, as J. C. EVANS, made application for that service at the address 725 North Third Avenue, Tucson, Arizona.

Agent interviewed P. M. HATCHER, Manager of the Congress Hotel. He advises that persons now known to him as CHARLES MAKLEY and RUSSELL CLARK registered at the Hotel on Sunday evening, January 21, 1934, at about 8:30 P. M., and resided there until the hotel fire on Tuesday morning, January 23, 1934, at about 7:30 A. M. They were assigned to Rooms 329 and 330, and had no long distance telephone calls or telegrams charged to the hotel bill, although there were eleven local telephone calls. Mr. HATCHER exhibited the registrations and list of telephone calls which had been saved from the fire. He further advises that this list had been provided to the Police Department who had made a check of the local calls and found that these calls were to real estate people.

Mrs. C. F. NELSON, telephone operator at the Congress Hotel, advises that there were no telegrams or long distance telephone calls sent out or received by MAKLEY or CLARK during their stay in the Congress Hotel.

WALTER RIDENOR and RICHARD OVERLY, bell-hops at the Congress Hotel, could offer no further information concerning activity of MAKLEY and CLARK while at the Congress Hotel.

H. B. SPARKS, 203 South Cherry Street, advised that he checked MAKLEY and CLARK into the hotel on Sunday evening, January 21, 1934. He advised that he and his wife were in the rooms of MAKLEY and CLARK, due to some plumbing repairing, but they did not see any pistols or machine guns. Mr. SPARKS stated that MAKLEY and CLARK tipped very liberally while at the hotel, but that otherwise there was no indication that these men were gangsters.

Mrs. MADGE RITZLER, address Hopi Lodge, Apartment 2, Alameda St., called at Agent's room at the hotel, where she was interviewed. Mrs. MADGE RITZLER advised that she was introduced to MAKLEY and CLARK by Mrs. ANNA SHERBERT BARTLETT, who stated that MAKLEY and CLARK were friends of her brother who resides in Chicago. She stated she went on various parties with MAKLEY and CLARK when they were first in Tucson from January 1 to 6, 1934, and that when they returned she also was on parties with them, and on one occasion MAKLEY and CLARK used her 1931 Chevrolet Sedan, 1934 California license No. 6-2-1851, to make a trip to Nogales, Arizona. She further advised that she and FLORENCE REEVES made the trip to Nogales with them.

She further advised that on Monday night, January 22, 1934, she made a tour of the various road-houses in the vicinity of Tucson with MAKLEY and CLARK, and that she went to their rooms at the Congress Hotel about five o'clock Tuesday morning with them, and that she was in the room with OPAL LONG and MAKLEY and CLARK at the time of the fire.

She further stated that she was arrested with CHARLES MAKLEY by Officers of the Police Department on January 23, 1934. MADGE RITZER states that BONNIE WYATT, FLORENCE REEVES, Mrs. ANNA SIEBERT BARTLETT and herself were the only persons contacted by MAKLEY and CLARK in Tucson. She denied that she knew MAKLEY and CLARK previous to being introduced to them by Mrs. ANNA SIEBERT BARTLETT. She advised that she came to Tucson, Arizona, from Kansas City, Missouri, with her mother about Thanksgiving of 1933, and that her husband is employed by the Kansas City Fire Department. She further advised that BONNIE WYATT is also from Kansas City and that BONNIE WYATT has returned to her husband, also a city fireman in Kansas City, Missouri.

Mrs. ANNA SIEBERT BARTLETT was located at a rooming house at 36 East Pennington Street. She stated that she met MAKLEY and CLARK on January 1, 1934, at the Heidelberg Hotel, at which time they stated that they were friends of her brother, EUGENE BARTLETT, in Chicago; that thereafter she introduced MAKLEY and CLARK to the various entertainers at Charlie Chase's Restaurant and accompanied them on two or three parties. She stated that she did not see them when they returned to Tucson about Jan. 19, 1934.

She further stated that on the morning of January 2, 1934, MAKLEY called her brother, EUGENE BARTLETT, by long distance telephone, and that she was in the room during the conversation and talked to her brother who advised her to keep away from MAKLEY and CLARK; also he did not give her any reasons for doing so. She stated that her brother EUGENE comes to Tucson during the winters and was supposed to have been in Tucson sometime in Jan., 1934, but evidently canceled the trip when he found out the character of MAKLEY and CLARK. She believes that her brother EUGENE knows something about MAKLEY and CLARK on account of the warning she received over the telephone. She further stated that she does not believe that BONNIE WYATT, FLORENCE REEVES or Mrs. MADGE RITZER knew MAKLEY or CLARK prior to the time she introduced MAKLEY and CLARK to the women. She further advised that she has another brother, ROBERT BARTLETT, in the real estate business in Chicago, Illinois.

GEORGE HULL, bartender at the Tamarack Inn, advised that FLORENCE REEVES is his sister, and that she is now residing with Mrs. W. E. CRAVIS at 523 North Volusia Street, Wichita, Kansas.

No leads are being set out in this report to interview any of the persons mentioned, but it is left to the discretion of the Chicago Office as to whether or not information contained in this report would be helpful in locating Subject DILLINGER.

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

Dear Sir:

The Division has received the report of Special Agent C. J. Endres, dated at Los Angeles, California, April 24, 1934, in the case entitled "John Herbert Dillinger, with aliases, Fugitive, Identification Order 1217, et al; National Motor Vehicle Theft Act; Obstruction of Justice" and desires to call your attention to the information obtained from Mrs. Midge Ritzer, appearing in the last paragraph on Page 6 that Mrs. Ritzer and Florence Reeves made a trip in January, 1934 from Tucson, Arizona to Nogales, Arizona with Charles Makley and Russell Clark, who at that time were members of the Dillinger gang. It does not appear in the report that inquiries were made of Mrs. Ritzer as to the purpose of this trip to Nogales, Arizona and what, if any, contacts were made there by Makley and Clark.

The Division suggests that this be given immediate attention in order that additional connections of the Dillinger gang may be obtained.

Very truly yours,

Director.



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MR. CLEGG	.....
MR. CONLEY	.....
MR. EDWARDS	.....
MR. Egan	.....
MR. QUINN	.....
MR. LESTER	.....
CHIEF CLERK	.....
MR. ROHRER	.....

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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Clegg called from St. Paul and advised that the newspaper had the story concerning Mr. Mortenson; that he had been suspended as City Health Commissioner and that he had also made a statement to the Press indicating that on March 14 some unknown individuals came to his place with bullet-wounds, requesting to be treated. He gave them some superficial treatment and requested them to return the next day; he said he had not known their identities until after the shooting on Lexington Avenue on March 21 when he saw their photographs in the newspaper and recognized one of them as being John Dillinger.

Mr. Clegg stated he had also been advised by an Associated Press representative that Ludwig Schmidt was in custody at Chicago, Illinois; that he had verified this information from the Chicago Office; that the Chicago Office had indicated that they had not had time to interview Schmidt. Mr. Clegg stated that the Associated Press representative had been very cordial to him and had given him considerable information and that he proposed to allow the Associated Press representative to obtain a copy of a photograph from the Saint Paul Office of Ludwig Schmidt, the representative promising that he would not reveal the source of the photograph. Mr. Clegg stated he thought this should be done in view of the fact that the representative had been so congenial with him and had submitted considerable information. I told Mr. Clegg I thought there would be no objection to such procedure.

Respectfully,

*S.P. Cowley*  
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## MEMORANDUM

MR. NATHAN	.....
MR. TOLSON	.....
MR. CLEGG	.....
MR. COWLEY	.....
MR. EDWARDS	.....
MR. EGAN	.....
MR. QUINN	.....
MR. LESLIE	.....
CHIEF CLERK	.....
MR. RORER	.....

With regard to the petition being circulated in Wisconsin requesting the suspension of Mr. Purvis, Mr. Clegg telephoned and advised that the postmaster at Mercer is said to be the individual who started such petition. Mr. Rorer interviewed the postmaster, Mr. Gehr, who stated that there was such a petition but that he was not circulating it and had nothing to do with it. The petition was found in a store run by M. E. Brandt in Mercer, Wisconsin. He advised Mr. Rorer that the petition was drawn up by two newspaper men who wrote the petition yesterday. They got a local individual to present it before the regular meeting of the Mercer Lakeland Civic Association, and it was voted to circularize a petition asking for an investigation of the shooting. The newspaper men were believed to be from Milwaukee. One of them is thought to represent the Wisconsin News from Milwaukee, and the other from the Milwaukee Sentinel. An individual by the name of Peters, the local citizen, was going around with them, introducing them, and also introduced the petition at the regular meeting of the Association. Mr. Clegg read the petition to me. This petition, Mr. Rorer states, has been in Brandt's store all day. It has a total of seven names on it. Up to 3:30 this afternoon, these names were the following: Cristene Rotuski; Vera Brandt; Ruth H. Miller; Elva Mussel; Guy Wing; Mark Swarengin; and M. E. Brandt, Jr. Mr. Rorer stated that the first three were certainly women, and probably the fourth one, and the seventh one is the son of the owner of the store. The storekeeper said he was not circulating it and was not urging any one to sign it. He had not signed it himself, although two members of his family had, namely, Vera and M. E. Brandt, Jr. He said that in view of the vote of the Civic Association, it had been left in his store so that any one who wanted to might sign it. Mr. Rorer stated there was not any excitement in the vicinity; that there appeared to be more in the papers than the facts justified; that there was no vigor being expressed at the meeting of the Association so far as could be learned, it being a regular meeting; and that there was no wave of resentment displayed in the meeting. The response is apparently very insignificant due to the fact that only seven had signed the petition. The two newspaper reporters have not been definitely identified. Mr. Rorer has an appointment to interview Peters tonight in an effort to definitely identify the reporters. After that he will proceed to the other four towns where petitions are said to be circulated. Mr. Clegg stated he instructed Mr. Rorer to notice particularly whether the phraseology is identical and to explain to those people circulating such petitions that they were unnecessary and that he was left in that vicinity to make such an investigation, and was doing it. Mr. Rorer thought there was no occasion for alarm, that there was no feeling among the citizens, and that the whole thing was concocted for a newspaper story. I explained that the difficulty is that because of the manner in which this matter is played up in the press, the feeling of the public might be so aroused as to cause serious trouble. I requested Mr. Clegg to have Mr. Rorer obtain the full information so that I might transmit

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it to the Attorney General for use at the press conference tomorrow. Mr. Clegg stated he had instructed Mr. Rorer to handle this matter exclusively, turning the other investigation over to other Agents. Mr. Rorer felt he could probably stop the entire matter; that he thought the petitions "would die a natural death." Mr. Rorer thought this action by the newspapers was a malicious attempt to embarrass Mr. Purvis. I advised Mr. Clegg of the memorandum which I today drafted to the Attorney General, setting forth the exact details of this occurrence, and advising that Mr. Clegg was in charge rather than Mr. Purvis. I told Mr. Clegg I desired to supplement this memorandum tomorrow morning with another one, setting forth this angle, and also calling attention to the activities of "Horse Face" Thompson in St. Paul. Mr. Clegg called attention to the fact that Thompson is not covering our office at St. Paul now; that another representative has taken his place, who is more cordial. We agreed that the proper action to take would be not to make a public denial of the various allegations made against us.

I instructed that Mr. Rorer in making his investigation not try to suppress the petition or interfere with it, but to give the citizens the facts and point out how it was handled and how unfair these statements are.



1900 Bankers Building,  
Chicago, Illinois

April 26, 1934

Mr. William A. Braun,  
Manitowoc County Motor Police Department,  
833 North 15th Street,  
Manitowoc, Wisconsin.

Dear Mr. Braun:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication of April 25, expressing your advice and views in connection with recent happenings in Wisconsin.

I want you to know how much I appreciate both your kindness and judicial attitude in this matter. You may rest assured that I am fully in accord with your view to the effect that cooperation in not only matters of this kind, but in all law enforcement affairs, is an essential to any real effective accomplishment, and at all times it shall be my endeavor to secure the greatest possible measure of cooperation. There are times, of course, when in view of the extreme urgency of the matter in hand, it is not always possible to confer with brother law enforcement officers.

I should be extremely glad, at any time that it can be arranged, to see you and talk over the situation with you in detail. In the meantime, please accept my expressions of real gratitude to you for your kindness, courtesy and advice in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

E. H. FURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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833 No. 15th St.,  
Manitowoc, Wisconsin,  
April 25, 1934.

Mr. Melvin H. Purvis, Chief  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Division of Investigation,  
1900 Bankers Building,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Am inclosing a clipping taken from this afternoon's edition of the Milwaukee Journal which I believe may be of interest to you. Take the criticism with a smile. No matter how you would have proceeded, sir, do I think every one would have been satisfied. The "grapevine" telegraph sure works fast in a country such as Dillinger used for a lair. It is next to impossible to satisfy certain people. In my mind it may have been a dangerous bit to let inexperienced men in on the raiding part. There is no doubt but what natives could aid materially as guides and the like, but they would cease to be of great value beyond that point. One does not know just what to do under such exceptionally abnormal conditions. A master, if not diabolical, minded criminal is being dealt with. Purvis, the trump cards will not be with him for all the deals in this game of evading the law. Being an officer with fourteen years of mixing with the transient public has taught me that it is by cooperation of the various law enforcement bodies that success alone can be attained. Should my suggestions in this or any other matter pertaining to your office be of value, sir, I will be willing to aid as best I can. I should like to meet you at some future date and talk things over as concerns investigations in the northern part of the state, for I can suggest a man who is able to give wonderful help to you due to his past work in the entire upper section of the state in addition to his being a perfect woodsman who can and does keep sealed lips when sealed they must be.

Excuse my apparent intrusion in writing to you. I met a Virgil Peterson then in with your department some months back. This the reason for my sending this note, and I believe he may have mentioned talking with me about his seeking information on material as to Miller and Bailey due to the City Manager of Two Rivers thinking he saw one of these men.

Thanking you for your time in reading this and wanting you to know that I am with your department despite outside criticism,

I am,

(Signed) William A. Braun  
Manitowoc County Motor Police.

(Copy)

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# JOURNAL

DAILY SUNDAY

## Demand Purvis Quit in Dillinger Fiasco

### Resorters Lay Slaying Blame on U.S. Agents

### Mercer Petition Urges Federal Bureau Chief's Suspension for Inquiry in Gang's Escape

WISCONSIN (AP)—A petition asking the suspension of Marvin H. Purvis, chief of the federal bureau of investigation in this area, pending an investigation into the escape of the James Dillinger gang from a hideout here here was being circulated here Tuesday.

The petition was presented at a meeting here Tuesday night at 30 residences of the Lateland Development Association. It was addressed to the department of justice, saying: "We respectfully petition for the suspension of Marvin H. Purvis, chief of investigation of the federal bureau of investigation of the United States, in the event of general amnesty for the Dillinger gang hideout on the night of May 21 in this area. We believe that the Dillinger gang hideout was a result of the failure of the federal bureau of investigation to bring the Dillinger gang to justice in the first place."

slipped away from them in a Sunday night gunfight near Manitowish, Wis. Their best guess, however, was that he was in or around the Twin Cities.

#### Agents Leave North

with Dillinger and his known comrades at the Little Bohemia resort—John Hamilton, George (Baby Face) Nelson, Tommy Carroll and Edward Van Meter—apparently safely out of northern Wisconsin, only a handful of agents remained in the resort country Wednesday. County and local officials continued in the alert, however.

At Eagle River Dist. Atty. Edmond Drager announced that first degree murder warrants had been issued for the five gangsters, based on the deaths of Eugene Holman, a Warner C. C. C. worker, and W. Carter Baum, federal agent of Chicago.

Holman and Baum were slain and John Morris, John Hoffman, Carl Christensen, all of the Manitowish area, and Federal Agent J. E. Nowinski wounded in the Sunday gunfight. Morris' condition improved serious Wednesday but Christensen and Hoffman were improved. Nowinski left the hospital Monday.

Only a penny per ounce buy price from Dillinger's head, the Associated Press reported. This is the highest reward which Indiana authorities offer for the arrest of James Earl Ray, December 31, 1935.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

# Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 25, 1934

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MR. BATHAM
MR. CLEGG
MR. GLAVIN
MR. LADD
MR. NICHOLS
MR. ROSS
MR. TRACY
MR. Egan
MR. QUINN
MR. LESTER
MR. CLEGG
MR. ROPER

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CLEGG *H.C. [unclear]*

With reference to the identity of Dr. N. G. Mortinsen, M.D., 360 Bremer Arcade, St. Paul, Minnesota, who is alleged to have administered to the wounds of John Dillinger, this doctor is also mentioned in connection with the activities of the Barker-Karpis gang, as reflected in the report of Special Agent O. G. Hall, dated at St. Paul, Minnesota, July 27, 1933, rendered in the case entitled Vernon C. Miller, with aliases (deceased), et al., Obstruction of Justice.

On page 3 of this report it appears that when the individuals identified as members of the Barker-Karpis group rented the premises at 204 Vernon Avenue, St. Paul, from James P. McLaren, the owner, the individuals gave as references the names of Dr. N. G. Mortinsen, 360 Bremer Arcade and Thomas J. Newman, attorney at law, Commerce Building.

Mr. McLaren advised Agents that before renting the premises he telephoned Mr. Newman and was informed by Mr. Newman that J. Stanley Smith (the alias used by the Barkers when renting the premises) was "all right so far as Newman knew", Newman stating that he had done legal work for Smith who was employed by the Federated Metal Company, of St. Louis, as a salesman. Mr. McLaren also stated that he attempted to call Dr. Mortinsen, but was unable to reach him.

An interview had with Dr. Mortinsen is reflected in the following quoted paragraphs taken from the report of Special Agent Hall, referred to above:

"Dr. N. G. Mortinsen, 360 Bremer Arcade, who was given as a reference by Smith but who was not contacted by McLaren, was interviewed. In addition to the giving of his name as a reference, the further lead in that connection was that when the house was searched by McLaren, he found in the bath room a small medicine bottle containing gonorrhoea medicine which had been given to some individual on February 16, 1932, by Dr. Mortinsen. Dr. Mortinsen stated, after searching his records very thoroughly, that he doubted that he would have made a record because he suspected that the patient was a transient recommended to him probably by some druggist. Dr. Mortinsen has a considerable

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business of that nature, is the only doctor specializing in that type of ailments in that section of downtown St. Paul. He is a well known doctor.

"Dr. Mortinsen was shown the photographs of individuals previously mentioned as well as the photographs of Francis Keating and Thomas Holden, but he could identify no one. He promised his cooperation and requested that photographs of all suspects be given to him and stated that he will most certainly inform this office should any of them appear in his office. The necessary arrangements were made with him by the St. Paul Office."

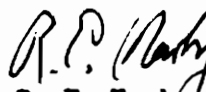
Paragraphs taken from the same report reflect the results of an interview had with Attorney Newman:

"Mr. Thomas Newman, attorney at law, Commerce Building, who was given as a reference by J. Stanley Smith when renting the house from James P. McLaren was interviewed. Thomas Newman was engaged to represent Mrs. Fern Sankey, participant in the kidnaping of Charles Boettcher, II, of Denver and Haskell Bohn of St. Paul, Minnesota. For some reason or other, shortly before the trial, Newman withdrew from the case, it being rumored that the purpose of the withdrawal was to cause an adjournment until the fall term of the Criminal Court at St. Paul. The clientele of Mr. Newman is composed to some extent of local hoodlums. Mr. Newman advised that an individual giving the name of J. Stanley Smith appeared at his office in March, 1933, and endeavored to employ Newman to act as his attorney to collect a note due from John Bovard, Olive Street, St. Louis, Missouri. On April 30, this individual again appeared at Newman's office and again on May 13, 1933. On the first two occasions, Newman wrote letters to Bovard to an address on Olive Street at St. Louis, Missouri, requesting payment of a \$250 promissory note payable on demand made by John Bovard. On the back of this note there was an endorsement that \$87.50 had been paid, leaving a balance of \$162.50. On the third visit on May 13th, the individual Smith requested that the copies of the letters which Newman had written to Bovard be given to him as Smith intended to go to St. Louis and wanted the copies in the event the person Bovard denied receiving the communications. From that point, the story of Mr. Newman becomes involved and garbled. He stated that Smith took the letters as they were written to the Post Office and registered them, according to

his own statement. Newman also claims that he (Newman) wrote the letters as his stenographer was not at the office when Smith visited him and consequently there are no stenographic notes, Newman writing the letters himself. He stated there are no copies of the correspondence in his office. Newman was questioned at considerable length regarding this matter but nothing further was obtained from him that would be of value. He stated that on the first visit, the man was accompanied by a woman but he did not look at her so he could describe her. The photographs of the several individuals previously mentioned herein were shown to Newman. When he examined the photograph of Karpis, he looked at same for a considerable length of time and indicated without saying anything that probably some consideration should be given to that photograph. When asked if Karpis was the individual, Smith replied he could not say that he was as he was very poor at identifying people.

"Newman, as a point of information, is very friendly with certain members of the St. Paul Police Department; that he had considerable influence under the regime of Chief Thomas Brown."

Respectfully,

  
R. E. Newby

**Division of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**

P.O. Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota

April 28, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: <sup>O</sup>JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases, I. O.  
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HARBORING FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE.  
St. Paul file No. 26-2434.

Concerning Attorneys Edward K. Delaney, John Edward Burke,  
and Joseph P. Tracy of St. Paul, there is attached hereto a memorandum  
dictated by Special Agent S. W. Hardy relative to inquiries he has  
made concerning them. This supplements the information contained in  
a recent communication addressed to the Division showing that these  
three attorneys appeared in connection with a petition for a writ of  
habeas corpus for Bessie Green.

In addition to the inquiries made and reported in the  
attached memorandum, a form was drawn up for the signature of the  
members of the Green family so that in the event they had not employed  
these counsels, their statements might be obtained to that effect. An  
effort was made to interview Mrs. Margaret Green, the mother of Edward  
Green; and the only comment she would make was something concerning  
the shooting of her son. Jimmie Green and Frank Green were contacted  
by telephone, and they referred the Division's agents to their attorney,  
Mr. Delaney.

Very truly yours,

H. H. CLEGG,  
Inspector.

*W. H. Clegg*

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*Attorneys with underworld connections*



This investigation was conducted April 19 and 20, 1934 by Special Agent S. W. Hardy, in the Dillinger case, under instructions from Mr. Clegg to ascertain the reputation, standing and past activities of the three attorneys who appeared in the writ of habeas corpus matter for HENRY BETH GREEN in Federal court, April 10, 1934, these attorneys being EDWARD J. DELANEY, 728 Globe Building, residing 1302 Hague Avenue; JOHN EDWARD BURKE, 1036 Minnesota Building, residing 693 Portland Avenue; and Joseph P. Tracy, 728 Globe Building, residing 705 Grand Avenue, all of St. Paul, Minnesota.

Records of the supreme court of the State of Minnesota show that DELANEY was admitted to State practice September 14, 1933; that BURKE and TRACY were both admitted to State practice August 30, 1930.

Records of the Federal court, St. Paul, Minnesota, reflect that BURKE on April 9, 1934 moved the admission of both TRACY and DELANEY, and that on May 25, 1931 BURKE was admitted.

United States Commissioner William T. Goddard of St. Paul, Minnesota, was interviewed and with regard to BURKE refers to the case of U. S. vs John Joseph Wolfe and Joseph William Phillipi, being criminal docket 5763 and 5773 of the United States District Court, St. Paul, Minnesota; states that BURKE represented one of these defendants about December 17, 1933; that he, as Commissioner, set the bond for BURKE's client in the second case as BURKE's client already having made bond in the former case -- that BURKE objected to his client having to post a bond in the second case, insisting that the bond in the first case would cover both cases, which was not satisfactory and not allowed by Commissioner Goddard; that later that day BURKE phoned Goddard advising that he had just posted bond before the United States Clerk in the second case, whereupon GODDARD asked him how much additional bond had been posted with the Clerk for the second case and BURKE advising that the bond for the first case had been made to cover both cases by order of Federal Judge Matthew J. Joyce. Commissioner Goddard states that he then went to the office of the Clerk of the United States District Court, St. Paul and was advised that such an order by Federal Judge Joyce had been received, BURKE having just been in the office about the matter prior to Mr. Goddard's inquiry. Mr. Goddard states that he then went to Judge Joyce and it developed that BURKE had secured the order regarding the bond in the first case covering both cases without disclosing to Judge Joyce that he had been before Commissioner Goddard in the second case and that Commissioner Goddard had set an additional bond in the latter case; that thereupon Judge Joyce summoned BURKE to his chambers (in Goddard's presence) that Judge Joyce told BURKE he had deliberately misrepresented the facts in the case to him by having gone to Commissioner Goddard who had set a bond and not disclosing to the Judge that this action had been taken; that Judge Joyce said to BURKE that he had deliberately lied to the court about the facts, and "you will learn that when you want anything from this court that you have to tell the truth and the whole truth about the matter.

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that then Judge Joyce said he would withdraw his order regarding the bond and went to the Clerk's office and tore the order up.

The records of the Clerk's office show criminal docket 5773 and 5765 in which the defendants are John Joseph Wolfe and Joseph William Phillipi, and in which BURKE is one of the defense attorneys, charging violation of the National Prohibition Act. In file 5773 temporary bond was filed December 9, 1932 before Commissioner Goddard in amount \$3,000.00 for Phillipi's appearance in United States District Court and bond dated November 21, 1932 for Phillipi's appearance before United States Commissioner November 25, 1932. These two cases were made during November and December, 1932, one being for violation of the National Prohibition Act at Salby and Avon Streets in St. Paul, the other for a similar violation at 541 University Avenue in St. Paul. In docket 5765 there appears to be a bond executed by WOLFE, December 19, 1932 for his appearance before United States Court in amount \$1,000.00 and a surety bond not exceeding \$5,000.00 for his appearance which bears date of December 17, 1932; there also appears to be a bond dated November 21, 1932 for Wolfe, being a surety bond in amount not exceeding \$2,000.00 by WOLFE bearing same date in amount \$2,000.00 for his appearance before the United States Commissioner.

In the BETH GREEN matter, the records of the Clerk, U. S. District Court reflect that on April 7, 1934, order and petition for writ of habeas corpus was filed in the case of "BETH GREEN, also known as BETH HINES vs. WERNER HANMI, et al", in which Attorneys Delaney, Tracy and Burke, who have signed and verified the petition as attorneys for BETH HINES, states that they "have been retained in her behalf by her relatives and family". It is noted that this petition is not verified by any member of BETH GREEN's family or by any of her relatives. The records of the Clerk's office show that the \$5.00 fee to file this suit was deposited by Attorney Burke. The records further show that on April 10, 1934, motion by the United States Attorney to discharge this writ was granted by the court.

George Heisey, Assistant United States Attorney, St. Paul, Minn., who handled the BETH GREEN writ of habeas corpus for the Government, states that at the hearing before Federal Judge Joyce April 10, 1934, Attorneys Delaney, Burke and Tracy were in the court room and represented to Judge Joyce that they had been retained by friends and relatives of Beth Green to represent her, however, that they did not advise the names or identity of the relatives and friends of Beth Green who had employed them; that MRS. GREEN stated that she did not know these attorneys; that they did not represent her and that she did not want them to represent her. Mr. Heisey states that it appeared from the preceding that these attorneys were either out to get some publicity or had seen the newspaper accounts of her arrest, which showed that she had approximately \$1500.00 when arrested, and were taking a chance on volunteering

their services, that she would later accept them as her attorney to get a

Regarding Mr. Delaney: He is at the present time a candidate for Justice of the Peace of Ramsey County, Minnesota.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was interviewed. He knows each of these three attorneys intimately and he advised that Burke worked for Thomas McMeekin, who is St. Paul's outstanding lawyer for the defense of criminals; that he was with McMeekin for approximately three years while he was going to the St. Paul College of Law; graduated from the St. Paul College of Law and was admitted to practice during the summer of 1930; that he then formed a law partnership with Jerome Hoffman, which extended from approximately 1930 to late 1933; that he has been advised by certain members of the County Attorney's office that they put very little confidence in his word; that it is rumored that Hoffman, about the end of 1933, split the law partnership because he could not rely on Burke; that it is also rumored that Burke has been indulging in intoxicants to an extent which interfered with his position and perhaps this was the reason that Hoffman dissolved the partnership; that Burke has always been known as a criminal lawyer and the rumor around St. Paul is that the law firm of Hoffman and Burke had a connection with what is known as the Minneapolis Syndicate, composed of Barney Berman, Isadore Blumenfeld, Clifford Skelly (all of whom were known as money changers in the Urschel Kidnaping case) also Isadore Wolk, brother of Charles Wolk, who was tried in connection with the Urschel Kidnaping Case; Jack Pfaiffer; Leon Gleckman (who is an ex-convict) and Thomas Banks; however, [REDACTED] has

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has no evidence other than street rumor by which this can be proved and requests his name be kept confidential in furnishing this data.

Regarding Mr. Delaney, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] states that Delaney is now running for Justice of the Peace in Ramsey County, Minnesota; that he is a new comer in the practice of law, just having graduated from the St. Paul College of Law in 1933 and has only practiced approximately one year; that he comes of a good family in St. Paul; that Delaney has a brother working at Montgomery Ward in Minneapolis and [REDACTED] stated that James Green, who is a brother to the common law husband of Beth Green also works at the same place and may have contacted Attorney Delaney in this manner, however, he has no direct information that this is the fact.

Regarding Mr. Tracy, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] states that Tracy's father has been in the real estate, insurance and bonding business in St. Paul for a number of years and that Attorney Tracy is a brother of James Tracy, professional bondsman in St. Paul.

[REDACTED] Tracy graduated from the University of Minnesota during the summer of 1930 and was admitted to the practice of law in St. Paul; that he has been very active in church work in St. Luke's Church in St. Paul and is head of the Young Men's Club there; that he has not had very much practice of any kind, just starting out in the law business and has not been known heretofore as a criminal lawyer; that he has no reputation to speak of as a lawyer as he has only been practicing a couple of years and has not, as yet, acquired a large practice or reputation.

Mr. M. J. Doherty, who is president of the Ramsey County Bar Association, Mr. Ed. Baer, who is Secretary of the Grievance Committee, and Mr. Earl Jackson, who is chairman of the Grievance Committee of the Ramsey County Bar Association, were each interviewed and stated there have been no complaints reached them concerning Delaney, Burke or Tracy; that Mr. Delaney and Mr. Tracy are newcomers among the lawyers of St. Paul and have not yet had time to work up a reputation as lawyers; that they are looked upon merely as young lawyers just starting in and nothing detrimental has been said heretofore about them.

