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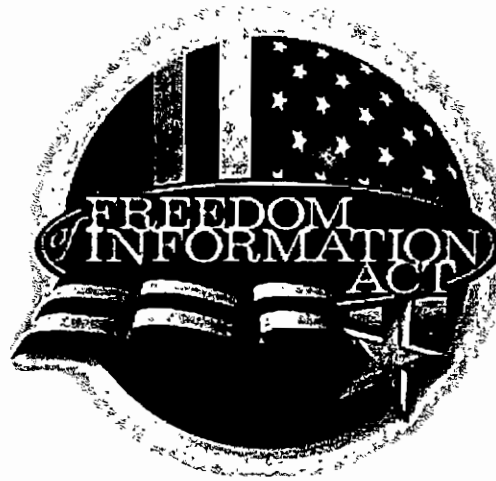
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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
ST. PAUL, MINN.

Mr. E. E. Clegg,
Inspector,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 511,
St. Paul, Minn.

J. S. LEMAN
Editorial Post, Care, From,
JOHN WILLIAMS ET AL
Nat. B. V. Post

Dear sir:

Referring to my letters of May 1 and 2, 1934, I am in receipt of photographs of Mrs. Joseph J. Mann alias Maria Virginia Mann, Marie Marion Comfort alias Mrs. Theodore (Hess) Comfort and the children, the three women taking into custody of the little children from Mrs. Northern Wisconsin.

Several witnesses in San Antonio have positively identified the photograph of Maria Virginia Mann as the woman posing as the wife of Jimmie Williams (George Tolson) here in San Antonio during the latter part of November and the first part of December, 1933.

Witnesses have likewise identified the photograph of Marie Marion Comfort as the woman that was with Wayne Johnson (Hess) and Victor).

I have not as yet identified Ann Johnson as being with the bunch while they were here, however, efforts are being continued along that line.

For whatever use it may be, I am transmitting herewith and also to the offices receiving copies of this letter, reproduction of a black picture of three children. The little boy on the right is "Dinkie" the alleged son of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Williams (George Tolson). This picture was taken by one of the neighbors of E. J. Johnson while Johnson, his wife Jimmie Williams, Wayne Johnson and their woman made a trip to Laredo, Texas. On that day they left their little boy in Johnson's home. The picture was obtained from Mrs. Johnson.

A thorough check has been made of the Express Company records here from June, 1933, to date, and the shipments noted in my letter to you of May 2, 1934, are the only records found of shipments to Joseph Bennett, Minneapolis, Minn., however, the following record of shipments may be of interest:

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FILE

Mr. E. H. Clegg, JR

May 2, 1934

Shipment No. 1.
Mar. 9, 1934, Shipper E. Lehman, San Antonio, Texas.
One suit case weight 21 1/2 (actual) value \$200.00
Shipped to Mel Lehman, 2114 Walnut Street,
St. Louis, Mo. Charges collect.

Shipment No. 2.
Mar. 9, 1934, Shipper E. Lehman, San Antonio, Texas.
One suit case weight 21 1/2 (actual) value \$200.00
Shipped to Max Wallner, 223 Kings Hwy.,
St. Louis, Mo. Charges collect.

A check of long distance telephone calls from Belmont 21572, a
pay station in E. S. Lehman's place of business, reflects the following
calls:

7-23-33 E. S. Lehman, calling Max Moses, Telephone 27000,
Fort Worth, Texas. Did not reach him at number called and
talked to him at Wolf & Klor, Telephone 27000.

7-23-33 E. S. Lehman calling John Stockmayer, Jr., 21
Main 472, El Paso, Tex. (rush call) talked 4 minutes.

7-30-33 E. S. Lehman calling John Stockmayer, Jr., 21
Main 472, El Paso, Texas, talked 3 minutes.

9-19-33 Chicago, Telephone 60, George Christl, Texas,
calling Lehman, San Antonio, Texas, collect.

10-4-33 E. S. Lehman calling John Stockmayer,
Main 2207, El Paso, Texas, talked 3 minutes.

It will be noted in statement made by Lehman on April 29, 1934,
he purchased machine guns from both Chicago and Stockmayer in the latter part
of September and October, 1933. It is possible that these calls had to
do with the machine gun transactions.

Lehman furnished bail in the sum of \$2,000.00 in connection with
the complaint filed against him before the U. S. Commissioner here charg-
ing possession of a stolen government pistol. He also furnished bail in
the State Court in the sum of \$1,000.00 on a complaint filed by District

Mr. E. H. Clegg, #8

May 8, 1934.

Attorney Walter Ryan charging him with possession of Thompson machine gun in violation of the Texas statute. District Attorney Ryan states that he will indict Johnson during the summer when under the law.

Further down in letter also an account of a letter from Jimmie Williams, Texas Native and an attorney in the State of Illinois.

For the information of the St. Louis office, which is requested to check the shipments mentioned herein, I am attaching herewith copies of the statements obtained from E. J. Johnson.

One T. Jones,
Special Agent in Charge

cc Division,
Chicago
Dallas
El Paso
St. Louis



RONALD -
SON OF GEORGE

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P. O. Box 7766
Cincinnati, Ohio

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DIVISION ONE



MAIL ROOM
10-3000

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
525 Lafayette Building,
Detroit, Michigan.

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

Dear Sir:-

Special Agent Chapman Fletcher, working at Columbus, Ohio in the above matter, was handed by Warden Thomas of the Ohio State Penitentiary, the attached letter addressed to him by Mrs. Eulalia Gallepder, Galion, Ohio, in which the writer urges the warden to free Pierpont, Makley, et al. The writer undoubtedly is a fanatic on the matter of "religion", but it is believed it might be well to determine just who she is and what her interest is in the Dillinger case.

Very truly yours,

ELISS MORTON, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Division
Chicago

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Gov. White,)
Att. Pierpont!!!!!!!)

Law Offices
LOUIS P. PIQUETT
Suite 2110
228 N. LaSalle St.
Chicago

(This hardened criminal
(lawyer has more feeling
(& more sympathy than some
(of our socalled Christians.

Telephones Central 8847
8848

Mrs. Eulalia Callender
Galion,
Ohio.

March 7, 1934.

My Dear Mrs. Callender,

Yours of March 7th, received and read with great deal of interest. Let me say in behalf of my client I certainly appreciate a very tender feeling reading between the lines of your short message. I can clearly realize the trend of your beautiful heart.

I will undertake seriously to have the message delivered to my client in person. You may rest assured that I am perfectly safe in saying that the party in question will be most appreciative of your very sweet offerings and thought. I, like you believe that it was the hand of God that enabled this young Christian soul to live on.

From my experience with the party in question, I can safely tell you that he will rob no banks, but it is his firm intention to travel in the path of righteousness. He is a great student of the Bible. The last conversation I had with him he had told me that it was his intention to give the balance of his life in this world to God, and beyond any doubt your sweet prayers have had a great deal to do with this deliverance.

I will be most happy to talk in person with as sweet a mind as I think you have, so if any time in the near future you feel well enough to come to Chicago you may meet me at my office address. I will be more than glad to discuss this matter with you further.

With very deepest appreciation for your very kind and thoughtful message, I beg to remain yours very sincerely and truly,

LOUIS P. PIQUETT

This is copy of letter I sent to Hoover at Washington. Again if God forgives why cant the State forgive too?!! Sincerely

E.C.

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"COPY"

Galion, Ohio 5-1-34
Tues.

Dear Mr. Thomas -

I do feel sorry for you, but I want you to know I am hoping and I am praying that those poor men will stay free. The very walls of the penitentiary can fall down in answer to prayer - like some city in the bible the walls, I mean. Seems it was Jericho. I just wish some of the walls would fall down. Maybe then wardens will be sorry. One warden I know - that Lewis Kunkel person up at Mich. City - that poor Harley Edwards who was carried bleeding and unconscious to the chair to satisfy the State - the warden said, to satisfy the devil! I cried over that all right - not one night but many nights - this damnable murder, that's all it is. More calm, more deliberate than any murder every committed. I wouldn't be a warden if I had to starve to death. I honest wouldn't, not for all the filthy dollars in the State of Ohio, and the Governor is just as guilty and the people too who shrug their shoulders and say "It's too bad. My pen is about to run clear away. I can't keep up with my thots and it worries me, then the ink gets all tangled and twisted. I nearly always write down my thots as fast as they come, and they come pretty fast sometimes. Now for those poor men why doesn't the State just leave them go! Seems you would be glad they are free. If I were a warden I know I would be. The men are sorry, I guess, and if God, again I ask, if God forgives a man, why can't the State forgive too and be merciful and forget. The gov't is so dumb about Dillinger I mean. Let me hasten to say since someone said I seemed in love with J.D., that's very likely! I already have one perfectly good husband and I certainly don't want any more. The perfectly good husband is official of some kind on Big Four, hence the pass that I use on the trips I go to Columbus to meet some of the Dillinger gang. Matt Leech says I am the one who sent the scripture verses. Seems you said something too. He (Matt Leech) gave his opinion it was the Galion woman. His opinion - now Matt Leech knows my opinion and I also sent spec. regist. letter to him, J. Edgar Hoover at Washington, head of Justice Dept. Justice! What a funny word. They call Dillinger a fugitive from justice. It's just a dumb word that doesn't mean anything any more not in America I mean. This whole country needs to be turned upside down from the government down, that sounds kind of "red" I guess. I don't know. I don't care. That sounds kind of hard too, I guess, but I want you to know that my heart is full. How folk can be so calm when so much injustice all over the land I can't see. Bear with me. I couldn't make things any worse if I tried. And today the town board at Mooresville got a letter from me for not sticking up for Dillinger. They're just afraid and the Chief of Police at Tucson got a letter too. I enc. copy of letter from one Piquett. Rev. Wall was so kind on the phone. He seemed sorry for me. I mean sorry I couldn't see Pierpont, but I will see Pierpont, maybe in Heaven? Listen,

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these men must not die. Please you see that they wait. If they do die some awful thing may happen, worse than the fire. I shall write to the Sheriff at Lima soon as I can and he will be merciful I know that Judge & Botkins just you wait and see. Something might happen to him. They might fall over dead or something, You know Mr. Thomas we think we can "get by" but we can't. The way of the transgressor is hard. I've found it so and at last I was tried, so tried one day I couldn't think or pray or care anymore. It was a Fri. morning on Jan. 19th. It was on that morning the word came from Bishop Branon telling me the little black girl didn't hang just a poor little dumb child she was. It mattered not, so we shot. She was black. I like negroes. I always have. My mother did too. I'm so glad God gave me a good mother, a praying mother. So often I've said Bonnie's Son needs a good mother. Of all the woman on earth I so often wondered how it came that I am the mother of Bonnie Son - the promised little girl. Of all women on earth how it came to me. So unworthy. So utterly so. So terrible I am So full of ----- I'm just the Big ----- myself. Robin will tell you so, and Rev. Turley will tell you too. I've rambled away from my good mother God gave me. I was telling you, a hard life she had. A lovely life too, but some good angel must have watched over my brave little mother as she watched over me in the old loghouse down in the pinewoods of Carolina. This is all very vague. About the bible verses, that was very clear. "Let not your heart be troubled" and all that. I don't need to tell you, I didn't do it. You know I did not. and of course J. D. didn't do it either. You must think him awful dumb or something. I mean to feel worried he will try to free the prisoners. I guess John isn't so dum to try that. Say, maybe I'm not so dumb either. I dream dreams and I write letters and I think of strange things nobody else ever does. Folk look at you and think you're green and all that, but I don't give a DAM what folk think or say. Preachers can say that. I can too. Somehow tho I can write it better than I can say it. Sometimes it expresses exactly how I feel. I was thinking and I am praying that maybe if Mr. Roosevelt pardoned Dillinger he might go see Pierpont someday and the others if they don't die and of course they must not. You can smile if you like, but God doesn't burden people for nothing. I am deeply burdened for Pierpont. Listen to me. Have you no burden, no concern in your soul for the men? Did you feel badly and did you weep over the pictures of them in chains? Didn't you feel sorry too when the 3 pals dressed and waited that day? But Dillinger didn't come. Don't feel uneasy. He sont. I'm sure he won't come there ever. Of course down deep in my soul I wish they could go free. I wrote Judge King and Attorney Miller of Lima. Surely others are praying too. I tell you God is getting tired of all this char, rope and gas murder Folk better be careful. They better go slow. We might do well to remember His warning - His words "Touch not mine annointed and do my prophets no harm". So heartless the order "Shoot to kill" Dillinger. I tell you God can send down just one angel from Heaven

tired?

more powerful than all the police on earth - Every time they try to get Dillinger I think he sends down all the angels in Heaven. "Shoot to kill" If shoot they must they might do well to shoot first some of our dear bankers. I was telling you about that morning on Jan. 19th. I had been pouring out my soul to Robert Brickner of Cleveland. I had told him the little girl could live and I was tired and somehow I felt it wasn't right it wasn't fair I should bear the burden all alone. I cried all over that letter. What have you done? What if it were your Joyce? I wrote on. And then I went downstairs to rest. It was almost time for lunch. I had to hurry and God sure can hurry too sometimes. God isn't every one minute late. Now get this straight. I was not asleep. I just laid down to rest for a few brief seconds and then it seemed as if God was sorry forme and the man of Sorrows looked down on me, I wasn't asking God for one thing anymore. I wasn't looking up thru blinding tears as I have for years and years, begging for peace, for something, I knew not what. I was quiet and I was still. Mostly I was tired. I couldn't do any more, then I just looked up and I thought of some beautiful poem I had heard "And now we lie in Flanders Field" and now we lie (To you from failing hands we throw the torch - be sure to hold it right) If you break faith with us who die, we shall not sleep in Fl. Field. Of course I suppose you think I'm Clear crazy. Its alright if you do. Brace yourself as I go on. Where I have worked is when something happened. Right then just as plain as I see the pen in my hand I saw Robert Brickner standing there. I didn't see him with my eyes. But I can show you just where he was, then so gently, so firmly he reached out and took the torch from my hand and so willingly it seemed. I felt he was glad to take the burden, the cross, or the torch, and I felt that in his hands all would be well. Its strange it wasn't Jesus, or some angel or even some Bishop. It wasn't anybody but Robert _____ then he was gone and I was alone. But not alone for in that minute it was as if some door just opened inside of me somewhere and I was free. I mean the worry went out and peace came in and rest, and I was trying to say "Come now therefore and I will send you" and I felt so lifted and so strong it was as if some other power came and all that day I was saying "Strengthen me in my heart and in my home and let the world come as it still is lasting. Some power holds me up as if I were on some billowy waves. I can feel the spray in my face, but the waves do not overflow " A few weeks after that I was stunned when I read Rev. 2nd and 3rd Chapters. I didn't even know that was in the bible, No one ever told me. It seems someone would have told me. "Behold'. I have set before you an open door, that no man can shut". An open door, a prison door. If only I could go maybe my little girl can go someday. All my heart goes out to those poor men behind prison doors. There's worse men out of jail than in jail, that I know. How well I know. If only someone would go and tell them about God I know they would be sorry If only Gov. of Indiana would be brave enough to tell the world he would be responsible for Dillinger and see him thru. I can see character in his eyes. Can't you see it too? If folk like Dillinger

could know people believe in them they would be so grateful and so proud and they would go straight. I just feel certain John would go straight. I had just sent a little dear book by Paul Rader to Attorney Piquett for Dillinger, a little rainbow book in my last letter and copy of a beautiful poem - let me tell you the last verse, "And I have known how tender hands could help me on my way, How love of one who understands can bless me day by day and I have seen how ruthless deeds Can leave dear eyes, tear-blind, So I know my own soul's needs, Oh, God, make me kind."

Now I will stop, I have a dreadful headache. Pardon the dumb things I said. I hope I can see you some time. That woman wasn't me last Sunday. Can't I come down. See Pierpont some time, the little girl and me? I forgot to tell you I have a sweet little letter from _____ Dillinger. She tells me John saw pictures of my little girl. ✓

Won't you please send this letter and the one to Rev. R. E. Wall to Gov. White. I do get so tired sometimes and show him little pictures too of B Lou.

Eulalia Callender." ✓

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MAY 1 1934
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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

Dear Sir:

Re: *D* Dillinger. Have you tried poison?

Observe enclosed clipping. The Bureau of Standards could supply an irritant that would at least bring open warfare.

The medicament can be induced in the cannery. A truck with sign "GROCERY SALE" ought to be good bait.

Thanking you for your indulgence, I am,

Yours truly,

C.R. VAUGHN
87 Sierra Blvd.
Visalia, Calif.

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Government orders from J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the Department of Justice, were relayed to Werner Hannl and Melvin Purvis, district chiefs, advising them to warn all citizens against aiding any of the Dillinger gang.

Harboring the fugitives will result in arrest and prosecution, the order said, and anyone giving clothing, food, fuel, and aid would be prosecuted, regardless of the duress to which they might be submitted by the convicts.

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Mr. C. E. Vaughn,
87 Sierra Boulevard,
Visalia, California.

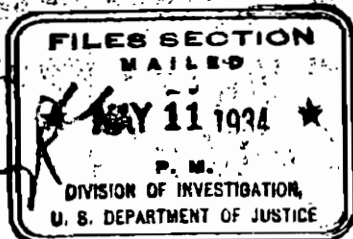
Dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your undated letter suggesting methods to be used for the purpose of effecting the apprehension of John Dillinger.

I wish to assure you that your interest is appreciated and that your suggestions will be given due consideration.

Very truly yours,

Director,



JAS

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San Antonio Tex May 4 1934

Director

F J Blake
 Division of Investigation
 US Dept of Justice
 420 Post Office Bldg
 Dallas Texas

This office or military has no record that cable mentioned
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PRESIDENT

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CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

J. C. WILLEVER
FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

1200-AT

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

DALLAS TEXAS MAY 4, 1934

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1216 SMITH YOUNG TOWER
SAN ANTONIO TEXAS

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1410 Fairmount Avenue,
Wichita, Kansas.

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Department of Justice, ONE
Identification Bureau,
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

Kindly send me photographs of Homer Van Meter, Harry Fox, Nelson, and of each other of the men suspected of being with Dillinger and Tommy Carroll in Wisconsin.