Mr. Doherty did not know Burke, however, BAER and Mr. Jackson each advised agent that Burke had worked in the office of Attorney Thomas McMeekin for several years while going through the St. Paul College of Law; that McMeekin's reputation was that of a criminal lawyer, who represented the underworld of the Twin Cities; that Burke and McMeekin separated about 1930-1931 and since that time Burke has been in a law partnership with Jerome Hoffman in the Minnesota Building in St. Paul and seems to have practiced criminal

law extensively and to have foreclosed a number of mortgages for the building and loan association of which John Scott, a city official, is an officer; that they do not regard Burke as being a lawyer of any great ability.

Similar statements concerning Burke were received from the following outstanding lawyers of St. Paul: WILLIAM H. OPPENHEIM; FREDERICK N. DICKSON; DANIEL E. WILLARD, Jr.; W. A. SOBEL. Attorney George W. Jensen of the Oppenheim law firm states that he knows Burke quite well; that he has seen BURKE within the past year on a number of occasions with underworld characters; that he seems to frequent night clubs and beer parlors and to drink to excess; that BURKE has the name of being a criminal lawyer but that he does not seem to have a great deal of ability as an attorney. Mr. Daniel E. Willard, Jr. and Mr. George W. Jensen state that Mr. Delaney and Mr. Tracy are young lawyers, who have only had several years' practice in St. Paul; that their reputation appears to be good and that they have never been in any trouble so far as is known.

At the County Attorney's office, agent interviewed Assistant County Attorney James Lynch, who stated that Delaney, Burke and Tracy were all well known to him; that Delaney is running for the Justice of the Peace at the present time, seems to be a likeable young man, has only been out of law school a few years and has just started his practice of law and has never been in any trouble; that his character and reputation seem to be good.

With regard to Mr. Tracy, Mr. Lynch states that Tracy is just starting in the practice of law and has a good reputation; has never been in any trouble as far as he knows and while not a profound student of the law and not looked on as a lawyer of any great ability, is a likeable young man.

With regard to Burke, Mr. Lynch states that about April 11, 1934, Burke told him that BETH GREEN was a client of Delaney's prior to her recent arrest in St. Paul April 3, 1934; that Delaney got Tracy to assist him and that both Delaney and Tracy came to him (Burke) to get Burke to help them in the writ of habeas corpus matter; that Burke also told Mr. Lynch that a brother of Beth Green's hired Delaney in this case to represent her in the writ of habeas corpus action which was heard in Federal Court April 10, 1934. Mr. Lynch states that Burke also told him that he had been in one previous "jam" with Federal Judge Joyce before this writ of habeas corpus action which was heard April 10, 1934, but Burke claims that he was right and that Judge Joyce was wrong in the first matter. (This apparently refers to the Wolfe and Phillippi case noted previously).

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Mr. Lynch further states that newspaper Reporter Ray Snyder of the St. Paul Pioneer Press told him that on Saturday, April 7, 1934, Attorney BURKE telephoned him asking Snyder to come over to BURKE's office that he had a story which he desired to have printed which proved to be the story that BURKE was filing the writ of habeas corpus for BETH GREEN. (This should be noted from the ethics angle of Burke's securing publicity.) That Ray Snyder also told him that Burke made a similar call to the St. Paul Daily News to give them the story of filing the writ of habeas corpus for BETH GREEN. Mr. Lynch stated that Burke got his training in the office of Thomas McMeekin and may be a distant relative of McMeekin's; that McMeekin is looked upon by the County Attorney's office as a representative of underworld characters and uses unscrupulous methods in some instances to try to win criminal cases; that in this environment, Burke got his training among the wrong lines and that he associates with and is too close to the criminals of the Twin Cities for his own good. Mr. Lynch points to the State case of GEORGE YOUNG and JOSEPH SHAFER, which was tried in District Court in St. Paul, Minnesota, for approximately five weeks during October and November, 1933. YOUNG and SHAFER were charged and convicted for the murder of two men at Snelling and University Avenues in St. Paul; that the defense in this case was nothing but perjury from beginning to end and McMeekin and Burke were the defense attorneys; that one or the other of these attorneys had to get the witnesses to commit this perjury, and it is Lynch's private opinion that the only reason McMeekin had Burke as an attorney in this case was to handle the witnesses and get their testimony lined up the way McMeekin wanted them to testify which consisted of their committing perjury; that the witnesses for the defense in the Young-Shafer case were all bootleggers or underworld characters of the Twin Cities; if they were men of any other character than this, it might be possible to go to them and ascertain from them who got them to testify and commit perjury in that case; however, since they are bootleggers and criminals and underworld characters, Mr. Lynch doubts very much whether they would tell the truth about either McMeekin or Burke influencing them to commit perjury in their testimony the way Mr. Lynch states they did.

Mr. Lynch further states that Burke told him on April 11, 1934 that he personally moved the admission in Federal Court of Delaney and Tracy April 9, 1934 at St. Paul, Minnesota, for the purpose of having them appear as attorneys in the writ of habeas corpus action in which they claim that they represented MRS. BETH GREEN.

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b7E [REDACTED] TELEPHONE CALLS BEING CHECKED.

INVESTIGATION BEING MADE REGARDING RADIO SALLY, WIFE OF TOMMY CARROLL, CONVXXXCERNING AUTO PURCHASED BY TOMMY CARROLL MANKATO, MINN. WHEN HE ABANDONED A HUDSON AP1B CHICAGO ADVISEDXXXS THAT FORD V-8 DE LUXE SEDA MINN. LICENSE B 198-248, MOTOR 18-694580 WAS ASSEMBLED CHICAGO BRANCH FORD MOTOR CO., WHO SHIPPED TO GARDEN ZIESMAN CO. MANKATO, MINN., MARCH 6, 1934. CHIEF OF POLICE, MANKATO, STATED CAR OK AND PAID FOR- NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE STOP LINCOLN SEVEN PASSENGER CAR MOTOR KA389, WHICH IS HELD BY ROCHESTER, MINN., POLICE, WAS TAKEN ON MARCH 10, 1934 FROM J. GASKIN, CHAUFFEUR FOR MRS. HERMAN STERN, TROP XXXX 5490 SOUTH SHORE DRIVE CHICAGO, OWNER OF CAR, BY MEANS OF HOLD UP. GASKIN PARTIALLY IDENTIFIES ONE GUNMAN AS DILLINGER. BUICK COUPE 2845179 RECOVERED FROM DILLINGER GANG SPIDER LAKE, WIS., WAS SOLD BY HEINZ MOTOR CO., NILES CENTER, ILL., TO BEN F. NELSON OF 55 TH AND LAKE PARK GARAGE, CHICAGO, WHO PURCHASED SAME FOR DELIVERY TO ONE HELEN FERGUSON, WHOSE ADDRESS WAS NEVER PROVIDED BY NELSON. FILES OF HEINZ CO. CONTAIN CORRESPONDENCE FROM AMERICAN EXPRESS CO. RELATIVE TO A BUICK USED IN A ROBBERY AND ALLEGEDLY SOLD BY BEN F. NELSON TO ALBERT BATES. FURTHER INVESTIGATION IN PROGRESS

MR. NATHAN	_____
MR. TOLSON	_____
MR. CLEGG	_____
MR. COWLEY	✓
MR. EDWARDS	_____
MR. EGAN	_____
MR. QUINN	_____
MR. LESTER	_____
CHIEF CLERK	_____
MR. ROBER	_____

Madison, Wisconsin  
April 27, 1934

Inspector E. E. Clegg  
Division of Investigation  
Department of Justice  
Post Office Box No. 515  
St. Paul, Minnesota

Re: JOHN BILLINGER, with aliases,  
fugitive, et al.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith copy of statement secured April 26, 1934 from Mary Marion Conforti, alias Mrs. Anne Ancker, alias Mrs. Theodore Ancker, alias Mrs. John Ober, alias "Mickey", alias Mary Costello.

The original of this statement is being placed in the possession of Assistant United States Attorney, Harold Hanson, Madison, Wisconsin. Copies are being sent to Chicago and the Division direct. The Division is also being furnished a copy of the statement of Mrs. Edward A. Crompton (Ann Sothorn). Mrs. Crompton and Mrs. Conforti being two of the women arrested at Little Bohemia Resort, Wisconsin in connection with the Billinger case, April 21, 1934.

I am still trying to get a confession from the third woman who gave her name as Marion Marr and whom you suspect is Helen Billie, supposed to be wither the wife or woman of "Baby Face" Nelson.

Very truly yours,

J. W. Hardy, Director of Investigation

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County Jail, Madison, Wis.,  
April 26, 1934.

STATEMENT OF MRS. EDWARD A. CROMPTON

My name is Mrs. Edward A. Crompton, nee Jean Angela Delaney. I also, after arrest April 23, 1934, gave my name as Ann Southern and Anne Sothern. I give this statement voluntarily, without threat promise force or coercion from any source, knowing my Constitutional Rights, that I need make no statement, and that any statement I make can be used in a subsequent prosecutive action.

I am 22 years of age, born at Cincinnati, Ohio, February 1, 1912; my father, Fred Delaney, and mother, Helen Delaney, are dead. I have one sister, Mrs. Pat (Helen Babe) Reilly, who is the wife of Pat Reilly, whose St. Paul Police Dept. photo #22456 under his alias Albert W. Reilly. The Reilly's live with their five-year old son on Thomas Avenue in St. Paul, Minnesota. I am not divorced but in early 1933, I separated from my husband, Edward A. Crompton, a night club entertainer of Chicago, Ill. I also know, and am a friend of Tommy Carroll, whose St. Paul Police Dept. # is 23979, and I identify Carroll's photo which is before me as being that of this man whom I know as "Jack".

After leaving my husband in Chicago in early 1933 I went to live in a room on Normal Boulevard in Chicago by myself, working as a cashier and waitress at the Subway Cafe on South 63rd St. near Ellis, in Chicago, until about Nov. 30, 1933 -- then I went to St. Paul, Minn. alone by train to visit my sister. Mrs. Pat. Reilly, who lives on a duplex on Thomas Ave. in St. Paul. I stayed with my sister a short time -- never did work at all in St. Paul -- and met Tommy Carroll, under the name of "Jack", in St. Paul at a nite club on University Ave. (I don't recall the name of the night club). Carroll was introduced to me as "Jack" by a girl whom I only knew as "Alice". I started going with Carroll off and on. I stayed with Carroll about a week as man and wife at a small apartment hotel in St. Paul in December, 1933. I don't recall the name or location of this apartment hotel. Shortly after Xmas 1933 I went back to Chicago by train alone, living at an apartment hotel at 63d & Kenmore for about two months, and then moved to another apartment hotel at 65th & Kenmore, living alone at these places. I don't recall the names of these apartment hotels. I met Carroll again at the "Nitty Nite Club" on Clark St. in Chicago about April 10, 1934 and made an appointment to meet him at 1800 Clark St., Chicago, Wednesday night Apr. 18, 1934 to go on a trip together with him. I met Carroll there about 11 P. M., Apr. 18, 1934. Marion Marr and the man called "Slim" were with Carroll in a Black Buick Coupe when I met them there. Carroll was driving the coupe. Marion Marr is one of the girls who was arrested with me at Little Bohemia Lodge in Vilas County, Wis., Apr. 23, 1934, and "Slim" I describe as being about 30 to 35 years old, about 5' 11" or 6' 0" tall, thin build, had medium dark brown straight hair, his weight I judge being 150 to 160 lbs. I got in the Buick and the four of us drove from Chicago to a roadhouse about 100 miles from Chicago where we stopped to eat in the early morning hours. We drove into Wisconsin going very slowly, stopped to eat at several places, and arrived at Little Bohemia Lodge in Vilas County, Wisconsin, in the afternoon of Thursday, Apr. 19, 1934. At Little Bohemia Lodge, Apr. 19, 1934, I saw my brother-in-law, Pat Reilly. He stayed there Apr. 19, and 20, and left on Apr. 21, 1934. I think that Reilly knew Carroll as I saw them walk off together at Little Bohemia Lodge. When Reilly left on Apr. 21, 1934 I did not know whether he was going to return or not.

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secured a room on the second floor. Then Van Meter told me that we were going up north, so I bought some outing clothes with the money he gave me; and on Thursday morning Apr. 19, 1934 Van Meter and I took the train from Chicago, Ill. to a town near Little Bohemia Lodge, Wis. and were met at the depot in that town by a man named "Shorty" who evidently was a friend of Van Meter, as they spoke to each other, and Van Meter introduced me to "Shorty", and Shorty drove us in the same Ford Sedan which was later seized by officers in the garage at Little Bohemia Lodge, to that Lodge. Van Meter evidently didn't know previously much about Little Bohemia Lodge, as he questioned Shorty about it, and Shorty told him it was a large place and all about the Lake. Shorty is not anyone whose photo has been shown to me. Shorty is about 25 to 30 years old, dark hair, light brown eyes, about 5'4" or 5", heavy muscular build, but short stature, swarthy complexion. (I do not recognize him as being the same party as "Baby Face" Nelson, whose photo has been shown me.)

A man named "Slim" came to Little Bohemia Lodge with Marion Marr and Mrs. Edward A. Crompton, in a Buick car driven by the man whom Mrs. Crompton has identified as Tommy Carroll. There were from seven to ten men who seemed to be in the bunch with whom Van Meter was associated at the Little Bohemia Lodge on Apr. 19, to 22d, but I did not pay much attention to them, noticed that they were playing cards together, and did not recognize any of them as being John Dillinger and his associates, whose photos have been just shown to me. These parties may have been there but I just don't recognize them from the photos. If Pat Reilly was there I did not see him.

The glasses found in my possession on arrest were purchased by me in St. Paul during Mar 1934 from Geo. J. Schmidt, oculist, 11 East 7th St. Paul. On the evening of Sunday Apr. 22 1934 Van Meter packed his and my bags, put them in the same Ford car which "Shorty" had driven us to Little Bohemia Lodge in, and told me that we were going to leave. One car of the men left the Lodge Apr. 21, 1934, but I don't know who was in it, or whether they were coming back. About 9:30PM or 10PM Apr. 22, 1934 I was in my bedroom at the Lodge, heard the dogs barking, and shooting start from both inside and outside of the Lodge, and the seven or eight men with whom Van Meter had been associating, together with Van Meter, ran away from the Lodge, leaving me, Mrs. Crompton and Marion Marr, deserting us.

I have read the foregoing statement, and it is true. I sign it voluntarily and willingly, in the presence of U.S. Marshal John M. Comford, Madison, Wis; Chief Deputy Sheriff Joseph P. Shaughnessy, Madison Wis; and S.W. Hardy, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U.S. Dept. of Justice.

Witnesses:

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Marie Marion Conforti.

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U.S. Marshal, Madison, Wis.

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Chief Deputy Sheriff, Madison, Wis.

recall going either alone or with Van Meter to visit anyone in the Santa Monica Apartment Bldg at 33rd & Girard, Mpls. at any time. I deny going to John Dillinger's apartment there at any time. If Van Meter went to Dillinger's apartment there he must have had some other woman with him, as it was not me. I have read numerous newspaper accounts during Feb. March and April 1934 concerning John Dillinger, seen News Reels of him; and know he was captured at Tucson, Arizona, taken to Crown Point, Indiana, where he broke jail, stole the lady Sheriff's car which he escaped in to Chicago, Illinois, because of which the federal and state officers were trying to apprehend him, and that he was "wanted" by the U.S. Government on a warrant.

About the first week in February 1934 Van Meter and I returned by train to Chicago Ill. and started living in an apartment under the name of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Anker. I do not recall the address of the apartment, but it was in the 4000 block of a street running parallel to Clark, and 2 or 3 blocks east of Clark on the North Side, in Chicago, the apartment being the third one from the corner (4000). We stayed in that apartment a month, up until early in March 1934. He would leave the apartment about 7 or 7:30AM each morning and return about 5:30PM each evening (this was similar to the way he lived in Mpls. too). He never told me what his business was. He never seemed to have very much money, but we always had enough to live on comfortably. He never told me the address of any business he was connected with, and never introduced me to any of his friends, except that the day I first met him he was with a young man who used the name "Eddie".

About March 15, 1934 Van Meter and I went to St. Paul, Minnesota by train. I took him to the home of Pat Reilly and Helen (Babe) Reilly, on Thomas Ave. in St. Paul, Minn. This is the first time he met them. Van Meter and I stayed at the Reilly's home that night, and the next night he went back to Chicago by train, leaving me in St. Paul, at the Reillys. I needed medical treatment, and Mrs. Helen (Babe) Reilly recommended Dr. Plankers, whose office is in the Hamm Bldg., in St. Paul, so I went to Dr. Plankers, who said I needed an operation for female trouble. Van Meter, before leaving, had told me to phone him if I needed anything at a certain phone number in Chicago, Ill. which number I do not now recall, but it started as follows "SEELY 9 ---". Van Meter wrote this number down on the blotting paper side of a small blotter, the upper side of which carried the ad of some barbershop, and gave this number to me to phone him at. I do not have the number of the blotter now, as I left it on the dresser at Babe Reilly's when I left her home Apr. 17, 1934. This number can probably be traced through the Phone Co. at St. Paul, because about Mar. 19 or 20, 1934, I placed a phone call to Van Meter (under his alias of Ted Anker) --station to station call-- using the Pay Phone Booth in the Drug Store at Rice and University Ave., in St. Paul, Minn. Another party answered at the Chicago phone number, who called Ted to the phone, and I told him I would need money for the operation. The place he talked to me from sounded like a drugstore or poolroom as I noted there was a lot of noise. Van Meter sent me \$75 for downpayment on the operation, this coming by mail. I went to the Samaritan Hospital in St. Paul Mar. 21, 1934 had the operation by Dr. Plankers, and stayed at the hospital until Mar. 31, 1934. Van Meter came to St. Paul while I was at the hospital, came to see me several times at the hospital -- I don't know where he was staying in St. Paul, but he was there for about one week before I got out of the hospital Mar. 31, 1934. Van Meter paid Dr. Plankers and the hospital bill, which was about \$200, and on Mar. 31, 1934 he took me to the Reilly's home, and then he went to Chicago that night on the train, telling me to rest up a couple of weeks and then to come to Chicago and to phone him

County Jail, Madison Wisconsin,  
April 26, 1934.

STATEMENT OF MISS MARIE MARION CONFORTI.

My name is Marie Marion Conforti. I also have used the aliases MRS. ROSE ANCKER, and MRS. TED ANCKER, and MRS. THEODORE ANCKER, and MRS. JOHN OBER, and "MICKEY", and MARIE COSTELLO.

I give this statement voluntarily to the Division of Investigation U.S. Department of Justice, without threat, promise, force or coercion from any source, nor inducement from any source; knowing my Constitutional Rights, that I need make no statement unless I so desire to; and that any statement I may make can be used in a subsequent prosecutive action.

I am unmarried, am 21 years of age, was born at Chicago Illinois April 14, 1913; my father Rocco Conforti died in 1933, and my mother Mrs. Elinor Krouse Conforti is an invalid in the Oak Forest Sanitarium at Oak Forest, Illinois. Up till Christmas 1933 I worked for my living as a saleslady at Scott's 5' to \$1 Store located on North Avenue between Crawford and California Sts. in Chicago Ill. and lived alone in a rooming house at 1740 Adams St., in Chicago.

I know Homer Van Meter, whose police photo #14991 is before me as I make this statement. I know Homer Van Meter under the name of Ted Ancker and Theodore Ancker, and also as John Ober, and I have lived with him as his wife in Chicago, Minneapolis, St. Paul Minn. and Little Bohemia Lodge, Wisconsin, from about Christmas 1933 to Apr. 23 1934, when I was arrested at Little Bohemia Lodge, Wisconsin. I also know Pat Reilly, alias Albert W. Reilly, St. Paul Police Dept. photo #22453, which photo is before me as I make this statement. I also know the man named "Jack" who was at Little Bohemia Lodge with Mrs. Edward A. Crompton (alias Ann Sothern), and whom Mrs. Crompton has identified as being Tommy Carroll, St. Paul Police Dept. photo #23979, whose photo is before me as I make this statement.

I met Mrs. Pat (Helen Babe) Reilly, wife of Pat Reilly, at a beer tavern in Chicago during the summer of 1933, and was with her for three evenings, got to know her quite well, and when she returned to her home in St. Paul Minn. she gave me her address, and she invited me to visit her. I worked until Christmas 1933 in Chicago Ill. and then met Van Meter, just picked him up, and about Jan. 1st 1934 I started living with him as his wife, although we were never married. Van Meter took me from Chicago Ill. about Jan. 1, 1934 to Minneapolis Minn. by train, and we rented apartment 201 at 3310 Fremont Ave. South, in Minneapolis under the name of Mr. and Mrs. John Ober. Van Meter told me his right name was Ted Ancker, but suggested that we rent the apartment in the name of Ober and that we use that name instead of his own right name because the Chicago Police were looking for him under his right name, that he had committed a crime with a bunch of hoodlums at Taylor and Racine district in Chicago and that this was what the Chicago Police wanted him for; and told me that he had previously been in the liquor racket. When we first arrived in Minneapolis I noted that he went directly to 3310 Fremont Ave. as he seemed to know we could get an apartment there. I do not know any of Van Meter's relatives. He told me his parents were dead. While we lived at 3310 Fremont Ave. S. in Minneapolis during January 1934 I met Bessie Randall, who also uses the name of Beth Green and who is the woman of Eddie Green, Bessie Randall living on the corner of 3rd & Fremont Ave. Minneapolis Minn. at that time. I never knew her man Eddie Green. Bessie Randall and I visited back and forth during January 1934 when we were neighbors in Minn. and

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From the way Carroll talked I believed he was a gambler—he always seemed to have plenty of money. On arriving at Little Bohemia, Carroll told me to keep to myself and not to talk to the other men whom I saw at that place. I therefore kept mostly with Marion Marr and the girl who gave her name as Rose Ancker, after we were arrested together. I did not listen to much of the conversation which the men had at that place.

I have been shown photos of numerous other men, including that of John Dillinger, and do not recognize them as being those of men I saw at Little Bohemia Lodge, however as I did not pay much attention to the men there it is possible that Dillinger was there and I did not recognize him. At the time I left Chicago with Carroll Apr. 18, 1934 and at the time I was at Little Bohemia Lodge Apr. 19 to 23, 1934, I knew that John Dillinger was a fugitive from justice being sought by officers of the government for having stolen the Sheriff's car at Crown Point, Indiana, and for escaping from jail there, and for bank robberies. I had read about him in papers as being the one who the papers said had done these things.

I know Bessie Randall, whom I understand uses the name of Beth Green. She lived at the 3300 block of Fremont Ave. in Minneapolis, Minn. in December, 1933. She lived there alone at that time. I met her through mutual friends, Mr. McTige and his wife Mrs. Alice McTige, and their daughter Peggy McTige who live in a 2d floor apartment on Dale St. between Grand and Lincoln Avenues, in St. Paul, Minn. I had gone to school with Peggy McTige in Chicago. During December, 1933 I stayed with Bessie Randall at her home in Mpls. off and on at different times.

I never saw Rose Ancker (whose true name I understand is Marie Marion Conforti) before I met her at Little Bohemia Lodge April 19, 1934. I had only met Marion Marr once before we left Chicago Apr. 18, 1934 — which was at the "Nuttie Nite Club" in Chicago the same time I saw Carroll there about April 10, 1934, at which time she was with this same man called "Slim" who went from Chicago, Ill. to Little Bohemia with us. On the night of Apr. 19, 1934 Marion Marr, Slim, Carroll and I stayed in the cabin next to the Lodge; the night of Apr. 20, 1934 we all four stayed in the main Lodge; the night of Apr. 21, 1934 we all four stayed in the cabin again; and on the night of Apr. 22, 1934 Carroll and "Slim" had told Marion Marr and myself to pack our bags, and we had done so, and the bags were in the car since about 5 P. M. or 6 P. M., and we were still waiting at Little Bohemia Lodge about 9:30 P. M. or 10 P. M., when I heard the dogs start barking and shooting from both outside and inside the Lodge, and the seven or eight men of the group which Carroll and Slim associated with, left the Lodge.

I never did stay at 3310 Fremont Ave., Mpls., Minn. or visit any parties there with the name of Ober. I have never visited the girl using the name of Rose Ancker (whom I understand also used the name "Mickey" and "Marie Costello") or Homer Van Meter, (whose photo has been shown me) at that address.

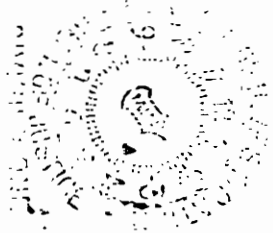
I have read the foregoing statement, and it is true. I sign it willingly  
in the presence of Mr. A. C. Pope, Mr. O. F. Larson, Deputy

Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
P.O.Box 515, St.Paul, Minn.

April 26, 1934.

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

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Dear Sir:

Re: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases,  
FUG.I.O.#1217, et al.  
NATL.MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT  
AND HARBORING.  
St.Paul File No.26-2434.

In the above entitled matter, there is transmitted herewith copy of memorandum submitted by Special Agent John V. Anderson of the St.Paul Division Office, regarding identification of photographs of MRS. JOSEPH J.MARR alias MARION VIRGINIA MARR; ANN SOIHERN; and MARIE MARION COMFORTI alias MRS. THEODORE (ROSE) ANCKER by MRS. BESSIE GREEN.

Very truly yours,

*H.H. Clegg*  
H.H.CLEGG, INSPECTOR.

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JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases,  
I.O. #1217, FUG., et al.,  
H.M.V.T.A. AND HARBORING,

Re: St. Paul File No. 26-2434

MEMORANDUM:

Photographs of MRS. JOSEPH J. MAHR alias MARION VIRGINIA MAHR were exhibited by Agent Costello and this Agent to MRS. BESSIE GREEN on April 26, 1934, and she advised that this woman was MRS. JIMMIE (BABY FACE) NELSON'S wife and she advised that she has two children, a boy four years of age and a girl two and one-half years of age; that she saw them together several times in Minneapolis; that she visited at their apartment located on 27th Street, somewhere in the vicinity of Hennepin Avenue, which apartment was located on the corner; that they subsequently moved to an apartment on 17th and La Salle, Minneapolis, which she thought was across the street from a vacant lot and up farther towards the lake, near the Buckingham Hotel. She advised that NELSON'S mother was living with the above individuals at the time and they had the four year old boy with them but that the little girl was living with someone in Chicago, name unknown. She advised that about a week prior to the shooting at 93 South Lexington, on March 31, 1934, NELSON, his mother (name unknown), and his wife and little boy drove to California, and that she did not know when they returned.

Photographs of ANN SOTHERN were exhibited by the above Agents to MRS. GREEN and she advised that this girl was known by the name of MARJORY, or JEAN, and that she thought her last name was COMPTON, or COMPSON; that this particular girl is married to a man who is, or used to be, with WAYNE KING'S Orchestra; that she first met this girl about the first of the year when THOMAS CARROLL brought her to her apartment on Fremont Avenue, in Minneapolis. She advised that ANN SOTHERN is CARROLL'S girl friend; that ANN SOTHERN is a sister-in-law of PAT REILLY'S, being a sister of MRS. PAT REILLY, who lived near Como Avenue on Thomas Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, in a four-plex made of stone, probably two or three blocks from Como Avenue. She advised that this girl is sometimes called "BABE".

Photographs of MARIE MARION COMFORTI alias MRS. THEODORE (ROSE) ANCKER were exhibited by the above agents to MRS. GREEN and she advised that she knew this girl by the name of "MICKY"; that this girl was VAN METER'S girl friend; that she was at the Samaritan Hospital for treatment in St. Paul, under the name of MARIE COSTELLO. MRS. GREEN advised that she first met MARIE COMFORTI when VAN METER and COMFORTI lived together in the next apartment building to 3310 Fremont Avenue South, Minneapolis, under the name of OBER; that VAN METER and this girl lived together in this apartment building for about four weeks during the first of the year.

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The 1934 Minnesota driver's license card #130022, with the name of HERMAN R. GOEBEL, Sanipah Hotel, Mankato, Minnesota, with the signature of HERMAN R. GOEBEL appearing thereon, was exhibited to MRS. GREEN. She advised that this was not her handwriting and she did not know whose handwriting it is. She advised that, undoubtedly, this was VAN METEN's car.

Respectfully submitted,  
John V. Anderson, Special Agent.

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

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

At 6:50 AM the Overseas Operator called and stated that she had a long distance telephone call coming through from the News Editor of the Sunday Chronicle, London, England for the "Chief Commissioner, U. S. Department of Justice". I informed her that we had no one in the Department by that title but that I would call her back in a few minutes. I communicated with Mr. Cowley who suggested that I have the Operator call again about 9:00 AM. I contacted the Overseas Operator and requested her to call this office at about 9:15 AM. I informed the Operator that it would be of assistance if she could ascertain the subject matter of the call, she stated that she could probably do this and would advise us later.

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Respectfully submitted,

*Erik G. Peterson*  
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**April 27, 1934.**

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

**Re: JOHN DILLINGER, et al.  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.**

**Dear Sir:**

Reference is made to your telegram of April 26, 1934.

Records of the Baker, Hamilton Pacific Company reflect that Colt .38 caliber superautomatic pistol, #13583, under their Invoice #4-30-438, was sold to the Western Arms Company, Los Angeles, Calif., April 30, and shipped May 2, 1932. In the same shipment was a pistol of similar make and caliber, #13659.

This information was immediately telephoned the Los Angeles Division Office with instructions to trace the ultimate purchaser and report to the Division.

Very truly yours,

*R. E. Vetterli*  
R. E. Vetterli  
Special Agent in Charge.

c.c. Los Angeles

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April 27, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith editorial, which appeared in the April 26, 1934 edition of the Philadelphia Evening Ledger, concerning the Dillinger case, together with a press despatch from the same paper concerning bill signed by Governor Buck, providing the death penalty for persons convicted of kidnaping in that State.

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Very truly yours,

*R.G. Harvey*  
R.G. Harvey,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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**THE DILLINGER TRAIL**

**IS NOT ON AMERICA**

*Editorial Phila*  
A Vast Inefficiency in Dealing With  
Crime Is Demonstrated by This  
Paroled Convict's Career

THE Attorney General of the United States, Homer S. Cummings, asks for armored cars, as well as some more airplanes, to hunt down John Dillinger.

The people of the United States wouldn't know whether to roar with rage or roar with laughter about this if they were not so aware of the thirteen dead men on this thug's trail, the \$1,000,000 or \$2,000,000 he has cost since his "parole" and the odor of national disgrace that surrounds the whole silly Dillinger business.

This man is not merely a symbol of crime. He is a symbol of stupid officialdom, of political incompetents intrusted with the important duties of a Sheriff's office, of grafting or inane prison officers and guards. He is a symbol of diffused and confused authority; of little police departments maintained by "local pride" in defiance of the needs of the time, often composed of men who know as much about real police work as Julius Caesar knew about relativity.

He is a symbol of a cooling parole system—that coddled him out of jail less than a year ago on the plea that he was not a "habitual criminal."

Within three months he committed, aided by other criminals as desperate as he is, a series of bank and other robberies. He was arrested. His confederates came to the Ohio jail where he was confined to await trial, shot the Sheriff dead and all escaped, to resume their widespread banditry which, to date, is estimated to have produced losses exceeding \$500,000, while intensive efforts to catch this one man are figured to have cost \$1,500,000 up to now.

He is held responsible for recent threats of death sent to the Governor of Ohio unless he reprieves some of Dillinger's murderer friends, waiting in the condemned cell of Columbus Penitentiary. And now that institution is being fortified for fear of an attempt by him to release these killers, as he did once before.

Dillinger's career for weeks and months demonstrates an utter collapse of ordinary police efforts to deal with him. He has carried his insolence to raiding police stations and stealing from them weapons and bullet-proof vests. He has coolly revisited his home town, to bask in the stares of old neighbors too frightened to do anything about it or so steeped in sickly sentimentality that some of them have been circulating a petition for an amnesty for him.

As if in answer to that, Dillinger calmly progressed through various States, to hole up in a resort roadhouse, where he made a prisoner of the proprietor and his family and had his ease in his inn.

If any man proves the necessity for a national form of police activity against dangerous criminals under existing conditions, Dillinger does. And it was appropriate enough that Federal Secret Service men, by the scores, were sent to take him at that resort when the "hot tip" finally got into headquarters.

The Federal agents may not be blamed so much for holding aloof from local authorities. They have had plenty of experience with "hick cops." But they must sustain their own assurance by results.

And their method of approach to the roadhouse, so that Dillinger and his associates fled by an unguarded rear approach and got away, reflects little credit on them. They are good men; brave men, but their failure to approach more cautiously and to guard and block all nearby roads, considering the force they had at hand, entitles the neighboring Wisconsin woodsmen to jeer.

Every hour this man, with thousands hunting him, has kept his dangerous freedom has increased the reproach he represents to American civilization.

Back of him are the figures of the Kellys, the Baileys, the Pretty Boy Floyds, on down to any little thief paroled last week through the influence of a politician-lawyer. Back of him are the weakly administered jails, the police departments brazenly controlled by politics; the twaddle of sentimentalists who yearn to "rehabilitate the criminal"—and the stacks of quashed indictments and writs of habeas corpus that are moldering into dust in county courthouses all over the land.

This Dillinger is obviously getting himself properly posed for the inevitable bullet that will end his career. But that won't end what he means, and what others like him will mean, until we smash the shackles of politics and precedent that protect the criminal.

And we need no military tanks to do that.

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*W.S. Hupferson*

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REGARDING 1934 WISCONSIN LICENSE PLATES NUMBER 10649 ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN SEEN ON CAR TRANSPORTING DILLINGER IN BINGHAMTON NEW YORK. PLATES ISSUED TO ADOLPH DUERRWAECHTER COLGATE WISCONSIN FOR 1929 CHEVROLET COUPE MOTOR NUMBER 518543. HE TELEPHONICALLY ADVISES PLATES AND CAR ARE NOW AND HAVE BEEN IN HIS POSSESSION CONTINUOUSLY

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Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida

April 28, 1934

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice,  
1900 Bankers' Building,  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

RE: JOHN HERBERT WILLINGER with aliases—  
FUGITIVE—L. O. #1217;  
JOHN HAMILTON with alias—L. O. #1220;  
HOMER VAN METER with aliases—L. O. #1222;  
et al;  
MAY 1 MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT;  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

For the purpose of completing the record line to the investigation made by Agents of the Cincinnati office at Louisville, Kentucky, during which George T. Williams, who, with Robert Hearn, is the subject of a National Motor Vehicle Theft Act case with Jacksonville as the office of origin, appeared to be positively identified by a large number of persons as being identical with Homer Van Meter, I. O. #1222, there are being transmitted herewith two copies of the memorandum of Special Agent R. L. Shivers covering investigation made by him at Daytona Beach, Florida, on April 22 and 23, 1934, in which he has positively determined that neither George T. Williams nor Robert Hearn is identical with Homer Van Meter.

A telegram was received from the Detroit Division office on April 26, 1934, reflecting that both Williams and Hearn are in custody in Detroit and that the car they stole in Daytona Beach on April 8, 1934, has been recovered, and that Williams is not identical with Homer Van Meter.

To the Division's copies of this letter there is being attached fingerprint card of Robert J. Hearn obtained by Special Agent Shivers from the Daytona Beach, Florida, Police Department, covering his arrest at that point on November 1, 1933, charged with carrying concealed weapon. He was sentenced to pay \$100.00 fine or serve sixty days in jail for that offense. His fingerprints are being forwarded for comparative purposes and the Division is respectfully requested to return same to the Jacksonville office for transmittal to the Daytona Beach Police Department. The return of this card was requested.

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Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,  
Special Agent in Charge

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Tampa, Florida, April 25, 1954.

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE

JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, I. O. 1419, ET AL  
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT  
HARBORING FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE

Investigation was made by the writer at Daytona Beach, Florida, April 22 and 23, 1954, to determine if George F. Williams or Robert (Bob) Hearn is identical with Homer Van Meter, a Subject in this case, pursuant to telegraphic advice from the Cincinnati Office that Williams had been positively identified in Louisville, Kentucky, as Homer Van Meter, when he tried to dispose of the Essex automobile described in the report of Special Agent in Charge R. A. Alt, entitled George F. Williams, Robert (Bob) Hearn, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, Jacksonville file number 26-3702.

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who has known Williams for a number of years, on viewing

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The photograph of Homer Van Meter, stated that there is no similarity between the two, and stated positively that Williams is not identical with Van Meter.

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Mr. J. T. Cook, Agent for the Essex automobile at Daytona Beach, informed Agent that he has been advised by Deputy Sheriff Jimmy Durden, 330 Fairview Street, that the wife of Williams, who is operating the sandwich shop, has heard from him from Louisville, Kentucky, and Detroit, Michigan, since the automobile in question was stolen on April 15, 1934.

Mr. Durden, on being interviewed, stated that Frank Carter, a brother-in-law of Williams, who works at the latter's barbecue stand, occupies a garage apartment in the rear of his home. He stated that he personally knows Williams and Bob Hearn, and on viewing the photograph of Homer Van Meter, he stated that it slightly resembles Williams, but that it was not identical with either. Carter stated that Hearn is a known bootlegger, and formerly was employed by the Peninsular Life Insurance Company as its representative in Daytona Beach; that he bears a bad reputation in the city. Mr. Durden arrested Hearn several months ago for carrying concealed weapons. At that time he was connected with the Police Department. Hearn's fingerprints were taken. A copy was obtained. Mr. Durden placed Agent in communication with Frank Harper, brother-in-law of George T. Williams, and on being contacted, he stated that he and Williams married sisters, who were the daughters of J. T. Weston, 125 Arlington Street, Daytona Beach, Florida, and a former bridge tender at High Springs, Florida. He stated that Williams married Charles Weston in August, 1931, at Daytona Beach, Florida; that his home is originally in Shelbyville, Kentucky; that he has been in Daytona Beach for ten years or more, and when he was a young boy he was employed as a messenger by the Western Union Telegraph Company, later being connected with the ABC Bakeries as a baker; that for the past four years Williams has been operating a barbecue stand and lunch room, known as the Gassy Island Barbecue Stand, 300 Main Street, Daytona Beach, Florida. Carter further stated that Williams is the son of Mrs. John P. Eagle, who for the past twelve years operated the Eagle Room Apartment at 511 Ridgewood Avenue, Daytona Beach, Florida; that Mrs. Eagle died about one year ago and was taken to Shelbyville, Kentucky, for burial, the home of the Williams family. Mr. Carter further advised that he has been keeping up with Williams since he disappeared from Daytona Beach immediately after the instant automobile was stolen on April 8, 1934. Harper is now employed in the barbecue stand owned by Williams. He stated that, on either the 18th or 19th, Mrs. Williams received a telegram from her husband from Detroit, Michigan, and later in the night got a collect long distance telephone call from him from Detroit, and in overhearing the conversation he learned that Bob Hearn was with him. The telephone call was made from Detroit collect to telephone 9204, Daytona Beach, which is the telephone of Mr. T. J. Colson, operator of a Gulf Oil Filling Station in front of the Williams barbecue stand. Mr. Carter further stated that on April 19th or

20th, 1934, Mrs. Williams received a night message letter from her husband from Detroit, Michigan, through the Western Union Telegraph Company, that he did not read the message, but Mrs. Williams informed him after receiving it that she expected her husband back most any time, but that he would have to lay low for awhile. He stated that if Williams and Hearn returned to Daytona Beach and went into hiding he would probably have to serve them with food, and in case he learned their whereabouts, he would notify Deputy Sheriff Durden, who stated he would immediately contact Special Agent in Charge R. A. Alt. Photograph of Homer Van Meter was exhibited to Mr. Carter. He stated that it bore a slight resemblance to Williams, and in no way resembled Bob Hearn.

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It was later ascertained that he is twenty-five years old at the present time. Mr. Carter is endeavoring to secure a photograph of Williams, which will be forwarded to the Jacksonville Office as soon as it is obtained. Carter personally knows Williams and Hearn, and he stated that the photograph of Van Meter is not identical with either.

Mr. Carter further informed Agent that Williams was at one time a messenger for the Western Union Telegraph Company at Daytona Beach. This was verified through officials of the company, who stated that the exact employment record could not be obtained. However, it was recalled that the person operating the Coney Island Barbecue Stand, George T. Williams, is the same man who, as a boy, was a messenger for this company.

George Haney, Detective, Daytona Beach Police Department, advised Agent that Robert (Bob) Hearn is well known to him. He viewed the photograph of Homer Van Meter, and stated they are not identical.

Mr. H. M. St. Sing, Bookkeeper for the ABC Baking, informed Agent that George T. Williams was employed by that company as a baker during the period from about November, 1931, to June, 1932. He stated that this same person is now operating the Coney Island Barbecue Stand at 300 Main Street. On viewing the photograph of Homer Van Meter, Mr. St. Sing, stated that it does not resemble Williams and that these men are not identical.

Mr. J. U. Harper, 411 Wisconsin Street, Daytona Beach, the owner of the instant Essex Sedan automobile, advised that it was stolen from him on the night of April 8, 1934, from in front of the Empire Theater, where he had parked it. He stated that earlier in the day he had driven to the Coney Island Barbecue Stand in the automobile, and there saw Hearn and Williams; that both of them noticed the automobile, and asked him where he was going and where he would be that night; that he informed them he was going to the Empire Theater; that after discovering the loss of his automobile, he contacted Chief of Police Haney, advising him of the previous meeting with Hearn and Williams, and in company with Chief Haney, he proceeded to the barbecue stand, where Williams was found to be on duty; that he then went to the Williams residence and saw that Hearn was there. This was just a short while after the automobile was stolen.

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Mr. Harper stated that he has known Robert Hearn for the past two years. Mr. Harper is now an agent for the Peninsular Insurance Company, and he stated that up until about a year ago, Hearn was also employed by the same company, working during the year of 1931 as its agent in that city. He is the son of Charles Hearn, who resides at 2 Halifax Street, Daytona Beach. Mr. Harper, after viewing the photograph of Homer Van Meter, stated that it is not identical with either Williams or Hearn.

Sergeant T. H. Johnson, Police Department, Daytona Beach, Florida, who knows Bob Hearn very well, stated that it is not identical with Homer Van Meter. Mr. Johnson further advised that on November 1, 1933, Hearn was arrested by former Police Officer Durden for carrying concealed weapons, and on November 11th, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$100.00 or serve sixty days in jail for that offense. Sergeant Johnson furnished Agent with a copy of Hearn's fingerprints, taken at that time, which are being transmitted to the Division for comparative purposes, with the request that the fingerprint card be returned to the Jacksonville Office for transmittal to the Daytona Beach Police Department.

Deputy Sheriff Jimmy Durden, the Police Department and Mr. A. F. Tash will keep the Jacksonville Office advised of any developments of value in locating Hearn and Williams.

An effort was made to trace the telephone call reported to have been made by Williams to his wife, as recited above, and it was learned that the record of this call, if made, would be in the Jacksonville Office of the telephone company.

R. L. Shivers,  
Special Agent.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Sir:

In connection with your letter of April 28, 1934, in the case entitled John Herbert Dillinger, with aliases, Fugitive, I. O. #1217, et al, I am returning herewith the fingerprints of Robert J. Horn, Daytona Beach Police Department #19084 for transmittal to the Police Department, Daytona Beach, Florida.

The fingerprints of Robert J. Horn are not identical with Homer Van Meter, with aliases, I. O. #1222.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Enclosure #558309.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation  
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Washington, D. C.

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MR. COWLEY	.....
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MR. QUINN	.....
MR. LESTER	.....
CHIEF CLERK	.....
MR. ROBER	.....

April 27, 1934

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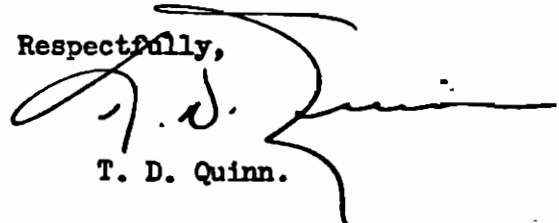
MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

With regard to the telegram received from Mr. Moley requesting the numbers appearing on the Thompson machine guns seized in Wisconsin in connection with the Dillinger case, please be advised that in compliance with your instructions I communicated with the Chicago Office and in the absence of Mr. Purvis talked with Mr. Harold Nathan.

Mr. Nathan stated that they had one of the Thompson machine guns at that office and the other was at the St. Paul Office, that the number of this machine gun had been completely obliterated, further that they had in their possession also two Winchester rifles taken in connection with the Dillinger case, one a 351 caliber bearing number 41806 and the other a 30 Winchester rifle bearing number 1046510. I then called Mr. Clegg at St. Paul in an effort to secure the number from the other machine gun and was informed by him that the gun formerly in possession of the St. Paul Office had been shipped to the Division on April 25th and that the number of this gun had been completely obliterated.

I then prepared a telegram for the Director's signature, addressed to Mr. Moley in New York City, advising him of this fact and further informing him that the guns were being shipped to Washington and an effort would be made to bring out the original numbers and that, if successful in this regard, he would be advised further in the premises.

Respectfully,



T. D. Quinn.

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DIRECTOR

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April 26, 1934.

MR. NATHAN	.....
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MR. COWLEY	.....
MR. EDWARDS	.....
MR. EGAN	.....
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

While talking with Mr. Clegg at St. Paul he advised that the photographs and fingerprints of the three girls who are being held at Madison, Wisconsin, are being forwarded to the Division; that in connection with the photograph bearing the name Mary Conforti, alias Mrs. Theodore Rose Ancker, she had been definitely identified by Bessie Green as the girl known as Mickey who lived with Homer Van Meter at 3310 Fremont in the same block where Bessie Green lived; that in connection with the photograph bearing the name Mrs. Joseph J. Marr, alias Marian Virginia Marr, Bessie Green has identified her as the legitimate wife of Baby Face Nelson; that she is the mother of two children, a boy 4 years of age and a girl 2½ years of age; that the blonde girl is married to some night club entertainer in Chicago; that on the back of her photograph appears the name Ann Sothern; that she is the sister to the wife of Pat Riley; that she is married; that they have information that she admitted to some man who is a tap dancer or orchestra player in Chicago that she has been living with Tommy Carroll most of the time she has been in the Twin Cities, which would rather definitely indicate that Tommy Carroll, Homer Van Meter and Baby Face Nelson were all there on the night of the raid; that the blonde has stated that Tommy Carroll was there and a boy named Slim was also there; that she said that her brother-in-law, Pat Riley, was there; that they failed to identify the photographs of Dillinger and they claimed they did not know Homer Van Meter.

Mr. Clegg advised that Pat Riley's father is dead and the only known relatives of Riley are his wife and mother but they don't know where they are and cannot find anyone who does.

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*S.P. Cowley*  
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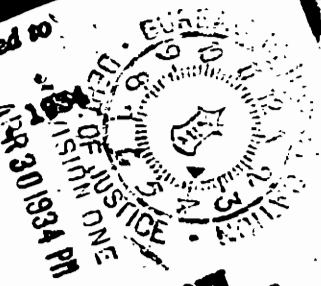
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Send the following Message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to:  
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*E. J. Connelley*  
 E. J. Connelley  
 Division of Investigation  
 U. S. Department of Justice  
 428 U.S. Custom House & P. O. Bldg.  
 Cincinnati, Ohio

JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER ETAL NYVTA GRACE H LOGAN AND HUSBAND RESIDE PHOENIX OHIO  
 GOLD MINE NEAR PHOENIX AND EMPLOYED W & BONDURANT TO PROMOTE MINE IN INDIANAPOLIS  
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 BORROWED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS FROM MRS LOGAN GIVING HIS NOTE STOP MRS LOGAN NOW  
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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

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April 25, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: JOHN HERRBERT DILLINGER, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1217; JOHN HAMILTON,  
with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1220;  
HOMER VAN METER, with aliases, FUGITIVE,  
I.O. 1222, et al,  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act,  
Obstruction of Justice,  
Chicago File #26-5685.

You will find enclosed herewith marked Exhibits 1 to 7, inclusive, cartridges and exploded shells which will be described below, all of which are transmitted to the Division for examination in the scientific laboratory.

- #1. Shotgun ball removed from the right arm of John Hoffman on 4/23/34 at the Grandview Hospital, Ironwood, Michigan, by Dr. W. H. Wacek. Hoffman, who resides at Mercer, Wisconsin, was shot at the Little Bohemia Resort on the night of April 22, 1934.
- #2. Copper nosed bullet, apparently of .45 caliber, found in Chevrolet Coupe in which Eugene Boissoneau was killed on the night of April 22, 1934, at the Little Bohemia Resort near Mercer, Wisconsin.
- #3. Copper nosed bullet, apparently of .45 caliber, found by Herbert Sell of Mercer, Wisconsin, on road in front of home of Alvin Koerner on Route 51 near Mercer, Wisconsin, where Agent W. Carter Baum was killed and where Agent Jay C. Newman and Constable Carl Christensen were wounded on the night of April 22, 1934, by George Nelson.
- #4. Exploded shells of .45 caliber, described as follows:

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2 " " " "WRA Co. .45 A.C."

All of which were found on the morning of April 23, 1934, near the South end of Little Bohemia Resort building near Mercer, Wisconsin, and which had apparently rolled from the eaves of the building.

#5. Two exploded .45 caliber shells marked "REM-UMC .45 ACP", found by Agent O. G. Hall on the road in front of home of Alvin Koerner near Mercer, Wisconsin, where Agent W. Carter Baum was killed on the night of April 22, 1934, and where Agent Jay C. Newman and Constable Carl Christensen were wounded.

#6. One exploded .45 caliber shell marked "REM-UMC .45 ACP" found on the morning of April 23, 1934, under a rear window of the Little Bohemia Resort near Mercer, Wisconsin, by G. Hunt, 224 Norfolk Street, Ironwood, Michigan.

#7. Miscellaneous exploded shells found in the vicinity of the Little Bohemia Resort near Mercer, Wisconsin, described as follows:

3 of .45 caliber marked on end "FA 28"  
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2 " .38 " " " " "REM-UMC 38 ACP"

All of the above exhibits were turned over to Special Agent S. K. McKee of the Chicago Division Office immediately after they were found and were retained in his possession upon instructions of Inspector W. A. Rorer until they were placed in the envelopes in which they are herewith transmitted.

Very truly yours,

*M. H. Purvis*

M. H. PURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc-St. Paul.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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April 28, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN

On April 27th, I conferred with Mr. Parrish to determine whether coroners' inquests are necessarily public in the States of Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Mr. Parrish had the matter looked up and stated that in Minnesota there is no requirement that a coroner's inquest must be public, whether public or private being at the discretion of the coroner. A coroner is required, however, to file a transcript of the testimony obtained at the inquest with the Clerk of the Court immediately.

Mr. Parrish further stated that the situation in Wisconsin is practically the same; that he had discussed the matter with Mr. Keenan and that Mr. Keenan had communicated with the United States Attorney with reference to the coroner's inquest in Wisconsin and it was decided that the coroner's inquest there should be public, but that efforts should be made not to have the names of the Agents brought out in the hearing.

Respectfully,

*John B. Little*  
J. B. Little

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April 26, 1934.

J. Edgar Hoover,  
Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For your information I checked on two Dillinger stories in this vicinity.

No. 1

A. B. Nelson, locksmith of Norfolk, was gotten out of bed about 2:30 A.M. Tuesday, April 24 by a phone call from a man who wanted a car key made. Nelson told the man it would cost him a dollar which was satisfactory. He dressed and met the man at his shop, made the duplicate key for a Buick car. Nelson did not keep number on key. The stranger laid down two dollars and went off. When Nelson asked him his name he said, "John Dillinger". He was rather quiet and didn't seem to be joking. Nelson claims not to have realized the significance of the name. I showed Nelson six unnamed pictures and he picked out Dillinger's picture and said the man looked "something like that" but couldn't give a description of the man except he wore a cap, was about 5'11" and didn't act like a crook, nothing unusual about voice. Nelson didn't see his car. Doesn't know where he came from or where he went. If this man was Dillinger why did he want an extra key?

No. 2

At Pierce, Nebraska tourist camp Monday evening, April 23, about 11 P.M., a studebaker 8 cylinder, 8 passenger car and trailer without license registered in, car about four or five years old. Party gave name as G. Miller, Winegar, Wis. Told Harold House (night man at Parks) he had bought car in Chicago. Hadn't gotten his license but gave engine number as 1096461. Party took two cabins at 75 cents each. House examined photos and said man didn't resemble any of them. Said man was about thirty, about 5' 7", weight about 145 to 150, dark eyes, dark hair. Party consisted of 4 men, 2 women, 1 girl about 10 to 12, one child about 2 dressed like a boy. House woke Talbert proprietor to get some extra bedding. Talbert paid little attention to them but said they "talked nice". They took one cabin

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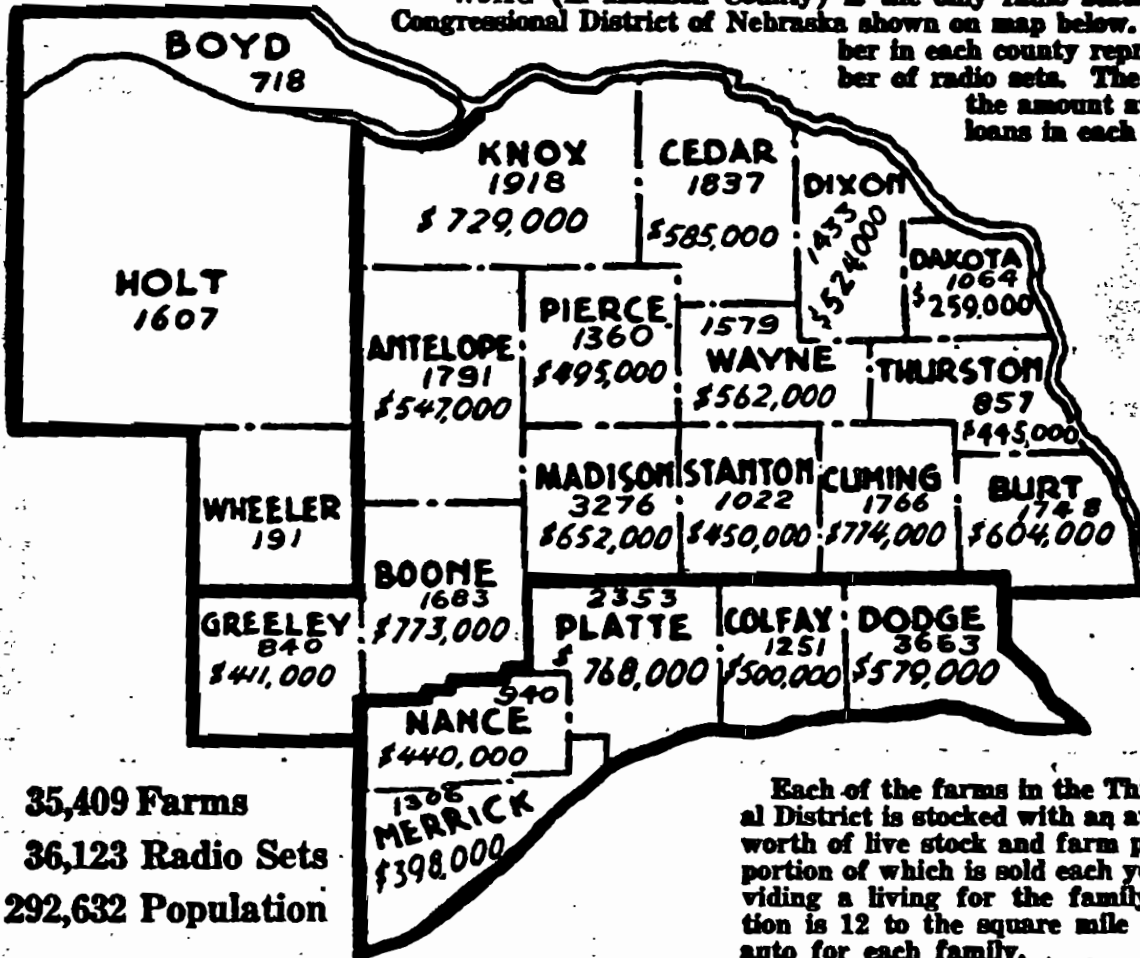
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Norfolk is an important trading center in an area with the largest per capita wealth in America.

Nebraska leads all states in the production of hay, is second in live stock and winter wheat, third in corn, fourth in butter and rye and fifth in oats.

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Write for data sheets including testimonials and report of radio survey of north Nebraska Federation of Woman's clubs (group 3).

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on each side of Mr. and Mrs. Little who are living at the park. Little saw and talked with the party next morning before they left about 9 A.M. Looked at photos but said he didn't think they looked like the campers. Little seemed to examine the Dillinger photo several times. I asked him why and he said he had seen it in the papers and that caused him to pay the most attention to it. Before leaving the campers swept out their cabins and burned everything and left no clues. Told Little they were from the Wisconsin woods and were headed for Texas. They went south on 81. Little saw several rifles in car and trailer and said he heard they carried revolvers but thought they were only tourists trying to find a place where the depression was not so bad. One man was said to be 40 to 45 and heavy, one woman dark haired, other about 20 or 22 and blonde. One man about 35, wore light cap, about 5'6" heavy set. The boss of the outfit was not the driver. The night marshall of Pierce (Henry Reimers) talked with some of the party but I couldn't find him. The people around the park felt sure the party stayed there all night and that none of them was the man who had a key made in Norfolk. One woman near park looked through the pictures and picked out Dillinger as looking like the 35 year old man with light cap who seemed to be the boss. Didn't say where they had stopped the night before or where they expected to stop following night.

The photos used in these tests were John Dillinger, John Hamilton, Jos. Fox, Jos. Burns, Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker. Interviewed House (night man at park), Mr. and Mrs. Talbert (owner), Mr. and Mrs. Little (living at Park) and a neighbor woman whose name I didn't get.

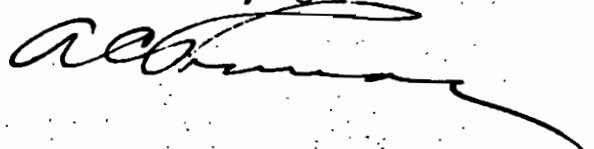
It doesn't seem like the Dillinger gang would be traveling with a trailer and in no hurry to leave in the morning.

I am sending copies of this report to state sheriff Benton and to E. E. Conroy at your Kansas City office.

Sincerely yours,

RADIO STATION WJAG

By A. C. Thomas, Mgr.



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May 1, 1934.

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Mr. A. C. Thomas, Manager,  
Radio Station WAB,  
Norfolk, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated April 26, 1934, furnishing information concerning John Dillinger and his gang.

I am pleased to note your interest in this matter and the information furnished by you is greatly appreciated.

I would like to suggest that you communicate immediately with Mr. E. E. Conroy, Special Agent in Charge, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Suite L, Federal Building, Kansas City, Missouri in the event you receive information which you believe warrants prompt attention.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

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May 10, 1934

MAY 11 1934

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1900 Bankers' Building,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

There is attached for your information a copy of a letter received from Mr. A. C. Thomas, Manager, Radio Station WMAI, at Norfolk, Nebraska, dated April 26, 1934, concerning investigation made by their organization for the purpose of locating John Dillinger and members of his gang.

A copy of this letter is being furnished the Kansas City Office, which should not conduct an investigation in the absence of information from the Chicago Office that same is warranted.

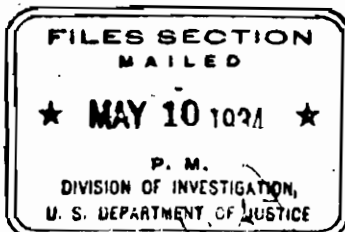
Mr. Thomas has been advised to promptly report any information which he believes to be of value to the Kansas City Office.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Enclosure 54601

cc-Kansas City





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DIVISION ONE  
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P.O. Box 815, St. Paul, Minn.

April 23, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
P.O. Box 764,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Re: JOHN BILLENBER, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1217, et al.  
MAY, MOTOR VEHICLE, MAKE 157,  
AND HARBORING.  
ST. PAUL FILE NO. 2454.

This office is in receipt of a letter dated April 11, 1934, addressed to Mr. CARL T. HALLMAN, R.R. #1, North St. Paul, Minnesota, and signed by Matt Leach, Captain in charge, Department of Safety, Indiana State Police, Indianapolis, Indiana, which is quoted as follows:

"Mr. Carl T. Hallman,  
R.R. #1,  
North St. Paul, Minn.

RE: Hudson Sedan  
Engine 38384  
Serial 936437  
Our file 1101

Dear Sir:

After considerable tracing, we have just been informed that you are the owner of the above captioned car.

A release will be given you upon presentation at this office of your certificate of title or other papers showing your right to the car.

We would appreciate your immediate attention in this matter, referring to our file 1101.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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Please contact the Department of Safety and obtain  
all information pertinent to this investigation.

Very truly yours,

R.E. CLEGG, INSPECTOR.

WAR:TS

CC Division  
Chicago (8)

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April 22, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

While talking with Agent in Charge Connolly this morning he requested authorization to have a stenographer report to him at Indianapolis so that he could have the statements that have been taken by him in the Dillinger case typed. He also desired a stenographer so he could take care of the matter of the office space at Indianapolis and the bids for the furniture. Mr. Connolly advised that he had looked over some space but that he had not been able to give this matter very much attention. He stated that the stenographer he would have report to him would probably be Miss Mary S. Reinke. He was authorized to have this stenographer report to him. Mr. Tolson was advised of this.