I am with Kansas State Highway Patrol assigned to bank robberies and I am endeavoring to identify a dark, heavy set, heavy eyebrowed, Italian type man who was with Tommy Carroll on a bank robbery in Kansas.

If you are not permitted to send photographs and descriptions to me, then kindly send above information to Wint Smith, Attorney for State Highway Com., Topeka, Kansas who is my Chief.

Very truly yours,

John W. Spaulding
John W. Spaulding.

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JOSEPH FOX

Age - 29

Height - 5' 9"

Weight - 154

Build - medium

Eyes - yellow slate

Hair Dark chestnut

Complexion - medium

Police No. - Indiana State Prison No. 13883

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May 12, 1934

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Mr. John W. Spaulding,
Kansas State Highway Patrol,
1410 Fairmount Avenue,
Wichita, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the request contained in your undated communication, there are attached the following identification orders issued by this Division on John Dillinger and members of his gang:

Identification Order No. 1217, John Dillinger, with alias.
Identification Order No. 1220, John Hamilton, with alias.
Identification Order No. 1222, Homer Van Meter, with aliases.
Identification Order No. 1223, Lester M. Gillis, with aliases.
Identification Order No. 1224, Thomas Leonard Carroll, with aliases.
Identification Order No. 1225, Albert W. Reilly, with aliases.

You will also find enclosed a photograph of Harry Fox who escaped from the Indiana State Prison, Michigan City, Indiana, on September 26, 1933.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Enclosure 551096.



U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

Los Angeles, California

May 5, 1934



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

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with telephone request of Mr. S. P. Cowley, I interviewed Mr. Carl Laemmle, Sr., President of the Universal Pictures Corporation, in the afternoon of May 3, 1934. Special Agent E. J. Geehan was present at the interview.

Mr. Laemmle stated that on May 2nd, his organization had released a statement to all newspapers, which statement was published by about twenty-five hundred papers in this country, offering a \$5000.00 reward for any information leading to the capture of John Dillinger. The officials of the Universal Pictures Corporation were to be the judges in paying this reward.

Mr. Laemmle further advised that the newspapers were promised that his organization would also make this statement regarding the reward in its Universal News Reel, which was to be made on May 4, 1934.

It appears that Mr. Laemmle's family, as well as himself, feel that John Dillinger or some of his associates may attempt to kidnap or injure some of the Laemmle family as a means of revenge, because of the fact that the Universal Pictures Corporation offered the reward. Mr. Laemmle, therefore, decided that he did not wish to attract more attention to his family than could possibly be helped, and would not, therefore, broadcast the statement regarding the reward through his news reel.

It was ascertained that neither Mr. Laemmle nor any member of his family has received any written or oral threats of any kind, and their only reason for anticipating any trouble was the reward offered as above related.

Mr. Laemmle, his son-in-law Mr. Stanley Bergerman, as well as Mr. Laemmle's secretary, Mr. J. H. Ross, who were present at the interview, were furnished with the office telephone numbers and my home telephone number, as well as the home telephone number of Special Agent Geehan, so that they could reach either myself or Agent Geehan

Director - #2.

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during my absence, at any time during the day or night. They agreed to immediately communicate with me, should they receive threats of any kind. They were appropriately instructed in the manner of preserving any letters or written communications of a questionable nature received, so that no more fingerprints than necessary would appear thereon.

The home of Mr. Carl Laemmle, Sr. is at 1051 Benedict Canyon Drive, Beverly Hills, and all members of his immediate family reside at the residence. It is a sixteen-room house on a thirty-two acre estate. He has a guard on duty there at all times. Mr. Laemmle and his family do not desire any guards, or any other protection, and appear to be very appreciative of the interest taken by this Division in contacting them so promptly regarding this matter.

Very truly yours,



B. E. SACKETT, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

BES:AB

May 5, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

In connection with the case entitled John Dillinger, with aliases, I.O. #1217, et al; National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, reference is made to the letter addressed to Walter Winchell and beginning, "Dear Winchell - Was my hair red -", postmarked Milwaukee, Wisconsin, April 25, 1934.

The original letter and envelope were submitted by Mr. Cowley, for examination in the Division laboratory. Eleven latent fingerprints were developed thereon, four of which have been identified with the fingerprints of Walter Winchell. Of the remaining latent prints one was found to be susceptible of classification and has been searched through the single fingerprint file, but no identification was effected.

The fingerprints of the individuals listed below have been compared with the unidentified latent fingerprints with negative results.

John Dillinger, our file #68382.
Horner Tapscotter, our file #57922.
Otto Abee, our file #72042.
Opal Milligan, our file #776865.
Mrs. C. DeHarmon, our file #106880.
Thomas Banks, #1328 USM St. Paul.
Joseph A. Burns, our file #419408.
Evelyn Frchette, our file #776138.
Sidney Rosen, St. Paul Div. Off.
Joseph Cox, our file #284943.
Frisco Dutch Steinhardt, our file #36633.
George Nelson, our file #342742.

John Hamilton, our file #110358.
Orville S. Simpey, our file #427607.
Albert J. Kelly, #24455 PD Minneapolis, Minnesota.
Merritt Longbrake, our file #32904.
Jack Praiffer, our file #47641.
William Weaver, our file #19220.
Lawrence Strong, our file #775139.
Clarence P. Kimmel, St. Paul Div. Off.
Mrs. T. J. Randall, St. Paul Div. Off.
Tom Carroll, our file #114729.

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Very truly yours,

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

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May 4, 1934

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MR. CLEGG
MR. COWLEY
MR. EDWARDS
MR. EGAN
MR. QUINN
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MR. ROBB

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

The Secretary of Congressman Wilcox of Florida, called here this morning and advised that they had a telegram from Governor Schultz of Florida, advising that Governor Schultz has approved Dillinger reward plan and for your information will probably issue appeal to other Governors on Saturday; "Can you give me any information on Hoover before 2 P.M.?" I asked what information she wanted and she stated they didn't know, but that she assumed the request was for information concerning Mr. Hoover's connection with the appeal to Governors to offer a reward for the apprehension of Dillinger. I told her that Mr. Hoover had no connection with this plan.

John P. Cowley

Respectfully,

S. P. Cowley
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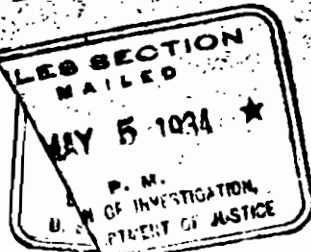
MEMORANDUM FOR MR. COWLEY

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In regard to your memorandum of May 4, 1934, covering a conversation had with the secretary of Congressman Wilcox of Florida, concerning a reward which the Governor of Florida is issuing for the apprehension of Dillinger, I of course do not know anything about this matter or about any such movement upon the part of any other Governor. This Division can take no part in any such proposal. What the individual Governors may desire to do is their own responsibility.

Very truly yours,

Director.



Suite L, Federal Building
Kansas City, Missouri

May 2, 1934

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DIVISION ONE



Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 815
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

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

Reference is made to the case entitled Edward Doll, with aliases, in which St. Louis is the office of origin, and to the report of Special Agent E. L. Shivers, dated at Jacksonville, Florida, February 23, 1934. It will be noted in the reference report, starting with page twenty-eight, sub-caption Bremer kidnaping matter, that Doll, alias Foley, gave his opinion that among others one Whitley Anderson participated in the Bremer kidnaping. It will also be noted that Foley remarked that he could readily identify a photograph of Anderson if furnished with one. In connection therewith the photograph of George Malawa, #3439, State Penitentiary, Joliet, Illinois, was exhibited to Foley some time in the past, but the latter stated he could not identify it as a likeness of Whitley Anderson.

On May 3, 1934, while Special Agent E. E. Anderson was interviewing Doll at the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, the latter stated that a few days before he saw a photograph of Whitley Anderson in a newspaper. He advised Agent Anderson that Whitley Anderson is identical with Lester M. Willis, alias Baby Face Nelson, I.O. #1223. Foley was questioned at some length and repeatedly maintained that he was not mistaken in his identification.

In the report of Special Agent E. W. Mahan, St. Louis, Missouri, March 19, 1934, relative to the case indicated above, it is noted in paragraph two, page three, that the Buick Sedan used in the Effingham, Illinois, bank robbery was seen at a road house near Pana, Illinois, several days prior to the robbery. Foley, while being held at Tampa, Florida, stated that the three individuals, who participated with him in the Effingham bank robbery, made their way to a road house which they had used as a rendezvous shortly after the robbery.

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It appears likely therefore that the road house in question is the one operated by Gladys Chew, Agent, while talking to Foley, and after he had identified Whitey Anderson as Lester W. Gillis, alias Baby Face Nelson, was advised that sooner or later Whitey Anderson will make contact at the road house in question. Foley said that he surmised that by observing this place it may be possible to apprehend not only Gillis, but other members of the Dillinger mob.

Foley advised that an individual known to him as Art, who operated an army store at Indiana Harbor, Indiana is also a contact man for Gillis and at all times is in a position to tell of Gillis' whereabouts.

The foregoing information has been furnished in order that the appropriate investigation may be made by the various offices indicated in this letter.

Very truly yours,

M. G. SPEAR, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

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St. Louis (2)
Chicago (2)

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Division of Investigation

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

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May 4, 1934

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

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that you cause to be returned to the St. Paul office, the two Caliber .351 Rifles, which were forwarded to the Division, and which are guns seized from members of the Dillinger mob at St. Paul.

These rifles should be in use at the St. Paul Division office and are required for this office.

Very truly yours,

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**WERNER HANNI,
Special Agent in Charge.**

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May 16, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 919,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of May 4, 1934,
requesting the return to your office of the two
Caliber .351 rifles seized in connection with the
efforts being made to apprehend John Dillinger.

I beg to advise that the rifles in
question should, in my opinion, be retained by the
Division here at Washington. If you should need a
further supply of firearms I wish that you would
comply with recent instructions issued to all field
offices and so indicate to me at a very early date.
In other words, if you believe that the St. Paul
Office has use for two rifles of this type, I wish
that you would notify me accordingly.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

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May 5, 1934.

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

ALL FIELD OFFICES

Dear Sir:

Re: John Herbert Dillinger, with aliases,
Fugitive, Identification Order 1217, et al;
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act;
Obstruction of Justice.

There are attached full-length photographs of
Lester M. Gillis, with aliases, Identification Order 1223,
in order that they may be available for investigation which
may arise in your district in connection with the above
entitled case.

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Very truly yours,

Director.

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

May 8, 1934

Hon. George F. Sullivan,
United States Attorney,
221 Post Office Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Re: JOHN HERBERT MILLINER, with
aliases, FUGITIVE, I.C. #1517, et al.
S.E.V.T.A. - HARBORING,
St. Paul File No. 25-2434.

Please be advised that I am, today, in receipt of a telegram from the Kansas City Office of this Division to the effect that WELTON SPARKS, register #42165, United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, has viewed the photograph of MARY EVELYN FRICHETTE and has advised that he married this woman in the Cook County Jail, at Chicago, Illinois, on August 3, 1932; that they were married by County Chaplain Ware under the name of WALTER SPARKS and EVELYN FRICHETTE, and that they are not divorced.

The Chicago Division Office will furnish additional details.

Very truly yours,

H. M. GLEGG, INSPECTOR

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May 5, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,

Attention: Mr. J. J. Edwards.

Dear Sir:

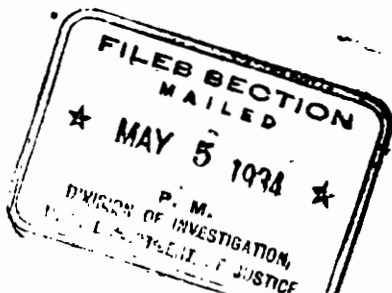
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Obstruction of Justice.

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Very truly yours,

Director.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
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Attention: Mr. W. R. Glavin.

Dear Sir:

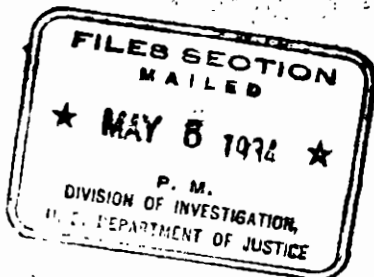
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Very truly yours,

Director.

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May 5, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,

Attention: Assistant Director Tolson.

Dear Sir:

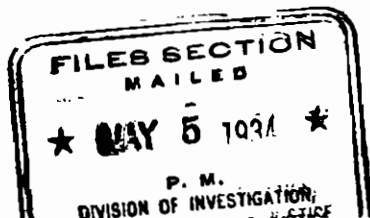
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Very truly yours,

Director

Enclosure 685862



From

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

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- MR. CLEGG
- MR. COWLEY
- MR. EDWARDS
- MR. EGAN
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- CHIEF CLERK
- MR. ROSEN

MEMORANDUM

Note - "Noted and statement
made to Press. HSC."
April 26, 1934.

- Solicitor General Biggs
- Assistant to the Attorney General Stanley
- Assistant Attorney General Stephens
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- Assistant Attorney General Keenan
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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 26, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

In order that you may be fully advised concerning certain recent newspaper comments, and particularly one emanating from Mercer, Wisconsin, to the effect that a petition has been drawn up and is being circulated among citizens of Mercer, Wisconsin, requesting the suspension of Special Agent in Charge M. H. Purvis, of the Chicago office, as a result of the shooting which occurred near Rhinelander, 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. H. H. 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 Mahlberg, a camera man, and A. S. Aslekson, reporter, arrived at Mercer, Wisconsin, where they employed one Herbert M. 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 Mercer, 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.

✓ 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 Mercer 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. M. 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 corps of

Special Agents was immediately dispatched to this point and an inquiry conducted which disclosed that Dillinger and his associates had left Sault Sainte Marie on April 17, 1934. After it had been determined at Sault Sainte Marie that Dillinger 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 Dillinger 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 Dillinger, John Hamilton, and Pat Cherrington, who had departed from Sault Sainte Marie on April 17th.

Mr. Olander 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 Dillinger 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 Dillinger hunt. I believe it will be very helpful if some politic 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,

Edgar Hoover
Director.

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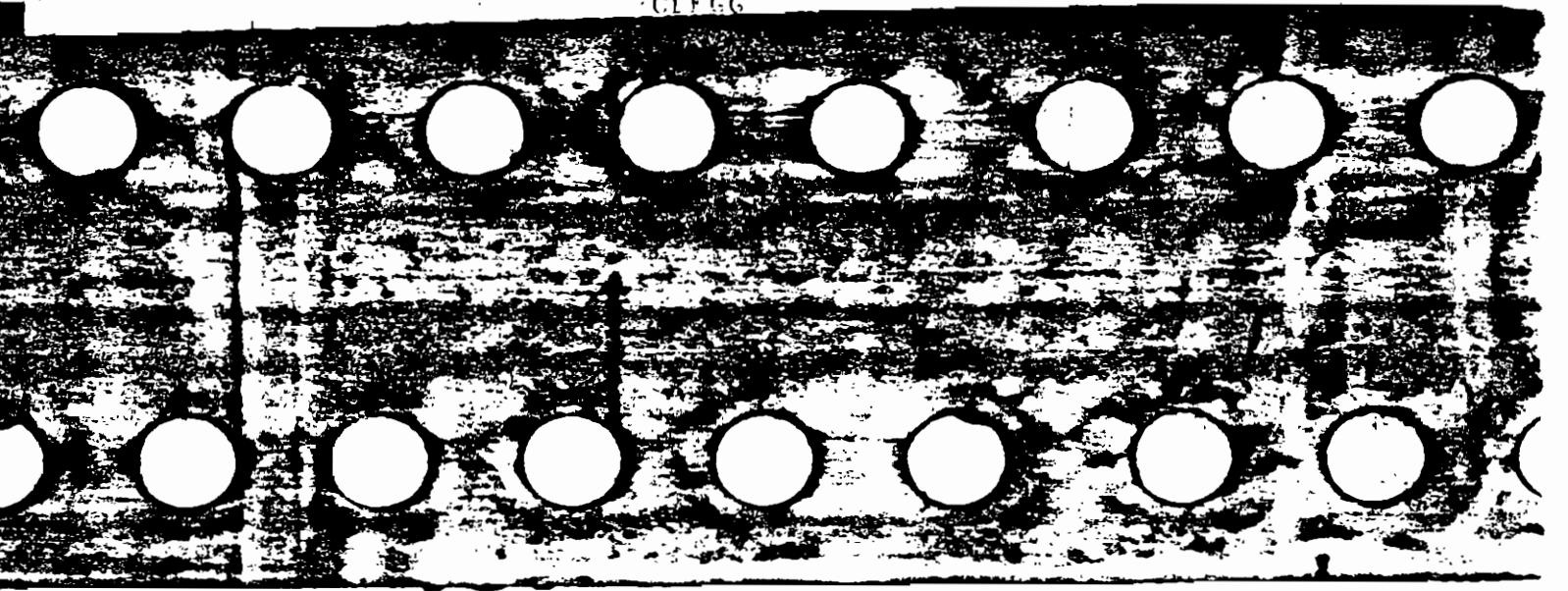
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THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 25, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

I am attaching hereto a copy of an article which appeared in last evening's Washington Star, and which emphasizes a statement made by Senator Copeland, quoting him as saying, "A pathetic failure of cooperation between Federal, State and local authorities" has existed in the Dillinger case. I am bringing this to your attention because I believe it is particularly unfortunate that any one should indulge in statements of this kind at the present time. In the first place, the Federal authorities have been receiving very excellent cooperation from the State and local law enforcement agencies. Following the publication of this statement yesterday, which statement was carried by the Associated Press in papers throughout the country, inquiries were made by some of the local law enforcement officers in the Middle West as to why such a statement had appeared, in view of the assistance and cooperation which they had been extending to us. Our Agents have of course indicated that this statement did not emanate from the Department of Justice. Such statements are not helpful, but rather tend to tear down the cooperation which we have been trying to build up, and such statements are particularly unfortunate when they are untrue, as in this instance.

Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover
Director.

Incl. #365937

From

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

to

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MEMORANDUM

- Solicitor General Biggs
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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 27, 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 Baum 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.