Respectfully,

S. P. Bowler

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1900 Bankers Building  
Chicago Illinois

April 29, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
P. O. Box 1457,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

Re: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1217; JOHN  
HAMILTON, with aliases, I.O. 1220;  
ROGER VAN METER, with aliases,  
I.O. 1228; et al.  
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE.

Dear Sir:

I received a telephone call from Lieutenant Howe on  
April 23, 1934 inquiring about one, Miss Bernice Norton, 408  
West Lincoln Street, Hoopston, Illinois. He stated that he  
is in possession of definite information to the effect that  
Miss Bernice Norton and Mary Evelyn Frechette formerly lived  
together.

It is requested that you determine the identity  
of Miss Bernice Norton and ascertain whether or not she may  
be in a position to furnish information of value to the  
instant case.

Very truly yours,

N. E. FURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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1900 Bankers Building  
Chicago, Illinois

**SPECIAL DELIVERY**

Inspector E. H. Clegg  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
805 P. O. Building  
St. Paul, Minnesota

Re: JOHN DILLINGER with aliases  
FUGITIVE, I. O. 1019, et al.  
M.H.V.P.A. and OBSTRUCTION  
OF JUSTICE

Dear Sir:

In regard to information desired with respect to the names and addresses of the witnesses desired by the United States Attorney 80 St. Paul, in connection with the theft of Ford V-8 four-door sedan, motor No. 256447, the car used by John Dillinger and Herbert Youngblood at the time they made their escape from the County Jail at Crown Point, Indiana, I desire to state that this car was the property of Edwige Lillian Holley and was stolen by Subject Dillinger from the Main Street Garage.

The witnesses who can properly testify as to the theft of this particular car are Ernest Blunk, Crown Point, Indiana, and Edwin Saager, also of Crown Point, Indiana. Ernest Blunk, however, is at the present time under indictment in Lake County, Indiana Court at Crown Point, Indiana, on a charge of aiding and abetting the escape of Subject Dillinger from the Crown Point Jail.

Edwin Saager is the night man and mechanic at the Main Street Garage immediately adjoining the Criminal Court House in Crown Point, Indiana. He, together with Blunk, was present at the time Subject Dillinger stole the automobile in question and was with them when the car was driven by Ernest Blunk at the direction of Subject Dillinger, who had a machine gun pointed at him during the entire trip until they reached a point in Indiana a short distance out of Peotons, Illinois.

Both Ernest Blunk and Edwin Saager can testify that in addition to the theft of the automobile in question from the Main Street Garage at Crown Point, both of them were released by Subject Dillinger near Peotons, Illinois, when Subject Dillinger took the wheel of the car and drove it away.

This automobile was recovered on March 8, 1934 in front of 1057 Ardmore Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, by officers Louis Hyde of the State's Attorney's office.

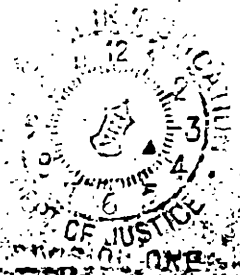
Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS  
Special Agent in Charge

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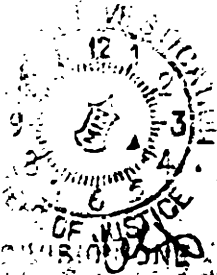
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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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BIRMINGHAM ALABAMA

JOHN DILLINGER NMTA THIS YEARS TENNESSEE LICENSE PLATES  
TWO FIVE NINE THREE THREE NINE FOUND AMONG DILLINGERS EFFECTS  
CONNECT INVESTIGATION

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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

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April 28, 1934

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

Dear Sir: In re: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER with  
aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1217;  
et al  
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE  
CHICAGO FILE NO. 26-5685

Reference is made to my telegram dated April  
27, 1934, wherein it is requested that an investi-  
gation be conducted pertaining to Tennessee license  
plates No. 259-339.

It is also requested that appropriate in-  
vestigation be conducted with reference to Tennessee  
license plates No. 176-006. Both license plates de-  
scribed above were found at the Little Bohemia resort,  
Boilder Lake, Wisconsin, at the time Dillinger made his  
escape from that place on April 22, 1934.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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1900 Bankers Bldg.,  
Chicago, Illinois  
April 29, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1816 Smith-Young Tower Bldg.,  
San Antonio, Texas

Dear Sir:-

RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with  
aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1217; JOHN  
HAMILTON, with aliases, I.O. #1220;  
HOMER VAN MEYER, with aliases, I.O. #1222;  
et al. National Motor Vehicle Theft Act;  
Obstruction of Justice.

In connection with the recent raid of the Little Bohemia  
Lodge at Spider Lake, Wisconsin, by Division Agents, considerable  
clothing and other personal effects were obtained. A memorandum  
has been prepared listing such articles as bear identifying data.  
For your information, I am enclosing herewith a copy of this memoran-  
dum.

It will be noted on page two of the memorandum that one  
green and one brown tie were found in Eng. No. 3, these ties having  
been purchased from "Joske Brothers Company, San Antonio, Texas".

It is requested that these ties, which were forwarded to  
you today under separate cover, be exhibited to salesman at the Joske  
Brothers Company, San Antonio, Texas, for the purpose of identifying  
the purchasers thereof, if possible.

It is suggested that the photographs of DILLINGER,  
HAMILTON, and VAN MEYER be shown to the salesman, as well as photo-  
graphs of Tommy Carroll and George Nelson, alias "Baby Face". One  
copy of the latter two photographs are being forwarded to you here-  
with.

When the two ties sent to you today have served their  
purpose, kindly return them to this office. This investigation should  
be given immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

JAM:DMH  
CC:Division ✓  
ENCL.  
26-5688

M. H. FURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge

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1900 Bankers Bldg.,  
Chicago, Illinois,  
April 28, 1934.

Mr. W. A. Rorer, Inspector  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Post Office Box 515,  
Saint Paul, Minnesota

RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with  
aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1217; et al.  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act;  
Obstruction of Justice.

Dear Sir:-

In connection with the raiding of the Little Bohemia  
Lodge at Spider Lake, Wisconsin on April 23, 1934, a memorandum has  
been prepared listing the various articles of clothing and other effects  
which bear identifying data, and a copy of this memorandum is being  
enclosed herewith. A report has been dictated today by Special Agent  
V. W. Peterson, in which this memorandum is incorporated.

It will be noted that several of the articles were evi-  
dently purchased in Saint Paul and vicinity and in this connection  
I have today forwarded to you, by American Railway Express, one man's  
brown traveling bag, identified as Bag #15, wherein will be found  
other articles which are listed hereinafter.

It is requested that investigation be conducted immediately  
to determine the purchasers of these articles, and any other data ob-  
tainable, such as the residences and hideouts of such persons. The  
following articles were shipped to you today:

- 1 Light brown man's traveling bag, purchased at  
George P. Thiss Store, Minneapolis;
- 1 Jewelry box, bearing the name "The Dayton Co.,  
Minneapolis", containing four pieces of  
jewelry (ear rings);
- 1 Paper envelope, bearing the name "Kronicks -  
Minneapolis-St. Paul", containing one pair  
of women's gloves, which have just been cleaned;
- 1 Black suit bearing the label, "Dorville-Dayton  
Men's Store, Minneapolis";
- 1 Green tie with the same label as above;
- 1 Blue silk bathrobe, same label as above;
- 1 Green tie, bearing label "The Golden  
St. Paul";

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- 1 Novel book entitled "Twenty-four Hours" by Louis Bromfield, which was evidently rented from the "Uptown Library, 3011 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis";
  - 1 Jewelry box, bearing the name "J. B. Hudson, Inc., Minneapolis";
  - 1 Envelope bearing the return address, "Edgar W. Bedford, M.D., 3000 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis";
  - 1 Card bearing "Hotel Francis Drake, South Minneapolis";
  - 1 Post Office Receipt for insured mail, No. 18224, issued at Saint Paul;
  - 1 Pair of eyeglasses, from the "Klady Optical Co., 85 E. 7th -- 80 E. 8th Street, Saint Paul";

It is requested that appropriate investigation be conducted as to all the above articles and it is suggested that photographs of the three girls taken into custody at Spider Lake, Wisconsin, as well as the photographs of the members of the Dillinger Gang be presented to the persons contacted, where such action is deemed advisable.

The enclosed memorandum contains a list of other articles which bear identification marks from Saint Paul or vicinity and these should be observed and the appropriate investigation conducted by your office.

It is also requested that all of the articles forwarded to you for use in this investigation, be returned to the Chicago Division Office when they have served their purpose.

Very truly yours,

E. H. PURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge

JAM:TDH  
CC: Division  
ENCL.  
20-5688

1900 Bankers Bldg.,  
Chicago, Illinois

April 20, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
503a U. S. Court House & P. O. Bldg.,  
Salt Lake City, Utah

Dear Sir:-

RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with  
aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1217;  
JOHN HAMILTON, with aliases, I.O. #1207;  
HOMER VAN DYKE, with aliases, I.O. #1222;  
et al. Int. Mot. Veh. Theft Act,  
Obstruction of Justice.

In connection with the recent raid of the Little Bohemia  
Lodge at Spider Lake, Wisconsin, by Division Agents, considerable  
clothing and other personal effects were obtained. A memorandum  
has been prepared listing such articles as bear identifying data.  
For your information, I am enclosing herewith a copy of this  
memorandum.

I have forwarded to you today, under separate cover, one  
pair of woman's blue leather shoes, which were evidently purchased  
at the store of Sunderland's, Inc., Reno, Nevada. It is requested  
that the photographs of the three girls; namely, Mrs. Joseph J.  
Marr, alias Marion Virginia Marr, Marie Marion Comforti, alias Mrs.  
Theodore (Rose) Anker, and Ann Sothern, who were taken into custody  
on April 23, 1934 at the Little Bohemia Lodge, Spider Lake, Wisconsin,  
as well as the photograph of Pat Charrington, be exhibited to the  
salesman at this store.

For your assistance, I am enclosing herewith one copy  
each of the photographs of the above named individuals, and it is  
requested that these photographs and the shoes forwarded to you, be  
returned to the Chicago Division Office, as soon as they have served  
their purpose. The investigation should be given immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

JAM:TMH  
CC:Division ✓  
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26-5685

M. H. FURVIE,  
Special Agent in Charge

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1900 Summers Bldg.,  
Chicago, Illinois  
April 23, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
370 Lexington Ave., Room 1403,  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir:-

Re: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with  
aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1219;  
JOHN HAMILTON, with aliases, I.O. #1220;  
BOMER VAN METEN, I.O. #1222;  
et al. National Motor Vehicle Theft  
Act - Obstruction of Justice.

Following the raid on the Little Bohemia Lodge at Spider  
Lake, Wisconsin on April 23, 1934, considerable clothing and other  
personal effects were found, as well as the following firearms:

- 1 .38 calibre Colt Super Automatic, the  
serial number of which had been effaced  
by the use of some acid or chemical but  
which was found to bear secret No. 14150.
- 1 .22 calibre long Automatic Remington rifle,  
Model 24, #128096.
- 1 .351 calibre Automatic Winchester rifle,  
Model 075L, #41806.
- 2 .30-.30 Winchester Lever Action rifle,  
Model 94, #1046810.
- 1 Thompson Sub-machine gun, Model 21, .45  
calibre Automatic, the numbers of which  
had been filed off.

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It is requested that your office make immediate and appro-  
priate investigation at Hartford, Conn., to ascertain where these  
firearms were shipped. It is understood that the Colt factory is  
at Hartford, Connecticut; the Remington Arms Corporation at Bridge-  
port, Connecticut; the Winchester Company at New Haven, Connecticut;  
and the Auto Ordnance Corporation, which manufactures the Thompson  
Sub-machine guns, is at New York City.

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There was also found a Spartan Radio, which was manufactured by the Best Mfg. Company, Irvington, N.J., Model D45W, Transmission #1-43-7144 /30008.

It is desired that you ascertain where this radio was shipped, and advise the Chicago Division Office of the results of your investigation as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

M. H. FORVIE,  
Special Agent in Charge

JAM:TSR  
CC:Division  
26-5685

1900 Bankers Bldg.,  
Chicago, Illinois

April 23, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Box 514,  
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Sir:-

RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with  
aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1217;  
JOHN HAMILTON, with aliases, I.O. #1220;  
ROMER VAN METER, I.O. #1222;  
et al. National Motor Vehicle Theft  
Act - Obstruction of Justice.

In connection with the raid of the Little Bohemia Lodge  
at Spider Lake, Wisconsin on April 23, 1934, by Division Agents,  
considerable clothing and other personal effects were obtained. A  
memorandum has been prepared listing such articles as bear identifi-  
ing data and copy of this memorandum is enclosed for your informa-  
tion.

I have forwarded to you today, under separate cover, four  
new ties which were purchased at the store of Joseph Frank & Son,  
Nashville, Tennessee. It is requested that photographs of Dillinger,  
Hamilton, Van Meter, Tommy Carroll and "Baby Face" Nelson be exhibited  
to the salesman of this store for the purpose of determining, if  
possible, the purchasers of these ties. In the event you do not  
possess photographs of NELSON and CARROLL, I am enclosing herewith  
one copy each of the photographs of these individuals. It is possible  
these ties were purchased by Tommy Carroll.

When the ties which have been forwarded to you have served  
their purpose, it is desired they be returned to the Chicago Division  
Office. This investigation should be given your immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge

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Chicago, Illinois  
April 28, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1806 First National Bank Bldg.,  
Charlotte, N.C.

RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with  
aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. #1217; JOHN  
HAMILTON, with aliases, I. O. #1220;  
HOMER VAN METER, with aliases, I. O. #1222;  
et al., National Motor Vehicle Theft Act,  
Obstruction of Justice.

Dear Sir:-

In a recent raid on the Little Bohemia Lodge at  
Spider Lake, Wisconsin, by Agents of this Division, there was  
found, among clothing and other personal effects left by the  
fleeing Subjects, a price tag of "Cain-Sloan Company, Ashville,  
N.C., Price \$5.95, No. 5-3629 -- QH-4 size 18".

This tag is being enclosed herewith and it is re-  
quested that the proper person at the Cain-Sloan Company, Ash-  
ville, N.C., be contacted to ascertain what this price tag re-  
fers to and whether it is possible to identify the purchaser  
of the article to which it refers, if photographs are submitted.

Please give this matter your immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

H. H. PURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge

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Chicago, Illinois  
April 28, 1934

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Box 2344,  
Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir: RE: JOHN ROBERT DILLINGER, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I.O. 5121V; ALVIN KARPIS,  
with aliases, I.O. 5122V; EDWARD J.  
GERRY, with aliases, I.O. 5123V; and  
National Motor Vehicle Theft and  
Obstruction of Justice.

In a recent raid on the Little Bohemia Lodge at  
Spider Lake, Wisconsin, conducted by Division Agents, guns  
were found, among other articles, one Smith & Wesson  
calibre .38 S&W, No. 3124, and one Smith & Wesson  
calibre .44, double action pistol, No. 2000.

It is requested that the officials of the Cash  
and Fashion Company, at Springfield, Mass., be immediately con-  
tacted to ascertain in whom these guns were shipped.

Please give this matter immediate attention.  
Very truly yours,  
Special Agent in Charge

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Box 766,  
Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Sir:-

RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with  
aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. #1217;  
JOHN HAMILTON, with aliases, I. O. #1218;  
RONALD VAN METRE, with aliases, I. O. #1219;  
et al. Nat. Mob. Van. Post. Act.  
Obstruction of Justice.

Among other articles found at the Little Bohemia  
Lodge, at Spider Lake, Wisconsin, after the raid conducted by  
Division Agents on April 23, 1934, was a Crosley Dial Tube Radio,  
bearing the following identifying number: 211 or 22 - 100 - 120;  
Model 172; SN number, No. 102152221; Crosley Radio Corporation,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

It is requested that the Crosley Radio Corporation  
be contacted immediately to ascertain where this radio was  
shipped, if such records are available, inasmuch as it is our  
intention to ascertain the purchaser of this radio.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge

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Birmingham, Ala., 4-29-34

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**426 U S CUSTOMS HOUSE & POST OFFICE**  
**CINCINNATI OHIO**



**JOHN DILLINGER HWYTA ADVISE TO WHOM AND IDENTITY PERSON**  
**INDIANA LICENSE TWO TWELVE FOUR SEVEN SEVEN ISSUED TAG SEEN**  
**ON BLACK GRAHAM DAIGE SEDAN**

HANSON ACTING

Charge - Govt. Rate.  
Official Business.

CC:Division ✓

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JOHN DILLINGER MVTA INDIANA LICENSE TWO TWELVE FOUR SEVEN SEVEN CORRECT

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Chg Gov rate  
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CINCINNATI OHIO

JOHN DILLINGER HWY 6 INDIANA LICENSE TWO ELEVAN FOUR SEVEN SEVEN SEEN ON  
BLACK GRAHAM PAIGE SEDAN AT PARIS TENNESSEE APRIL TWENTY FIFTH LAST CAR  
OCCUPIED BY PERSONS TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED AS HAMILTON TED AND ED BENTZ  
STOP THESE PERSONS CLAIMED CAME FROM PADUCAH KENTUCKY SUGGEST ASCERTAIN  
IF THIS TAG STOLEN

Chg Gov rate  
Off bus

HANSON ACTING

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 BIRMINGHAM ALABAMA

*O*  
 JOHN DILLINGER NMVTA YOUR MORNING TELEGRAM MENTIONS INDIANA LICENSE TWO TWELVE FOUR SEVEN SEVEN SEEN ON BLACK GRAHAM PAIGE SEDAN YOUR EVENING TELEGRAM MENTIONS LICENSE TWO ELEVEN FOUR SEVEN SEVEN SAME CAR WIRE WHICH IS CORRECT

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320 1/2 Post Office Building,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.  
April 28, 1934.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
DIVISION ONE  
MAY 1 1934

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
735 Philadelphia Saving Fund Building,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Re: John Herbert Dillinger, with aliases-  
Fugitive, I. O. #1217; et al;  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act;  
Obstruction of Justice.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your telegram of April 20, 1934, in the above captioned case, relative to Key #145023 found in possession of Mary Evalyn Frechette at the time of her arrest, and advising that this key was sold to the Adkisson Hardware Company, Jackson, Mississippi, September 27, 1929, for the Mississippi Education Building.

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It was ascertained by Special Agent J. V. Blake at Jackson, Mississippi, that the Mississippi Education Association is a highly reputable organization of public school teachers in the State of Mississippi. The Secretary of the Association is W. H. Taylor, whose office is located in the Mississippi Education Association building at 219 North President Street, Jackson, Mississippi. The building which the association occupies was erected in 1929 and was first occupied during November of that year. Mr. Taylor advised that he has been secretary of the association during the entire time since the building was constructed. The hardware for the building was furnished on contract by the Adkisson Hardware Company, of Jackson, Mississippi. The Secretary, Mr. Taylor, stated that when the building was taken over by the Association all of the keys were given to him by the contractor. There were three keys for each lock, each group of three keys being fastened together on a wire ring. Mr. Taylor had all of these keys with the exception of a few for the outside doors which were in use on the original rings in a drawer of his desk. Among the bunches of keys were found three keys on one ring, each bearing the number 145023. The three keys bearing this number were tried in the various doors in the building and it was found that the only door which they would fit was the lock to a door leading into the assembly hall. There are four doors to this hall, and Mr. Taylor advised that none of these doors have been locked since the association has been occupying the building; that there has never been any occasion to take any of the keys from the ring; and that the three original keys are still on the ring.

At the Adkisson Hardware Company, Capitol Street, Jackson, Mississippi, Mr. R. E. Adkisson, President, advised that he recalls filling the

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order for the Mississippi Education Building, but that the order was filled by contract, and was booked direct from the manufacturer; that he has no record of same, and would not know where he could locate same.

Mr. Taylor, Secretary of the Mississippi Education Association, volunteered to lend one of the three keys bearing #145023 for purpose of comparison. However, since it does not appear that the key found in Evelyn Frechette's possession came from or might have any connection with the Mississippi Education Building, no further action is being taken in the absence of a request.

Very truly yours,

R. Whitley,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc-  
Division ✓  
St. Paul  
Chicago  
Oklahoma City  
San Francisco  
Los Angeles  
Detroit  
New York City  
Washington Field  
Boston  
Cincinnati

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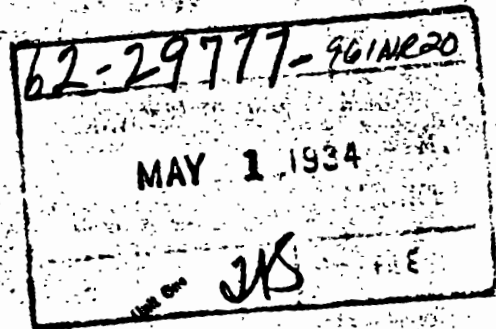
Detroit, Michigan  
April 29, 1934

**R. J. Connelly**  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Spink Arms Hotel  
Indianapolis, Indiana

MR AND MRS PIERPONT STILL RESIDING LEIPSIQ OHIO STOP MARY KINDER ALLEGED TO HAVE VISITED THEM LAST SUNDAY STOP FRED PIERPONT ALLEGED NOW TO BE RESIDING MISHAWAKA INDIANA

LARSON

W:MFV  
4:35 P.M.  
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Chicago  
Cincinnati  
H.H. Clegg, St. Paul



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**M H PURVIS**  
**DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION**  
**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**  
**1900 BANKERS' BUILDING**  
**CHICAGO ILLINOIS**

NEW YORK NY APRIL 30 1934 WEM:AOB 2:00 PM

DILLINGER FUGITIVE WITHA LIASES ETAL RMVTA YOUR SATURDAY LETTER LOCAL SPARTON  
DISTRIBUTOR INFORMS REFERENCE DATA INCORRECT STOP SUGGEST REEXAMINE AND ASK DETROIT  
TRACE FROM MANUFACTURERS SPARKS WITTINGTON COMPANY JACKSON MICHIGAN STOP BEST  
MANUFACTURING COMPANY NO HELP MAKING ONLY SPEAKERS AND PARTS

**FAY**

cc Division ✓

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WESTERN UNION MESSENGERS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE DELIVERY OF NOTES AND PACKAGES.

1900 Bankers Building  
Chicago Illinois

April 29, 1934

Special Agent in Charge  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Post Office Building  
Dallas, Texas

Dear Sir:

RE: JOHN HERBERT HILLINGER, with aliases,  
Fugitive, I.O. 1217; ET AL  
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

Among other firearms and effects that were found during the recent raid at Little Bohemia, Spider Lake, Wisconsin, is a Super Automatic Colt .38 calibre which, according to the Colt Firearms Corporation of Hartford, Conn., was shipped to Wolf & Kahr, Fort Worth, Texas, August 31, 1933. The secret serial number of this automatic was found to be 14120.

It is requested that you have immediate investigation conducted in order to trace the purchaser of this firearm.

Very truly yours,

M. H. FURVIS  
Special Agent in Charge

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CC: Division

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 27, 1934.

SPC:DSS

MR. NATHAN
MR. TOLSON
MR. CLEGG
MR. CRAWLEY
MR. Egan
MR. EGAN
MR. QUINN
MR. LESTER
CHIEF CLERK
MR. HORN

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Agent Hall called from St. Paul and stated that he had received a telephone call from Mr. Rorer to the effect that last night at 9:45 at the Lac du Flambeau Reservation George Nelson stole a car and left the reservation; that he is undoubtedly headed in the direction of St. Paul; that he went west on Highway #70; that Nelson has been at an Indian's house at the reservation since Monday; that the owner of the car, a mail carrier, went to the reservation to go fishing with an Indian; that Nelson grabbed the men and made one of them ride with him as far as the main highway; that the owner of the car did not report the theft until 10:45 last night; that he reported same to the Sheriff at Eagle River; that the Sheriff had the roads blocked but as the theft was not reported until one hour after it occurred this action was taken too late to effect an apprehension. Agent Hall stated that the car is a Plymouth Sedan with a blue body and black top; that it has a yellow stripe and wooden wheels; that three fenders are dented; that the right front fender has been welded; that it has 18,000 miles on the speedometer; that two license numbers have been reported, i. e. 3137 and 3731, Wisconsin tags; that both of the men have identified Nelson as the man who took the car and that this information is being broadcast over all commercial and police stations. Agent Hall will call in the event of any further developments.

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Respectfully,

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*S. P. Cowley*  
S. P. Cowley

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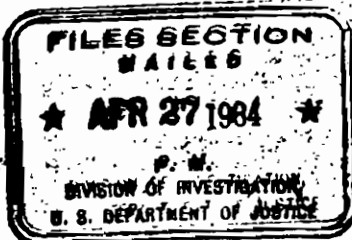
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w/ Mr. Stanley  
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April 27, 1934.

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MAY 1 1934 MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

In regard to the latest developments concerning the Dillinger investigation, I wanted to advise you that at approximately 9:45 p.m. yesterday, George Nelson, one of the Dillinger gangsters and the man who shot and killed Agent Bann and also wounded Agent Newman, stole an automobile on the Lac du Flambeau Indian Reservation. It is believed that he is headed in the direction of St. Paul as he went west on Highway No. 70. Agents of this Division, together with local authorities, immediately initiated an investigation, and it has been ascertained that George Nelson has been cared for at the Indian Reservation in an Indian house since some time on last Monday. The owner of the automobile which he stole last evening is a mail carrier. He had gone to the Reservation to go fishing with an Indian. Nelson made the owner drive the car with him as far as the main highway. The owner did not report the theft until an hour later. The local authorities had all roads blocked, but as the theft was not reported until one hour after it occurred, it may be that this action was too late to effect an apprehension. The description of the car with its license numbers has been broadcast to all law enforcement officers in that section of the country. The Agents of our St. Paul Office are out on the highways in the vicinity of St. Paul in an effort to apprehend Nelson should he make an effort to reach the Twin Cities. Similar action has been taken also by Agents of the Division who are at points south of the place from which Nelson stole the automobile.



Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,  
MR. WILLIAM STANLEY

I am transmitting herewith, for your information, a copy of a memorandum which I have just addressed to the Attorney General, which sets forth the latest activities of George Nelson.

Respectfully,  
J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

Incl.

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DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 28, 1934.

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MR. TOLSON	.....
MR. CLEGG	.....
MR. COWLEY	.....
MR. EDWARDS	.....
MR. Egan	.....
MR. GUNN	.....
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CHIEF CLERK	.....

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Waters at Chicago was called and given the 1934 Wisconsin tag number, 10649, and instructed that it be checked to determine to whom it was issued. He was also advised that it was reported to have been on an automobile seen at Binghamton, New York, last night presumably in Dillinger's possession.

Respectfully,

*S. P. Cowley*  
S. P. Cowley.

*1 Wisconsin license 10649*

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

In order that you may be fully advised concerning certain recent newspaper comments, and particularly one emanating from Maroon, Wisconsin, to the effect that a petition has been drawn up and is being circulated among citizens of Maroon, Wisconsin, requesting the suspension of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Purvis, of the Chicago office, as a result of the shooting which occurred near Rhineland, Wisconsin, on the night of April 22, 1934, in an attempt to cause the apprehension of John Dillinger and his associates, I desire to submit the following facts:

To begin with, Mr. E. E. Clegg, Assistant Director, was in charge of this particular investigation and not Mr. Purvis. Upon receipt of advice to the effect that such a petition was being circulated, I immediately caused an inquiry to be made to determine the source from which the petition emanated, and it has been determined that the day after the shooting occurred two newspaper reporters representing the Wisconsin News of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Al Wahlberg, a camera man, and A. S. Aslekson, reporter, arrived at Maroon, Wisconsin, where they employed one Herbert E. Peter to escort them to different points of interest in connection with the investigation. Peter drove the reporters around for two days, during which time they attempted to obtain photographs of the automobile which contained Dillinger's baggage and munitions. They were not permitted to photograph this car and baggage.

They then proceeded to the Sheriff's office at Eagle River, Wisconsin, to obtain photographs of the three women associates of Dillinger and members of his gang who had been taken into custody at Little Bohemia. The reporters then proceeded to the railroad station where they contacted several men gathered at that point and one of the reporters stated, "You all must feel pretty bad about not being let in by the Federal officers on this raid. Why don't you get up a petition?" A remark was then made that the Postmaster, Mr. Lewis A. Gehr, of Maroon, Wisconsin, had indicated that he would write a story for the Wisconsin Journal, which is a rival paper of the Wisconsin News represented by the reporters in question.

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Their driver, Mr. Peter, then took them to see Mr. Gehr, the Postmaster, where the petition was drawn up. The petition was then given to the Postmaster. That night, April 24, there was a regular bi-monthly meeting of the Marcer Lakeland Association, the purpose of which is to boost county resorts, at which time the petition was presented to the association which voted to circulate the same. The petition was then left on the counter in the store operated by Mr. E. E. Brandt and has been signed by seven persons only.

Mr. Gehr, the Postmaster, upon interview, stated that the petition was sponsored by the two newspaper representatives but that since it had been circularized he thought it should be left on the counter of the store until some action was taken to determine why the local sharpshooters were not included in the investigation. It is, of course, obvious that such a procedure was not only impracticable under the conditions which the above investigation was conducted, but was absolutely impossible, in that there was no time. The exigencies of the case demanded immediate attention, information having been received that Dillinger and his associates were then making their departure from the resort.

Newspapers have quoted Mr. Oscar G. Olander, State Commissioner of Public Safety, of Lansing, Michigan, to the effect that he had not been advised of the raids conducted by the Division at Mercer, Wisconsin, and Sault Sainte Marie, Michigan, and that Federal officers had refused to reveal the whereabouts of Dillinger to the Michigan State Police. In connection with the raid conducted at Mercer, Wisconsin, there was, of course, no occasion to advise Mr. Olander of the Michigan State Police, they having no jurisdiction in Wisconsin; nor was there any occasion to notify him after such raid in that the route taken by Dillinger and members of this gang in effecting their escape was not through Michigan but through Minnesota.

In connection with the investigation conducted at Sault Sainte Marie on April 20, 1934, referred to by Mr. Olander, information was received by the Chicago office of this Division from the Sheriff at Sault Sainte Marie to the effect that John Dillinger and members of his gang had been in Sault Sainte Marie. Accordingly, a copy of

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Special Agents was immediately dispatched to this point and an inquiry conducted which disclosed that Billinger and his associates had left Sault Sainte Marie on April 17, 1934. After it had been determined at Sault Sainte Marie that Billinger and members of his gang were not there at that time, and while in conference with the Sheriff, he advised that a member of the Michigan State Troopers was in his outer office and asked if the Agents wanted to see him, whereupon he was advised that there did not seem to be any reason for a conference with the State Troopers at that time, since it had been determined that Billinger had departed from Sault Sainte Marie, Michigan, three days before, and the Agents had no information concerning his whereabouts. Before leaving Sault Sainte Marie, however, the Agents of the Division contacted the Michigan State Trooper and gave him all the information in their possession concerning John Billinger, John Hamilton, and Pat Cherrington, who had departed from Sault Sainte Marie on April 17th.

Mr. Glander is therefore under a misapprehension as to the actual facts in connection with the incident referred to.

The statement made by Senator Copeland to the effect that "a pathetic failure of cooperation between Federal, State and municipal authorities" has existed in the Billinger case has resulted in a development of a very unwholesome condition which would tend to impair and interfere with the cooperation and assistance which we have been obtaining from the local authorities. Our representatives in the Middle West have been in receipt of inquiries from local law enforcement officers concerning this statement. These law enforcement officers have indicated that they were displeased with the statement, and believe it was an authoritative statement representing the views of the Department of Justice, and in view of the assistance and cooperation which they have tendered to our Agents, they have naturally resented this unfair criticism of them. I am informed that representatives of the press have been contacting various police officers throughout the Middle West making the inquiry as to where they have failed to cooperate, as stated by Senator Copeland, and this has naturally put the local police on the defensive. Senator Copeland's statement has had a tendency to tear down the cooperation which this Division has been trying to build up over a long period of time. Our Agents have been receiving generally the fullest and most whole-hearted cooperation from the local law enforcement officers in the Billinger hunt. I believe it will be very helpful if some public statement along this line might be conveyed to the press from you, as it would clear up a wide misunderstanding now existing in the Middle West, namely, that the criticism of the lack of cooperation is an expression of the views of the Department of Justice rather than those of an individual United States Senator.

Respectfully,

Director.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

*C. S. R.*

April 27, 1934.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Chester of the Associated Press telephoned at 4:35 AM stating that they had received a flash that Baby Face Nelson was surrounded by a posse of Deputy Sheriffs and Agents at a point near Fifield, Wisconsin, and further that they were also tracing an automobile which had been stolen. Mr. Chester advised that should they receive any further information he would immediately call this office. Mr. Chester also inquired as to the possibility of getting some kind of a statement from you as to this if the the story developed to be true I informed him that I could not advise as to that.

The above information was communicated to Mr. Cowley who requested that a teletype be sent to St. Paul incorporating the information and requesting verification. I forwarded a message to St. Paul and was later advised by St. Paul that Inspector Rorer who is in that vicinity that no one was surrounded that the Associated Press story was apparently in error.

Respectfully submitted,

*Erik Peterson*  
Erik G. Peterson.

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Post Office Box 6807,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

SAA: [unclear]

April 28, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice,  
1900 Bankers' Building,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Re: John Dillinger, with aliases - FUGITIVE,  
I.O. #1217; John Hamilton, with alias,  
I.O. #1220; Homer Van Meter, with aliases,  
I.O. #1222; et al  
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

Please refer to the report of Special Agent R. L. Shivers,  
Jacksonville, Florida, dated April 9, 1934, particularly to the last  
paragraph on page 3, in which this Agent states that the Western  
Union Telegraph Company at Jacksonville is now searching its records  
to determine whether telegrams were sent or received by certain sub-  
jects of this investigation when they were living in Daytona Beach,  
Florida, from December 19, 1933, to January 17, 1934.

Today, by telephone, Mr. A. J. Watkins, Superintendent of  
the Western Union Telegraph Company, at Jacksonville, advised that  
he located the following telegram:

January 6, 1934  
Ozona, Texas.

Frank Kirtley  
501 Pacific Street  
Daytona Beach, Florida

"LOOK FOR ME SOMETIME MORDAY"

(Signed) J. C. Davies

It will be noted that J. C. Davies is one  
by Dillinger at Daytona Beach, Florida.

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Another telegram located by Mr. Watkins is as follows:

Coral Gables, Florida,  
(a part of greater Miami)  
January 11, 1934.

Frank Kirkly,  
901 South Atlantic  
Daytona Beach, Florida

"IMPOSSIBLE SEE YOU BEFORE SUNDAY OWING TO  
ILLNESS"

(Signed) "FRED OSBORN"

Mr. Watkins stated that he has been unable to locate any other telegrams that were sent or received under the names in the title of Agent Shivers' report dated April 9, 1934, residing at 901 South Atlantic Avenue during the period the Dillinger mob was there.

Very truly yours,

H. A. Alt,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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1 - St. Paul  
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

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April 27, 1934.

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MR. TOLSON	.....
MR. CLEGG	.....
MR. COWLEY	.....
MR. EDWARDS	.....
MR. EGAN	.....
MR. QUINN	.....
MR. LESTER	.....
CHIEF CLERK	.....
MR. ROBER	.....

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

I contacted Mr. Clegg at St. Paul in connection with the reports to the effect that members of the Barker-Karpis gang had been identified by fingerprints at Little Bohemia. Mr. Clegg advised that there was nothing to this story and that he did not know the source of it.

Mr. Clegg stated that he had seen an article in a newspaper at St. Paul indicating that part of the Bremer ransom money had been found in Dillinger's baggage located at Little Bohemia. He stated that, of course, this was not true.

Mr. Clegg advised further that in connection with Dr. May, who had been arrested for treating Dillinger, newspaper articles in local papers carried the story that Dr. May had stated he had been forced to treat Dillinger at the point of a gun.

Respectfully,

S. P. Cowley  
S. P. Cowley.

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PRESIDENT

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CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

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FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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J EDGAR HOOVER=  
*K* DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WASHDC=

IF YOU WILL KINDLY ADVISE BY WIRE WE WILL BE GLAD TO FORWARD TO YOU ONE HUNDRED ADVANCE COPIES OF ITS ISSUE FOR JUNE CONTAINING DETAILED ACCOUNT BY CHIEF OF POLICE C A WOLLARD OF TUCSON ARIZONA OF HIS ARREST OF DILLINGER IN THAT CITY STOP WE HAVE RECEIVED NEARLY 200 REQUESTS FROM POLICE DEPARTMENTS PRINCIPAL CITIES ASKING FOR THIS ISSUE WHICH WE ARE FORWARDING FREE OF CHARGE STOP WE FEEL THAT MANY OF YOUR MEN WOULD FIND THIS STORY INFORMATIVE STOP BELIEVE YOU SHOULD HAVE THIS WELL IN ADVANCE OF PUBLICATION DATE SO URGE AN EARLY REPLY=

JOHN SHUTTLEWORTH EDITOR TRUE DETECTIVE MYSTERIES.

- MR. NATHAN
- MR. TOLSON
- MR. GLEGG
- MR. COWLEY
- MR. EDWARDS
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TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT CHICAGO ILLINOIS  
FORWARD TO DIVISION IMMEDIATELY OTHER THOMPSON SUBMACHINE GUN  
SEIZED FROM DILLINGER GANG AT SHINELANDER WISCONSIN BOMBERS WILL  
BE RESTORED HERE WITH VIEW TO TRACING GUN

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MESSAGE TO BE TRANSMITTED BY TELETYPEWRITER.

April 28, 1934

TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT ST. PAUL

JOHN DILLINGER ED 1217 ET AL ADVISE WHAT IF ANY INDICTMENTS  
HAVE BEEN RETURNED AND SUBSTANCES

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MESSAGE TO BE TRANSMITTED BY TELETYPEWRITER.

~~TO DIRECTOR BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION~~

APRIL 20 1934

MR HAROLD NATHAN  
CHICAGO ILLINOIS

*John*  
THE PURSUIT AND APPREHENSION OF DILLINGER AND HIS ASSOCIATES IS OF PRIME IMPORTANCE AND SHOULD TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER ALL OTHER MATTERS. PLEASE GIVE THIS YOUR PERSONAL ATTENTION. THE HANDLING OF APPLICANTS IS ONLY A SECONDARY MATTER AND SHOULD NOT PREVAIL OVER THE APPREHENSION OF DILLINGER. IF POSSIBLE JOIN THE WATERS SQUAD SO AS TO BE WITH HIM IN THE EVENT THEY LOCATE DILLINGER OR ANY OF HIS ASSOCIATES. IT IS ONLY NECESSARY FOR ONE OFFICIAL OF THE DIVISION TO REMAIN AT THE CHICAGO OFFICE. THE MOST IMPORTANT PHASE IN SUCH MATTERS IS THE ACTUAL SURROUNDING AND CAPTURE OF THIS MAN AND THIS SHOULD TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER EVERYTHING ELSE.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CONLEY

During telephonic conversation with Agent Waters at Chicago today, I advised him of a letter received by Walter Winchell, apparently from Dillinger, mailed from Milwaukee on April 25, and written on stationery of the Ambassador Hotel at Milwaukee, Wisconsin. I gave him the substance of the letter, which referred to Mr. Winchell's broadcast on last Sunday night. I suggested to Mr. Waters that a check should be made at Milwaukee in this regard.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

*Handwritten note on left margin: "Walter Winchell" and "Dillinger's broadcast" (partially obscured)*

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MR. COWLEY.....
MR. EDWARDS.....
MR. EGAN.....
MR. QUINN.....
MR. LESTER.....
CHIEF CLERK.....

*MS - Stapleton*

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR,

I contacted Mr. Waters at Chicago and asked who was going to make the trip to Plymouth, Indiana, this afternoon, and who would be left in charge of the Chicago office. Mr. Waters stated that it had not as yet been determined who was leaving or who would be left in charge of the office. He states, however, that undoubtedly either Mr. Purvis or himself would remain at Chicago. I requested that he advise the Division by teletype the names of those going to Indiana and the name of the man who is left in charge of the office.

Respectfully,

*S.P. Cowley*  
S. P. Cowley.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

In connection with the report that Dillinger and members of his gang had been seen at Binghamton, New York, last night, Agent Zimmer called and stated that he had talked to Chief of Police Able, of Binghamton, New York, who advised that last night he received a call from Dr. McCann, who is running a road house, who advised him that someone was there who the police might want (he did not indicate at the time that it was Dillinger); that two cars were there; that he did not know the make of them but they were touring cars; that there were six men and three women in the cars; that when he took drinks out to them they gave him a bill in payment thereof, but drove off without waiting for the change; that one car had a 1934 Wisconsin tag, #10649; that the other one had an Illinois number but he had no record of the same.

Mr. Zimmer stated that the Chief of Police informed him that he was under the impression that Dr. McCann was under the influence of intoxicants last night as "he has a pretty big head on him this morning"; that he has a vivid imagination and he, the Chief, doubts whether it is anything but imagination on his part; that as to the report that guns were in the car, the Chief thinks this is a fabrication on his part; that according to the informant the cars headed East; that immediately upon receiving the information same was placed on the teletype; that by the time the officer arrived at the road house the cars were gone. The Chief of Police advised Agent Zimmer that he did not call the Division because he did not think there was anything to the report; that at the time the informant called he did not state it was Dillinger, merely stating that there was someone there wanted by the police; that the informant later stated that it was Dillinger.

Mr. Zimmer was instructed to keep in close touch with the situation and to call the Division in the event of further developments.

Respectfully

*S. P. Cowley*  
S. P. Cowley.

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... COUNTY OF ...  
... WERE IN ...  
... INTO ACTIVITY TODAY. REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE ...  
... TOOK AN IMMEDIATE PURSUIT, BUT NO TRACE OF THE SUBJECTS WAS ...  
... A CHIROPRACTOR NAMED ... REPORTED TO POLICE AT 11.30 LAST ...  
... THAT TWO AUTOMOBILES, ONE BEARING ILLINOIS AND THE OTHER WISCONSIN ...  
... REGISTRATION PLATES, AND CARRYING SIX MEN AND THREE WOMEN, STOPPED ...  
... IN FRONT OF THE MARQUETTE HOTEL ON COURT STREET. THE CARS WERE ...  
... EAST, AND DREW UP ON THE WRONG SIDE OF THE STREET AT THE HOTEL. ...  
... OF THE MEN MOTIONED TO A HOTEL EMPLOYEE, AND ORDERED DRINKS FOR ...  
... OF THE PARTY. AFTER PAYING FOR THE LIQUOR THE PARTY DROVE AWAY ...  
... IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION.

MCCANN'S SUSPICIONS WERE AROUSED. HE TOLD THE POLICE HE SAW ...  
... IN THE AUTOMOBILES WHAT LOOKED LIKE SAVED-OFF SHOT GUNS, AND HE ...  
... THE MOTORISTS WERE BILLINGER AND HIS GANG. HE SAID HE WAS NOT ...  
... TO GET THE REGISTRATION NUMBER ON THE ILLINOIS CAR BUT THAT THE ...  
... ON THE WISCONSIN CAR BORE THE NUMBER 10049.

POLICE HEADQUARTERS IMMEDIATELY BROADCAST A NOTICE TO POLICE ...  
... TELLING THEM TO WATCH OUT FOR THE PARTY. THE INFORMATION WAS ...  
...  
... TO THE STATE CONSTABULARY, AND THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE WAS NOTIFIED

ADD LEAD BILLYGGER, BINGHAMTON

NEW YORK CITY.

THE WAITER WHO SERVED THE DRINKS SAID ONE OF THE CARS  
BORE A WISCONSIN LICENSE, THE OTHER AN ILLINOIS TAG.  
ATTENTION WAS DRAWN TO THE TWO CARS WHEN THEY PULLED TO A STOP  
ON THE WRONG SIDE OF THE STREET IN FRONT OF THE CAFE.

A GUEST IN THE HOTEL, WHO WAS DESCRIBED BY POLICE AS AN  
"EXCEPTIONALLY RELIABLE CITIZEN," LOOKED DOWN INTO THE TWO CARS.  
HE SAID HE SAW WHAT APPEARED TO BE TOMMY GUNS AND PISTOLS IN BOTH  
CARS.

HE CALLED POLICE IMMEDIATELY.

BEFORE THEY ARRIVED, THE MEN HAD HAD THEIR DRINKS AND SPED  
AWAY.

THE MEN AND WOMEN DID NOT LEAVE THE CARS. THE WAITER SAID THREE  
MEN ROSE IN THE REAR SEAT OF THE FIRST CAR. A FOURTH MAN, DRIVING,  
ORDERED FOUR DRINKS OF WHISKY.

THE WAITER SAID THE DRIVER PASSED THREE OF THE DRINKS TO THE MEN IN  
BACK SEAT WHO KEPT THEIR FACES TURNED FROM VIEW.

THE WAITER TOLD POLICE THE DRIVER TOSSED HIM A BILL AND DROVE OFF  
WITHOUT WAITING FOR CHANGE AND WITH THE WHISKY GLASSES.

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AN AUTOMOBILE

BEARING SIX MEN AND THREE WOMEN WAS BELIEVED TO BE THE  
DILLINGER GANG SPED THROUGH THIS CITY AFTER HAVING STOPPED  
AT A LOCAL HOTEL TO OBTAIN REFRESHMENTS. AUTHORITIES OF NEW YORK,  
NEW JERSEY AND PENNSYLVANIA WERE IMMEDIATELY NOTIFIED TO BE ON THE  
LOOK-OUT.

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ADD NEW LEAD DILLINGER

BINGHAMTON

X X LOOKOUT.

BINGHAMTON POLICE REPORTED THAT ONE AUTOMOBILE BORE ILLINOIS  
LICENSE AND THE OTHER WISCONSIN. THE WISCONSIN NUMBER WAS SAID TO  
BE 10649 BY THE POLICE.

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NEW YORK CITY

TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT  
INITIATE DISCREET INVESTIGATION IMMEDIATELY TRACING IN DETAIL  
THOMPSON SUBMACHINE GUN NUMBER SIX THREE ONE FIVE OR SIX THREE ONE  
DASH FIVE E FROM COLT FACTORY THROUGH ALL HANDS TO ULTIMATE PURCHASER  
THIS GUN RECOVERED FROM DILLINGER GANG FOLLOWING BATTLE AT BRINELANDER  
WISCONSIN APRIL TWENTY SECOND EXPEDITE AND GIVE PREFERRED ATTENTION

ROOVER

*John ...*

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*T. H. ...*  
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CHARGE



CHICAGO ILL  
APRIL 29, 1934

WM LARSON  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U.S. DEPT OF JUSTICE  
625 LAFAYETTE BLDG  
DETROIT MICH

GEORGE NELSON ~~WISCONSIN~~ IDENTIFIED AS GURMAN WHO STOLE AT LACDUPLANERAS  
WISCONSIN LAST NIGHT NINETEEN THIRY THREE PLYMOUTH SEDAN RIDE BODY WITH  
YELLOW STRIPES BLACK TOP THREE FENDERS BADLY BENT RIGHT FRONT HAS  
NOTICEABLE WELD MOTOR PD FIFTEEN NAUGHT SIX TWENTY BEARINGS THIS YEARS  
WISCONSIN LICENSE THREE SEVEN THREE ONE BROADCAST INFORMATION IMMEDIATE

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ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1900 Bankers Building,  
Chicago, Illinois.

In Re: JOHN BILLINGER, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE - I. O. #1217, et al.  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act,  
Obstruction of Justice.

Dear Sir:

This office has received information to the effect that one of the three women who gave their names as Rose Anker, Ann Southern and Marion Marr, arrested at the Little Bohemia resort near Mercer, Wisconsin, in connection with the above captioned case, is Mrs. George Chase, alias Mrs. George M. Chase, alias Vivian Davis, alias Vivian Chase, alias Vivian McDowell, alias Alice White, alias Grace Adams, subject of I. O. #1199, in the case entitled Percy Michael Fitzgerald, with aliases, et al, August Luer, Victim, Kidnaping (Extortion Through Use of the Mails).

The above information was supplied this office by Mr. Robert Safford, of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch newspaper, who stated that his informant advised that the pictures were not sufficiently clear for him to positively make the identification, in view of which it is requested that the fingerprints of Mrs. George Chase be compared with those of the three women mentioned above.

Mr. Safford assured the writer that this matter was not for publication, and that he was only attempting to render a service to this Division.

Very truly yours,

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V. F. YEARSLEY, Acting,  
Special Agent in Charge

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1930 Bankers Building  
Chicago, Illinois  
April 23, 1934

Mr. W. A. Rorer, Inspector,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Box 513,  
Saint Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

RE: JOHN HERBERT HILLINOW,  
Aliases, FUGITIVE, ETC. ALIAS:  
of National Motor Vehicle  
Theft Act; Obstruction of Justice.

The United States Attorney at Chicago, Illinois,  
has today addressed a communication to the Attorney General  
of the United States, requesting authority to pay John  
Tierney and Fred O'Rourke, expert witness fees on the basis  
of \$25.00 a day in connection with their recent presence in  
Chicago to testify in the removal hearing of Mary Evelyn  
Frechette.

The request for this authority is for five days  
as to John Tierney, namely, April 15 to 19, 1934, inclusive,  
and four days as to Mr. O'Rourke, namely, April 16 to 19,  
1934, inclusive, and will be less the \$1.50 per day already  
paid them as ordinary witnesses. It is not known, of course,  
whether the Attorney General will authorize this payment, but  
you will be kept advised through the Chicago Division Office.

Very truly yours,

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CC:Division  
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M. J. PURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge

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*MS* *Thompson*

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DIRECTOR

GRAND JURY HERE HAS RETURNED INDICTMENTS CHARGING CONSPIRACY  
 TO HARBOR JOHN DILLINGER, FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE, AGAINST BESSIE  
 GREEN, EVELYN FRECHETTE, DOCTOR C E MAY, MRS A SALT, HOMER VAN METER,  
 JOHN HAMILTON AND PAT REILLY  
 CLEGG

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MR. EDWARDS	
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MR. GUINN	
MR. LENTZ	
CHIEF CLERK	
MR. ROOPER	

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I talked to Mr. Clegg and advised him that the United States Attorney at Madison, Wisconsin, Mr. Samuel Ryan, Janesville, Wisconsin Telephone #2-600, would proceed to Mercer to cooperate with him in connection with the coroner's inquest there tomorrow, and that he should contact Mr. Ryan by telephone to make the necessary arrangements for their meeting.

Mr. Clegg was advised that Mr. Ryan was acquainted with the County Attorney and that he could probably render some good assistance.

Respectfully,

*S. P. Cowley*  
S. P. COWLEY

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DILLINGER SUMMARY

CONNELLEY CALLED AND STATED THAT THE TELEPHONE COMPANY AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA HAS HAD INTERFERENCE WITH THEIR CIRCUIT NO. 4. A CHECKUP BY THE EMPLOYEES OF THE TELEPHONE COMPANY REVEALED THAT THERE WERE TWO UNLICENSED RADIO STATIONS INTERFERING WITH THEIR CIRCUIT- NAMELY, STATION W92V AND STATION W92J. THEY ARE USING, ACCORDING TO MR. CONNELLEY, THE CONTINENTAL CODE AND PART OF ONE MESSAGE WAS DECIPHERED AS BEING - WABASH POLICE- A SECOND MESSAGE WAS - DILLINGER AND BABE WILL BE THERE, LOCATED ROAD HOUSE NEAR PLYMOUTH-. MR. CONNELLEY SAID THAT THE TELEPHONE COMPANY EMPLOYEES STATED THERE IS A ROADHOUSE WEST OF PLYMOUTH ON HIGHWAY NO. 30 AND THAT PLYMOUTH IS TWENTY- FOUR MILES SOUTH OF SOUTH BEND, INDIANA.

SPECIAL AGENTS WITH SOUTH BEND POLICE AND SHERIFF AT PLYMOUTH COVERED THIS MATTER INCLUDING THE ROADHOUSE IN QUESTION AND OTHERS IN VICINITY BUT FOUND THAT DILLINGER AND ASSOCIATES WERE NOT THERE. CHICAGO CRIME COMMISSION TELEPHONED THAT A WOMAN REPORTED SHE SAW CAR LAST NIGHT NEAR LAKESIDE HOTEL NEAR EAGLE RIVER WIS. MAN DRIVING CAR RESEMBLED DILLINGER. INSPECTOR RORER WAS ADVISED.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR INSTRUCTIONS AGENT BILLINGS WILL NOT ARRIVE IN WASHINGTON TOMORROW BUT WILL REMAIN IN CHICAGO

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OK WASH EJC  
OK STPAUL RWM

MR. NATHAN	_____
MR. TOLSON	_____
MR. CLEGG	_____
MR. COWLEY	_____
MR. HARDS	_____
MR. KEAN	_____
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JH:RZ

April 28, 1934 *Cowley*

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CLEGG

Mr. Clegg telephoned this evening from Little Bohemia, Wisconsin. He stated it was found at the coroner's inquest that Agent Baum met his death as the result of gun-shot wounds inflicted by George Nelson and that the C.C.C. man came to his death accidentally as the result of gun-shot wounds inflicted by Federal Officers in the act of apprehending the Dillinger gang. Mr. Clegg stated the Assistant United States Attorney was there and cooperated with him very nicely.

Mr. Clegg will be back in St. Paul by 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

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APRIL 30 1934

TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT

ST. PAUL

LEADS COMING TO YOUR OFFICE CONCERNING WHEREABOUTS OF DILLINGER AND  
ASSOCIATES SHOULD BE GIVEN PREFERENCE OVER ALL OTHER CASES AND IMMEDIATE  
AND THOROUGH ATTENTION GIVEN SAME ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN LOOKING  
TOWARD PROSECUTION OF PERSONS AIDING OR ASSISTING DILLINGER OR MEMBERS  
OF HIS GANG

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APRIL 30 1934

*John*

LEADS COMING TO YOUR OFFICE CONCERNING WHEREABOUTS OF DILLINGER AND ASSOCIATES SHOULD BE GIVEN PREFERENCE OVER ALL OTHER CASES AND IMMEDIATE AND THOROUGH ATTENTION GIVEN SAME ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN LOOKING TOWARD PROSECUTION OF PERSONS AIDING OR ASSISTING DILLINGER OR MEMBERS OF HIS GANG

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*ag*  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT  
NEW YORK

APRIL 30 1934

LEADS COMING TO YOUR OFFICE CONCERNING WHEREABOUTS OF DILLINGER AND ASSOCIATES SHOULD BE GIVEN PREFERENCE OVER ALL OTHER CASES AND IMMEDIATE AND THOROUGH ATTENTION GIVEN SAME ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN LOOKING TOWARD PROSECUTION OF PERSONS AIDING OR ASSISTING DILLINGER OR MEMBERS OF HIS GANG.

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MESSAGE TO BE TRANSMITTED BY TELETYPEWRITER

**SPC:EM**  
TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT  
**CHICAGO**

APRIL 30 1934

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
OFFICE OF  
DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

CT:LC

April 23, 1934.

MR. NATHAN  
MR. TOLSON  
MR. CLEGG  
MR. COWLEY  
MR. EDWARD  
MR. EGAN  
MR. QUINN  
MR. LESTER  
CHIEF CLERK  
MR. RORER

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Sandifer of the National News was referred to me by Colonel Gates. He states he has written a story about prisons commendatory to the Department in which reference is made to the escape of Dillinger and such persons from local jails and he desired the photograph of Dillinger and a photograph of guns in the Division's museum to supplement his story. I received Colonel Gates' approval and gave to Mr. Sandifer a copy of the Identification Order on Dillinger containing his photograph and I also told him that a photograph of the guns could be secured from The Evening Star or from Harris and Ewing. This served his purpose.

Respectfully,

Clyde Tolson.

*John Sandifer  
was  
Interviewed*

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April 27, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

I called Agent in Charge Purvis at Chicago and asked whether he had received further information from William Edward Vidler in connection with the Bremer ransom money passed by him. Mr. Purvis advised that the only information he has given is that he received the money from John McLaughlin, a so-called political leader of the West Side. I inquired as to how much of this money had been identified as Bremer ransom money and he advised that \$2665 had been so identified. Mr. Purvis advised that they are secretly getting warrants out now; that the place was searched yesterday but nothing was found; that the Associated Press has inquired as to whether the Division has this man, stating that their information came from St. Paul, but that no information has been released.

I inquired of Mr. Purvis as to whether he had received any further information as to the location of Dillinger and he stated that an informant told him last night that the underworld reports are that Dillinger is dead; that he had a wound in his back.

Respectfully,

M. P. Conley.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

MESSAGE TO BE TRANSMITTED BY TELETYPEWRITER

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TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT

CHICAGO

FORWARD TO DIVISION ISSUES OF MILWAUKEE JOURNAL OF APRIL 28.

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*Stephens*

DIV INVEST ST PAUL 4-30-34 1-35 PM C.

DIRECTOR

RE TELETYPE MESSAGE TODAY ADDRESS WHERE GUNS SHIPPED FROM  
 SAN ANTONIO CHECKED YESTERDAY HOUSE IS VACANT OCCUPANTS MOVED  
 IN OCTOBER OR NOVEMBER NINETEEN THIRTY THREE EFFORTS BEING  
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*John Dalling*

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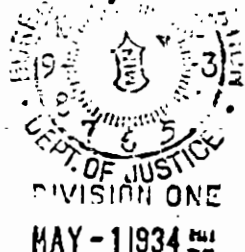
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
518 Hewes Building  
San Francisco, California.



April 28, 1934.

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

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Re: JOHN DILLINGER, et al.  
Nat. Mot. Veh. Th. Act.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your telegram of April 26, 1934, and supplementing my Air Mail letter of April 27, 1934.

*W*  
The Los Angeles Division Office advises by telegram today that the Western Arms Company, to whom Colt Superautomatic pistol #13583 was sold by the Baker, Hamilton, Pacific Company of this city, is out of business and that records of Los Angeles, City and County, do not show the resale of the revolver in question.

Inquiry made by the San Francisco Division Office of the State Bureau of Criminal Identification, Sacramento, Calif., where such sales are supposed to be recorded, brought the information that no record of Colt Superautomatic revolver #13583 could be found.

As the Western Arms Company, to whom the revolver was shipped did business in Los Angeles, the San Francisco Division Office has no information regarding the personal reputations of the members of the firm.

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Very truly yours,

*R. E. Vetterli*  
R. E. Vetterli  
Special Agent in Charge.

c.c. Los Angeles

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

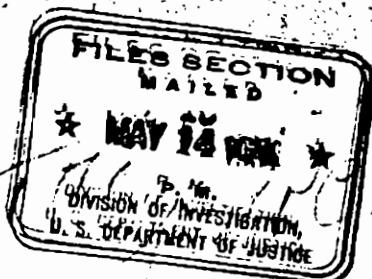
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to a letter dated April 28, 1934, addressed to the Division by the Special Agent in Charge at San Francisco in re: JOHN DILLINGER, et al, NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT, this letter referring to the tracing of Colt super automatic pistol .38 calibre serial number 13583 which was sold by the Baker, Hamilton and Pacific Company of San Francisco to the Western Arms Company of Los Angeles.

It is noted that you have advised the San Francisco Office that the Western Arms Company is now out of business. It is desired, however, that further efforts be made to trace this gun and investigation be conducted with a view to locating the old records of the Western Arms Company in order to effect such tracing. This matter should be given prompt attention by you.

Very truly yours,

Director.



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U.S. DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois  
April 28, 1934

F. J. BLAKE  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
POST OFFICE  
DALLAS TEXAS

CONTACT WOLF AND KLAN FORT WORTH TEXAS ASCERTAIN TO WHOM  
SOLD COLT SUPER AUTOMATIC SECRET NUMBER FOURTEEN THIRTEEN  
NAUGHT WIRE

FURVIS

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# WESTERN UNION

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CABLE	
DAY LETTER	FULL RATE
NIGHT LETTER	DEFERRED
SHIP RADIOGRAM	NIGHT MESSAGE

Patrons should check class of service desired; otherwise message will be transmitted as a full-rate communication.

R. B. WHITE  
PRESIDENT

NEWCOMB CARLTON  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

J. C. WILLEVER  
FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

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Birmingham Alabama  
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W. E. FURVIS  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
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1900 BANKERS BUILDING  
CHICAGO ILLINOIS

JOHN BELLINGER NANTA TENNESSEE LICENSE TWO FIVE NINE THREE THREE NINE ISSUED APRIL ELEVEN TO STEPHAN LEE BURNETT ROUPE FIVE LERANON TENNESSEE FOR BUICK COUPE MOTOR TWO EIGHT FOUR FIVE ONE SEVEN NINE BURNETT UNKNOWN CONTINUING INVESTIGATION

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Get Gov rate  
off bus  
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cc: Division ✓  
cc: St. Paul

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THE QUICKEST, SUREST AND SAFEST WAY TO SEND MONEY IS BY TELEGRAPH OR CAB

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*M. H.*

CINCINNATI OHIO APRIL 28 1934

J. H. HANSON  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
320 FEDERAL BLDG BIRMINGHAM ALABAMA

JOHN DILLINGER NMVTA INDIANA LICENSE TWO TWELVE FOUR SEVEN SEVEN ISSUED MICH  
MCCAIN RR FIVE PETERSBURG INDIANA CHEVROLET COUPE TWENTY SIX MODEL JANUARY  
SECOND LAST MCCAIN DESCRIBED SIXTY NINE WHITE FIVE FOOT NINE HUNDRED THIRTY  
FIVE GRAY HAIR GRAY EYES IF FURTHER INQUIRY DESIRED GIVE DETAILS

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The above mentioned car was examined in the garage of Mr. Vitali, and found to bear Illinois 1934 license plates No. 107-398, motor No. 2017073. This car is a 1930 model and the speedometer shows a mileage of about 21,000 miles.