W. J. ...

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 709
Portland, Oregon

May 5, 1934



K. G. W. A.
AIR MAIL

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

This will refer to letter of the Los Angeles office dated April 30, 1934, to the Division in the above entitled matter, copy of which was referred to this office. The letter is with reference to Colt .38 caliber super-automatic pistol, serial No. 13583, recovered at St. Paul following a gun battle with John Dillinger on March 31st, the gun being traced to the partnership known as the Western Arms Company, Los Angeles. From information contained in the letter of the Los Angeles office, C. F. Daniels, one of the members of the partnership, made a statement in 1932 that he was going to Seattle.

K. G. W. A.
Investigation conducted by Special Agent W. K. Bowling at Seattle fails to reflect any information regarding C. F. Daniels as well as Walter or Victor A. Daniels. They are not listed in the directories and there is a similar lack of information pertaining to any concern known as the Western Arms Company at Seattle. Agent Bowling conducted inquiry at the Schwabacher Hardware Company, 1st and Jackson Streets, and the Seattle Hardware Company 501 1st Avenue, Seattle, who are distributors of Colt and Smith & Wesson firearms. No information could be obtained showing that C. F., Walter, or Victor A. Daniels have ever been engaged in the sale of firearms in Seattle.

Very truly yours,

C. C. Spears

C. C. SPEARS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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May 5, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. COWLEY

During telephonic conversation today, Mr. Clegg advised me that Beasia Green was being arraigned at 9:30 this morning. She is going to enter a plea of guilty and imposition of sentence will be deferred until after the trial of Evelyn Frechette, which will probably be a week or ten days.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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E E CONROY
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U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BLDG SUITE L
KANSAS CITY MISSOURI

NIGHT LETTER

RE ~~LEEMAN~~ TOMMY CARROLL ETAL MACHINE GUN MATTER SAN ANTONIO ORIGIN FURNISH SAN ANTONIO
LEAVENWORTH PENITENTIARY PHOTOGRAPHS CHUCK FISHER RECENTLY SENTENCED FIVE YEARS
MAIL ROBBERY STOP ALSO BREKID MYRTLE EATON KNOWN TO FREQUENTLY VISIT NELL HOWARD
OF KANSAS CITY ADDRESS UNKNOWN

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NIGHT LETTER

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GUS T JONES
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
1216 SMITH-YOUNG TOWER
SAN ANTONIO



RE ^oLEEMAN CARROLL ETAL MACHINE GUN MATTER INFORMATION RECEIVED OTHER PARTY IN SAN ANTONIO
WAS CHECK FISHER NOW IN LEAVENWORTH SERVING RECENTLY IMPOSED FIVE YEAR SENTENCE MAIL
ROBBERY STOP KANSAS CITY BEING REQUESTED SEND YOU PHOTOGRAPHS STOP CARROLL
SUPPOSED BE MAKING PLAY HOR MANICURIST THERE ON OCCASION OF THEIR VISIT

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W
H H Clegg Inspector
Division of Investigation
US Dept of Justice
203 Post Office Bldg
St Paul Minn.



Re: Lohman Carroll et al machine gun matter TSP Refer copy my letter to Director January fifth last re Charles W Fisher WA Tommie Carroll WA et al Fisher is individual who was here with Carroll et al under name Keith stop You should have photograph Fisher transmitted with copy letter referred to

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 cc Kansas City
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CAA:CH

May 4, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Suite L - Federal Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

With further reference to the case of Vernon C. Miller,
(Deceased) et al; Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner, there is
transmitted herewith a box containing specimens of the bullet and
cartridge fired from Thompson Machine Gun #8315, recovered from
some of the Dillinger Gang.

This may be displayed to Mr. Gill in order that it may
be compared with specimens recovered at the Kansas City Massacre,
and should then be returned to the Division.

Very truly yours,

Director,

Enclosure #698788.

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- NLT = Cable Night Letter
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REFERENCE TELEPHONE MESSAGE LAST NIGHT RAIDED FIVE AM
PLACE RALPH HART SEVEN MILE OHIO TOGETHER SHERIFF HAMILTON
OHIO AND CHIEF POLICE MIDDLETOWN OHIO ON REPORT POSSIBLE
LOCATION JOHN DILLINGER NOTHING DEVELOPED STOP RETURNING
TO INDIANAPOLIS FIVE PM TODAY=

CONNELLY .

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From

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

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Official Indicated below by check mark

MEMORANDUM

Solicitor General Biggs	
Assistant to the Attorney General Stanley	
Assistant Attorney General Stephens	
Assistant Attorney General Wideman	
Assistant Attorney General Keenan	
Assistant Attorney General Sweeney	
Assistant Attorney General Blair	
Assistant Solicitor General MacLean	
Mr. Hoover, Director of Investigation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Bates, Director of Prisons	
Mr. Stewart, Administrative Assistant	
Board of Pardon	
Mr. Finch, Pardon Attorney	
Mr. Gardner { General Agent	
{ Chief Clerk	
Mr. Moore, Division of Mails and Files	
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Barker-Karpis
Whitman

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

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

April 26, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

There is attached, for your information, a memorandum concerning the activities of Dr. N. G. Mortensen in treating John Dillinger and members of his mob for bullet wounds.

Your particular attention is invited to Dr. Mortensen's connection in the past with members of the Barker-Karpis gang who are now wanted for the Bremer kidnaping.

Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover
Director.

Enclosure #554620.

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DL	NIGHT LETTER	
RM	NIGHT MESSAGE	
LCB	DEFERRED CABLE	0
WLT	NIGHT CABLE LETTER	
WLT	WEEK END CABLE LETTER	X
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US DEPT OF JUSTICE WASHN DC

RE DILLINGER ETAL SUPER AUTOMATIC PISTOL FOURTEEN THIRTEEN NAUGHT
 USED IN LAST DILLINGER FIGHT WISCONSIN TRACED TO H S LEBMAN WHO
 OPERATES SADDLERY AND HARNESS SHOP HERE AND WHO ALSO OPERATES AS
 A GUNSMITH AND DEALS IN SECOND HAND GUNDS THIS INDIVIDUAL HAS NO
 STATE PERMIT TO DEAL IN GUNS AND KEEPS NO RECORDS WHATEVER STOP HE
 WAS TAKEN INTO

- MR. LATHAM
- MR. [unclear]
- MR. [unclear]
- MR. COWLEY
- MR. EDWARDS
- MR. EGAN
- MR. QUINN
- MR. [unclear]
- CHIEF CLERK
- MR. BLAIR

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DL	DAY LETTER	
DL	NIGHT LETTER	20
ML	MOSEY MESSAGE	
LCB	DEFERRED CABLE	
MLT	MOSEY CABLE LETTER	
WLT	WEEK END CABLE LETTER	
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BSA APR 30 PM 4 34

BMA159/2/80 SANANTONIO DIRECTOR WASHN DC
 CUSTODY HIS PLACE SEARCHED AND SOME TWO HUNDRED RIFLES SHOTGUNS
 AND PISTOLS FOUND THEREIN WHICH HE HAS FOR SALE STOP ONE THOMPSON
 SUB MACHINEGUN FOUND NUMBER ERASED ONE FORTY FIVE AUTOMATIC PISTOL
 WHICH WAS FOUND ON HIS WORK BENCH THAT HE WAS MAKING INTO A MACHINEGUN
 SUBJECT ADMITS IN SWORN STATEMENT THAT ONE JIMMY WILLIAMS AND H L
 KEITH THE LATTER NOW FEDERAL PENITENTIARY POSTOFFICE ROBBERY
 CONTACTED HIM JUNE LAST YEAR AND HE DELIVERED THEM TWO MACHINEGUNS
 AND TWO SUPER

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NL	NIGHT LETTER	
DM	DEFERRED MESSAGE	
LCG	EXPRESS CABLE	
NLV	NIGHT CABLE LETTER	
WLV	WEEK END CABLE LETTER	
	RADIOGRAM	

1934 APR 30 PM 4 34

BMA159/3/80 SANANTONIO DIRECTOR DIV OF INV WASHN DC
AUTOMATIC PISTOLS STOP HE ADMITS THAT IN SEPTEMBER JIMMY WILLIAMS
RETURNED SANANTONIO AND HE DELIVERED HIM TWO SUPER AUTOMATICS AND
TWO THREE EIGHTY AUTOMATICS AND AGREED TO GET ALL MACHINEGUNS HE
COULD FOR WILLIAMS STOP HE STATES HE LOCATED FIVE MACHINEGUNS ELPASO
TEXAS DROVE IN HIS CAR THAT PLACE AND OBTAINED THESE GUNS FROM ONE
JOHN STOCKMEYER BROUGHT GUNS HERE AND SHIPPED THEM BY EXPRESS IN
OCTOBER DOES NOT RECALL DATE AND HAS NO RECORD STOP SHIPMENT
CONSISTED THESE MACHINEGUNS



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NL	NIGHT LETTER
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LED	DEFERRED CABLE
NLT	NIGHT CABLE LETTER
WLT	WEEK END CABLE LETTER
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TWO SUPER AUTOMATICS AND TWO THREE EIGHTY AUTOMATICS ONE OF SUPER AUTOMATICS IS GUN OBTAINED BY DIVISION IN WISCONSIN THIS SHIPMENT WAS DIRECTED TO JOSEPH BENNETT THREE TWO FOUR TWO SIXTEENTH AVENUE SOUTH MINNEAPOLIS MACHINEGUNS FOUND HIS POSSESSION HE ALSO CLAIMS OBTAINED FOR JIMMY WILLIAMS LAST OCTOBER BUT AS HAS HEARD NOTHING FROM ANY OF GANG SINCE DECEMBER DID NOT SHIP IT STOP HE STATES IN NOVEMBER JIMMY WILLIAMS TOMMY CARROLL COMMA KEITH COMMA TOMMY MCGANNON AND WAYNE HUTTNER CAME

Postal Telegraph

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Radio

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DL	DAY LETTER
NL	NIGHT LETTER
RM	REGISTERED MESSAGE
LCB	URGENT CABLE
NLY	NIGHT CABLE LETTER
WLY	WEEK END CABLE LETTER
	RADIOGRAM

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BMA159/6/80 SANANTONIO DIRECTOR DIV OF INV WASHN DC
STOPPED HERE AT BLUE BONNET HOTEL AND KEITH STOPPED AT AURORA
APARTMENTS AT WHICH PLACE I PERSONALLY TOOK HIM INTO CUSTODY COOPERATION
WITH POLICE AT TIME DETECTIVE PERROW WAS KILLED AT THAT TIME NO
INFORMATION AVAILABLE AS TO WHO WAS HERE EXCEPT CARROLL AND KEITH
STOP COMPLAINT FILED THIS MORNING CHARGING LEBMAN POSSESSION STOLEN
GOVERNMENT PROPERTY FULL DETAILS HAVE BEEN FURNISHED STATE AUTHORITIES
IN ORDER PROSECUTION CAN BE INSTITUTED RELATIVE TO STATE OFFENSES IN
CONNECTION WITH HIS UNLAWFULLY HANDLING FIREARMS

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DL	NIGHT LETTER
MM	NIGHT MESSAGE
LCR	DEFERRED CABLE
MLT	NIGHT CABLE LETTER
WLV	WEEK END CABLE LETTER
	RADIOGRAM

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159/7/37 SANANTONIO DIRECTOR DIV OF INV WASHN DC

USA APR 26 AM 4 34

STOP AS PER YOUR TELEPHONIC INSTRUCTIONS HAVE GIVEN WIDE PUBLICITY
THIS MATTER STOP WRITING YOU AIR MAIL TODAY SENDING COPY STATEMENT
OBTAINED FROM LEBMAN STOP HAVE BEEN IN CONSTANT COMMUNICATION
BY TELEPHONE WITH ELPASO STPAUL AND CHICAGO

JONES.

THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING THIS SERVICE

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NM	Night Message
NL	Night Letter
LC	Deferred Cable
NLT	Cable Night Letter
	Ship Radiogram

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RE DILLINGER YOUR MESSAGE RECEIVED OFFICE POSTAL COMPANY

HERE TWELVE FIFTY NINE I WAS AT COMMISSIONERS HEARING OF

H. SLEBMAN ANSWERED SAME IMMEDIATELY UPON ARRIVAL OFFICE CHECK

SHOWS MY MESSAGE APPROXIMATELY FIVE HUNDRED WORDS FILED TWO

TWENTY NINE TRANSMISSION COMPLETED HERE MAY TELEGRAPH IC

COMPANY TWO FORTY THREE=

JONES.

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May 4, 1934

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your telegram dated April 30, 1934, in connection with the arrest of H. S. Lohman at San Antonio, Texas, who has been supplying firearms to a number of notorious criminals.

I have had a check made for the reason of the delay in the receipt of this telegram and have determined that it was filed at the San Antonio office at 2:29 P.M., completed by that office at 2:43 P.M., received by the Postal Telegraph Company at Washington at 4:34 P.M., and delivered to this office shortly before 5:30 P.M. I am further advised that the message was sent by you as a day letter, which accounts for the unnecessary delay in delivery.

It is requested that in the future messages of this kind be forwarded by straight telegram.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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May 3, 1934.

MR. NATHAN.....
MR. TOLSON.....
MR. CLEGG.....
MR. COWLEY.....
MR. EDWARDS.....
MR. EGAN.....
MR. QUINN.....
MR. LESTER.....
CHIEF CLERK...
MR. RORER.....
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

In connection with the attached memorandum dated May 3, 1934, from Mr. Quinn, advising that the delay in the delivery of the telegram from San Antonio on April 30, 1934, was due to the fact that Mr. Jones sent this message by day letter, the attached letter for Mr. Jones has been prepared.

Respectfully,

S.P. Cowley
S. P. Cowley.

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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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May 3, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

With regard to the telegram dispatched to you on April 30, 1934 by Special Agent Jones of the San Antonio, Texas, Office, concerning the Dillinger case, please be informed that in compliance with your request I have conferred with Mr. Nelson, Branch Manager of the Postal Telegraph Company, located in the Investment Building, who advised me that a careful check has been made of this telegram in an effort to ascertain the delay in its delivery. He pointed out first that the letter, at the request of Mr. Jones, was sent by "Day Letter" and was filed at their San Antonio Postal Telegraph Office at 2:29 P.M. on April 30th. He stated that the transmission of this message had been completed by that office at 2:43 P.M., which would make it 3:43 P.M. our time. The message was received in Washington, through the Main Office of the Postal Telegraph Company, at 4:34 P.M. and according to the messenger sheet was started on its way to delivery at 4:56 P.M. The messenger boy delivered a message first at 1615 H Street, Northwest, and then delivered the message in question and, according to the Postal Telegraph Company's records, the messenger boy returned to the office and checked in at 5:30 P.M.

Mr. Nelson stated that it was a rule with the telegraph companies that a day letter must be delivered within two hours from the time of its filing, which rule had been complied with in the instant case. He pointed out, however, that if Mr. Jones or the person sending the telegram had requested that it be expedited it would have carried the proper Postal prefix which would have caused the message to be expeditiously handled although it had been sent by day letter.

I pointed out to Mr. Nelson that in view of the fact that the employees of his Company had noticed that this particular message pertained to the Dillinger case that fact should have been notification of its emergency, coupled with the fact that the message was sent by telegraph. He admitted that it was unfortunate that the boy had not been directed to make delivery of this message prior to delivering the one on H Street. I informed him that the delay in the instant case necessitated telephoning our San Antonio Office in order to secure the message, although it had been transmitted by telegraph. He stated that he hoped no drastic action would be taken against the Company in this particular case and wanted to assure me that every effort would be made in the future to eliminate similar situations.

I do feel that Mr. Jones was partly at fault in this case in designating the message, in view of its importance, as a day letter.

Respectfully,

T. D. Quinn
T. D. Quinn
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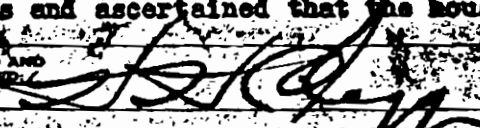
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **San Antonio, Texas,**

St. Paul FILE NO. **62-912**

REPORT MADE AT: St. Paul, Minn.	DATE WHEN MADE: 5-3-34	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5-2-34	REPORT MADE BY: N. H. GLENN
TITLE: H.S. LEHMAN; JOSEPH JOHN HENNETT; MRS. ADELINE HENNETT; THOMAS LEONARD CARROLL, with aliases:		CHARACTER OF CASE: HARBORING FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE, FURNISHING MACHINE GUNS AND GANGSTERS.	
Tom Carroll, James Roy Brock, Jim Brock, Frank Sloan, Frank Sloane, George McLarkon, J.C. McLarkon, Thomas Murphy, and Thomas Murray, I.O. # 1224; MRS. SALLY CARROLL, alias "RADIO SALLY", alias SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: MRS. SALLY HENNETT HERSCHLER; HOMER VAN METER, with aliases: Kenneth Jackson, Kenneth B. Jackson, John M. Ober, George T. Williams, I.O. # 1222, LESTER M. GILLIS, with aliases: George Nelson, "Baby Face" Nelson, Alex Gillis, Lester Gillis, Lester Giles, Big George Nelson, Jimmie Nelson, Jimmie Williams, I.O. # 1223; TOMMY GANNON; MRS. TOMMY GANNON; MRS. LESTER M. GILLIS.		RECEIVED DIVISION ONE MAY 8 1934 ST. PAUL, MINN.	
Synopsis of Facts: CARROLL'S alleged wife, SALLY, is sister of JOSEPH JOHN HENNETT, and resided with CARROLL at HENNETT'S home, Minneapolis, from June until November, 1933. Packages received by express addressed to HENNETT signed for by HENNETT and wife. They deny knowledge of packages containing machine guns or that CARROLL was a fugitive. CARROLL while at HENNETT'S home visited by "BABY FACE" NELSON and VAN METER.			
DETAILS: The inquiries listed below are predicated upon a telephonic communication received from Special Agent in Charge Gus T. Jones on April 29, 1934, indicating that a Jew in San Antonio, Texas, by the name of LEHMAN had, at the instance of "BABY FACE" NELSON, TOMMY GANNON, HOMER VAN METER, and TOMMY CARROLL, shipped machine guns and other weapons to JOSEPH JOHN HENNETT, 3243 - 16th Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Upon receipt of this information, Special Agent O. G. Hall made inquiries and ascertained that the house listed at the above address was vacant.			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED:  SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES 62-2977-219 MAY 8 1934 A M BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: FILE HHC:ACF 070		RECORDED AND INDEXED MAY 8 1934 CHECKED OFF MAY 10 1934 JACKSON
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Received at St. Paul, Minn. May 8, 1934

and the St. Paul Office was advised that this house had been vacant since October or November 1933. Special Agent P. J. Dodd, however, located JOSEPH JOHN BENNETT at his place of employment, and BENNETT was interviewed at the St. Paul Office.

He stated that he resided at 3242 - 16th Avenue South, Minneapolis; that he was a machinist, working on turret lathes and gear shapers for the American Farm Machinery Company on Como Avenue, at City Limits and St. Paul; that his wages were \$20.00 per week. He has previously worked for the Minnetonka Beverage Company at the Excelsior Amusement Park, of which VIC ARNOLD is proprietor. He likewise has worked as machinist for the Northern Pump Company. He was for four and one half years a machinist with the Caterpillar Tractor Company, and he has also worked as a machinist for the Central Machine Works. He served his apprenticeship with the Wilcox Truck Company, 1101 Marshall Street, Minneapolis. He was also a cook for seven years on a dining car with the Northern Pacific Railroad. He claims that at about ten years of age he was placed in a boys orphanage in Minneapolis.

BENNETT stated that he was born in St. Paul; that his step-father is P. R. LEDERMAN, now retired, who resides at 479 Clinton Street, St. Paul, and his mother, MRS. LEDERMAN, worked as a charwoman for several years at the Minnesota State Capitol. He has a sister by the name of EMILY, who was once married to an individual by the name of HERSCHLER. She subsequently divorced HERSCHLER and she is known as SALLY, or "RADIO SALLY" and she is now in Chicago, and a letter was received from her on April 29, 1934 which gave her address as 4701 Beacon Street, Chicago, Illinois. The envelope in which this letter was transmitted is attached here to the Chicago Office copies of this report as a specimen of her handwriting in the event her location becomes essential.

MR. BENNETT states that his sister SALLY eloped about two years ago with TOMMY CARROLL. He has never seen their marriage certificate, and he has heard that probably CARROLL had been married before and probably he had not been divorced. BENNETT states that he has a brother by the name of CHARLES who resides at 1704 Farquar Street in St. Paul, this brother being a cook at present on the Northern Pacific Railroad. MR. BENNETT is a married man and his wife's first name is ADELINE. He has a daughter who will be four years of age on September 19, 1934, and her name is PATRICIA.

MR. BENNETT advised that for a few months after his sister SALLY and TOMMY CARROLL eloped he did not meet CARROLL, and did not know who he was; that he later became acquainted with CARROLL when he visited his sister at the Filben Court Apartments, first floor, third apartment, and that CARROLL and SALLY lived there for three or four months; that they then moved to a house owned by a MR. VOGLER near Robert Street in St. Paul, and he visited CARROLL and SALLY at this place. About May or June, he believes June 1933, TOMMY CARROLL and his sister SALLY moved in the residence occupied by BENNETT at 3242 - 16th Avenue South, Minneapolis. At that time BENNETT did not have steady employment and CARROLL paid \$50.00 per month for the small room on the first floor occupied by BENNETT, and for this \$50.00 MRS. BENNETT did the laundry for both TOMMY CARROLL and SALLY and also boarded them. They continued to reside at this place for several months until some time after Halloween in 1933. It was during November that two officers entered BENNETT'S home for the purpose of taking CARROLL into custody, and CARROLL made his exit by a rear door and kicked one of the officers in the face and got in a Ford truck parked nearby and made his escape. BENNETT stated that this was absolutely the first time that he had ever heard that officers were looking for CARROLL. He and his wife accompanied Minneapolis police officers to the Police Department and there were shown a machine gun which they stated had been taken from luggage in possession of CARROLL at the time of the attempted arrest, and both MR. and MRS. BENNETT have advised that they never saw a machine gun previous to that time.

BENNETT was questioned particularly and closely with reference to his ability to manufacture machine guns or to repair weapons of various kinds, and he denied that he was able to do this, claiming that he did not even have a gun in his house, and also stating that he had never owned but one gun and that was a shot gun which TOMMY CARROLL gave him and which he used to go hunting, and the police took this gun when they attempted to arrest CARROLL and have not returned it. He claims that he has never repaired a gun or done any mechanical work on a gun. He was questioned about CARROLL'S vocation and he stated that CARROLL would frequently leave about 9:00 o'clock in the morning and come back late in the afternoon, and he frankly did not know what his business was, but assumed that his sister would not bring a hoodlum into his house.

MR. BENNETT identified the photograph of LESTER M. GILLIS, alias "BABY FACE" NELSON, as an individual who visited TOMMY CARROLL in BENNETT'S residence and who BENNETT knew by the name of JIMMY. He likewise stated that the photograph of HOMER VAN MEETER looked similar to a man who was called WAYNE, although WAYNE, who was tall with dark hair, wore a derby and had a black mustache. He stated that there was some man by the name of "CHUCK" who was likewise present, but he could not give any satisfactory explanation as to "CHUCK'S" identity.

He stated the Post Office Inspectors had talked with him about the receipt of the packages some months ago and had likewise brought to him a letter and asked if he objected to their opening the letter. He stated that he freely granted them permission to open the letter and they did so, and that on the inside of the envelope addressed to BENNETT was another sealed envelope on which the name JIMMY was written. He claims that he did not see the contents of the inner envelope as it was taken by the Post Office Inspectors. He assumes that the message may have been for "BABY FACE" NELSON, whose photograph he identified as the JIMMY who visited TOMMY CARROLL at BENNETT'S residence.

The following signed statement was given by MR. BENNETT:

"My name is Joseph J. Bennett, and I reside at 3242 Sixteenth Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota. I make this statement freely and voluntarily, knowing that it is being made to an officer of the Federal Government.

"I have known an individual by the name of Tommy Carroll since October or November, 1932. This individual by the name of Tommy Carroll I have identified as identical with the man whose photograph has been shown to me bearing St. Paul Police No. 23979. This individual, Tommy Carroll, I believe to be married to my sister, Emily "Sally" Carroll. About the first of July, 1933, Tommy Carroll and "Sally" Carroll rented a room from me at the place where I live, located at 3242 Sixteenth Avenue South, Minneapolis. They likewise obtained their meals at my house and my wife did the laundry for both Tommy Carroll and Sally Carroll, for which we received \$50.00 per month.

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"On several occasions, Tommy Carroll would be absent for several days at a time, and on some of these trips, Sally would be gone also. Shortly before Tommy and Sally left on one trip, Tommy Carroll told me that he would probably have some packages coming and he wanted them sent in my name and I was to sign for them and hold them until he came back. Some packages were received by express addressed to me. The packages were, I should say, approximately 30 inches long and were approximately 8x8 inches square. Another package was probably somewhat larger than the size given. The packages were received at my residence, above mentioned. I signed the receipt for them and left them in the hall. When Tommy Carroll returned, he took the packages to his room. I did not see what they contained. I do not know what disposition was made of the boxes in which they came, and I at no time saw any machine guns until after an attempt had been made to arrest Tommy Carroll at my house in November, 1933, and I then saw what was shown to me by a Minneapolis Police officer and it was called a machine gun. This machine gun was taken by the officer from a suitcase which had been in the room in my house, occupied by Tommy Carroll.

"During the interval, while Tommy and Sally Carroll were living at my house, they received visits from what I thought to be their friends, and one of those who visited at my house has been identified by me as "Jimmie", otherwise known as "Baby Face" Nelson, as shown by a photograph that has been shown to me.

"There also visited on a few occasions at my house, while Tommy Carroll lived there, an individual who was called "Wayne" and who is similar in appearance to the individual whose photograph has been shown to me, on which the name "Homer Van Meter" appears. The man Wayne was tall, wore a derby hat, and had a dark mustache and dark hair. There were some others who likewise visited Tommy Carroll at my house.

"Signed this 2nd day of May, 1934.

JOE BENNETT

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The original of the above signed statement is being held in the St. Paul Office and being made a part of the file in this case.

MRS. ADELINE BENNETT gave the following signed statement relative to this situation, and her explanation coincided with that given by her husband although they were interviewed separately:

"My name is Mrs. Adeline Bennett, and I reside at 3242 Sixteenth Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota. I am the wife of Joseph J. Bennett, whose occupation is machinist. I make this statement freely and voluntarily, knowing that it is being made to an officer of the Federal Government.

"An individual known to me as Tommy Carroll, who is identical with the individual whose photograph I have examined bearing St. Paul Police No. 23979, lived at my residence at the above address, occupying one small room on the first floor. The said Tommy Carroll lived there with Emily "Sally" Carroll, who is a sister of my husband, Joseph J. Bennett. Tommy Carroll and Sally Carroll first came to live in the room in my residence about the latter part of June, 1933, and they remained there until November 11, 1933, when an unsuccessful attempt was made by Minneapolis Police to take Tommy Carroll into custody. On several occasions during this period, Tommy Carroll would be absent for three or four days and occasionally a week at a time. On one trip, Tommy and Sally Carroll were gone an entire month, when I understood that they were visiting the World's Fair in Chicago.

"On one occasion when Tommy Carroll departed, he told my husband Joe, in my presence, that he expected to send some things back to this address and he would send them in my husband's (Joseph J. Bennett's) name. Some packages subsequently did arrive from out of the city and they came by express. There were possibly five such packages, all told, some of which I signed for and some of which Joe Bennett signed for upon their receipt. These packages were placed by either myself or my husband in the hallway, and when Tommy Carroll came back, he would take the packages to his room. I do not know what the packages contained, although I recall that after the 11th of November, 1933, when I called at the Minneapolis Police Station, I was shown what was described as a

machine gun, which I was informed had been taken from the room or baggage of Tommy Carroll in my house.

"During the period when Tommy Carroll and Sally Carroll resided at my house, visits were received from individuals, one of whom I identify by a photograph as that of Lester Gillis, alias George "Baby Face" Nelson, known to me as "Jimmie". I also recall that there visited Tommy Carroll at my house an individual who was called "Wayne" and who appears similar to the individual whose photograph is marked "Homer Van Meter". The man known to me as "Wayne" had a dark mustache, was tall and slender, and had black hair.

"There was also present on two occasions a dark-complexioned girl who was quite small and who was called "Helen", and she was described as Jimmie's wife, and she had with her a young boy about three or four years of age.

"I sign this the 2nd day of May, 1934.

MRS. ADELINE BENNETT

I conferred with the United States Attorney at St. Paul relative to this matter and it was agreed that the facts justified no present action against BENNETT, who was released from custody in order that he could return to his place of employment.

The description of all the subjects except MR. and MRS. BENNETT and "RADIO SALLY" have been included in other reports relating to the BILLINGER investigation. MR. BENNETT himself is described as follows:

Age:	34 years
Height:	5 feet, 5 inches
Weight:	140 pounds
Hair:	Black
Complexion:	Medium dark
Eyes:	Brown
Build:	Muscular and athletic
Fingerprints:	Being forwarded to Division
Occupation:	Machinist.

The description of MRS. ADELINE BENNETT is as follows:

Age: 32 years,
Height: 5 feet, 4 inches
Weight: 135 pounds
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Dark brown
Complexion: Medium
Occupation: Housewife
She is the mother of one child, 4 years
of age, by the name of PATRICIA.

The Chicago Office will obtain the description of "RADIO SALLY"
BENNETT HIRSCHLER CARROLL, if deemed necessary.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

The St. Paul Division Office

Will interview the office of the Post Office Inspector in St. Paul for the purpose of obtaining any information heretofore developed by them with reference to this matter; also upon receipt of the report from the San Antonio Office will check express shipments, waybill numbers to be furnished by the San Antonio Office.

The Chicago Division Office

Will, if deemed advisable, make proper inquiries for the purpose of locating TOMMY CARROLL through "RADIO SALLY" CARROLL, who is employed at the TV Club, operated by Red Grange in Chicago.

The San Antonio Division Office

As the office of origin, will determine what further action is necessary on the part of the St. Paul or other offices in order to satisfy the requirements of any contemplated prosecution in that district.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

FILE NO. **26-3088**

REPORT MADE AT: Cincinnati, Ohio.	DATE WHEN MADE: 5-5-34	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 4-30-34 to 5-5-34	REPORT MADE BY: Elise Burton C.E.
TITLE: JOHN DILLINGER with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1217; JOHN HAMILTON with aliases - I.O. #1280; HOMER VAN METER with aliases - I.O. #1222, et al.			CHARACTER OF CASE: NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Various activities of the Agents in the Cincinnati District in efforts to locate Dillinger, are outlined herein. Report made that the mother of Henry Pierpont visited him in the Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio, and he gave her a lip message to get in touch with John, probably meaning Subject Dillinger.

DETAILS:

Special Agent P. E. Hurley, has submitted a memorandum dated May 1, 1934, which is quoted as follows:

AT LEBANON, KY.

Again interviewed [redacted] relative to Mays Dunn, Frank Whitehouse, and others relative to their activities. Nothing of value was received. [redacted] is positive that Mays Dunn is not connected with the Dillinger gang or any racket that Whitehouse may be playing. No unusual activities on the part of Whitehouse.

Their homes are also being covered as to strangers and foreign cars. The Chief of Police, Bob Gordon, advised that he has nothing of any value to submit. He has noticed no unusual activities. Many foreign cars are coming through, presumably for Derby Day, Churchill Downs, Louisville, next Saturday. The car traffic is unusually large.

AT BRADFORDSVILLE, KY.

Assistant Postmaster Spaulding advised that she has learned nothing of value to this investigation. Also, that Mr. Ray Overstreet, the [redacted] Post Office, has failed to notice anything of a suspicious nature.

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in the vicinity of the home of Frank and Hugh Mullins, Jones Fork, and at the Owen Morganson home close by. He is on the watch for evidences of Dillinger's appearance in the region. He has friends who will guardedly tip him off to any fact of value to this investigation.

Ray Alstatt and Frank Gabehart were interviewed by Agents Russell and Hurley at the home of Mr. Alstatt. He advised that he has since learned that Owen Morganson has met Dillinger and Pierpont at Lebanon, just prior to the time they travelled on to Tucson, Ariz., last February; that he saw them at the home of Frank Whitehouse; that they had two suit cases full of money. He has not seen them since, according to Morganson's drunken boast to Frank Gabehart. The latter is on good terms with Morganson. He cannot press Morganson for information as to Dillinger but he is in a good position to make the most of any opportunity dropped by Morganson. Gabehart feels certain that he will be able to ascertain the presence of Dillinger in the vicinity within 24 hours or earlier. He is positive as to this statement. He is working conscientiously. He will report only to Mr. Alstatt for obvious reasons. The latter can be fully trusted to act quickly and with discretion. Alstatt has been instructed to contact the Cincinnati Office in case of emergency. This plan was made because of the possibility that Agents might not be on hand at Louisville in case of quick necessity. Gabehart feels certain that he saw Dillinger in Frank Whitehouse's car shortly after J. Dillinger's escape from Crown Point; that Frank Mullins was driving the car; that Dillinger, or the man supposed to be him, appeared drunk and hid his face, that is, pretended to be drunk; that Frank Mullins drove the man up in the Jones Fork region. Gabehart cannot definitely prove his contention but feels certain that such was a fact. The point being made is that Gabehart can be fully depended on to locate Dillinger in the region should he again make his appearance. Gabehart and Alstatt are intimate friends, old hills-people and trust each other. Investigation is being continued and all contacts maintained.

Special Agent G. H. Treadwell at Dayton, Ohio, advises that Mary Longaker and Claude Constable are continuing to live in an apparently normal manner at 214 Clay Street, Dayton, Ohio. Nothing unusual has been observed by Agents Treadwell and Roberts working in Dayton, Ohio.

The following report is made by Special Agent H. E. Roberts, at Dayton, Ohio, under date of April 30, 1934.

On receipt of a telephone call from the Cincinnati Division Office, relative to the Dayton Police Department broadcasting information relative to a suspected or suspicious looking car being seen in Dayton, Agent contacted Sergeant Cadot, Dayton Police Department who advised that Patrolman L. W. Miller, had glimpsed a Black Ford V-8 Tudor Sedan, bearing a Wisconsin tag, and noted the

first number of the tag to be "6"; that he saw three men and one woman in this car and in the back seat he saw some wooden boxes; that Patrolman Miller saw this car going east on First Street in Dayton, about 10:15 P.M.; that the officer talked with another man in the vicinity whose name he failed to obtain, but who had noticed the occupants of the car more closely and this individual stated one man wore a light top coat with a felt hat; that the other two men were ordinarily dressed, without hats. The woman wore a black dress with a short Mink coat.

Sergeant Cadot, stated that the radio call went out locally, as a precaution; that if this car could have been spotted again they would have contacted the occupants, but nothing further was heard concerning this car or occupants.

This information was telephoned to Acting Special Agent in Charge Bliss Morton.

On May 3, 1934, request was received from Special Agent in Charge, E. J. Connelley, who is supervising the investigation in Indiana, to check Ohio License Numbers 285,266 and 456-543.

Special Agent Chapman Fletcher, Columbus, Ohio, has reported that he was advised by Jud Harmon of the Motor Vehicle Bureau in Columbus, that Ohio License No. 285266 was issued December 18, 1933, to Frank Helman, Route #2, Bradford, Ohio, for 1932 Plymouth Sedan Motor No. 6827 Serial No. H-1684026.

Helman is unknown to the Columbus Police.

Harmon also advised that 1934 Ohio License No. 456543 was issued January 5, 1934, to Clara Mae Childers, 406 So. Wall Street, Columbus, Ohio, for 1931 Auburn Sedan Motor No. CA-39987 Serial No. 8886-H.