Henry Ganey was interviewed and stated that he is a Deputy Sheriff of Macoupin County. He stated that the last time he left the State of Illinois was in 1918, when he made a visit to St. Louis, Missouri. He stated that Illinois 1934 license plates No. 107-398 have been in his possession continuously since the date they were issued on December 25, 1933; that no other person has driven his car and that he is certain that the car has never been in Indianapolis, Indiana. Mr. Ganey has in his possession a certificate of registration for the above car, showing the issuance of the license as indicated above.

The following description of Mr. Ganey was obtained by personal observation and interview:

Name:  
Age:  
Height:  
Weight:  
Build:  
Hair:  
Eyes:  
Marital status:  
Occupation:  
Nationality:  
Race:  
Residence:  
Criminal record:

HENRY GANEY.  
45 years.  
6 ft.  $\frac{1}{2}$  in.  
155 pounds.  
Slender.  
Grey.  
Grey.  
Single.  
Miner and deputy sheriff.  
American.  
White.  
Mount Clare, Illinois.  
No past criminal record known.

Very truly yours,

F. F. YEARLEY, Acting.  
Special Agent in Charge.

GEN:H  
26-4215  
cc Division  
cc Cincinnati  
cc St. Paul

JEH:SCB

April 28, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. COWLEY

I talked to Mr. Purvis at approximately 2 o'clock. He stated the squad of Agents was ready to leave for South Bend in connection with a lead received today relative to Dillinger. In view of this matter, Mr. Purvis stated that Agent Billings' trip to Washington is being cancelled.

Mr. Rex Collier telephoned late this afternoon to advise of an A.P. dispatch received from Chicago to the effect that a squad of Federal Agents equipped with bullet-proof vests and machine guns had been dispatched to near Fort Wayne, Indiana, to a supposed hide-out of Dillinger.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

*John Hoover*

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

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REPORT MADE AT <b>BOSTON, MASS.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>4-30-34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>4-25-34</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>E. F. KEENE</b>
TITLE <b>JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1217; JOHN HAMILTON, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1220; HERMAN VAN METER, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1222.</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT</b>	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS <p>On April 24, 1934, Floyd F. Fuller, Waterbury, Vermont, a dealer in cattle and horses, wired \$900.00 by Western Union to Dr. W. F. Goddard, Barron, Wisconsin. Investigation conducted at Waterbury, Vermont, discloses that Fuller bears an excellent reputation, has resided in this town for ten years, and issued his own check, Waterbury Savings Bank &amp; Trust Company, Western Union.</p>			
REFERENCE: Telegram from New York Office dated April 25, 1934.			
DETAILS: <p>George E. Carpenter, Postmaster, Waterbury, Vermont, advises that Floyd F. Fuller is engaged as a farmer and buys and sells cattle and horses. He has resided in this district for ten years and bears an excellent reputation. Mr. Carpenter described Mr. Fuller as age 50 years; 5'7" tall; weighing 155 pounds; dark brown hair; brown eyes; complexion medium; nationality, American.</p> <p>E. R. Jobin, Manager, Western Union Telegraph Company, Montpelier, Vermont, states that on April 24, 1934, he received a telegram from Mr. Joy, Postmaster, and Western Union Telegraph Company operator at Waterbury, Vermont, advising that F. F. Fuller had deposited \$900.00 to be wired to Dr. W. F. Goddard, Barron, Wisconsin. He further states that the telegraph station at Waterbury is a substation which receives a commission of 40% on all business done. Mr. Jobin stated that when he received the telegram from Mr. Joy, he immediately got in touch with his New York Office and requested advice as to whether or not he should honor the telegram.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED:  <i>E. F. Keene</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	RECORDED AND INDEXED: <b>MAY 1 1934</b>
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that he received a reply from New York advising not to release the \$900.00 until he had received same; that on the morning of April 26, 1934, he received eighteen American Express Company money orders from Mr. Joy at Waterbury made payable to the Western Union Telegraph Company, each in the amount of \$50.00, and one money order for \$4.56. After receiving these money orders, he immediately released the \$900.00 to be paid to Dr. Goddard at Barron, Wisconsin.

Mr. B. H. Joy, Stationmaster and Western Union Telegraph Company operator, Central Vermont Railroad, Waterbury, Vermont, states that he has known Floyd F. Fuller for several years; that he is a dealer in cows and horses; that a few days ago Mr. Fuller advised him that he was going to buy some Holstein cows from Barron, Wisconsin. Mr. Joy further states that on April 24, at 9:57 a.m., Mr. Fuller received the following telegram from Barron, Wisconsin:

"Wire Nine Hundred Dollars today. Get permit here by Thursday. Signed Dr. Goddard."

On the same date, at 1:30 p.m., Mr. Fuller's nephew, Charles Maynard, age 19, called at the telegraph office and requested him, Mr. Joy, to telegraph \$900.00 to Dr. W. F. Goddard, Barron, Wisconsin; that Maynard gave him Mr. Fuller's personal check for \$900.00 and paid the additional cost for transmitting the money of \$4.56 in cash. He further states that the check was certified by and drawn on the Waterbury Savings Bank and Trust Company. Mr. Joy further stated that he forwarded this check to the Assistant Treasurer, American Express Company, 65 Broadway, New York City, on April 24 and on the same date he issued eighteen American Express Company money orders payable to the Western Union Telegraph Company, Montpelier, Vermont, in the amount of \$50.00 each, and one money order in the amount of \$4.56. Mr. Joy stated that on April 26, the Waterbury Savings Bank and Trust Company received a telegram from the Royal Bank of Canada at Campbelford, Ontario, as follows:

"Is check F. F. Fuller Ten Seventy good.  
Signed Royal Bank of Canada."

On the same date the Waterbury Savings Bank and Trust Company wired the Royal Bank of Canada as follows:

"Check good today."

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# International Telegram

THE SPOKEY SYSTEM



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DEFERRED MESSAGE	DEFERRED CABLE

Patrons should check class of service desired, otherwise message will be transmitted as a full-rate communication.

Send the following Message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

*WJ*

Cincinnati Ohio April 30 1934

J. E. HANSEN  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
800 FEDERAL BLDG  
BIRMINGHAM ALABAMA

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JOHN DILLINGER NEVTA INDIANA LICENSE TWO TWELVE FOUR SEVEN  
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CC Division  
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ANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

THE SENDER OF THIS PAGE PLEASE GIVE TO THE MESSENGER TELEPHONE # 30

# WESTERN UNION

W. B. WHITE  
PRESIDENT

NEWCOMB CARLTON  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

J. C. WILLIAMS  
FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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J EDGAR HOOVER =  
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WASHDC =

CAN YOU TELEGRAPH ME BY WESTERN UNION TONIGHT NUMBER OF AT  
LEAST ONE OF THE THOMPSON GUNS SEIZED IN WISCONSIN CAN MAKE  
MOST EFFECTIVE USE OF THIS INFORMATION STOP THANKS FOR YOUR  
LETTER =

- MR. NATHAN
- MR. TOLSON
- MR. CLEGG
- MR. COWLEY
- MR. EDWARDS
- MR. EGAN
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- MR. LESTER
- CHIEF CLERK
- MR. ROBER

RAYMOND MOLEY.

*John Dill*  
*ack 4/20/34*  
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Honorable Raymond Holey,  
Editor, Today,  
152 West 42nd Street,  
New York, New York.

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My dear Professor Holey:

With further reference to your telegram of April 26, 1934 and my reply thereto, concerning the serial number of one of the Thompson submachine guns seized at Rhinelander, Wisconsin, you are advised that the number has now been determined on one of those guns and the gun has been traced, it being found that it was shipped by the Auto Ordnance Corporation to the Hensen-Dunnegan-Ryan Company at El Paso, Texas in 1929. The gun was sold by the referred to company to the Consul General from Mexico together with fourteen other guns of the same type, i. e. Thompson submachine guns. Inquiry at the office of the Consul General elicits advice that all of these guns were either lost or stolen and accordingly it appears impossible to trace this gun further to ascertain the manner in which it came into the hands of the Dillinger gang.

The other Thompson submachine gun, which was seized in Wisconsin, is being shipped to Washington and an effort will immediately be made here to restore the obliterated serial number with a view to attempting to trace this gun to determine the manner in which it came into the possession of the Dillinger gang. I shall be glad to advise you of the result of the effort to trace the second gun.

With expressions of my highest esteem and best regards,

I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

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INDEXED MR. RAYMOND MOLEY  
EDITOR OF TODAY  
252 WEST 42ND STREET  
NEW YORK NEW YORK

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SECRET TO ADVISE YOU THAT NUMBERS ON THOMPSON GUNS SEIZED IN WISCONSIN  
COMPLETELY OBLITERATED HAVE REQUESTED GUNS TO BE SHIPPED TO WASHINGTON  
WHERE EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO BRING OUT ORIGINAL NUMBERS IF SUCCESSFUL  
IN THIS REGARD WILL IMMEDIATELY ADVISE YOU IN PREMISES

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

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

April 27, 1934.

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MR. COWLEY	.....
MR. EDWARDS	.....
MR. EGAN	.....
MR. QUINN	.....
MR. LESTER	.....
CHIEF CLERK	.....
MR. RORER	.....

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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I talked to Mr. Clegg at St. Paul at approximately 5:45 p.m. and read to him the personal and confidential letter dated April 25, 1934, received from Mr. Hanni in reply to Division circular letter dated April 10 concerning cooperation with police officials.

With regard to this, Mr. Clegg stated that he discussed this matter with Mr. Hanni and Mr. Rorer before the arrival of the letter of April 10. He informed them that where we had sufficient strength to handle the investigation ourselves, we are supposed to do it; that, in the event it became necessary to solicit outside aid, there should be no hesitancy in doing so; that, however, at all times we were to have the control of any investigation in which we invite outsiders to help; that if we had sufficient men and there was no need for any assistance we should handle it, and even in instances when we did have sufficient men, if there was any doubt in our minds as to any particular power of arrest or any other particular attitude, it would be proper to call in a policeman, a Marshal or a Deputy Marshal to accompany us and we would designate the part he should play; that if we did not have sufficient men we could call in all the men necessary, but a minimum that was necessary, from outside organizations; and that we should have control of it. Mr. Clegg stated that his statement to Mr. Hanni and Mr. Rorer contained in substance the information contained in the Division's letter of Apr. 10 he having assisted Mr. Tolson in the dictation of this letter before his departure for St. Paul. He stated that prior to his arrival in St. Paul both our men and members of the Police Department engaged in raids. Mr. Clegg will discuss this matter with Mr. Hanni. He is leaving at 9 o'clock our time for Wisconsin.

Respectfully,

S. P. Cowley.

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J. Edgar Hoover,  
Chief of U.S. Bureau of Investigation  
Washington D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover: You answered a letter I wrote  
Jos. Kernan recently which prompts me to enclose  
clipping + comment regarding gangsters again.  
Severe comment is made here because officers  
fired at <sup>passengers in</sup> an auto. leaving a resort where there were  
probably innocent visitors at all times.  
The basis of this "kick" is that the first  
thing to do is to put the auto out of business  
by shooting out tires. Then, if crooks, you  
have them at your mercy.

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Enclosed picture of public resort  
was is cause of criticism regarding  
passenger instead of disabling  
The other clipping indicates that officers took  
great chances & should have disabled  
that auto when question was asked, "Whose there"  
Hold ups are getting more numerous on Pacific  
ast, for crooks are emboldened because of willingness  
But we are banking on you getting the entire



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 OFFICIAL BUSINESS

Emil Wanatka, proprietor of the Little Bohemia resort on Holder lake recognized Dillinger when the gang arrived and registered. "Why should I try to take him?" he remarked. "I played cards with him every day. Hey, he had a roll of money big enough to choke a cow."

Wanatka said he and his two employees were virtual prisoners. A machine gun was installed on the roof. Someone was always on guard.

The federal men, reinforced with local officers, began surrounding the resort Sunday night.

About 10 P. M. three men, having regaled themselves with beer, walked out of the Little Bohemia and stepped into their automobile. The waiting officers commanded them to halt. They failed to hear the order because, they said, the radio in their car was on.

Watchdogs began barking. The machine gun on the roof let loose a deadly blast. The officers fled back, and in the cross fire Boismenu, one of the trio who had stopped in for drinks, was killed, Morris wounded, and Hoffman hurt as he fled into the woods. He was captured and taken with the others to a hospital at Ironwood, Mich., 25 miles north.

At the first shot, Dillinger and the rest had dived through a rear window and raced away through the woods, leaving their girls behind them.

The fugitives split up in the darkness. One of them reached a nearby resort just ahead of...

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May 4, 1934

Mr. A. W. Gauthorn,  
The Journal,  
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Mr. Gauthorn:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated April 25, 1934 in which you enclosed two newspaper clippings relative to the activities of John Dillinger, and I wish to take this opportunity of thanking you for your thoughtfulness in forwarding these clippings.

Permit me to take this opportunity also of expressing my appreciation and that of the Division, for your expression of confidence in the ability of the Division to eventually effect the apprehension of this desperado.

I am taking the liberty of enclosing a copy of the Division's "Uniform Crime Reports" bulletin, together with a copy of the memorandum entitled "Statistics Compiled from Fingerprint Cards from January 1 to December 31, 1933", both of which contain statistics and data which might prove of interest to you.

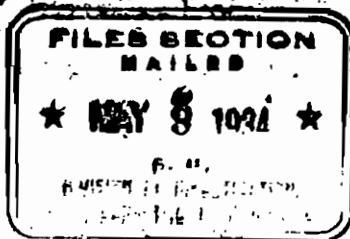
Thanking you for your interest in the Division of Investigation, and with my best wishes for the success of your publication, I beg to remain,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

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*J. Edgar Hoover*  
*J. H. W. W. W. W.*  
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P. O. Box #788  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

RE: CE  
25-3988

April 28, 1934.

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Dear Sir:

[Redacted]

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Your cooperation in this will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

BLISS MORTON,  
Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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IN RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER with aliases  
P.O. #1217 et al;  
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4/30/34 7:45 P.M.  
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AS TO DR/MORTENSEN USA ADVISES ME THAT HE GAVE TESTIMONY FREELY AGAINST  
PAT OREILLY ALONG IDENTICAL LINES AS CONTAINED IN HIS STATEMENT TO ME  
NO FEDERAL PROSECUTION CONTEMPLATED BY U S ATTY HERE AN NEWSPAPERS  
INDECADE THAT THERE IS NO STATE LAW OF COMPULSION RELATIVE TO REPORTING  
GUNSHOT WOUND TREATMENTS AND AGITATION HAS ARISEN FOR THE PASSAGE BY  
STATE OF SUCH A LAW THIS HAS NOT BEEN VERIFIED AS YET BUT WILL BE CHECK  
AT ONCE END

*John Dellenberger*

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MR. NATHAN	.....
MR. TOLSON	.....
MR. CLEGG	.....
MR. COWLEY	.....
MR. EDWARDS	.....
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HAVE INFORMANT NAME [REDACTED] SAYS  
 HAS NO RECORD WHO IS EMPLOYED EARNING ALMOST 50.00 PER WEEK HE PLANS  
 TO OPEN A JEWISH MOTRTUARY IN CLOUMBUS OHIO WITHIN TWO WEEKS CAN OB  
 TAIN HIS XSERVICES TO REVISIT OLD HAUNTS FOR TWO WEEKS BEFORE HE GOES  
 TO COLUMBUS FOR 50.00 PER WEEK. HE HAS REPUTATION OF BEING IN SOLID  
 WITH UNDERWORLD HE IS ACQUAINTED WITH PAT REILLY TOMMY CARROLL  
 AND OTHER LOCAL HOODLUMS AND FEELS SURE HE CAN LEARN ABOUT THEIR  
 PRESENT HAUNTS AND HIDEOUTS RECOMMEND FLAT PAYMENT 100 DOLLARS  
 AT END OF TWO WEEKS ~~UND UNDERSTANIXXXXXXXXXXX~~ UNDERSTANDING THAT  
 HE WILL RECEIVE MAXIMUM ONE THOUSAND FOR DILLINGERS LOCATION  
 HE WILL CALL HERE AT NINE THIRTY AM MONDAY FOR ANSWER AND WILL RE  
 QUIRE AN AUTOMOBILE TO REISIT HIS OLD STOPPING PLACES [REDACTED]

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MR. NATHAN....  
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MESSAGE TO BE TRANSMITTED BY TELETYPEWRITER.

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APRIL 20 1934

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TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT

TO INSPECTOR CLEGG AT ST. PAUL

PLEASE ADVISE WHAT ACTION IS CONTEMPLATED AGAINST DE WORTHEM  
EITHER BY FEDERAL OR STATE AUTHORITIES.

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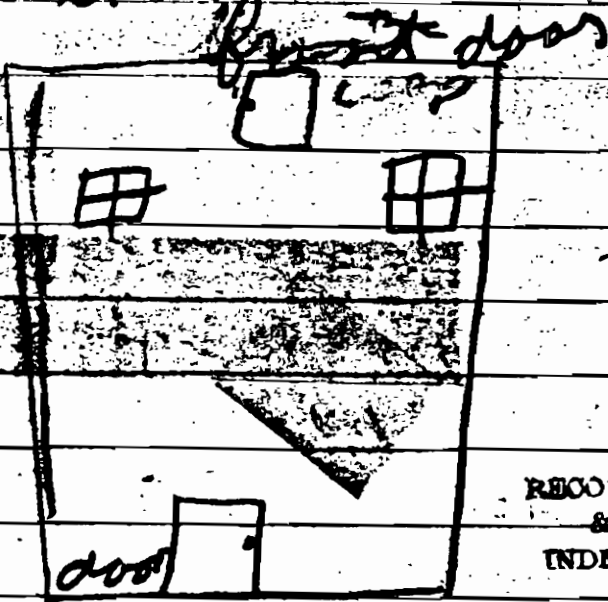
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ashland  
Ohio  
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Dear sir:

I have a good idea to get Dillinger  
it may work I will give you my  
diagram about machine guns.  
here it is



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Wire to set them off.

machine guns

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The wire in front of guns, he will  
his feet tangled in it and it will set  
the guns off, and haul them painted to  
the ground. If you dont tell the reporters  
your plans you will get him. They tell about  
it in the papers, and he will read it  
and will go some other way. He will go  
out the back door and fall into the guns.  
But haul them to put on bullet proof  
vests.

Yours truly  
Paul Thompson

PS my address

Paul Thompson

107th St.

Ashland

Ohio

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Mr. Paul Thompson,  
East 10th Street,  
Ashland, Ohio.

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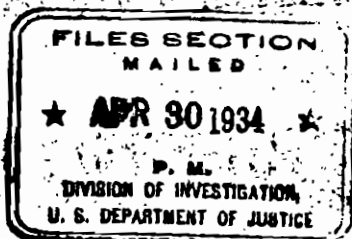
Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated April 25, 1934, suggesting a method to be used in effecting the apprehension of John Dillinger.

The interest manifested by you in this matter is greatly appreciated and your suggestion will be given due consideration.

Very truly yours,

Director.



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WHS:RD

April 30, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1216 Smith-Young Tower Building,  
San Antonio, Texas.

RE: JOHN HERBERT BELLINGER, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE - IDENTIFICATION ORDER 1217,  
et al - NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT,  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

Dear Sir:

There are attached two photographs of Albert W. Reilly,  
with aliases, for your assistance in conducting investigation of  
the above entitled case in your district.

There is also attached a copy of Identification Order 1225,  
Albert W. Reilly, with aliases, a supply of which was mailed you on  
the morning of April 26, 1934. In the event your office has not re-  
ceived these identification orders you should advise the Division in  
order that an additional supply may be furnished you.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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MR. TATAM	_____
MR. ALLEN	_____
MR. BOGGS	_____
MR. COWLEY	_____
MR. EDWARDS	_____
MR. EGAN	_____
MR. QUINN	_____
MR. LESTER	_____
CHIEF CLERK	_____
MR. ROBER	_____

April 26, 1934.

MEMORANDUM

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I telephoned Honorable A. J. Reaney, Director of Public Safety, Indianapolis, Indiana, today, upon receipt of his telegram relative to cooperation extended. He stated that he had talked to Mr. Connelley this morning and advised that he wanted to extend every possible assistance to this Division. I expressed my appreciation of his action in this regard, and stated that I was also replying to his wire.

*John J. Gallagher*

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I talked to Mr. Clegg this afternoon at about 7:30 P.M. and he advised that there appeared short articles in most all of the papers out there about the remarks made by Senator Copeland charging a pathetic lack of cooperation between federal, state and local authorities in the search for Dillinger, and that it had made the headline in one of the papers under today's date. However the article was a general one and the charge was not hurled at either the federal, state or local authorities specifically.

He stated that of course they intended to make the raid by themselves, and they were there alone until about dawn when the sheriff came up with his posse, and although he was very cordial to Mr. Clegg and the Agents it is alleged that he made some wisecracks about the government coming in and making a raid without calling him in on it, and although he didn't mention it to our men it was explained to one of the sheriff's deputies who did mention it that they didn't have time to notify the sheriff and that they had to act quickly.

In order that we might have explanatory information so as to justify their acts if it becomes necessary Mr. Clegg advised that the facts are that they arrived there with the full intention of surrounding the place completely and gradually closing in on it and making the raid about day break, and that those on the inside of the house knew about the raid and understood that at exactly 4 o'clock they were to go immediately to the cellar. They arrived in Rhineland and while trying to get cars, thinking they had plenty of time, they sent their informant and Agent Surran out to the place to see if the subjects were still there or if the plans had been changed any. The Agent and the informant had been gone about fifteen minutes when they returned all out of breath stating that the wife of the informant after driving about 50 miles had met them with the information that the subjects were planning to leave immediately after dinner. And subsequently evidence was found that indicated they were all prepared to leave.

Mr. Clegg stated that it was then after 7:00 o'clock and that they eat dinner up there anywhere from 6:00 to 7:30, and that they were a little more than 50 miles from the place, so it was imperative that they act quickly, there being no time to notify the sheriff, not knowing who the sheriff was, and not having inquired; that the time had come for quick action and they acted accordingly. In fact they didn't know where the sheriff lived.

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Mr. Clegg stated that it occurred to him that there might be some question as to why the sheriff did put in appearance, but the man on the inside who was shot called an ambulance, and the shooting could be heard for miles around, so the information naturally got out. However immediately after the shooting occurred, in order to preclude the sheriff from coming out and shooting at our men, he sent Agent Newman to telephone the sheriff that it was an official raid. He further advised that in view of the fact that Baum had been riding with Newman, Newman asked if it would be alright for Agent Baum to accompany him that he would like to have some one with him and Mr. Clegg assented, he thinking that it might be a little safer if two of them went, although as it turned out there might not have been any questions asked if the one Agent had gone alone. Mr. Clegg advised that he was not informed as to where they picked up the constable.

Mr. Clegg advised that while they were surrounding the place or while the shooting was going on a car came up from the rear, coming down the same road that they had come over, approaching the place with its lights off. Those nearest the car commanded it to halt which went unheeded and after the second command to halt the car began instead of halting to get away, at which time the boys began shooting at the car. Mr. Clegg stated that the opinion is now expressed by the chief of detectives in St. Paul concerning the shooting at the three men there by the police, that the man who was shot had not been shot by the police, that the man was shot up in Wisconsin, basing his opinion on the theory that the shooting occurred in St. Paul just a few minutes before the car was abandoned, and yet when the car was found the seat had soaked up a large quantity of blood, and he believes that there had not been sufficient time after the St. Paul shooting for the seat to become so thoroughly soaked; that probably the person had been bleeding there for hours.

Mr. Clegg advised that there was also another car that came up without stopping and that they shot at it. It backed out just as rapidly as it could and went down the road, but evidently they shot one of the tires, for there is a service station just a short distance down the road the attendant of which states, according to Mr. Rorer, that a car stopped there with a man and a woman in it and had him fix a tire which he thought had obviously been shot. He thinks that the photograph of Pat Cherrington looks like the woman that was in the car. Mr. Clegg advised that he thought it quite likely that some of the bunch were absent from the house as the girls have said - that the men went for a walk - and that some of them were shot upon their return, although who was hit he doesn't know.

Mr. Clegg advised further that a woman had telephoned their informant last night asking him if he wanted to make \$250, and stating that they wanted him to go into Wisconsin and buy an automobile for a friend of Tommy Carroll's. The informant told her that \$250 looked good to him, and she promised that he would <sup>not</sup> get any heat brought on him. So they are going through with the plan tonight. The informant is going out and have a conversation with these people. Mr. Clegg advised that the plans are that he is to get a taxi cab in St. Paul of a certain color in front of a certain Hotel, and he is to ride to Minneapolis in that cab, then he is to get out in front of the Palace theater in

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Minneapolis, then walk across the street to the West Hotel in Minneapolis, in front of the West Hotel he is going to get a cab of another color - a Yellow Cab then he is to proceed <sup>187th</sup> 5th street in Minneapolis until he comes to some other street, and if a car doesn't contact him at that point he is to keep driving north for several blocks, a car will contact him and someone will be in the car that he knows.

Mr. Clegg stated that the informant [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He was picked up by the police on some charge and he gave them confidential information that resulted in the conviction of several fellows; they turned him loose but they gave to the newspapers the story that he wouldn't talk, so the crooks believe that he is solid and wont talk. [REDACTED]

Mr. Clegg advised that their original plans were to have one of their men serve as the taxi cab driver, but they abandoned that when they feared to trust the taxi cab company. So they are going to have some men stationed, about one each block unostensible, and the number of the cab will be flashed to them as soon as the informant leaves the hotel, and they will try to watch it that way. But he thinks that their best lead is the information that the informant may obtain. He thinks that the man will probably be given the money tonight and told where to get the car, but he doesn't think that there will be a contact made with Carroll tonight, although the informant does know Carroll personally.

In connection with the last physician, <sup>Mortenson</sup> Horton, I advised Mr. Clegg of your opinion that the matter should be given publicity and every effort made to prosecute this man in the state courts in view of the fact that they carry a more severe penalty, if this action would not interfere in any way with there efforts there.

Mr. Clegg advised that he had just been talking to the U S Attorney Mr. Sullivan, who stated positively that they had no evidence, the doctor, positively denying that he knew who the people were and that he didn't desire to entertain any prosecution against Dr. Mortenson himself. Mr. Clegg stated that they could probably force his hand on the matter but it would be hard to prove. He stated that the U S Attorney was in accord with his present view, namely that Dr. Mortenson was the only evidence they had to the effect that Pat<sup>o</sup>Reilly was the one who brought the men to him, the Dr. having made a statement to that effect. Of course Dr. Mortenson in a position to testify could convict Pat Reilly, but Mr. Clegg thinks that if they prosecute the Dr. he would want to stand mute because to testify might tend to incriminate him.

Mr. Clegg stated that frankly this doctor is not right. That in the place where Frank Nash and the Barker-Karpis mob used to hang out they found a bottle with Dr. Mortenson's name on it, but that he had emphatically denied to Agent Hall at the time that he knew nothing about it, although Hall thought he obviously lied to him.

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Mr. Clegg stated that among other things this Dr. has been going about over town talking to his political friends about the matter, and he gave his story out yesterday afternoon to a newspaper reporter justifying his position. That the police department and the political organization that came up for election there today found out about it and went to him and bawled him out. That due to the fact that the newspaper reporter is a friend of the doctors he had the story killed. He advised that the newspaper reporter is a friend of Mortenson and supported him in his race for coroner four years ago, the man who introduced Dr. Mortenson to Harry Sawyer, and Sawyer made a financial contribution to the doctor's campaign. That the doctor gave them the name of the newspaper reporter in confidence, it being Johnson, and that there is a close alliance between the two. The doctor stated his reason for giving out the story was that he understood that one of the other papers had the story and was getting ready to publish it, and he thought that to give out the story first would justify his position in that he did not know who the men were until quite recently and that he was afraid to report it then, and that the treatment he gave was rather superficial.

Mr. Clegg advised confidentially that the accusations made recently about the conditions in the Twin Cities had aroused quite a bit of resentment among the civic organizations there, and that it was his opinion that another statement from Washington might not hurt the Doctor as much locally as we would presume it might. Mr. Clegg advised that Mortenson hadn't been in the office since the first time, but that he thought that after the election today the doctor might come in tomorrow of his own volition and give them some more information; and until he did they had no case against him, other than the State case for not reporting it but he hadn't been advised as to the Supreme Court (State) decisions on the matter as yet; but they did have the doctor in a position to make him testify against Pat Reilly.

Mr. Clegg stated that Mr. Rorer thought it was Pat Reilly and Pat Cherrington in the car in Wisconsin that the men shot the tire off, when it drove up then backed around and drove away from the scene of the shooting.

I advised Mr. Clegg of my view concerning the publicity about the doctor that if it would do the doctor quite a bit of harm and would substantiate the Attorney General's previous statement, that it would be of more importance than the prosecution against Pat Reilly on the charge of harboring, and in addition to that if it proves that Reilly was in Wisconsin we probably have a better case against him there.

In asking Mr. Clegg if he was of the opinion that it would do the Department here more harm than good because of the attitude of some of the citizens up there, he advised that he wouldn't say that it would do them any harm at all, but that his opinion was, although not for publication, that it is quite possible that the statement from upstairs would carry more weight in Washington than it would there; adding that that is where the doctor lives.

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Mr. Clegg stated that it would no doubt ruin the doctor and that Mortenson was afraid of it, but as between the two Pat Reilly was a more dangerous man from their standpoint than Dr. Mortenson - Pat Reilly being the finger man, the man who acting in behalf of Harry Sawyer goes from one place to another and arranges for hide-outs, gets doctors to treat the wounded, gets apartments for them, buys automobiles for them, etc.

He stated that Mortenson was known as the wrong doctor, having some prestige there in the political underworld, and being president of this that and the other, but that his offices were down in a tricky little arcade building, and he feels quite sure that he doesn't draw patronage from the elite of St. Paul at all, and that it might be some very good advertising for him, although he wasn't looking for publicity at all, instead he was trying to avoid it; that he wasn't as important a figure around there as his titles would indicate.

Mr. Clegg advised that it was immaterial to him, but that if he could draw a picture of it as he would like to see it materialize, he would like to get the doctor to testify against Pat Reilly and send Reilly to the penitentiary, and then he would like for a statement to come out of Washington blasting him - of course, he stated that it would be cold then, and if there was going to be any blasting from Washington the time was now ripe for it. But he gave his opinion that if we turn it over to the state and ask them to prosecute, that they will of course do as they want to about it, and the doctor will stand mute and refuse to testify.