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Name:	Clara Mae Childers
Sex:	Female
Race:	White
Age:	26 (Jan. 3, 1933)
Eyes:	Blue
Marital Status:	Married
Height:	5' 9" (stocking feet)
Hair:	Red
Teeth:	Good

Complexion: Medium
Build: Medium
Weight: 150 lbs.
Residence: 222 1/2 South High Street,
Columbus, Ohio.
Bury: Bowling Green, Kentucky.

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photograph attached, to Cincinnati file copy.

Later on the evening of the 3rd instant, Agent G. H. Treadwell telephoned the Cincinnati Office from Bradford, Ohio, that he had inquired concerning Helman, and had been informed that Helman is 50 years old, married, living with his family, owns an eighty acre farm in Franklin Township near Bradford; that Helman's wife was driving a Dodge car that evening with those license plates on it; and that the Helmans are very highly regarded in the community.

Inspector Clegg called from St. Paul May 5, 1934, Agent V. J. Wolfe answered, and Clegg asked that a phone call be put in to the Indiana State License Bureau, Indianapolis, to determine to whom license plates 74462 was issued.

Agent Wolfe put the call through, and determined that there was no such plate recorded for 1934; for 1933 such a numbered plate was issued to Anton Haviar, 1530 Fred St., Whiting, Ind., for DeSota Sedan, Motor 4767, serial 5003105. The License Clerk said he would make further search and phone back.

He phoned again and Agent Morton answered and he stated that the license tags for passenger cars in Indiana for 1934 ran only to the 725,000's, and no such number as 74462 was issued. Mr. Rosenbeck in the License Bureau was the person with whom Morton talked.

This information was phoned to Mr. Clegg, at St. Paul.

Special Agent Chapman Fletcher reports from Columbus, Ohio, under date of May 3, 1934, as follows:

Miss Amanda Thomas, daughter of the Warden of the Ohio Penitentiary and evidently in charge during his absence advised me her father was out of Columbus for the day and that she had just learned that Mrs. Lena Pierpont had visited her son in the Penitentiary and during this visit the guard on duty who has a deaf and dumb sister and is able to do lip reading is positive that

Pierpont with his lips said to his mother "Get in touch with Johnnie before Saturday." She also informed me a man relative accompanied Mrs. Pierpont but she was unable to give me the name of the man last night as the records had been locked. She advised she considered this information of great importance and advised that arrangements had already been made to place seven additional guards outside the penitentiary walls.

This morning I again got in touch with Miss Thomas and she advised me the guard on duty yesterday during the visit of Pierpont and his mother had observed Pierpont with his lips say "Have to get man out front Johnnie will know what to do."

She also advised me the male visitor accompanying Mrs. Pierpont was her son Fred.

Agent Miss Morton, at Cincinnati, immediately gave this information to Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, at Indianapolis, who informed Agent Morton that he had information at Indianapolis that at 2:00 P.M. today a telegram was sent as follows:

"Lena Pierpont,
Care Clarence Miller, Attorney,
Lima, Ohio.

Unable to see you until next Wednesday, same
place; having had cold, write later.

Ruth Smith,
516 Luett St. Indianapolis"

Special Agent in Charge Connelley stated that Mary Kinder lives at 516 Luett St., and that the wire evidently is a code. He believes that Special Agent in Charge Wm. Larson, Detroit, Mich. should be notified, and a close surveillance kept on Mrs. Pierpont, and the Pierpont home. This information was telephoned to Special Agent in Charge Wm. Larson, Detroit, Mich.

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would happen to them,
and I am one hundred
per cent with you on
cleaning up this crime.

If you need any men
why not call on the
Nat. Guards maybe these
men feel the same as I
do, I hope so.

Frank M. Beall
5501 Covane Ave
Baltimore Md.

May 3, 1934.
Attorney General, H. S. Cummings

I have been reading
the paper about this
Dillinger case and other
cases.

I am one of the public
that will give you my
support. I am an ex-service
man, and I belong to the
Maryland Nat. Guard now.

I am a married man
and have two children
of my own and I know how
I would feel if anything

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Mr. Frank M. Seall,
5501 Covans Avenue,
Baltimore, Maryland.

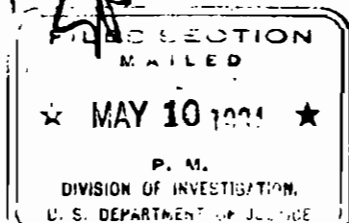
Dear Sir:

By reference from the Attorney General, receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated May 3, 1934 offering your assistance in conducting the search for John Dillinger.

You are assured that your interest and offer of assistance are deeply appreciated, and I shall be pleased to call upon you in the event one with your qualifications is needed.

Very truly yours,

Director.





THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CHICAGO, ILLINOIS** FILE NO. **22-5428**

REPORT MADE AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	DATE WHEN MADE 5/3/34	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5/5/34	REPORT MADE BY V. J. PETERSON
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TITLE: **HERBERT JOHN DILLINGER, aliases: John Hall, John Donovan Hall, Clarence Bruce, Joseph J. Harris, J. H. Donovan, Alvin Karpis, Frank Sullivan, Carl T. Hallman - FUGITIVE - L. O. # 1217; HERBERT YOUNGBLOOD (Deceased); JOHN HAMILTON, alias John Campbell - L. O. # 1220; EDWARD GREEN, aliases: Eddie Green, Harry Green, George Green, George Graham, Eugene Green, Charles Ryan, Frederick Riley, Fred Riley, J. S. Stevens, Fred Rogge, Fred Graham, J. S. Makaly (Deceased); EVELYN FRECHETTE, aliases: Billie Spark, Ann Martin, Mary Evelyn Frechette, Evelyn Spark, Evelyn Paschetti, Evelyn Cristette, Grace B. Edwards, Mrs. Jean Billinger, Mrs. J. Hughes, Billie; MRS. BESSIE SKINNER, aliases: Mrs. T. J. Randall, Beth Green, Mrs. B. A. Stevens, Mrs. Edward Green, Bessie Walsh, Bessie Moore, Bessie Randall, Bessie Green, Elizabeth Kline, Hester Hinds, Mrs. J. S. Makaly; HOMER VAN METER, aliases: Kenneth Jackson, Kenneth E. Jackson, John L. Ober - L. O. # 1222; MR. CLAYTON E. MAY; MRS. AUGUSTA SALT alias Mrs. Gurniath La Delle; ALBERT W. REILLY, aliases: Pat Reilly, Pat Riley - L. O. # 1225; DR. NELS G. MORTENSEN; MRS. ISAAC STEVE; LESTER M. GILLIS, aliases: Alex Gillis, Lester Gillis, George Nelson, "Baby Face", "Big George", "Jimmy Williams" - L. O. # 1223; THOMAS LEONARD CARROLL, aliases Tommy Carroll, James Ray Brock, Frank Slone, Frank Slone, Tom Carroll, Jim Brock, George McLarken, J. C. McLarken, Thomas Murphy, Thomas Murray, L. O. # 1224; PATRICIA YOUNG, aliases: Pat Charrington, Ann Jackson.**

SUMMARY REPORT

This summary report was prepared in response to a telephonic request made by Inspector H. H. Clegg of the writer on May 5, 1934, and relates solely to the harboring of a Federal fugitive from justice by **EVELYN FRECHETTE**.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>M. H. Curran</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	62-29777-1222 MAY 8 1934 AM BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE	RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAY 10 1934
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On March 3, 1934 JOHN DILLINGER escaped from the Lake County Jail, Crown Point, Indiana. In order to effect his escape he stole a Ford V8 four door Sedan, motor number 256447, the property of Lillian Holley, Sheriff, Lake County, Indiana, and transported said car to Chicago, Illinois.

On March 8, 1934, Special Agent T. F. Mullen, upon authorization of United States Attorney, Chicago, Illinois, filed a complaint before United States Commissioner Edward K. Walker, Chicago, charging JOHN DILLINGER and HERBERT YOUNGBLOOD with the theft and interstate transportation of the automobile described above, in violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act. A warrant was issued on the same date and on April 5, 1934, United States Marshal, Chicago, Illinois, made a non est return thereon.

Approximately two days after the escape of JOHN DILLINGER from Crown Point, Indiana, he called for EVELYN FRECHETTE in an automobile in Chicago and they drove together to St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minnesota. Upon arriving in Minneapolis, Minnesota, EVELYN FRECHETTE rented an apartment for herself and DILLINGER, on the corner of 33rd and Girard Street, where they resided for several days. Subsequent thereto, on March 19, 1934, apartment number 303 in a building located at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, was rented. This apartment was occupied by EVELYN FRECHETTE, JOHN HAMILTON, JOHN DILLINGER, PAT CHERINGTON and OPAL LONG.

On March 31, 1934 Special Agent R. C. Coulter of the St. Paul office and Officer Henry Cummings of the St. Paul Police Department, called at apartment 303 at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, for the purpose of questioning the occupants thereof. A shooting fray occurred and the individuals who had previously resided in the apartment escaped. EVELYN FRECHETTE admits that she backed the car from the garage located in the rear of 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, and thereafter drove same with JOHN DILLINGER to apartment 307 in the building located at 3300 Fremont Avenue, South, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

As a result of the exchange of shots between DILLINGER and the officers who called at the apartment building at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, DILLINGER was shot in the leg.

EVELYN FRECHETTE and JOHN DILLINGER left Minneapolis and later visited the home of the father of JOHN DILLINGER, located near Indianapolis, Indiana.

On April 8, 1934 JOHN DILLINGER and EVELYN FRECHETTE departed from this place for Chicago, Illinois. On the same night she called on Laurence Streng, who is a contact for the DILLINGER gang, and made an appointment to meet him at the

Austin-State Tavern on the following night.

EVELYN FRECHETTE admitted to Special Agents of the Division of Investigation that she desired to make this appointment with Laurence Strong in order that he might arrange for a hideout for herself and JOHN DILLINGER.

On April 9, 1934 EVELYN FRECHETTE was taken into custody by Special Agents of the Division of Investigation when she visited the Austin-State Tavern for the purpose of meeting Laurence Strong.

On April 12, 1934 Inspector H. H. Clegg, upon the authorization of Assistant United States Attorney Heisey, filed a complaint at Minneapolis, Minnesota before United States Commissioner Abbott. Warrants were issued the same date charging JOHN HAMILTON, BESSIE GREEN, EVELYN FRECHETTE, EDDIE GREEN with conspiracy to harbor a fugitive from Justice.

A non est return was made on the warrant for EVELYN FRECHETTE and certified copies were forwarded to the United States Attorney, Chicago, Illinois.

On April 12, 1934 Special Agent J. J. Waters appeared before United States Commissioner Walker, Chicago, and filed a Fugitive complaint, based on the complaint filed in Minneapolis, as related above, and a warrant was issued for the arrest of EVELYN FRECHETTE on the same date.

On April 14, 1934, upon authorization of United States Attorney Heisey, St. Paul, Minnesota, Inspector W. A. Rorer swore to a complaint before United States Commissioner Goddard in St. Paul, Minnesota, charging EDDIE GREEN, BESSIE GREEN, EVELYN FRECHETTE, JOHN HAMILTON, JOHN DOE and JANE DOE with conspiracy to harbor a fugitive, JOHN DILLINGER.

One of the overt acts alleged that DILLINGER was harbored by the above individuals on or about March 21, 1934. John and Jane Doe named in the complaint referred to Doctor Clayton E. May and Mrs. Augusta Salt, the identity of whom had not been established at that time.

On April 13, 1934 EVELYN FRECHETTE was arraigned before United States Commissioner Walker in Chicago, at which time the return on a petition of habeas corpus was answerable. Judge Woodward dismissed the writ and subsequent thereto Commissioner Walker ordered EVELYN FRECHETTE held in default of \$50,000.00 bond, pending her removal to St. Paul.

On April 22, 1934 EVELYN FRECHETTE was removed from Chicago, Illinois to St. Paul, Minnesota, where she was incarcerated in the County Jail.

TO ESTABLISH THAT JOHN DILLINGER IS A FEDERAL FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE

H. C. W. LAUBENBERGER,
U. S. Marshal, Federal
Building, Chicago, Ill.

Will be issued a subpoena duces tecum to produce a warrant of arrest with non est return made thereon charging John Dillinger with feloniously and knowingly transporting Ford F-8 four door sedan, Motor number 25644V, property of Lillian Holley, Sheriff, Lake County, Indiana, from Crown Point, Indiana to Chicago, Illinois, on or about March 3, 1934.

TO ESTABLISH THAT EVELYN FRECHETTE HARBORED JOHN DILLINGER A FEDERAL FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE

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

Will testify that on April 10, and 11, 1934, he together with Special Agent M. W. Falkner interviewed Evelyn Frechette in the Chicago Division office and that said Evelyn Frechette made the following admissions: - She read of the escape of John Dillinger from Crown Point, Indiana, in various newspapers on March 5, 1934. On March 4, 1934, she met Dillinger near the corner of 901 Addison Street, Chicago, Illinois, after which they drove to St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minnesota. Evelyn Frechette admitted that she personally rented an apartment for herself and John Dillinger in Minneapolis on Girard Street and that subsequently there another individual rented an apartment for John Dillinger and herself on Lexington Avenue in St. Paul, Minnesota. Evelyn Frechette and John Dillinger moved into this apartment under the name of Hellman. John Hamilton, Pat Cherrington and Opal Long also stayed in this apartment.

Evelyn Frechette admitted that she opened the door to the apartment when officers knocked on same on March 3, 1934, that she made an excuse to the officers for denying admittance to them; that she closed the door to the apartment and informed Dillinger, who was in bed that some officers were standing near the door to the apartment; that after dressing, Dillinger instructed her to follow him, that Dillinger then shot through the door with a machine gun and also shot in the hall-way; that she followed Dillinger down the back stairway; that Dillinger stood in the alley back of the Lexington Avenue address in St. Paul, while she then backed their car out of the garage and that they left St. Paul together in the automobile. Evelyn Frechette further admitted that she knew John Dillinger was a fugitive and was wanted by law enforcement officials at the time of the shooting and at the time she resided with him in Minneapolis and St. Paul.

M. C. FALKNER, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers Building, Chicago, Illinois.

Will testify that he interviewed Evelyn Frechette on April 10 and 11, 1934, with Special Agent H. H. Reinsch and that she made the statements to him as set out opposite the name of Special Agent H. H. Reinsch.

K. D. DEADRICK, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 3534 Federal Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Will testify that he interviewed Evelyn Frechette and that she made the following admissions to him: She was with John Dillinger at the time he and other members of the gang were apprehended. She thereafter returned to Chicago. Evelyn Frechette admits that she made two or three trips to visit Dillinger while he was in custody in Crown Point, Indiana, and that she also made a trip to Indianapolis, Indiana, to confer with one Joseph Ryan, who is Dillinger's attorney. Evelyn Frechette stated that Dillinger called for her in Chicago in an automobile about two days after he escaped from Crown Point, Indiana; they immediately departed together for St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minnesota, where she, Evelyn Frechette, rented an apartment for herself and Dillinger, located on the corner of 33rd and Girard Street. They lived at this address for two weeks, after which Bessie Green rented an apartment for Dillinger and Evelyn Frechette at 95 Lexington Avenue in St. Paul, Minnesota. John Hamilton lived with them in both apartments referred to above. In addition thereto, Pat Cherrington and Opal Long lived with Dillinger and herself in St. Paul. Evelyn Frechette admitted that she opened the door to the apartment when officers arrived on March 31, 1934; that she slammed the door in the officer's face; that she and Dillinger left the apartment; that she drove the car and transported herself and John Dillinger to 3300 Fremont Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, at which place Eddie and Bessie Green resided under the name of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Randal; that Dillinger was shot in the leg in the shooting affray at 93 Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota; that subsequent to arriving at 3300 Fremont Avenue, Minneapolis, Dillinger and herself left Minneapolis in a Hudson Sedan; that they later arrived at the home of John Dillinger Senior, near Indianapolis, Indiana, where she and Dillinger remained three days and nights; that while at this place Dillinger wrecked the Hudson Sedan; that she Evelyn Frechette accompanied Hubert Dillinger, brother of John Dillinger, to 625 North

Capital Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, where she purchased a new 1934 Ford V-8; (Motor number 661673; and Indiana License number 86389) with money provided by John Dillinger; that on April 8, 1934 she together with John Dillinger drove to Chicago; that she made an appointment with Larry Strang to meet him at the Austin State Tavern, Chicago, Illinois, on April 9, 1934, and that her purpose for meeting Larry Strang was to arrange with him to find a hideout for herself and John Dillinger.

LAURENCE STRANG,
119 West Ontario St.,
Chicago, Illinois.

Should testify that Evelyn Frechette, whom he calls Billie, visited him at his room about 10:30 P. M. on April 8, 1934; that she told him she wanted to meet him the following night and that he made an appointment to meet Evelyn Frechette at the Austin State Tavern, Chicago, at eight o'clock P. M. on April 9, 1934.

(Note:-Laurence Strang is a contact for the Dillinger gang and would be a hostile witness).

J. C. WHITE and JAMES
J. METCALFE, Special
Agents, Division of In-
vestigation, U. S. De-
partment of Justice,
1900 Bankers Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Will introduce in evidence a signed statement obtained from Laurence Strang, in which he admits having made an appointment to meet Evelyn Frechette at the Austin State Tavern, Chicago, Illinois, at 8 P. M. on April 9, 1934.

J. J. WATERS, Special
Agent, Division of In-
vestigation, U. S. De-
partment of Justice,
1900 Bankers Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Will testify that he proceeded to the Austin State Tavern, Chicago, on April 9, 1934; that he observed Evelyn Frechette enter the place and stand near Laurence (Larry) Strang, at the bar of the Austin State Tavern and that after giving a signal to other Agents, Evelyn Frechette and Laurence Strang were taken into custody.

R. G. GILLESPIE, Special
Agent, Division of In-
vestigation, U. S. De-
partment of Justice,
1900 Bankers Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Can testify that he observed car in which Evelyn Frechette was transported to Austin State Streets, Chicago, Illinois, on April 9, 1934, at time she was taken into custody; that he made a record of the License number contained on the automobile and that said License number was 1934 Illinois License-338-557.