Mr. Clegg advised that they had a potential white slave case against Reilly, that they had held a woman there for about a week notwithstanding her challenge that they couldn't hold her more than 48 hours, and that Agent Hall got a statement from her which shows that she travelled from there out into Wisconsin and back into Minnesota and that she slept with Reilly. Although she probably wouldn't testify, he felt it a potential case.

Mr. Clegg stated that he thought that Pat Reilly was the man to get, that frankly they had been informed that if they drug him ~~in~~ and knocked him in the head with something and waited until he came to and then started talking to him that he would give them more information than anybody else possesses in the Twin Cities.

Mr. Clegg stated that he had no preference in the publicity matter, that he would like to see them both blasted, but of course that would be impossible so it was just a matter of choice. He agreed with me however that if they do identify Reilly as one of those in Wisconsin, then there would be no objection to blasting and prosecuting the doctor.

mo. for Dir. -6-

April 24, 1934

Mr. Clegg advised that he called Sam Hardy today who is at Madison, Wisconsin with Agent Gillespie with the three girls, and that they were having very little success. Hardy was advised not to give the girls anything to eat and not to let them sleep until they talked. He has also been given the information that would/would <sup>warrant</sup> filing on them and, and the U S Attorney has agreed to it.

Mr. Clegg was advised of the call received from Mr. Quinn and of the substance of such call.

Mr. Clegg advised that they will try to get the photograph of Pat Riley from the identification bureau of the Minneapolis police department in the morning and forward it to the Division.

Respectfully,

S.P.Cowley.

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# WESTERN UNION

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Patrons should check above carefully desired; otherwise message will be transmitted as per usual conditions.

R. S. WHITE  
PRESIDENT

NEWCOMB CARLTON  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

J. G. WILLEVER  
FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

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Detroit, Michigan.  
April 27, 1934.

MAY 28 1934 PM



R J Sandley  
Spina-Arms Hotel  
Indianapolis, Ind.

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WESTERN UNION GIFT ORDERS ARE APPROPRIATE GIFTS FOR ALL OCCASIONS

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Iowa City, Iowa,  
April 28, 1934.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: I am in receipt of your communication of  
the 27th., in acknowledgement of my letter of April  
24th.

The government might well offer a reward  
of \$25,000, to others than those employed in your  
department for the capture of Dillinger, dead or  
alive, and a reward of \$5,000. for the capture, dead  
or alive, of any member of his gang, whom you are  
seeking.

This would be an incentive for many persons  
well qualified, to join in the hunt, - many in the  
north woods and elsewhere who are crack shots and who  
would be familiar with highways and likely hide-outs  
in their respective localities.

Very truly yours, o

*Robt. F. Carson*  
Robt. F. Carson.

P. O. Box 538

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# Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 30, 1934.

SPC:DSS

MR. NATHAN	✓
MR. TOLSON	✓
MR. CLEGG	
MR. COWLEY	
MR. EDWARDS	
MR. EGAN	
MR. GUNN	
MR. LESTER	✓
CHIEF CLERK	
MR. RORER	

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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

In talking with Mr. Clegg at St. Paul this morning I suggested that he get a Milwaukee Sentinel of April 26, 1934, and read the favorable editorial referred to by Mr. Rorer, and advised him of the nature of same. He stated that Mr. Rorer later told him while he was in Wisconsin that it was not the Milwaukee Sentinel but the Milwaukee Journal in which the favorable editorial was published. The Chicago office is being requested to forward to the Division copies of this paper.

Respectfully,

*S.P. Cowley*  
S.P. Cowley.

*See 62-36792*

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. McDermott *gcm/lb*

DATE: 5-22-75

FROM : H. R. Hauer *HRH/lb*

SUBJECT: <sup>o</sup>  
JOHN DILLINGER  
(BUFILE 62-29777)

During a survey conducted of all file material in the Filing Unit to establish a data base for the proposed File Automated Control System (FACS), an extensive number of enclosures behind file which bore no serial number were detected. Most of this material is very old and some may possibly be destroyed when time permits a review of these enclosures by the appropriate substantive desk supervisors. However, the immediate objective is to record this material in the data base now being prepared. A serial number is necessary to provide a means of entry and recall of such enclosures in the proposed automated file request system. Attached is one of these enclosure behind file envelopes which should be assigned the same serial number that is given to this cover memorandum to be placed on record in above-captioned case. It is to be noted this form is for internal use only within the Records Section and is to be filed without further routing after being placed on record and the enclosure detached. When the enclosure is detached for appropriate filing, this action should be clearly noted under the word "Enclosure."

RECOMMENDATION:

That this cover memorandum be placed on record as a not recorded "green" serial in above-captioned case in order to assign a serial number to the attached enclosure as indicated above.

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**Weather Bulletin**  
 Cloudy today; probably showers by night; cooler; unsettled tomorrow.  
 Details on Page 12.

# MILWAUKEE

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# DILLINGER 'BUNCO

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Samuel J. Brew, 5402 W. Beloit road, former village clerk and bank employe, charged with embezzlement.

### Former Village Attorney Hides From Camera



Charles A. Thekan, former village attorney of West Milwaukee, didn't want his picture taken after he was indicted by the grand jury yesterday for forgery and obtaining money under false pretenses. He is shown covering his face as he posted bond.

of \$2,500 in the clerk of municipal court office. With his back to the camera is J. W. Woller, court clerk. Mrs. Thekan is her husband's right, and George J. Cady, Mr. Thekan's law partner and attorney, is the extreme right of the picture.

**APPROVE TAXES  
 OF \$417,000,000**

**Kansas Spooners'  
 Paradise Is Ended**

**RACINE GIRL  
 FLEES KIDNAPERS**

62-29377

# SENTINEL

6★ Suburban Final

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 1934

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THREE CENTS

# WORKING IS CHARGED

## STATE PLEDGED \$2,500,000 FOR WORK-RELIEF

### S. Allotment Lifts Need for Special Legislation.

RAYMOND Z. HENLE, Sentinel Staff Correspondent.

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Sports Queen



(Associated Press Photo.)

Here is Miss Martha Stull, Northwestern university co-ed and blue-eyed blonde beauty, who was selected to act as queen of the silver anniversary Drake relays to be held at Des Moines Friday and Saturday.

## NORTH WISCONSIN, MICHIGAN JOIN IN ASSAILING U. S. AIDS

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## U. S. Plans Rural Aid For 600,000 Families

Loans Instead of Grants Will Be Used to Make Group Self-Sustaining; Scheme Linked to Jobs in Factories.

WASHINGTON, April 25—(AP)—A plan to be used for the relief of rural...

Among the principal ones were these:

An announcement by Purvis—which added new complications to the stories now full of discrepancies—that his investigators believed that Alvin Karpis, Arthur (Doc) Barker and Fred Barker, Chicago hoodlums, were with Dillinger when he shot his way to freedom.

A second anatomical...

IN 15 MONTHS.

authorities likewise are still needed as before with the year-month-by-month allotments from the federal government, which was criticized a month ago. But no definite figures were given between the governor and the federal government for relief after June 1. Sweeney said FERA funds...

gained assurance of an amount of \$100,000 for relief and having secured AAA and RFC officials in agricultural and bienna.

alls of the state relief ve yet to be announced y, it is known the plan s employing only elig- ases, thus taking them relief. Many projects delete by the sudden de- A will doubtless be con- r work-relief.

**COUNTY.**

FERA allotment to was \$1,500,000, of which s apportioned to Mil- uaty. County officials t sum would allow a m so small as to be and the plan was the same proportion is the new May figures, e county will receive 0.

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## Mayor Proposed by Vote

Minn., April 25—(P)— attorney will be St. mayor if the contents guarded ballot boxes ne result as that ob- official counts.

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of Mahoney, who official 575 vote mar- han in the record 00-ballot vote as too sive, indicated a re- be sought should the ard uphold unofficial

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**ADS**

Official planning city unemployed in factories that are idle or operating on part time basis.

Officials said today the proposal affecting city workers was tentative, but that the program for self-support of the rural unemployed was virtually ready to be put into operation.

Henceforth, aid to farm groups will be designed to put them in a position to raise enough food for their own use, at least, and the money advanced for that purpose will be in loans instead of grants.

### HELP FOR ALL IN SIGHT.

Formation of a corporation to direct this work was recently made known at the relief administration and the idea has expanded until officials believe that most of the rural families can be put in a position this year, or next, to take care of themselves.

Any surplus they produce may

## HUNT MACHADO AS MURDERER

### U. S. Agents Seek to Serve Warrant From Cuba.

NEW YORK, April 25—(Universal)—Gen. Gerardo Machado, deposed and exiled former president of Cuba, was sought here tonight on a federal warrant charging murder.

Government agents and police who went to his home were informed Machado left at 11 a. m. on a "secret mission" and would not be back for several days. It was reported he had headed for Canada.

Mrs. Machado and her secretary, Julia Fernandez, both insisted they did not know where Machado had gone. Neighbors told of seeing him leave at 11 a. m. in a taxicab.

His extradition to Cuba, where he is accused by foes of maintaining a reign of terror to keep his government in power, will be attempted. The specific charges in the warrant were not made known—in fact, precautions had been taken to keep the issuance of the warrant itself a secret.

## Seize Hamilton, Pal of Barrow

SHERMAN, Tex., April 25—(P)—Raymond Hamilton, escaped convict and bank robber, and T. R. Brooks were captured by officers late today at Howe, seven miles south of here, after officers said they had robbed the First National bank of Lewisville of approximately \$1,000.

Hamilton long was a partner of Clyde Barrow, notorious South-western outlaw.

The entire operation would be supervised or managed by Federal agencies in co-operation with the states.

### RELIEF BOLLS LENGTHEN.

Despite improved conditions, persons on Federal rolls number approximately 4,700,000 as compared to about 4,500,000 at this time last year.

Officials agree that even if business continues upward there will still be for the next few years millions unable to find work, and that the government will be in the relief business for some time to come.

There is no thought, officials said, that the government will arbitrarily take over factories. Through co-operation with the states, plants may be leased from their owners, or arrangements made for employers operating with a less than capacity force to put on additional men.

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## Driver Menaced By Machine Gun

ROCKFORD, Ill., April 25—(P)—

Lawrence Nelle, 33, beer truck driver, reported to police that tonight as he was about to make a delivery to a tavern six miles east of Freeport he was menaced by a machine gunner in a large green sedan. The sedan, he said, swerved and almost overturned near his truck. The car stopped and Nelle went up to see if he could be of aid. One of the five men covered him with a machine gun, told him to stand back, and the car roared away.

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circulation of a petition in the Mercer district demanding that Purvis be suspended for failure to co-operate with northern Wisconsin officials and residents.

### RECKLESSNESS CHARGED.

Charges by these same petitioners that the federal men permitted Dillinger to escape by assuming an independent attitude and that they were guilty of wanton recklessness, disregard for human life and stupidity, which led to the killing of two and the wounding of four men.

An allegation by Sen. Royal S. Copeland of New York, chairman of the senate anti-racketeering committee that there had been "a pathetic failure of co-operation between federal, state and local authorities" in the Dillinger hunt.

A reply by Melvin G. Passolt, superintendent of the Minnesota bureau of criminal apprehension, denying this charge and contending that his department and local police officials have stood ready at all times to give help when called upon.

A bristling statement by Oscar G. Olander, Michigan commissioner of public safety, in which he charged that federal operatives let Dillinger slip out of their clutches at Sault Ste. Marie by refusing to co-operate with state police and by turning down offers by saying they "didn't need the police."

Mr. Olander, according to the Associated Press, took the definite position that Dillinger would have been captured on his Northern Michigan trip if the federal agents had advised police forces of the state that the killer was in that section of the country.

### POLICE NOT ADVISED.

He asserted the state police were not advised of the raids federal men made on the Little Bohemia resort, that they were not prepared to blockade highways along the Michigan-Wisconsin boundary because they had no information of the impending action by the government and that the police were ignored.

He asserted that the charge of "lack of co-operation" did not hold true in Michigan, saying: "The reverse was true in Michigan. State police would have been glad to co-operate."

The latest word from Purvis, who was of the opinion that Dillinger's capture is "only a matter of hours," had the effect of blurring the picture of the affray at Little Bohemia.

Shortly after the raid took place and after the bandits escaped it was definitely established there were only five of the Dillinger gang in the resort when the shooting started. These were identified as

# MILLERS DEFEAT



**Weather Bulletin**  
Unsettled and warmer Thursday.

# MILWAUKEE

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NEW YORK, April 25—(AP)—The low dollar abroad has reversed the tourist tide, bringing 125 Europeans to America on the first of the "cheap dollar" excursions. They are making the round trip at the equivalent of \$144. A year ago the same amount of foreign money was worth only \$85.

## U. S. TO START ON 20 SHIPS IN FOUR MONTHS

Roosevelt Pushing Program to Build

### Ends Long Tour



Completing a 16,000 mile solo flight through Central and South America, Laura Ingalls set her plane down at Floyd Bennet field, Brooklyn, yesterday, eight weeks after the takeoff. A group of Latin-American officials greeted her as she arrived from Richmond, Va., on the last leg of the journey which took her over 22 countries.

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SUGAR IMPORT

FUNDS IN 15 MONTHS.

# BREWS, 11 TO 9

# SENTINEL

Wisconsin's Great  
Morning Newspaper  
Associated Press. Universal Service.  
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THREE CENTS

# 'G' IS CHARGED

## MIER QUILTS; WAR TALK RD IN SPAIN

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REXFORD G. TUGWELL

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LIST OF DEVELOPMENTS

## Fresh Revolt Is Fired By Naming of Tugwell

### Chief 'Brain Trust' Member, Leading a National 'Revolution' Movement, Declares Agri-

### ty Law Brings Split in Gov- ernment.

April 25—(AP)—A break in the unity of the government of Spain over his message on a political law led to the resignation of Premier Alejandro Lerroux.

demands of general strikes were adding to the gravity of the situation, the president immediately had consultations with political leaders, and was told by one of the former ministers, Santiago Casariego, "if possible, a government of concentration so as to bring the war in Spain to an end."

Lerroux signed the amendment after the cabinet had threatened to resign, but the congress a message expressing approval of some of its provisions. Cabinet leaders indicated a lack of confidence. Granting of thousands of prisoners went into effect today.

### STATION IS RIFE.

Eric tension prevailed in Spain as the president's message progressed. Speculation over the outcome of

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**Sankey Kin  
Departs for Trial**  
...PAUL, April 25—(P)—Mrs. El...  
...Cobler, sister-in-law of the...  
...Sankey, was en route to...  
...Walls, S. D., in custody...  
...United States marshal to stand...  
...a conspiracy charge in con...  
...with the abduction of...  
...Boettcher II.  
...was arrested here last week...  
...Cobler is expected to be tried...  
...same time as Mrs. Fern May...  
...widow of the outlaw, who...  
...similar charges.

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**WASHINGTON, April 25—(P)—**  
...New Deal Against Pres...  
...dent Roosevelt's nomination...  
...Prof. Rexford G. Tugwell as under...  
...secretary of the agriculture bureau...  
...out in the capitol today.

In the senate, Chairman Smith of the agriculture committee vigorously assailed the selection of the man accused by Dr. William A. Wirt as chief "brain truster" leading a national "revolution" movement.

In the house, Representative McGugin (Rep., Kas.) assailed Tugwell as leader of an administration group which is "destroying the American constitution."

**REOPEN CONTROVERSY.**

Smith's attack strengthened the possibility that Tugwell would be summoned before the agriculture committee to defend his qualification for the newly created post, thus reopening the whole Wirt-brain trust controversy. Smith declared:

"What is needed for that job is a farmer who knows what overalls are for, and not a man who knows only how to wield a pointer in front of a blackboard."

Taking issue also with President Roosevelt, McGugin declared the Tugwellian program "is as complete a revolution as if the republic were replaced by force."

**QUOTES ROOSEVELT.**

The Kansan, who has denounced the house inquiry for failure to pursue the sensational allegations made against brain trusters by Dr. Wirt, said:

"Yesterday the president proclaimed that the present program is evolution and not revolution. 'The leader of the brain trust,

**Cleveland Pumps  
Dry in Gas Strike**

**CLEVELAND, April 25—(P)—**  
Greater Cleveland's gasoline pumps, normally serving a motoring public of 250,000, ran dry tonight while major oil companies, striking filling station workers, and independent dealers blamed each other for the famine.

As the pickets for the independents and the strikers closed the last independent stations at noon today, Mayor Harry L. Davis moved for a temporary truce, and ordered police to guard gasoline supplies for "essential public services."

**\$80,000,000 Spent on  
N. Y. CWA Wages**

**NEW YORK —** Approximately \$80,000,000 in federal wages was paid out in this state from the start of the CWA in November, Frederick L. Daniel, executive director of the state civil works administration announced in making public a survey of the economic value of the work done, apart from the economic value of providing employment.

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**M'Gugin Broadside  
Is Aimed at Tugwell**

**WASHINGTON, April 25—(P)—**  
Nomination of Prof. Rexford Tugwell as under secretary of agriculture provoked from Representative McGugin (R., Kansas, today a broadside aimed at the official he frequently has charged with favoring the soviet philosophy of government.

"Yesterday the president proclaimed the present program is evolution and not revolution," McGugin declared, adding Tugwell is admittedly the leader in executing this program.

He repeated his charge that Tugwell has openly advocated "changing of statutes, constitutions, destroying business as it has existed, and destroying the sovereignty of the states."

**Legislator Will  
Go on Trial Again**

**WASHINGTON, April 25—(P)—**  
The second assault trial of Representative Francis J. Shoemaker, Minnesota-farm laborite, was continued today until May 7.

Shoemaker was to have faced a jury to answer a charge of assaulting Charles Newman, district taxicab driver.

The second trial was ordered after the first jury failed to reach an agreement.

**Another Walks Out  
Of Indian Prison**

**MICHIGAN CITY, Ind., April 25—(P)—**  
Another life convict walked away from the Indiana state prison here last night, making a total of five prisoners to escape during the last few days.

**Insure Your Car:  
That's Slogan in  
Dillinger Area**

**IRON MOUNTAIN, Mich., April 25—(Special)—** Typical, perhaps, of the American businessman's propensity to "keep on his toes" is the following advertisement issued by an automobile insurance agency here: "Dillinger is in our district. Insure your car against theft."

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...An allegation by...  
...Copeland of New York...  
...of the senate anti-racketeering...  
...committee that there had been...  
...pathetic failure of co-operation...  
...between federal, state and local...  
...authorities" in the Dillinger hunt.

A reply by Melvin G. Passolt, superintendent of the Minnesota bureau of criminal apprehension, denying this charge and contending that his department and local police officials have stood ready at all times to give help when called upon.

A bristling statement by Oscar G. Olander, Michigan commissioner of public safety, in which he charged that federal operatives let Dillinger slip out of their clutches at Sault Ste. Marie by refusing to co-operate with state police and by turning down offers by saying they "didn't need the police."

Mr. Olander, according to the Associated Press, took the definite position that Dillinger would have been captured on his Northern Michigan trip...  
...had advised the...  
...of the state...  
...that...  
...POLICE...  
...NOT...  
...He...  
...not advised of the raid...  
...made on the Little Bohemia resort, that they were not prepared to blockade highways along the Michigan-Wisconsin boundary because they had no information of the impending action by the government and that the police were ignored.

He asserted that the charge of "lack of co-operation" did not hold true in Michigan, saying: "The reverse was true in Michigan. State police would have been glad to co-operate."

In and about the Eagle River district there has been a consistent demand for an inquest that will clear up the question of "who left the CCC workers?" Official reports given out at Washington and Chicago said that the men were shot by the gangsters and that the agents merely shot at the tires of the machine in which the men were riding.

**CALL FOR POST MORTEM.**  
Dist. Atty. Edmund Drager was asked to have the automobile checked for bullet holes and to have the question cleared up by post mortem examinations which would



**Weather Bulletin**  
 Cloudy today; probably showers by night; cooler; unsettled tomorrow.  
 Details on Page 12.

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## 11 ARE INDICTED IN INVESTIGATION OF WEST MILWAUKEE

### 10 Former Officials; Ex-Treasurer Is Named.

Out of the chaotic village affairs of West Milwaukee from 1928 to 1931 came eight grand jury indictments yesterday, naming 11 men in charges which include embezzlement, forgery, obtaining money under false pretenses, malfeasance in office and perjury.

Ten of the men are former village officials. The indictments in which they are charged with wilful misuse of taxpayers' money were presented to Municipal Judge Max W. Nohl at 11:30 a. m., and by 5 p. m. nine of the defendants had surrendered at the sheriff's office and obtained their release under bonds of \$2,500 each.

#### M. A. CROWLEY INDICTED.

Those indicted are:  
 Max A. Crowley, 4815 W. Jugan avenue, former village treasurer, charged with embezzlement, obtaining money under false pretenses.

James A. Thekan, 5115 W. Greenfield avenue, former village attorney, charged with forgery and obtaining money under false pretenses.

George Garity, 1251 S. Fifty-ninth street, insurance agent and former village trustee, charged with gross fraud, malfeasance in office, embezzlement and obtaining money under false pretenses.

#### PHARMACIST IS NAMED.

Samuel J. Brew, 5402 W. Beloit road, former village clerk and pharmacist, charged with em-

### First European Visitors Come in On Cheap Dollar

NEW YORK, April 25—(AP)—The low dollar abroad has reversed the tourist tide, bringing 125 Europeans to America on the first of the "cheap dollar" excursions. They are making the round trip at the equivalent of \$144. A year ago the same amount of foreign money was worth only 50¢.

## HEAR SPAIN'S PRESIDENT IS READY TO QUIT

### Country Is in State of Alarm; Premier Has Resigned.

MADRID, April 25—(AP)—The declaration of a nationwide state of alarm and recurrent reports that President Niceto Alcal Zamora would quit were sensational sequels tonight to the resignation of Premier Alejandro Lerroux's government.

### Ends Long Tour



Completing a 16,000 mile solo flight through Central and South America, Laura Ingalls set her plane down at Floyd Bennet field, Brooklyn, yesterday, eight weeks after the takeoff. A group of Latin-American officials greeted her as she arrived from Richmond, Va., on the last leg of the journey which took her over 22 countries.

## RACINE GIRL, 15, FLEES KIDNAPER

Injured in Leap From Car After Fight With Stranger.

## STATE PLEDGE \$2,500,000 FOR WORK-RELIEF

### U. S. Allotment Lags Need for Special Legislation.

By RAYMOND Z. HENLE, Sentinel Staff Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, April 25—The state will receive \$2,500,000 of federal funds for relief purposes, Mayor Harry L. Hopkins, FERA director, promised Gov. Alfred Schmedeman today. Also coming will be sufficient additional funds to meet April relief costs.

William L. Coffey of Milwaukee, state relief director, and Howard O. Hunter, Hopkins' midwest representative, who accompanied the governor in his conference with Hopkins, at once set to work planning a work-relief program for the state, made possible because the promised allotment is \$1,000,000 greater than the state's share of FERA funds in April.

This assurance gained by the governor today will probably obviate the necessity for special relief legislation by the legislature, but the scope of work-relief will depend as before upon the extent to which state and local funds are advanced to supplement the federal allotment.

#### FUNDS IN 15 MONTHS.

Local authorities likewise are still confronted as before with the system of month-by-month allotments by the federal government, which they criticized a month ago. But, although no definite figures were agreed upon between the governor and Hopkins for relief after June 1, the governor said FERA funds would continue to be supplied for 15 months, their size depending on relief fund variations.

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# R BUNGLING

erman Cinema Star Arrives



## NORTH WISCONSIN, MICHIGAN JOIN IN ASSAILING U. S. AIDS

### Post Mortem Demanded in CCC Worker's Killing; Gang Raid Rumors Scare Madison.

Controversies between federal and state officers, coupled with a demand for the suspension of Melvin H. Purvis, head of the Chicago office of the department of justice, yesterday overshadowed the intensive search for John Dillinger and associates.

With Dillinger still at large, following the shooting affray at the Little Bohemia resort, near Mercer, Sunday night, law enforcement agencies began "passing the buck" and hurling charges of "lack of co-operation."

Behind these charges was a frank admission that someone "bungled" the job and as a result of this "bungling," the desperado and his gang are just as free as they were when Dillinger walked out of an Indiana jail with a wooden gun.

There were many developments in the Dillinger case yesterday, as reported by the Associated Press and in special dispatches from various sections of the Middle West.

Among the principal ones were these:

Formal arrest of Dillinger's "girl friends," held at the Dane county jail in Madison, and the fixing of bail at \$50,000 for each of the young women who have refused to give federal agents their correct names.

Circulation of a petition in the Mercer district demanding that

**Insure Your Car:  
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The shooting of five of its people the prosecutor will call many witnesses to clear up discrepancies in the stories told thus far. Whether any of the government agents will appear is problematical, reports yesterday indicating operatives had departed for other sections and were concentrating in the vicinity of St. Paul and Minneapolis.

**STILL SEEING 'OUTLAW'**

While "tips" were coming to the federal operatives from many sources, most of the reports came from the Minneapolis-St. Paul sector. Here, there and everywhere police and citizens were seeing Dillinger or some of his aids and the police forces of both cities, as well as sheriff's forces, were on the move throughout the day.

Early in the day, four armed men accompanied by two women, raided a farm home near Elk River, in the St. Paul territory, and took a small amount of cash and an automobile. Radio broadcasts warned the police officers on the search that the men were "heavily armed."

Another Dillinger report sent Dane county and Columbia county officials on a wild run, the Dane county officers fearing that the gang might be on its way to release Dillinger's girl friends in the Madison jail. The girls themselves seem to believe some one or something will come to their rescue and when arraigned on charges of concealing a fugitive they pleaded not guilty and were held to the grand jury.

**ALL FROM CHICAGO.**

The girls gave their names as Rose Anker, Ann Southern and Marion Marr. All said they came from Chicago.

There was some question about the legality of the hearing held at Madison and it appeared federal operatives had taken things into their own hands and were directing the procedure. Commissioner J. J. McManamy was called to the jail office for the hearing but before he went in he said:

"Hearings such as this should be public and open to the public but this is in the hands of the department of justice and it seems I have nothing to say about it."

**WANTS PRESS PRESENT.**

The procedure is somewhat similar to that invoked when the federal operatives had Roger Touhy and his gang in Milwaukee. However, when the Touhy gang was arraigned, the commissioner insisted that the press be present as representatives of the public and he enforced his order in that respect.

The federal men in the St. Paul vicinity also had the "jitters" over the possibility of a raid on the jail in which Evelyn Frechette, Neopit, Wis., half-Indian sweetheart of Dillinger, is now awaiting trial on a charge similar to that lodged against the girls at Madison.

In the vicinity of Muncie, Ind., officers went about in circles when reports came that men answering the description of the Dillinger

**Called Killer**



(Associated Press Photo.)

George (Baby Face) Nelson, Chicago criminal, jail breaker and wanted for a St. Paul bank robbery, is being hunted by federal and state police of the Midwest as the gunman who killed U. S. Agent W. Carter Baum in the Wisconsin woods near Mercer.

**BILL FOR SUGAR LEVY IS PASSED**

**Measure to Increase Prices Ready for President.**

WASHINGTON, April 25—(AP)—

The controversy over sugar control which has beset the administration for months was transferred tonight from congress to the White House.

Final action by both senate and house on the Jones-Costigan bill, which calls for a tax to raise the price the producer receives, put the measure in shape to go to the White House. Only the formality of signing by Speaker Rainey and Vice President Garner held it on Capitol Hill.

**PROTESTS ARE MADE.**

At the White House protests were awaiting the bill. They came from Hawaiian, Puerto Rican and Philippine officials who contended the measure would leave them with surplus sugar stocks, would curtail one of their chief industries and would wreak great damage upon their economic status.

These protests, according to the wa-

**HULL RECEIVES DIPLOMATS TO DISCUSS JAPAN**

**Italian and Dutch Envoys Consider Ultimatum.**

WASHINGTON, April 25—(AP)—Japan's warning that foreign aid to China would be considered as endangering peace in the Far East has resulted in a series of informal conferences between Sec. Cordell Hull and Undersecretary William Phillips and diplomatic representatives of a number of the countries signatory to the nine power treaty.

President Roosevelt let it be known that he expected to confer with Hull on foreign affairs, including the Japanese manifesto, but the secretary of state did not go to the White House today.

**SEVERAL ENVOYS CALL.**

Italian Ambassador Rosso, Chinese Minister Sze and Dutch Minister De With all called at the state department.

Rosso and Sze discussed the general Far Eastern situation with the state department officials, but the Dutch minister denied that his visit had any connection with the Japanese manifesto, although The Netherlands is vitally interested because of the Dutch East Indies. Yesterday Sir Ronald Lindsay, British ambassador, and Andre de la Boulaye, French ambassador, called at the state department.

Neither the White House or the state department gave any indication, however, that the United States would take any official action concerning the Japanese manifesto.

**SAITO LEAVES CLIPPINGS.**

Hiroshi Saito, the Japanese ambassador, visited the state department late yesterday afternoon at the request of Undersecretary Phillips and said when he parted he had merely left Japanese newspaper clippings containing the "text" of the declaration.

State department officials said Hull had not been able to go to the White House today for a foreign affairs conference with President Roosevelt because of the necessity of preparing a long memorandum on tariff questions.

**Britain Asks Tokio To Explain Mandate**

By the Associated Press.

Developments in other capitals: Great Britain's request for an amplification of Japan's statement was formally delivered in Tokyo.

Earlier, a spokesman for the Japanese foreign office said: "Our statement has been made. Let others read it and decide."

**Murder Warrant Hunts Machado Deaths of Cuba**

NEW YORK, April 25—(AP)—Gen. Gerardo Machado, posed and exiled former president of Cuba, was sought here today on a federal warrant charging murder.

Government agents and police who want to his home were informed Machado left at 11 a. m. on a "secret mission" and would not be back for several days. It was reported he had headed for Canada.

Mrs. Machado and her secretary, Julia Fernandez, both insisted they did not know where Machado has. Neighbors told of seeing him at 11 a. m. in a taxicab.

His extradition to Cuba, he is accused by foes of making a reign of terror to keep government in power, will be attempted. The specific charges in the warrant were not made—in fact, precautions had been taken to keep the issuance of the warrant itself a secret.



**2 MORE BILL IN CRIME W**

**Measures Approved in Congress to Drive.**

WASHINGTON, April 25—The attorney general's 12-point program to strengthen the federal government's hand in dealing with criminals shaped up rapidly today, with house committee approval of two of the requested measures.

Moving with dispatch a recent escapade of John W. Carter Baum—the house committee wrote "OK" on bills it a federal crime to kill a States officer or to rob a bank.

Yesterday it approved to make it a federal crime across state lines to exact a ransom for kidnaping, and to extend the law covering interstate in stolen motor vehicles, ties and merchandise.