SECRETARY OF STATE,
Motor Vehicle Division,
Springfield, Illinois.

Will be issued a ducestecun to produce records reflecting that Illinois License number 338-557 was issued to Art Morton, 2709 Washington Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, for Ford Sedan, Motor # 18517244.

H. H. REINECKE,

R. D. BROWN,

A. E. LOCKERMAN,

H. H. RICE,

Special Agents, Division

of Investigation, U. S.

Department of Justice,

1900 Bankers Building,

Chicago, Illinois.

Will testify that on April 20, 1934, a Ford V-8

Sedan was found on the premises of the home of

Mrs. Isaac Steve, Sault Ste Marie, Michigan;

that examination was made of the car and that

it was determined that the motor number of the

Ford V-8 Sedan was: 18517244.

MRS. ISAAC STEVE,

1801 14th Street,

Sault Ste Marie, Michigan.

Will testify that she is a sister of John

Hamilton; that on April 19, 1934, John Hamilton,

John Dillinger and Pat Cherrington drove the

Ford V-8 Sedan recovered on April 20, 1934, by

Special Agents of the Division at her home.

(The above witnesses set out above which will testify concerning Ford V-8 Sedan, Motor number 18517244 are included to show the connection between John Dillinger and Evelyn Frechette and to show that Evelyn Frechette used automobiles employed by Dillinger to escape apprehension).

AARON KOHN, Fingerprint

Expert, Division of In-

vestigation, U. S. De-

partment of Justice,

Washington, D. C.

This witness will testify to the receipt at

the Division in Washington, D. C., of the Get-

away Chart, written in ink, which was obtained

by Mr. Werner Hanni at Apartment No. 303, 93-

95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota,

and will further testify that there was devel-

oped on this Getaway Chart, three latent fingerprints,

which fingerprints correspond to those of JOHN DILLINGER.

This witness will introduce charts prepared at the Div-

ision of Investigation of the latent fingerprints, and

a comparison will be made with the latent fingerprints

found on the Getaway Chart and the fingerprints of JOHN

DILLINGER.

MRS. D. S. COFFEY
93 South Lexington Avenue
St. Paul, Minnesota

Will testify that she is the manager of the apartments located at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, and that on March 19, 1934 she rented Apartment No. 303 at this address to an unknown woman; that two men and two women occupied this apartment until the morning of March 31, 1934; that on that date the men in Apartment 303 at this above address, fired on a police officer and a Special Agent of the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, with a machine gun; that these men escaped and have not been seen since.

MR. D. S. COFFEY,
93-95 South Lexington Avenue,
St. Paul, Minnesota

Will testify to the same facts as set out above under the witness, MRS. D. S. COFFEY.

L. F. MEIDLINGER
93-95 South Lexington Avenue
St. Paul, Minnesota

Will testify that during the month of March, 1934, he was the caretaker and janitor in the apartment building at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, and that on or about March 21, 1934, he took a meat roaster and a towel rack to Apartment 303 in this

building, and handed these articles through the door to a woman occupant of the apartment. This witness will identify EVELYN FRUCHETTE as being the woman in Apartment 303 on this occasion. Will further testify that on or about March 23, 1934, he observed the same woman entering the building at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue.

R. C. COULTER, Special Agent,
Division of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
203 Post Office Building
St. Paul, Minnesota

Will testify that on the morning of March 31, 1934, he, accompanied by Detective Henry Cummings of the St. Paul Police Department, went to the apartment house located at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue; that he entered the building with Detective

Cummings, knocked on the door of Apartment 303, which door was opened about two inches by a woman. Will further testify that the woman refused to allow him to enter; that she closed and locked the door. Will further testify that about ten minutes later, while he was still in the building, he observed a man coming up the back steps; that this man passed Detective Cummings and proceeded to the front steps; that this man proceeded to the ground floor by way of the front steps, and when witness descended to the ground floor, this man pointed a pistol at him and started shooting.

HENRY CUMMINGS, Police Detective
St. Paul Police Department
Safety Building
St. Paul, Minnesota

Will testify that he, accompanied by Special Agent R. C. Coulter, proceeded on March 31, 1934 to the apartment house located at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, and that in response to Special Agent

Coulter's knock on the door of Apartment 303, a dark complexioned woman came to the door and refused to allow them to enter; that she closed and locked the door. This witness will further testify that after Agent Coulter proceeded to the first floor of the building, the occupant, or occupants, of Apartment 303 fired upon

him with a machine gun, and that he returned the

WERNER HANNI, Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
203 Post Office Building
St. Paul, Minnesota

Will testify that on March 31, 1934, at about noon of that day, he entered Apartment No. 303 in the building at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue and found therein, in addition to other firearms and personal belongings, a woman's light tan coat with a platinum fox collar, bearing a Young-Quinlan Company label, and a Cigarette Chart, written in ink, which he forwarded to the Division at Washington, D. C.

MRS. VEE CLANCY
Care of Young-Quinlan Company
9th and Nicollet Avenue
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Will testify that on March 27, 1934, she was present at, and assisted in the sale of the coat that was found in Apartment 303, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, by Special Agent in Charge Hanni, to a woman who stated that her name was **MRS. J. HUGHES**. Will identify **EVELYN FRECHETTE** as the woman who purchased this coat under the name of **MRS. J. HUGHES** on March 27, 1934.

MR. JOHN TIERNY
Identification Division
St. Paul Police Department
Safety Building
St. Paul, Minnesota

Will testify that on March 31, 1934, he entered Apartment No. 303 at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, immediately after the shooting and escape of the occupants, and obtained from this apartment a listerine bottle on which he found a fingerprint which he identified by records of the St. Paul Police Department, Bureau of Criminal Identification, as being a fingerprint of **JOHN DILLINGER**. Will identify this bottle and will present the latent fingerprint taken therefrom, together with technical comparison with complete prints of **JOHN DILLINGER**.

FREDERICK R. O'ROURKE
Assistant to John Tierney
Bureau of Criminal Identification
St. Paul Police Department
Safety Building
St. Paul, Minnesota

Will corroborate the testimony of John Tierney.

W. T. DEMPSEY, Fingerprint expert
Dayton, Ohio Police Department
Dayton, Ohio

Will testify that on September 22, 1933 he took the fingerprints of **JOHN DILLINGER**. Will produce the

original prints of **DILLINGER** taken by him and introduce them, together with a comparison of the latent fingerprint found on the listerine bottle at Apartment 303, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue.

RAY CUTLER
964 Grand Avenue
Care of Brown-Day Surgical Supplies Co.
62 East 5th Street
St. Paul, Minnesota

Will testify that on Saturday, March 24, 1934, while he was delivering papers in the neighborhood of 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, he was stopped by a man who requested that he leave a paper at Apartment 303, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue. Will further testify that on March 27, 1934, he called at Apartment 303, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, to obtain the name of the occupant for his customers list, that a woman answered the door and gave the name of J. HELLMAN. Will identify EVELYN FRECHETTE as being the woman who answered the door at Apartment 303, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, and gave the name of J. HELLMAN. Will identify photographs of JOHN DILLINGER as being the man who approached him and requested that a paper be left at Apartment 303.

PAUL HALLER
E 12, Fort Snelling,
Minnesota, Care of
Eisenmenger Meat Company
455 Wabasha Street,
St. Paul, Minnesota

Will testify that on the morning of March 31, 1934, at about 10:30 or 11:00 A.M., his truck was parked in the rear of 93-95 South Lexington Avenue; that when he approached his truck he was about 100 feet away from the garage in which the occupants of this apartment building keep their cars; that he noticed a large sedan being backed out of the garage by a woman, and that a man was standing on the opposite side of the car. Will further testify that the car was backed up first with the rear door hanging open, and then was immediately driven back into the garage, at which time the man got into the car. The car was then backed out again and driven out of the alley in a westerly direction.

HESSIE GREEN
Care of The Ramsey County Jail
St. Paul, Minnesota

Will identify JOHN DILLINGER and EVELYN FRECHETTE as being occupants of Apartment 303, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, who were visited by herself and EDDIE GREEN on or about March 29, 1934. Will further testify that on March 31, 1934 EVELYN FRECHETTE came to her apartment, being No. 207, 3300 Fremont Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota, at about 11:00 A.M., and stated that they had been "jumped out" of their apartment; that JOHN DILLINGER had been shot in the leg. At this time EVELYN FRECHETTE requested that EDDIE GREEN accompany her in order to see that DILLINGER was cared for; that EDDIE GREEN did immediately leave the apartment, in company with EVELYN FRECHETTE. Will further testify that during the evening of March 31, 1934, she proceeded to the office of DR. CLAYTON E. MAY, on the 7th floor, Masonic Temple Building, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and drove DR. MAY in his car to 1835 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota; that she placed DR. MAY'S car in a garage in the rear of 1835 Park Avenue and went to

the apartment of MRS. AUGUSTA SALT; that she entered the apartment of MRS. SALT, and that during the time she was in this apartment there were also present DR. CLAYTON E. MAY, who gave medical aid to JOHN DILLINGER, EDDIE GREEN, EVELYN FRECHETTE, and MRS. SALT; that JOHN DILLINGER was lying on a bed in a small room in the rear of this apartment.

MRS. AUGUSTA SALT
Care of Ramsey County Jail
St. Paul, Minnesota
Will identify EVELYN FRECHETTE as the individual who came to her apartment at 1835 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, between 11:00 and 11:30 A.M. on the morning of March 31, 1934, and remained at her apartment with DILLINGER until the evening of April 1, 1934, at which time they departed. Will further testify that EVELYN FRECHETTE and JOHN DILLINGER came to her apartment in a dark colored automobile which was placed in the garage in the rear of 1835 Park Avenue.

DR. CLAYTON E. MAY
Care of Ramsey County Jail
St. Paul, Minnesota
Will testify that at approximately 11:00 A.M. on the morning of March 31, 1934, EDDIE GREEN called him at his office and immediately came to his office, saying that he had a friend who had been hurt; that he went with GREEN to 1835 Park Avenue where he saw a party lying on the bed who had a bullet wound in his left leg; that he treated this individual; that he remained in the house for approximately ten or fifteen minutes, when he departed; that BESSIE GREEN came to his office at approximately 8:30 or 9:00 P.M. on the evening of March 31, 1934 and drove him in his car to the apartment at 1835 Park Avenue, where he again treated the patient, and at this time he figured that the patient was JOHN DILLINGER. Will further testify that on his first visit to the apartment at 1835 Park Avenue on March 31, 1934, there were in this apartment in addition to the patient, a black haired woman and EDDIE GREEN, as well as MRS. SALT, alias MRS. LA DELLE, who maintains the apartment; that on the second visit to the apartment on March 31, 1934, he was there for about ten minutes, and there were present on this occasion EDDIE GREEN, BESSIE GREEN, the black haired girl, and JOHN DILLINGER. Will identify EVELYN FRECHETTE as being the dark haired girl who was present at this apartment with JOHN DILLINGER.

TO ESTABLISH THAT EVELYN FRECHETTE IS STILL THE WIFE OF WELTON SPARK

REVEREND E. N. WARE
1430 Howard Street
Chicago, Illinois
Will produce records to show marriage of Welton Spark and MARY EVELYN FRECHETTE, at Cook County Jail, Chicago, August 5, 1932.
(Note: Reverend Ware has been unable to identify the photograph of EVELYN FRECHETTE. At date of this report Reverend Ware has been unable to produce records of marriage but believes that he can locate same.)

GEORGE R. BRODKINS
Attorney at Law
707 Stevens Building
Chicago, Illinois

Will testify that EVELYN FRECHETTE is identical with woman known to him as EVELYN SPARK; that EVELYN SPARK approached him five months ago relative to instituting divorce proceedings against Welton Spark, an inmate of the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas; that said divorce proceedings were instituted but have not been consummated inasmuch as under the Illinois law the plaintiff must appear in open court; that EVELYN SPARK declined to appear in open court and that no communication has been received from EVELYN SPARK for over two months.

MISS ELSIE WALLINS
Secretary to George R. Brodkins
Attorney at Law
707 Stevens Building
Chicago, Illinois

Will identify EVELYN FRECHETTE as woman known as EVELYN SPARK who came to the office of George R. Brodkins for the purpose of instituting divorce proceedings against Welton Spark.

WELTON SPARK
Number 42165
United States Penitentiary
Leavenworth, Kansas

Will identify EVELYN FRECHETTE as his wife.

CLERK, SUPERIOR COURT
Cook County, Illinois
Clark and Randolph Streets
Chicago, Illinois

Will present in evidence certified copies of the divorce proceedings of EVELYN SPARK plaintiff and Welton Spark defendant.

CRIMINAL RECORD

The records of the Identification Unit of the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Washington, D. C. reflect the following criminal record pertaining to EVELYN FRECHETTE:

As Ann Martin, No. 2376, arrested Police Department, Tucson, Arizona, January 25, 1934, charge, FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE; disposition, released on January 30, 1934.

EVELYN FRECHETTE is a half-breed Indian - she was born in September, 1907. Her mother is Mary Frechette, Sprague, Neopit, Wisconsin, and her father, who is deceased, was William Frechette. She attended an Indian School at Flandreau, South Dakota, from 1921 to 1924. In 1925 she was employed for a short period of time in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, at which place she attended night school.

Subsequent to this time she has resided in Chicago and traveled with gangsters throughout many states of the union. Evelyn Prochette is married to William Sparks, number 45185, Leavenworth Penitentiary, where he is incarcerated for robbing the mails. Evelyn Prochette is strongly addicted to the use of intoxicating liquor and is under the influence of intoxicants at every opportunity.

The original signed statement of Laurence Strong is forwarded to the St. Paul Office with copies of this report.

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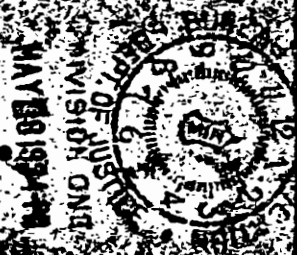
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

One pair of women's blue leather shoes No. 2311, bearing merchant's mark "Sunderlands Inc., Reno, Nevada", were, according to W.H. Johnston, owner of the store, carried in the store stock on or about November 20, 1933; his opinion this type and line of shoe has not been in his store stock since Christmas 1932; no record available at store showing when sold, nor to whom sold. He stated photograph of Ann Sothorn impressed him as being that of person seen in his store at some time.

R.U.C.



REFERENCE:

Letter from Chicago Division office dated 4-28-34, with which was sent an Inventory of Baggage & Other Articles Found at Little Bohemia, Spider LAKE, Wis.

DETAILS:

AT RENO, NEVADA.

DETAILS:

The pair of women's blue leather shoes, size not apparent, from the store of "Sunderlands Inc., Reno, Nevada" No. 2311, together with the photographs of Pat Cherrington, Ann Sothorn, Mrs. Joseph J. Marr, and Marie Marion Comfort, received from the Chicago Division office, were forwarded to Special Agent (A) J.C. Sloane of the Los Angeles Division office, now at Reno, Nevada, engaged in an accounting investigation. The shoes and photographs were forwarded to Agent Sloane in care of General Delivery, Reno, Nevada, and

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>John A. Dond</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	62-29777-1223	RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAY 9 1934
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the shoes were forwarded to him under registered mail cover and he was asked to carry out the investigation suggested in letter and memorandum of reference, copies of which were sent to him.

On May 4, 1934, a memorandum was received from Agent J.C. Sloane, in which he stated that he contacted and exhibited the shoes to Mr. J.H. Johnston, owner of Sunderlands Inc., Reno, Nevada, and that Mr. Johnston stated that his store carried that line of shoes, that the number of the shoe, 2311, was a stock number and signified that it was a 4-B size; he stated by searching his records, that this particular line of shoes was purchased on 11-14-28, from the B. Armstrong & Co., shoe manufacturers, Rochester, New York; that this line of shoes was placed in the store stock about 11-20-28, and sold for \$15.50 per pair. He recalls that this line of shoes sold out with the exception of a few small and large sizes, and that he carried these few remaining pairs of shoes in stock for about three years, but finally placed them on a special sale at a price of \$4.95 a pair, and the remaining pairs were disposed of. He stated definitely that this type and line of shoes had not been in his store since around Christmas of 1932; that he had no way of telling on what date this particular pair of shoes was sold, to whom sold, and if the pair of shoes were delivered to any particular address in Reno, Nevada. He stated that he felt sure that the sale was a cash sale. Agent Sloane informed that he exhibited to Mr. Johnston the photographs of the above named women, together with a photograph of Mary Klinker, Bernice Thompson, and Mary Evelyn Frechette, the latter the subject of I.O. No. 1221, and he stated that he could not recall selling this pair of shoes to any woman whose photograph was presented to him. He did state that the picture of Ann Sothern was very familiar to him and he felt reasonably sure that he had seen her in his store at some time. He stated that the pair of shoes could have been sold between 1928 and 1932. Agent Sloane also exhibited to Mr. Johnston Identification Order 1225 covering Albert Reilly, Identification Order No. 1223 covering Homer Van Meter, Identification Order No. 1220 covering John Hamilton, Identification Order No. 1223 covering George Nelson, Identification Order No. 1224 covering Tom Carroll and a photograph of John Dillinger in a number of poses, and Mr. Johnston stated that he could not recall that any one of these photographs were photographs of a man or men who may have accompanied any woman to his store at the time the pair of shoes were purchased.

The photographs of the women above named, and the Identification Orders above referred to were exhibited to D.S. Jacobs, C.S. Richardson, and J.A. Rule, all employees of the store, who have worked at the store for the last seven or ten years. These employees could not identify the photograph of any of the women as being the person to whom this pair of shoes were sold, or of being a woman, to their knowledge, who ever called at the store, and could not identify

the photographs appearing on any of the identification orders, or the photograph of John Billings, or any person, to their knowledge, they had called at the store. John had recognized the photograph of Ann Sothorn and stated that he was sure that she had been in the store at some time. Mr. Johnston stated that Mr. A. A. McKinley, a former salesman who was employed at the store during the time shoes of the same line as the pair received from Chicago were handled by the Sunderlands Inc., was now employed at the St. Pierres Bootery, Reno, Nevada.

Agent Sloane reports that he contacted Mr. McKinley by telephone and he later called at Sunderlands Inc., and examined the shoes and all the photographs above referred to. In connection with them Mr. McKinley stated that he recognized the type and line of shoes. He selected the photograph of Ann Sothorn as being that of a woman to whom he felt sure he had sold shoes, in the past, and that she had been in the store of Sunderlands Inc. He could not say that he sold the pair of shoes shown to him to Ann Sothorn, but he was quite positive that she had been in the store and that he had waited on her.

Photographs of Pat Sharrington, Ann Sothorn, Mrs. Joseph J. Harr, and Marie Marion Comfort, are being returned with copies of this report to the Chicago Division Office. The shoes referred to above are being returned to the Chicago Division Office under registered mail cover.

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO OFFICE OF ORIGIN.

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JUST BEFORE NOON TODAY A YOUNG MAN WAITING FOR HIS PARENTS IN FRONT OF CHURCH WAS APPROACHED BY THREE MEN AND ONE WOMAN IN 1933 PONTIAC SEDAN LT BLUE IN COLOR BEARING ILLINOIS LICENSE TAG AND REQUEST WAS MADE FOR YOUNG MAN TO DRIVE ONE OF THEM UN MIDWAY SECTION BETWEEN MPLS AT AND ST PAUL HE HAS IDENTIFIED PAT⁶ REILLY AND JOHN⁶ DILLINGER AS TWO OF OCCUPANTS OF THE CAR

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PLEASE ADVISE NAME OF INDIVIDUAL WHO TOOK FINGERPRINT IMPRESSIONS OF EVELYN FRECHETTE AT CHICAGO OFFICE WHEN SHE WAS IN CUSTODY THERE.

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May 7, 1934.

Chief Signal Officer,
War Department,
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Mr. William F. Friedman.

Dear Sir:

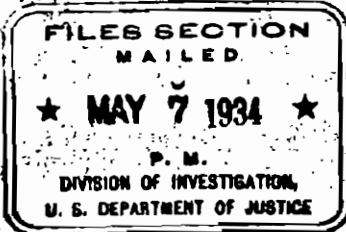
With further reference to the anonymous letters received at Lima, Ohio, and other places in connection with the escape of John Dillinger and associates, there are transmitted herewith a photostatic copy of a letter which was addressed to Harry Pierpont from Chicago, a photostatic copy of a carbon copy of what may be a key to a ciphering system which was found in a car recovered from one of the gang, and a photostatic copy of each side of a letter and the enclosure addressed to Miss Evalyn Frchette, Department of Justice, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Undoubtedly some of these communications are the work of cranks but they are transmitted because of the possibility that they all are connected through a system of ciphering messages by means of numbers.

Any assistance you may be able to give will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

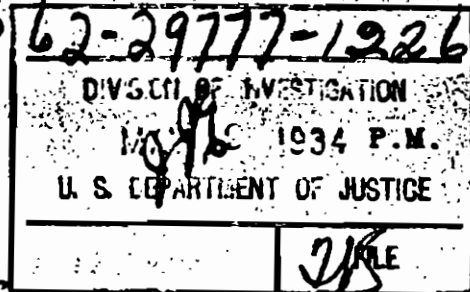
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR,

Agent Waters called from Chicago in connection with the radio messages in Indiana. He stated they felt they should make every effort to locate the stations; that one way of doing this is through the use of a radio test car; that the Chicago office of the Radio Commission advised they would be glad to do this but their funds were limited and they would have to receive instructions from the Radio Commission in Washington. Mr. Waters asked that the Division contact Commissioner Nealey or the Secretary of the Radio Commission and request that they issue instructions to their Chicago office by telegraph authorizing them to locate the stations. Mr. Waters asked that the Chicago office be advised when these instructions are issued so he could follow the matter up there.

Respectfully,

S. P. Conley.

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DIRECTOR

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

May 3, 1934.

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

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. COWLEY.

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With reference to the suggestion of Agent Waters of Chicago that the Federal Radio Commission in Washington be contacted for the purpose of having it issue instructions to the office of the Radio Commission in Chicago to cooperate with the Division in locating the two unlicensed radio broadcasting stations in Indianapolis, Indiana, I endeavored last night without success to contact someone at the Federal Radio Commission. I also failed to locate Mr. James H. Hanley and Mr. Herbert L. Pettey, Commissioner and Secretary of the Federal Radio Commission at their residences.

I then contacted Judge Eugene O. Sykes, Chairman of the Federal Radio Commission, at his residence by telephone, Wisconsin 2284, who advised that he could not issue instructions to the Chicago Office of the Federal Radio Commission last night inasmuch as he did not know the address of that office; however, that the first thing this morning he would personally telegraphically instruct his Chicago Office to cooperate with the Division and render every assistance possible in locating the two unlicensed radio broadcasting stations by the use of their radio test car. Mr. Sykes suggested that the Chicago Division Office be instructed to contact the office of the Federal Radio Commission the following morning, May 3, 1934.

Respectfully,
T. N. Stapleton

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Secretary to the President

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President Roosevelt

Dear Sir

I have made a study of
John C. Dillinger, now an out law of U.S.A.

Mr President I have a
plan in mind and I am sure it
will work. If you will give me
the power to work on this case I
will have this out law with-in
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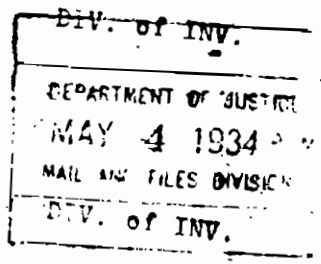
Charles Wiese
Closter, N. J.

4-30-34.

Re: Wants the President to give him permission to work on
the Dillinger case.

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May 10, 1934

MAY 14 1934

Mr. Charles Wiese,
Box 215,
Closter, New Jersey.

Dear Sir:

By reference from the President, receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated April 30, 1934, advising that you have a plan in mind for the purpose of effecting the apprehension of John Dillinger and requesting permission to work on this case.

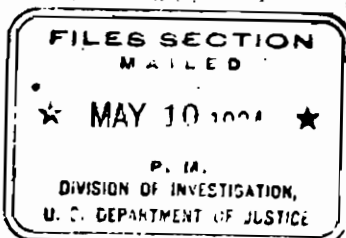
I wish to assure you that your interest and offer of assistance are deeply appreciated. However, the Division of Investigation is not making temporary appointments at the present time. If you possess the requisite qualifications for the position of Special Agent, I shall be glad to send you an application blank upon your further request.

There is enclosed herewith a statement concerning the position of Special Agent in the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Enclosure 554804



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May 4, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

With further reference to the case of Vernon C. Miller,
(Deceased) et al; Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner, there is
transmitted herewith a box containing specimens of the bullet and
cartridge fired from Thompson Machine Gun #8315, recovered from
some of the Dillinger Gang.

This may be displayed to the police ballisticsian in order
that it may be compared with any other specimens of bullets recovered
at crimes, and should then be returned to the Division.

Very truly yours,

Director.

John J. Quinn
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May 4 - '34
418 Hamilton St
Evansville
Hamilton

Mr. John Edgar Hoover
Washington - D.C.

Dear Sir -

I have read with keen interest an article in the Reader Digest of May, relative to your work as head of the Division of Investigation of the U.S. Department of Justice - Especially I am interested in the search of gangsters -

I have heard nothing of his plans being used to locate & follow of gangsters, especially of Dillinger - hiding ones suspected could be watched from above -

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
MAIL

During the war a friend of mine, an French officer, did marvelous work taking photos from a plane. He could detect the trail of one person through a field of weeds or grain - Could they not detect lights in isolated houses - use search light on cars at night - telephone to searchers - locations

Doubtless they have been tried but only the smallest chance that they have not been & could be useful I am writing to you.

Yours very truly

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Mr. I. J. Harmon,
418 Hamilton Street,
Evanston, Illinois.

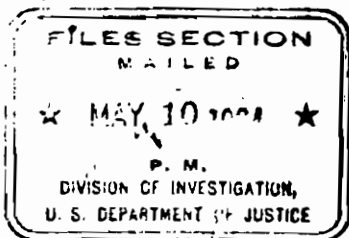
Dear Sir:

Please accept my sincere thanks for your letter dated May 4, 1934, expressing your interest in the work of this Division and suggesting that airplanes be used to follow the movements of John Dillinger and other gangsters.

I wish to assure you that your interest is appreciated and that your suggestion will receive careful consideration.

Very truly yours,

Director.



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May 4, 1934.

Mr. E. E. Clegg,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 518,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

In connection with the case entitled John Dillinger, with aliases, I.O. #1217, et al; National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, reference is made to your letter dated April 7, 1934, transmitting the fingerprints of Lucy Jackson, Leona Goodman, and Thomas P. Filben. The fingerprints of these individuals have been compared with the latent prints developed in the above entitled case with negative results.

In accordance with your request the fingerprints of Thomas P. Filben have been compared with the latent fingerprints in the case entitled Alvin Karpis, with aliases, I.O. #1218, et al; Edward George Bremer, Victim; Kidnaping, but no identification was effected. However, inasmuch as the Division is not in possession of any latent prints of a possible criminal nature in connection with the Hamm kidnaping case, it was not possible to make the requested comparison of such latent fingerprints.

The fingerprints of the above named individuals have been searched through the main fingerprint files of the Identification Unit and no previous criminal record was revealed in the cases of Lucy Jackson and Leona Goodman. The files include an arrest of Thomas Filben as #17626, Minneapolis Police Department on April 9, 1932, charge, suspicion - Jegg.

Very truly yours,

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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 3, 1934

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN

On April 30, 1934, Mr. P. E. Dunn, of Stuttgart, Arkansas, called at the Division. Mr. Dunn is an investigator for the Civil Works Administration, and turned over the attached newspaper clipping from the Arkansas Democrat, under date of April 6, 1934, which is published at Little Rock.

Mr. Dunn believes that Dillinger will eventually be located in Arkansas in the hideouts frequented by "Pretty Boy" Floyd, and can be located through one Hickson, a sister of "Pretty Boy" Floyd's wife, who resides in Logan County, Arkansas, north of Paris, Arkansas, near the Arkansas River. Mr. Dunn states that the law enforcement agencies of Logan, Johnson and Sebastian Counties, Arkansas receive protection money and nothing can be expected from them.

He submitted the information for whatever it was worth and indicated that he would like to have a position with the Division. He was advised of the requirements necessary for appointment to the position of Special Agent, and stated that he did not possess these qualifications.

Respectfully,

John B. Little

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Interview

Ex-Constable Implicated in Bank Robbery

Convicted Robber Accuses Mont Perrymore Jr., at Paris.

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Perrymore, a former constable, was implicated in the holdup by Gene Harback, who turned state's evidence as the prosecution's first witness in Perrymore's trial on charges of accessory before and after the fact in the robbery and slaying.

Harback's appearance followed a long legal battle on technicalities by opposing counsel in which an unsuccessful attempt was made by the defense to disqualify Judge J. O. Kincaid upon the contention that he was a member of a political faction opposing another led by the elder Perrymore, former Logan county sheriff.

Harback, under a three-year sentence for his part in the bank robbery in which Cashier Dolph Guthrie was slain, said he, Clifton Harback, his brother and Johnny Wilson met with young Perrymore on a highway near Paris the day before the robbery and agreed on the date for the holdup, with the deposed sheriff's son promising to

have all officers out of town at the time.

When the bank was robbed, the only officer in Paris was Marshal Andy Connaughton, who engaged in a gun fight with the bandits and was seriously injured, while Guthrie was killed. Clifton Harback was captured during the shooting, and is under life sentence for the slaying. Wilson also received "life" for the killing.

Tells of Jail Escape.

Young Perrymore and George Bennett, attorney for Clifton Harback, are charged with aiding Clifton to escape from jail here while awaiting trial on a murder charge.

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was at his home. He said both men remained there about a week.

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Wilson came back after the robbery and shooting, he said, and he drove him through the Peter Ponder community on highway No. 23, where Wilson, he said, told him that they drove back toward Paris and that Clifton and Perrymore had been leniently for him if he would agree to testify against Perrymore and the oth-

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Defense counsel, headed by J. H. White, Oklahoma City, is contending that young Perrymore's indictment was the result of the political rivalry between two Democratic factions in the county. White declared in his opening statement that he would show the younger Perrymore's case was "without justification" for those responsible for the removal from office of Sheriff Perrymore, "now finding themselves in a tight."

The elder Perrymore was suspended from office following his indictment in connection with the escape of a prisoner at Booneville, a well-known incident.

Much interest was being shown in the trial, which promised to be one of the most sensational in the county's history. A large crowd gathered in the court room throughout the morning day's session.

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May 5, 1934

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Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box #1276,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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Director.

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V. C. WILLEVER, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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

John Dillinger

**El Paso, Texas,
May 4, 1934**

**GUS T JONES
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
1816 SMITH - YOUNG TOWER
San Antonio, Texas.**

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San Antonio, Texas.

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R. H. Colvin,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1531 First National Bank Building,
El Paso, Texas.

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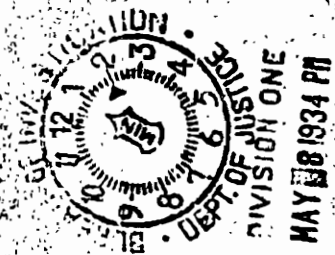
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 AGENT SURAN ACCOMPANIED REPRESENTATIVE FEDERAL RADIO COMMISSION TO
 LOGANSFORT, INDIANA, TO ATTEMPT LOCATION UNAUTHORIZED RADIO STATIONS
 OPERATING INDIANA. AGENT DEVEREUX REPORTED INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM
 UNKNOWN SOURCE THAT DILLINGER AND VAN METER WERE IN FORT WAYNE, INDIANA
 FROM WEDNESDAY NIGHT AND LEFT YESTERDAY 4-30 PM. ALLEGED TO BE DRIVING
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DD TACTED TODAY, [REDACTED] MICHIGAN CITY PRISON.
 CLAIMS FRED HAPPY MYERS CHICAGO, WHO WAS IN PRISON WITH DILLINGER IS
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 FAVORABLE RECOMMENDATION AS TO [REDACTED] APPLICANT SAA.

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

April 23, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

In reply to the Division's letter of March 26, 1934, and the Division's letter of April 11, 1934, regarding the employment of confidential informants by this office, this is to advise that on February 24, 1934, H.H. Purvis, Special Agent in Charge of the Chicago Office, interviewed one [redacted].

[redacted] the Chicago Division Office. He was informed by [redacted] that he knew FRISCO "DUTCH" STEINHARDT of St. Paul, Minnesota, who is known to be a hoodlum connection. He advised that he had been a pickpocket and thief the greater part of his life. [redacted] had that a few nights prior to interviewing Mr. Purvis he had been robbed of quite a sum of money which he, himself, had stolen. As a consequence, he decided that he would no longer be a thief and requested an opportunity to show whether he could produce anything of value to this Division.

FRISCO "DUTCH" STEINHARDT was himself a pickpocket for many years in Chicago, and [redacted].

It evidently is a fact that he and FRISCO "DUTCH" have been acquainted for many years and are probably good friends. In view of the fact that FRISCO "DUTCH" has been contacted by the leading, roving, criminals operating throughout the Middle West, it was believed that [redacted] might be of some service to this Division in connection with the BREMER case. Consequently, he was given \$10.00 by Mr. Purvis, and transportation from Chicago to St. Paul, which amounted to \$14.30. The above information is contained in detail in a letter dated February 26, 1934, to the Division from the Chicago Office. Attached to that letter was a copy of the criminal record of [redacted] which is here set out.

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On the arrival of [redacted] in St. Paul, he was interviewed by Inspector Rorer and Special Agent C. G. Hall. He has been interviewed from time to time and has furnished some information but of no particular value; but he has been handicapped by reason of the fact that WILSON [redacted] shortly after the arrival of the informant, left the Twin Cities because of a gambling probe and has since been in Hot Springs, Arkansas. The informant lived for a time at the [redacted] but is now living at the [redacted]

[redacted] He was first interviewed at this office on February 27, 1934. He is still in the employ of this office as an informant and has been paid the following sums:

By Inspector Rorer	\$ 15.00
By Agent Hall	129.00

making a total of \$144.00. The purpose of employing this informant was to use him in connection with the BREMER case. However, for the reasons outlined above, he has not been of great service. He has furnished information from time to time regarding the police in the Twin Cities and some information in the DILLINGER case.

[redacted] The informant claims to have an acquaintance with those mobsters, and evidently does.

The above portion of this letter was dictated by Special Agent Hall and prefaced his conclusion that a decision would be reached soon as to the prospective value of this informant in the future, at which time the Division will be notified as to a recommendation for his continued services.

I am modifying this recommendation, however, to the effect that it is my opinion that the cost of this informant is not great and he is one of very few informants who are available in the Twin Cities and although his information has been meager, it has been impossible for him to contact the party he hoped to see. I recommend the continuation of his services until further notice.

Very truly yours,

OGH:TC

W. A. RORER,
Inspector.

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box #766,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

MR. NATHAN	✓
MR. TOLSON	✓
MR. CLEGG	✓
MR. COWLEY	✓
MR. EDWARDS	✓
MR. EGAN	✓
MR. QUINN	✓
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MR. BAKER	✓

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Director,
Division of Investigation,
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Re: John Herbert Dillinger, I. O. #1217 et al;
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

Dear Sir:

With reference to my telephone conversation with Mr. Cowley of the Division today, it is believed that effective results can be obtained through informants who have been developed as a result of our having contacted a

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] who had previously agreed to furnish us with information should Dillinger and others appear at Hamilton, Ohio. However, apparently he could not produce the results he expected, and endeavor was made to obtain this information from [REDACTED] of her own volition approached Special Agent N. E. [REDACTED].

[REDACTED]

These people at the present time are financially embarrassed and have no money to carry on any operations at their own expense.