Chairman Sumners expects the committee to other measures tomorrow. Prompt house consideration has been promised by the

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THURSDAY MORNING, APRIL 26, 1934.

## Comic Opera Cops

There is justice in the indignant petition prepared by residents of Wisconsin's lake country asking Washington officials to rebuke and punish those responsible for the government's share in the Dillinger fiasco.

If ever a police job was badly bungled, the attempt of the department of justice to capture Dillinger in the Little Bohemia resort is that job.

Innocent men were killed and wounded because the impatient, nervous officers turned their murderous fire on the wrong persons. The bandits got away because no attempt was made to block the roads. Proffered aid from men who knew the country was scorned. To add to the debacle, two agents walked up to a bandit and let him shoot them and take their car.

Whatever the mitigating circumstances, and there are probably some, the record is not one for the government to be proud of. It is not one which justifies the high and mighty attitude which the department of justice men assumed on this job and which is characteristic of them on most jobs.

They customarily deport themselves in a manner which indicates their consciousness that they are not ordinary cops. They move with elaborate mysteriousness shrouding their activities

cross town artery it was expected to be because of lack of transportation facilities.

The city wants the Electric company to establish a bus line, but the company complains that a bus line, to be worth while financially, should not be limited to the viaduct alone but extended to the entire street as a substitute for trolley service now provided.

The city balks at eliminating the street cars on N. Thirty-fifth street, and is particularly concerned about who will pay for the paving which removal of street car rails will make necessary. As between buses and trackless trolleys, the aldermen are stymied by lack of an ordinance for taxing this new type of vehicle.

None of these disputes is important enough to warrant the delay that has already taken place. Most of these questions should have been answered before the viaduct was built. All of them can speedily be settled to the satisfaction of all concerned if aldermen and company officials will put their minds to it instead of working at cross purposes.

## Where Is the Fire?

Ald. Edward Hansen, Cato of the common council, has looked in upon the movies and recognized the hideous lineaments of sin. "Take these Mae West films, for instance," Mr. Hansen was reported as saying, "aren't they awful!" And then he berated the motion picture board for sitting by supinely while the pagan exhibitors hoisted the crimson pennons of the carnival of concupiscence.

Mae West was Mr. Hansen's point of departure for an attack upon the salaciousness of the movies. He was arguing for passage of a resolution which criticizes the censorship work of the motion picture board and demands regular detailed reports of its activities.

We doubt whether Mae West has caused any softening of the moral fiber of Mr. Hansen's constituents. Does he know any young women who have accepted Miss West as their ideal? Or any young men who have been led astray by blonds who have learned to walk with their lumbodorsal muscles?

Twenty years ago the viewers-with-alarm of Mr. Hansen's stripe were demanding that something be done about Theda Bara before all the youth of the country was corrupted. Poor Theda disappeared on the crest of a national chuckle. Mae will go the same way. Already the wisecracs are proclaiming that she is a "stunt star," doomed to disuse after one or two more pictures. Her audiences will



## O. O. Mc

The quick bound of the red ed Detroit choir boy, Joe Penna pinnacles of stage and radio has done more to hearten the former than anything during depression. A small time s knocking about in the uncert of split weeks and sleeper he is today shogun of his ston.

When he jumped from a weak radio performer to a

seems to be more important to them than results.

If federal men are going to do work formerly handled by local police forces, such as the tracing of kidnapers and the hunting of bandits, the sooner they drop their silly pretensions the sooner they will begin to get the confidence of the citizens whose welfare they are supposed to protect and further.

When a newspaperman asks one of these super-sleuths a legitimate, fair question, they find it easy to be insulting, aloof, superior and needlessly uncommunicative in their answers. But when they get a chance to show how brave they are against a real gangster with a machine gun, the gangster gets away.

Washington authorities are attempting to rush through congress legislation which would give us these federal supermen as permanent colleagues instead of occasional visitors.

Let it be said clearly now that if the work of this federal Dillinger posse is a sample, Wisconsin can get along without national police. And in the meantime, the efficiency of the federal forces will be increased if their superiors eliminate comic opera antics from their lexicon and give them a few lessons in politeness and other means of insuring friendly co-operation.

### Thirty-Fifth Street

The city and the Electric company should get together without further delay to decide the future of Thirty-fifth street.

Millions have just been spent for a viaduct connecting the two sections of this street. The viaduct was laid with no provision for street car tracks, a step taken after much palaver and two or three aldermanic junkets to investigate trackless trolleys.

Apparently the matter is now as much up in the air, however, as it was when the trackless trolley question was broached three years ago, before the viaduct was built. The only thing definitely settled is that there will be no street cars on the viaduct.

Open for traffic for several months, the viaduct has failed to become the important

of her... thing which undoubtedly will make Mr. Hansen indignant. Meanwhile their morals will remain as sound as they were before Nita Naldi and Carmel Myers, as they were even before Pola Negri and the pulpy but igneous Theda.

The board of censors, which has reviewed 1,587 pictures in the last year—pity it—could tell Mr. Hansen, if he would listen, that the public goes to the movies for an evening's entertainment, not for instruction in the scarlet misdemeanors. The drama reflects what it sees; it does not persuade.

When stung by a bee we never get much comfort out of the knowledge that the little fellow lost his stinger in the process.

'Twould be interesting to know how many of the college students who have vowed never to sign for war belong to a football squad.

If there is a heaven, we have a number of friends there; if there isn't a heaven, our friends are as well off as anybody.

## Told by Sentinel Files

50-25-10 YEARS AGO

April 26, 1884.

MILWAUKEE—Thad C. Pound, George C. Ginty, D. C. Lamb, M. Wescott, George Wilson and L. C. Stanley, who are interested in a proposed railroad across northern Wisconsin, were at the Plankinton House yesterday.

LONDON—Minister James Russell Lowell presided over the annual meeting of the Browning society, and he highly praised the works of the great poet.

April 26, 1906.

WASHINGTON—Senator La Follette is preparing for a savage attack on the tariff bill. He holds that it will not accomplish real revision and is a snare and a delusion. It is believed he will support an income tax amendment.

MILWAUKEE—"We have contracts enough ahead to keep the men busy for three months," said A. E. Manchester, superintendent of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul shops here. "We have about 5,250 men now."

April 26, 1924.

WASHINGTON—Indorsement by President Coolidge of the views expressed by Senator Borah of Idaho opposing large governmental expenditures and bonus legislation strengthened many here in their belief that Mr. Coolidge will veto the soldier bonus bill.

MILWAUKEE—Although Milwaukee will not use daylight saving time this year, the Milwaukee Clearing House association adopted a resolution whereby Milwaukee banks will change their hours to co-operate with New York and Chicago banks between April 27 and Sept. 28.

...the photographer knows...

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His stage appearance... a greater furor... hard't'a. Not only have... records been... movie houses where... but the overflow filled... houses. And no one... as Penner himself.

The Unpredictable  
Queer upshoots in the world make it the

## Personal

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### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

What, Important

Daughter aged 17... of an exophthalmic... physician has prescribed... ported pill. She takes... and has taken them... I am getting worried... I do? (Mrs. L. F.)

Answer—Stop squ... money on fancy nostr... your daughter to a... physician and find... anything the matter...

Bunion

Is there anything... reduce a bunion?... tried your Whit... recipe for her foot... four years ago. It... up. (Mrs. M. K. T.)

Answer—Band... lope bearing your... for monograph on... Readers who wish... foot itch, "athlete's... fungus, send a direct... addressed envelope for... bidden Guests." For... pain, soreness and... bunion, paint the... with tincture of... apply a large dress... over night with... hazel or bay rum...

Banana for

Can a child of eight... mashed banana and... of two years eat... during a day? (L. E.)

Answer—Yes. See... stamps) and stamp... bearing your address... Brady Baby Book... will find instructions...

... Napoleon, Dillinger would learn about bandits that committed crimes and roamed the hills in freedom for long years, with not only police, but soldiers hunting for them.

Corsican and other European bandits often made themselves popular by taking from the rich and dividing with the poor. It is too late for Dillinger to borrow that idea, United States government tax collectors having borrowed it already.

Authorities assert that Dillinger has cost the country about \$1,500,000, not counting \$500,000 in loot taken from the banks that he has robbed. The only cash reward for Dillinger, thus far, is \$25 offered automatically by the state of Indiana for each violator of a parole. Under our amusing system of justice it appears that Dillinger had been paroled on his statement that he was not a habitual criminal. He is certainly "habitual" now.

His father says: "I think John would make a good policeman, if they'd give him another chance," and there is no doubt about that, if a good policeman is one who hits and catches others, and is himself hard to hit.

Unfortunately for Dillinger, 13 have been killed, six officials, six bandits, one bystander, along his trail since he broke parole. That would make it difficult to adopt his father's suggestion. If Dillinger has really cost the country anything like \$2,000,000, shall we consider a fund to pay criminals for crimes not committed, as we pay farmers for wheat not planted?

His neighbors testify that a Mis-

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**TOMORROW—Table of Conformity Ratings.**

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souri farmer can judge the weight of the hogs merely by hearing them squeal.

It is not necessary for him to see them, or put them on the scales. Tax collectors report that they are similarly gifted in another direction. They can tell the financial weight of their victims by the "holer."

Japanese newspapers are amused by "the American fleet's failure" to take 111 warships through the Panama canal in 24 hours. It did, as a matter of fact, take 48 hours to get all the ships through, but even that is a considerable improvement on going around the Horn.

By the way, this trip reminds you of the fact that the United States built the Panama canal, paid for it, and allows ships of other nations to use the canal on exactly the same terms as American shipping. Changing that arrangement might cause some of our foreign friends to contribute something on bad war debts that represent their winking. Why not let each foreign ship pay

about half what it would cost to go around the Horn, for use of the Panama canal. That would be a fair, "50-50" arrangement.

Britain and the United States, requesting from Japan some "clarification" of that "Japanese Monroe doctrine for Asia, please keep out!" warning, get no clarification, but, instead, a typical Asiatic reply: "Our statement has been made. Let others read it as they will."

The big telephone company announces a new wage code, establishing a 40 hour week for the parent company, a 48 hour working week for the 6,000 so-called "independent companies." In cities above 2,500 population pay will not be diminished with diminished hours, and the company says the new plan will "add \$30,000,000 to its annual pay roll, without increasing charges to the public."

It takes a big corporation, and one "doing pretty well," to add \$30,000,000 a year to its pay roll without increasing charges.

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TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT

ST. PAUL

ADVISE RESULT OF INVESTIGATION CONCERNING ADDRESS IN ST. PAUL GIVEN BY  
SAN ANTONIO OFFICE TO WHICH GUN IS ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN SENT FOR USE  
OF GANGSTERS

HOOVER

*John W. ...*

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April 25, 1934.

Mr. Tolson

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Reference is made to the article in the Chicago Daily Tribune dated April 24, 1934, which purports to quote certain derogatory statements alleged to have been made by Senator Arthur Robinson of Indiana.

Someone should invite the attention of the Senator from Indiana to the attached clipping which also appeared in this same issue of the Chicago Daily Tribune and recites how four trustees "walked away" from the penitentiary at Michigan City, Indiana, the same Indiana institution from which Dillinger was originally paroled. It is significant to note that three of these trustees were serving life terms for murder and it seems peculiar that such long term convicts should be extended such privileges. The Chief Clerk of the penitentiary is quoted as stating "This walking away from prison by trustees is an annual spring epidemic".

It might also be desirable to call the attention of the Senator from Indiana to the fact that Dillinger was originally paroled from a penitentiary in Indiana, and effected his escape from the Crown Point, Indiana, jail.

Respectfully,

*W. H. D. Lester*  
W. H. D. Lester.

*John Dillinger*

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**Flee Indiana Prison**



**CHARLES IRWIN WILLARD BUTLER.**



**NOAH SEALS. LELAND PHILLIPS.**

Michigan City, Ind., April 21.—(Special.)—Police of northern Indiana were scouring the Michigan City area today in search of four convicts, three of them Negro, who walked away from Warren state prison farm and from Indiana penitentiary itself. The fugitives are:

Leland Phillips, 26, sentenced September, 1926, to life for first degree murder.

Willard Butler, 27, Negro, serving life for second degree murder.

Charles Irwin, 28, Negro, serving life for second degree murder.

Noah Seals, 22, serving three years for second degree burglary.

Phillips and Seals were missed in a midnight check-up at the prison farm, one of three operated to supply the penitentiary with farm produce. Since no trace of the convicts was found officials believe an accomplice picked them up in an automobile. Butler, cook for Warden Louis E. Kunek, and Irwin, office runner in the prison administration building, were missed in the early evening roll call. Chief Clerk Howard C. Crosby reported the latter two were being closely trailed and might be captured soon.

"This walking away from prison by trustees is an annual spring epidemic," the chief clerk said.

CHICAGO DAILY TRIBUNE, April 21, 1934

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After 8 days, return to

Paul Thompson  
c. 10 St Ashland  
ASHLAND, OHIO.

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- Mr. Preston
- Mr. Fort
- Mr. Millenson
- Mr. Gottshall
- Mr. Butler
- Miss Brookley
- Miss Broomhead

Mr. Hoover:

*W*  
*Stephens*

There is attached, for your files, a copy of my reply to the letter received from Mr. A. Jasper Jenkins.

*J.S.*

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JHK

April 27, 1934

Mr. A. Jasper Jenkins,  
Metropolitan Club,  
Fifth Avenue and Sixtieth St.,  
New York City.

Dear Sir:

This acknowledges the receipt of your undated letter addressed to Mr. Hoover and myself.

I appreciate very much your interest in the apprehension of Dillinger and your concrete suggestions.

Time of course does not permit, nor would you expect any detailed statement of the particular facts concerning the various attempts to capture him. Nevertheless, it may not be amiss to suggest to you that in the opinion of the writer were you informed of the peculiar and detailed circumstances surrounding each of the two episodes wherein Dillinger escaped, you would agree that the plan you outline was not entirely feasible.

No one regrets more than the writer the loss of the lives of those engaged in apprehending Dillinger, and every effort was made to provide reasonable protection commensurate with the nature of their duties.

Let us hope that future efforts will be successful.

Very truly yours,

JOSEPH B. KEENE  
Assistant Attorney General

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C O P Y

METROPOLITAN CLUB  
Fifth Avenue and Sixtieth Street  
NEW YORK

Messrs Hoover & Keenan

Gentlemen:

*John*  
If you have Dillinger surrounded why not blockade each road and make anyone approaching get out and identify himself in the open while the officers keep under cover.

This thing of the officers exposing themselves is both foolish and criminal.

Then when you have your man in sight take no chances. Shoot up him and his gang.

What is the use of any nonsense and chances with this fellow who has made a laughing stock of our whole criminal procedure.

Yours

A. Jasper ~~Jenkins~~

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JOHN DILLINGER NMVTA REFERENCE PENNINGTONS CONVERSATION CONCERNING  
 INFORMATION PICKED UP ON BROADCAST TONITE AGENT ROBERTS ASCERTAINED  
 DAYTON POLICE OFFICER SAW FORD V EIGHT COACH TEN OCLOCK TONITE  
 PROCEEDING EAST OCCUPIED BY MAN WITH LIGHT TOP COAT TWO MEN WITHOUT  
 OVERCOATS AND WOMAN WITH BLACK DRESS AND SHORT MINK COAT OFFICER  
 NOTED WOODEN BOX IN CAR THEN GLANCED AT LICENSE NOTING 17

*Handwritten initials and routing:*  
 MR. Egan  
 MR. Egan  
 MR. Quinn  
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*Harleton*  
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WISCONSIN BUT SAW ONLY FIRST DIGIT SIX DAYTON POLICE INTENDED  
GIVING ONLY LOCAL BROADCAST IN EFFORT TO LOCATE AND QUESTION THEM  
HARDLY BELIEVING THEM CONNECTED INSTANT MATTER BUT DID NOT LOCATE  
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*C. G. P. C.*  
*Stepleton*

DIRECTOR AND STP

DILLINGER NMVTA

48 MONDAY A. M. THREE OFFICERS OF THE BELLWOOD ILLINOIS POLICE DEPARTMENT OBSERVED A CAR CONTAINING 4 MEN PASS THROUGH A RED-LIGHT AT A HIGH RATE OF SPEED. THEY FOLLOWED CAR UNTIL IT STOPPED AT A FILLING STATION. UPON DRIVING ALONGSIDE CAR THE OFFICERS WERE IMMEDIATELY COVERED WITH MACHINE GUNS AND ORDERED OUT OF CAR. OFFICER WAYLAND WAS SLOW IN RAISING HANDS AND ONE BANDIT STRUCK HIM OVER THE HEAD WITH A MACHINE GUN CAUSING IT TO DISCHARGE ONE SHOT. WAYLAND WAS STUNNED BY BLOW, BUT NO ONE SHOT. CAR DRIVEN BY BANDITS WAS A FORD V-8 DARK COLORED SEDAN-NO LICENSE NUMBER WAS TAKEN AND IT WAS NOT KNOWN WHETHER CAR WAS A COACH OR SEDAN UPON INTERVIEW THE OFFICERS PROVIDED DESCRIPTION OF THE BANDITS BUT SAME DID NOT FIT SUBJECTS OF THIS CASE HOWEVER OFFICER WAYLAND IDENTIFIED PICTURE OF DILLINGER AS INDIVIDUAL WHO STRUCK HIM WITH MACHINE GUN. INFORMATION RECEIVED THAT MAN REPRESENTING HIMSELF AS DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE REPRESENTATIVE PLACED A TELEPHONE CALL FROM OFFICE OF CHICAGO MOTOR CLUB WOODSTOCK, ILLINOIS, AND STATED THAT MEMBER S OF DILLINGER GAGXXX GANG WERE HEADED FOR CHICAGO ON ROUTE 19 IN AUBURN CAR 1933 WIS. LICENSE 550-497. SECRETARY OF WOODSTOCK OFFICE OF CHICAGO MOTOR CLUB VERIFIED INFORMATION AND SAID MAN REPRESENTING HIMSELF AS BEING CONNECTED WITH DEPARTMENT FAILED TO PAY FOR CALL. INVESTIGATION THROUGH SECRETARY OF STATE DEVELOPED LICENSE PLATES WERE ISSUED FOR AUBURN MOTOR NUMBER BR682 AND WERE PROPERTY OF LAKEWOOD DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION, CHICAGO A REPRESENTATIVE OF WHICH ADVISED AUBURN AND LICENSE PLATES HAVE NEVER BEEN OUT OF ITS POSSESSION CLOTHING ABANDONED BY DILLINGER GANG AT ICE

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ELGIN, ILLINOIS. INVESTIGATION DEVELOPS THAT ANNA SOUTHERN, ROSE  
ANCHER AND OPAL LONG PURCHASED MALE AND FEMALE CLOTHING IN LARGE  
AMOUNTS ON APRIL 6, AND 18, 1934 IN ELGIN, ILL. SAC CONNELLEY

ADVISES DILLINGERS FATHER RECEIVED FOLLOWING LETTER CONTAINING  
IRONWOOD MICHIGAN POSTMARK - QUOTE - JOHN IS ALL RIGHT HIDING OUT  
NEAR IRONWOOD, MICHIGAN, GOING TO STAY THERE AWHILE UNLESS THE FEDERALS  
GET TOO HOT - UNQUOTE - SHERIFFS OFFICE BESSEMER, MICH. NOTIFIED OF

POSSIBLE PRESENCE OF DILLINGER - COOPRATION WITH DIVISION PROMISED  
AGENT MURPHY ADVISES CODE NUMBER FOR COMBINATION HANDBAG NOT KNOWN-  
COMBAXXINATION LOCK FORCED. TO OPEN BAG PULL OUTWARD TWO END CLAMPS.

PURVIS

END

ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL KEENAN

To

OFFICIAL INDICATED BELOW BY CHECK MARK

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MR. CANNON	<input type="checkbox"/>
MR. LESTER	<input type="checkbox"/>
CHIEF CLERK	<input type="checkbox"/>
MR. ROBER	<input type="checkbox"/>

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- Mr. Millenson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Gottshall \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Butler \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss Brookley \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss Broomhead \_\_\_\_\_

There is attached a telegram received from U. S. Attorney Ryan, at Janesville, Wis., for your information.

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*J.P.F.*

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HON JOSEPH B KEENAN

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WASHDC

CORONERS JURY RENDERED VERDICT QUOTE EUGENE BOISONEAU CAME  
 TO HIS DEATH ACCIDENTALLY AS A RESULT OF GUN SHOT WOUND  
 INFLECTED BY FEDERAL OFFICERS IN THE ACT OF APPREHENDING THE  
 DILLINGER GANG UNQUOTE NO FINDING MADE AS TO IDENTITY OF  
 PERSON WHO DID SHOOTING STOP NAMES OF GOVERNMENT OFFICERS NOT  
 DISCLOSED STOP CLEGG AND ROEHR TESTIFIED BUT GAVE NO NAMES  
 AND REFERRED TO OTHERS AS GOVERNMENT OFFICERS STOP BETTER  
 FEELING IN COMMUNITY TOWARDS GOVERNMENT OFFICERS AND RECORD  
 SHOWS GOVERNMENT HIGHLY INTERESTED IN COOPERATING WITH STATE  
 STOP DISTRICT ATTORNEY DRAGER COOPERATED SPLENDIDLY AT INQUEST  
 WITH MY ASSISTANT BOYLE AM HAVING TRANSCRIPT OF RECORD  
 PREPARED AND WILL FORWARD TO YOU PROMPTLY

*Cooperation*

RYAN U S ATTORNEY

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April 27, 1934.

MR. TOLSON	
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MR. EGAN	
MR. QUINN	
MR. LESTER	
CHIEF CLERK	
MR. ROBER	

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Larson called from Detroit this evening in regard to the report that the Division had refused aid from State troopers in the attempt to apprehend Dillinger in Wisconsin. Mr. Larson had spoken with Mr. Olander, who stated he had talked with Sergeant Keune and a State trooper named Wilson, who advised that while the agents were in conference with the Sheriff and preparing for the raid they were waiting in the Sheriff's outer office and that they later spoke to the Sheriff and suggested that they would like to accompany the Sheriff and the Federal Agents on the raid; that the Sheriff then spoke to the Agents, and when he returned advised that the Agent stated, "Tell the State Police to go to Hell. When the State Police are wanted they will be called upon". Mr. Larson stated that Mr. Olander is obtaining a complete and detailed report from these officers and that upon receipt of same, he will forward it to Mr. Larson.

Mr. Olander stated that when he was interviewed by newspaper men in regard to Senator Copeland's statement, he stated that his men had offered aid and that it had been refused. He explained to Mr. Larson that he was merely defending his position and that of his men; that he had no ill feeling whatever toward the Division and greatly admired its accomplishments. He showed Mr. Larson a letter dated January 19, 1934 which he had written to Senator Copeland wherein he praised the Division. Olander is closely acquainted with Senator Copeland and this letter was written as an informal note to him. Mr. Olander stated that since the Copeland statement he had been interviewed by numerous newspaper men and particularly questioned concerning Dillinger's presence in Michigan at Sault Sainte Marie and that it was necessary for him to admit that he did not know Dillinger had been there, which put him in rather an embarrassing position and that statements he made were in defense of himself as a result of the criticism he had received because of the Copeland statement rather than a criticism of the Division.

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Mr. Olander said he had heard of the suggested petition to remove Purvis and said he personally would be glad to come to Washington and do what he could to stop anything of that sort; that if the Division was being subjected to anything he had said, he regretted it very much. Mr. Olander stated that Congressman Brown of Michigan had endeavored to get him to make a statement against the Division, but that he refused to do so; that Mr. Olander was leaving for New York tonight and had intended to come to Washington, but that because of Congressman Brown's requesting him to make a statement against the Division, he did not intend to come to Washington and that he did not want to meet the Congressman and would not under any circumstances make a statement against the Division.

Mr. Larson stated he advised Mr. Olander just what happened at Sault Sainte Marie, Michigan in connection with the investigation there as reported by Division Agents; that as soon as he received the report from Mr. Olander from his officers, Mr. Larson will forward it to the Division.

Mr. Olander was extremely friendly and stated that any remarks he had made were intended as "constructive criticism". It was Mr. Larson's feeling that the newspapers had worded the writeup more strongly than the feelings expressed by Mr. Olander.

Respectfully,

*S. P. Cowley*  
S. P. Cowley.

ND PURVI

*Handwritten initials and signature*

MAY BLONDE GIRL FRIEND DOLORES SMART HAS JUST FURNISHED STATEMENT THAT  
 THE DR MAY HAD DATE WITH HER SATURDAY NIGHT 3-31-34 BUT HE DID NOT  
 ARRIVE UNTIL ABOUT 11 P M AND HE EXPLAINED THAT HE HAD EARNED \$500.00  
 5#5#8 THAT NIGHT BUT NEVER MENTIONED DILLINGERS NAME. SHE THEN WENT  
 WITH THE DOCTOR TO EDDIE GREENS HOUSE AND SHE HEARD EDDIE TELL THE MD  
 NOT TO TELL THE GIRL ABOUT IT SHE AT THAT TIME SAW WEAPONS INCLUDING  
 A MACHINE GUN IN GREENS APARTMENT  
 AGENTS INVESTIGATING AT EAU CLAIRE WISC TODAY LEARNED THAT THE WIRE  
 TO CHERRINGTON AT CHICAGO WAS DELIVERED TO AGENT BY PORTER OF PARLOR  
 CAR ON TRAIN TO ARRIVE AT CHICAGO AT 8 05 PM TODAY EVIDENTLY THIS WAS  
 MESSAGE SEND BY PAT CHERRINGTON FOUND AT CHGO ENROUTE TO DETROIT

THE LEAD ON LOCATION OF PLACE WHERE MACHINE GUNDS WERE SHIPPED FROM SAN  
 ANTONIO TEXAS SHOWS THAT THE ADDRESS TO WHICH THE GUNDS WERE SHIPPED  
 IS THE SAME ADDRESS AS SHOWN ON I O NO. 1224  
 FOR TOMMY CARROLLS WIFE ALTHO THE HOUSE REPORTED VACANT FOR SEVERAL MONTHS  
 WITH NO FORWARDING ADDRESS. THE LISTER OCCUPANT WAS RECORDED IN DIRECTOR  
 DIRECTORY AS BEING A DRIVER IN 1933 AND A MECHANIST IN 1934////////1932  
 5# THIS MAY BE A MACHINIST WHO REPAIRS MACHINE GUNS AND THIS LEAD WILL BE  
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April 24, 1934.

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MR. COWLEY	_____
MR. EDWARDS	_____
MR. EGAN	_____
MR. QUINN	_____
MR. LESTER	_____
CHIEF CLERK	_____
MR. RORER	_____

*Stapleton - 205*  
*R Newby*

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Rorer called and advised as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Lang both identify Nelson as the man who came to the house of Alvin Koerner. Alvin Koerner and his wife both identify him also. Carl A. Christensen, who sat in the back of the car, cannot identify him. Every-one identified him except Christensen.

The undertaker says it looks like the bullet passed through Baum's heart; it entered from the front above the bullet proof vest and took a downward course and apparently out at back. Christensen says he saw Baum fall over the railing.

Mr. Rorer, upon inquiry, stated Hardy was not there.

He stated McIntyre left at three o'clock with Baum's body for Chicago.

Upon inquiry as to the women involved, Mr. Rorer stated the blonde girl appeared to be very much upset and it was believed she might talk. The girls, it is believed, can give information as to the previous whereabouts of Dillinger and his companions. It is understood they left Louis Cernecky's place. Cernecky has known Emily Winetka for fifteen years, both having come from Bohemia.

Respectfully,

*S. P. Cowley*  
S. P. Cowley.

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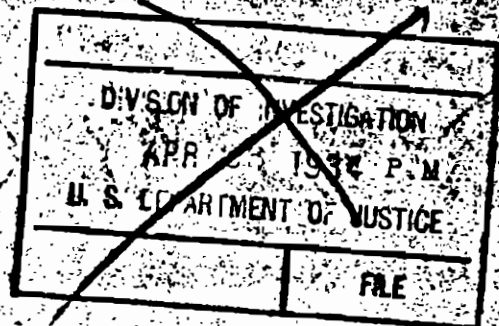
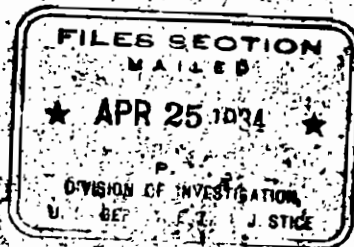
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. COONEY  
April 25, 1934

In regard to your attached memorandum dated April 24, 1934, I note that the three girls who were found in Little Bohemia, and who had been associating with Dillinger and his associates, had come from Louis Cernecky's place near Chicago. This place has been mentioned previously in connection with Dillinger's activities, and I have telephonically instructed Mr. Purvis to give this angle of the case very careful consideration. I wish that you would keep in mind the Cernecky angle, because ultimately we wish to give attention to this individual, for obviously, he has been in contact with Dillinger and might possibly be the source of some information if properly handled.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Incl.





U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice  
1900 Bankers Building  
Chicago Illinois

April 30, 1934

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

Re: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases -  
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1217; et al  
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your teletype message wherein the Chicago Office is instructed to forward to the Division, immediately, the other Thompson Submachine gun which was seized from the Dillinger gang at Rhinelander, Wisconsin, in order that the numbers might be restored with a view to tracing the gun.

For your information, please be advised that I am shipping, by Railway Express, today, the Thompson Submachine gun in question.

Very truly yours,

*M. H. Purvis*

M. H. PURVIS, *per U. W. P.*  
Special Agent in Charge.

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MR. ROBER

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Special Agent in Charge Connelley, of the Cincinnati Office, telephoned as follows:

He stated that the papers at Cincinnati, Ohio carried a small story to the effect that the home of John W. Dillinger had been raided tonight, which is only a guess. He advised that an informant had given that office certain information; that they had blocked the road beyond Dillinger's house; that the police had guessed that the place was going to be raided, or had been raided, which raid did not take place.

Mr. Connelley advised that information had been received from an informant that the father of John Dillinger had received a letter from Ironwood, Michigan, which stated that John Dillinger was located at Ironwood, or in that vicinity, and was hiding there; that he would remain there for some time, unless the Federals got too "hot". The informant is under the impression that Dillinger's father believes the letter came either from John Dillinger, or one of his associates. Mr. Connelley stated that this information had been transmitted to the Chicago Office with the request that it be given immediate investigative attention.

He stated also that that office had received information that Pearl Elliott was at 614 Cherry Street, Marion, Indiana, which is in the Chicago district. This was transmitted to the Chicago Office with the request that same be checked. It had been learned that Pearl Elliott might be at her mother's home in Franklin; this had been checked thoroughly, but she was not found there.

Respectfully,

*R. L. Moore*  
R. L. Moore

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