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This woman is very well acquainted with Mary Kinder, 516 Luett St., Indianapolis, Indiana, who now claims to be married to Harry Pierpont, recently convicted of murder at Lima, Ohio and held in the Ohio State Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio. Also, she is acquainted with Pearl Elliott, wife of Dewey Elliott, escape from Indiana State Penitentiary, who has undoubtedly assisted Dillinger in hiding out, and whom we are now endeavoring to locate in the vicinity of Indianapolis, Indiana upon a report that she is now apparently again assisting Dillinger.

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[REDACTED]

These parties are very hard pressed for funds at the present time and they, of course, wish to carry out anything that is done without the knowledge of [REDACTED] or, in fact, the [REDACTED], and they have suggested that a cheap car be obtained which they can use for transportation to Indianapolis, Indiana, where they will concern themselves with locating [REDACTED] for a visit, and thereafter they will contact as many of this gang as they know and learn any and all details of what is going on. They have suggested that if a car can be arranged for Thursday, April 12th, they will proceed to Indianapolis at that time, and she believes that she can be back at Hamilton, Ohio by Monday, April 16th, with the desired information.

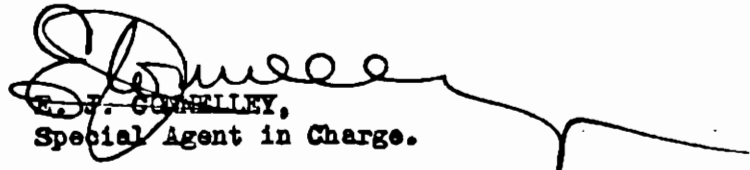
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As per my conversation with Mr. Cowley, we will advance them \$25.00 cash as a payment on a cheap automobile, and \$30.00 as expense money, in order to determine if they can develop anything under this plan.

As to the matter of what they shall receive in the way

of reward or payment for services rendered in this, they understand fully that in order to obtain anything it is necessary that the information be supplied to us whereby these parties can be taken into custody, and they have advised that whatever the Division believes just and reasonable thereafter will be acceptable to them.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "E. J. Connelley", is written over the typed name. The signature is fluid and extends to the right with a long horizontal stroke.

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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New York, N. Y.

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

Re: John Herbert 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; Harboring Fugitive from Justice

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of May 2, 1934,
wherein you advise that a letter was received at the Division from
Mr. Joseph A. Olivar, 9627 Linden Boulevard, Ozone Park, L. I.,
N. Y., concerning a plan to be used in effecting the apprehension
of John Dillinger and request that Mr. Olivar be interviewed.

Please be advised that Mr. Joseph A. Olivar called
at your New York City Division office on May 4, 1934, at which time
he was interviewed by Special Agent Val C. Zimmer. Mr. Olivar
stated that his father was a police officer in Italy, and that he
had not been engaged himself in police work, although he had made
application several times and had been refused because of his
height. He stated that he had given the instant case considerable
thought, especially with regard to the capture of John Dillinger,
and that he believed he had evolved a plan which might be successful.
He stated, of course, that he was willing to risk his own life in
this matter and that he believed it would be necessary to "fight fire
with fire". Mr. Olivar's plan in substance was as follows:

John Dillinger's father should be abducted or
kidnaped and secretly held, and wide publicity given to the fact
that he had disappeared and was believed to be held by individuals
who were seeking retribution against Dillinger for some of the
murders which he has committed; that upon receipt of this
information Dillinger would immediately attempt to contact
the parties holding his father for the purpose of rescuing him,
and that if Dillinger attempted to rescue his father or negotiate
for his release, a trap might be planned whereby he would be taken
into custody. In order to communicate and open negotiations with
Dillinger in the event his father was abducted, as above indicated,
Mr. Olivar stated that undoubtedly Dillinger's father would know
how to communicate with him.

Memorandum of father of John Dillinger

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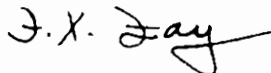
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In the event the above outlined plan failed to work, Mr. Olivat had in mind placing charges against Dillinger's father and taking him into federal custody for aiding and abetting Dillinger, after which the latter's father was to be placed in some apparently insecure local jail, to the end that Dillinger would attempt to free him, at which time a trap having been previously prepared, Dillinger would be apprehended.

Mr. Olivat stated that at this time he was able to give a very rough outline of his plans, and that if the same were acceptable and his services were needed he would be glad to work out the details of the same. He indicated that it would be necessary to have the assistance of agents of this Division with him in the above matter.

Special Agent Zimmer advised Mr. Olivat that his plan of apprehension of Dillinger would be conveyed to you for your information and decision on the matter.

Very truly yours,



F. X. FAY,
Special Agent in Charge.

May 7, 1934.

Mr. E. M. Clegg,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

In connection with the case entitled John Dillinger, with aliases, I.O. #1217, et al; National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, reference is made to Inspector F. A. Rorer's letter dated at Northern Lights Resort, Manitowish, Wisconsin, April 24, 1934, submitting an unsigned typewritten note addressed to Mr. Louis F. Piquett, a memorandum containing address of Pearl Bellman, and an address card of "The Dutchman's Inn".

The above named articles have been treated in the Division laboratory, and this treatment has resulted in the development of ten latent fingerprints of a fragmentary nature. These latent prints have been compared with the fingerprints of the following named individuals with negative results:

John Dillinger, our file #688382.
Evelyn Frechette, our file #775138.
"Trisco Dutch" Steinhardt, our file #6633.

George Nelson, our file #542742.
Joseph Fox, our file #284945.
Sidney Rosen, St. Paul Div. Off.
Lawrence Streng, Chicago Div. Off.
Mary Kinter, our file #774288.
William Weaver, our file #19920.
Joseph A. Burns, our file #419408.
Thomas Banks, #1328 U.S.M. St. Paul.
Mrs. C. P. Harmon, our file #105280.
Albert W. Reilly, #24455 PD Minneapolis.

John Hamilton, our file #110386.
Eugene Green, our file #73524.
Otto Ahlbeck, our file #78042.
Homer Van Meter, our file #5922.
Orville Ed. Simpson, our file #427607.
Mrs. T. J. Randall, St. Paul Div. Off.
Clarence P. Daniel, St. Paul Div. Off.
Bernice Thompson, #2377 PD Tucson, Arizona.
Patricia Cherrington, #5864-A PD Tacoma, Washington.
Jack Walker, our file #47641.
Merris Longbrake, our file #32904.
Opal Milligan, our file #778865.
Augusta Galt, St. Paul Div. Off.
Clayton P. May, St. Paul Div. Off.

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Very respectfully,

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 7, 1934.

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

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Waldrop, of the Herald, telephoned at 10:35 PM this evening and advised that he had information to the effect that Winetka, the proprietor of the resort in Wisconsin involved in the Dillinger raid, was in town. Mr. Waldrop stated that he had the name of the hotel where Winetka was registered here in Washington and the number of the room, and that he was intending to interview Winetka.

Mr. Cowley advised me that he knew nothing of the matter and I so advised Mr. Waldrop.

Respectfully,

C.E. Kleinkauf
C.E. Kleinkauf.

*Wash. Herald
John Winetka
Emil Winetka*

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information as to who is doing the medical work for the Dillinger gang and may be able to show the way to the Dillinger hideout.

The second letter mentioned above, received by Mr. Ford, is undoubtedly that of a crank. However, the original is being furnished to the Chicago office herewith and a copy is being furnished the Division, as well as the St. Paul office and Inspector Horar.

Mr. Ford also presented Agent Bryan with a teletype message addressed to him at New York City and sent from Chicago, Illinois on May 4th, the original of which is being furnished the Chicago office herewith, while a copy is being furnished to the Division, as well as the St. Paul office and Inspector Horar. Mr. Ford stated his office refused to pay charges on this teletype message inasmuch as it was sent collect and whoever sent the same declined to place his signature thereon. The teletype is self-explanatory and no comment is being made other than the fact that the sender claimed that he had contacted with you, Clarence L. Converse, Chief Secret Agent of the Internal Revenue, and Mr. Callahan, Chief of the Secret Service at Chicago.

Mr. Ford informed Agent Bryan that he had received a communication from the Director in which the latter had furnished the telephone for the Division, as well as the teletype number for the Division, to the end that Mr. Ford might immediately contact the Division in the event he received any information which he believed to be of particular value to this investigation. Mr. Ford also stated that he would keep the New York office advised as to any tips which he might receive concerning Dillinger. He is located in Room 908, 1250 Sixth Avenue, New York City, phone Circle 7-7100, and teletype number 1-677.

This information is being furnished you for whatever benefit you may derive from the same.

Very truly yours,

F. I. FAY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Division
cc St. Paul

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Phone
Victory 4459

AMERICAN MUSIC SUPPLY CO.

Chicago

Chicago May 5th, 1934.

Charles E. Ford.

Dear Sir:

John Dillinger will be found at the Indian Reservation at
Wiss., disguised as an Indian woman. Probly with a Baby
on his Back when the Pollice arive. the Bloody car found
in Chicago is a stall; the Indians would hide him as they
will consider him Evelyn Frechettes Husband. Supprising
them at night with Soldeirs and tear gass and something
to keep the dogs from giving the allarm would be the only
way to get him.

Respsfuly

(Signed) Mary Caholan

3139 S. Parnell Ave, Chicago

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CHARLES E FORD

MANAGING DIRECTOR UNIVERSAL NEWSREEL NEW YORK NEW YORK

A PERSON BY AN ASSUMED NAME OF CYRUS B HOLLAND APPEARED AT THE WESTERN UNION OFFICE IN THE PALMER HOUSE AT CHICAGO AT SEVEN FORTY PM FRIDAY EVENING PURPORTS TO BE A CONSULTING ENGINEER ENGAGED IN SAID SCIENCE BY THE LARGEST MANUFACTURER IN THE VARIOUS INDUSTRIES IN THE UNITED STATES SAID PERSON IS ALSO ONE HALF OWNER, IN LITIGATION, OF ONE OF THE LARGEST MANUFACTURING INSTITUTIONS IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO HAVING NOTICED ITEM IN THE CHICAGO DAILY NEWS BLUE STREAK EDITION PRINTED BETWEEN FIVE THIRTY AND SEVEN THIRTY P M OF THURSDAY A REWARD OF FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS TO BE PAID ON THE ARREST OF JOHN DILLINGER AND THE UNIVERSAL NEWS REEL CHAS E FORD MANAGING DIRECTOR BEING SPONSORS ALSO NOTICE THE MEETING OF THE VARIOUS SHERIFFS IN THE UNITED STATES IN SESSION AT MIAMI FLORIDA IN WHICH A HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS IS OFFERED FOR THE SAME REASON AND PURPOSE I HAVE THE SOLE SOLUTION TO THIS PROBLEM UNAPPROACHABLE BY THE ENTIRE POLICE V FORCE AND SECRET SERVICE INTELLIGENCIA IN THE UNITED STATES I HAVE CONTACT WITH MELVIN PURVIS CHIEF FEDERAL INVESTIGATR IN RACKETS ALSO CLARENCE L CONVERSE CHIEF SECRET AGENT OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE ALSO MR CALLAHAN CHIEF OF SECRET SERVICE OPERATORS ALSO A D PLAMANDON CHIEF FIELD INVESTIGATOR INTERNAL REVENUE THEY HAVE BEEN PARTIALLY

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ADVISED AND REFUSE TO ACT ACCORDING TO MY DIRECTIONS HAVE I J
HOOVER CHIEF OF SECRET SERVICE ALSO HUGH CUMMINGS UNITED STATES ATTORNEY
AT WASHINGTON INVESTIGATE SECRETLY REASON WHY STOP ON RECEIPT OF
THIS MESSAGE CALL UP MARTHA KENNEDY IN CHICAGO BETWEEN EIGHT AND TEN
AM AND ESTABLISH LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE BUCKINGHAM 3987 HAVE
DICTAGRAPH AT YOUR END RECORD INCOMING INFORMATION FROM ME ARRANGE
UNINTERRUPTED SERVICE I WILL NOT APPEAR IN PERSON OR ON THE SCREEN
OR HAVE MY PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN AND INCIDENTALLY I AM THE ONLY PERSON
THAT WILL RELATE A CXX SCHEME OR PLAN THAT WILL EFFECT THE CAPTURE
OF THE KIDNAPER OR KIDNAPPERS OF CHARLES A LINDBERGH'S BABY THEY
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MONEYS STILL IN THE HANDS OF BANK ROBBERS KIDNAPERS ETC OF SUB-
STANTIAL AMOUNTS THIS LAST INFORMATION PARTICULARLY MUST BE KEPT
FROM THE PRESS I WILL RELATE ONLY TO PRESIDENT FRANKLIN D ROOSEVELT
AND CONGRESS IN SESSION PUBLIC AND PRESS EXCLUDED.

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Chicago, Ill.
May 5, 1934

Mr. Chas. E. Ford,
Universal Newsreel,
New York City

Dear Sir:

The attached clipping causes me to say that possibly Dr. Jos. P. Moran of 4861 Irving Park Blvd, Chicago, may know who it is that is doing the medical work for men wanted. Or he may show the way to the Dillinger hide-out.

Needless to say this must be confidential or I would have given this information to the police here some time ago. I am in business here and cannot have a lot of police around the premises, and do not care to be involved with them in any way whatsoever.

I have had information that this doctor has had connections with the Tucky gang and this would make him a good candidate for any medical services Billinger may require.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) H. F. Ugel

5220 W. Division St.
Chicago, Ill.

Handwritten initials

UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Chicago, Illinois**

REPORT MADE AT San Francisco	DATE WHEN MADE 5/3/34	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/26/34 & 5/3/34	REPORT MADE BY F. E. Criss - CDP
TITLE JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases FUGITIVE, I.O. #1217, et al.			CHARACTER OF CASE NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: John Chase not located in Sonoma County, California.

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent F. P. Gerety, San Francisco, Calif.
Dated April 18, 1934.

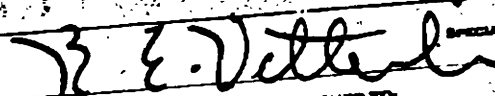
DETAILS: AT SANTA ROSA, CALIF.

Chief Criminal Deputy Sheriff T. P. Money was interviewed that he had received information through Mr. Peters, Special Agent Northwestern Pacific Railroad Company, that John Chase was supposed to be hiding out in the Coast mountains between Stewarts Point and Duncans Mills in a cabin belonging to a Parmeter. He advised that this was a very rugged, wooded country and there were several vacant cabins in this district; that he had a deputy sheriff, Jack Brown, who is familiar with the district, riding through on horse back under the guise of searching for sheep thieves and if any information were developed he would notify the San Francisco Division Office.

Money was later contacted and advised that Chase was not in the district above described, but if he should come there, his office will be immediately notified and he will notify the San Francisco Division Office.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

May 4, 1934.

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

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Duffield, of the Chicago Tribune, telephoned at 8:35 PM this evening and made inquiry with regard to a story which, he declared, had appeared in the London newspapers today. This story stated that the authorities at the ports in England had been cabled by the U.S. authorities to search the Duchess of York when it docked, on the suspicion that Dillinger was on board. Mr. Duffield advised that he had been referred to the Division by Mr. Carusi.

I advised Mr. Duffield that I knew absolutely nothing about the matter and suggested that he call back in the morning.

Respectfully,

C.E. Kleinkauf
C.E. Kleinkauf.

*John W. ...
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. COWLEY

62-29777-1243

In regard to the attached memorandum of Mr. Kleinkauf, covering a conversation which he had with Mr. Duffield, of the Chicago Tribune, inquiring about the searching of the "Duchess of York" upon its arrival at Glasgow tomorrow, I would like to find out, if we can, how this information got out. I, of course, assume that the State Department did not give the information out, but that it possibly was given out by the British authorities. I think in the future we should request in our cablegrams which are sent abroad, that the authorities treat the request in confidence. It is quite likely that this tip concerning Dillinger is a false one, but it no doubt will gain considerable publicity, and then when he is found not to be aboard the "Duchess of York" it will look rather foolish. Furthermore, the story may put an idea into Dillinger's head to try to leave the country, which would likewise be unfortunate.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

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REPORT MADE AT Chicago, Ill.	DATE WHEN MADE 5/9/34	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5/7/34	REPORT MADE BY V. W. PETERSON
TITLE JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1217; JOHN HAMILTON, with aliases, I.O. 1220; HOMER VANMETER, with aliases, I.O. 1222; ALBERT W. O'REILLY, with aliases, I.O. 1225; LESTER M. GILLIS, with aliases, I.O. 1223; THOMAS LEONARD CARROLL, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1224. Et al.		CHARACTER OF CASE NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Conspiracy to Harbor Fugitives)	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: HARBORING OF FUGITIVES IN MINNESOTA AND WISCONSIN			
SYNOPSIS:			
<p>.38 caliber Colt Super Automatic, bearing secret number 14130 was sold by one, H. S. Lehman, San Antonio, Texas to Tommy Carroll; said gun was found abandoned at Little Bohemia Lodge after Carroll, Dillinger and Associates escaped on 4/22/34. Ford V8 car property of Roy P. Francis, St. Paul, found abandoned in Chicago; contained match boxes bearing "Paul Wanatka, Little Bohemia Lodge, Manitowish, Wisconsin"; also contained flashlight and blankets believed to be property of Robert L. Johnson who was forced to transport Dillinger, Van Meter and possibly Hamilton in his car to Park Falls, Wis. Subsequent thereto Dillinger and associates are alleged to have stolen car of Roy P. Francis.</p>			
DETAILS:			
Reference: Summary Report, Special Agent V.W. Peterson, Chicago, 5/6/34			
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HARBORING OF FUGITIVES IN MINNESOTA AND WISCONSIN			
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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>M. H. Quinn per [unclear]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	62-29777-1244	RECORDED AND INDEXED MAY 9 1934
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Thomas Leonard Carroll in the title in view of information provided by Inspector H. H. Clegg to the writer by telephone that a non est return has been made on a federal warrant issued for Thomas Carroll in connection with a mail robbery.

This report is being submitted in compliance with instructions contained in a teletype message from Inspector H. H. Clegg, St. Paul, Minnesota on May 7, 1934 and pertains to evidence in the possession of the Chicago office relative to the harboring of fugitives in Minnesota and Wisconsin.

.38 CALIBER COLT SUPER AUTOMATIC, SECRET NO. 14130

J. C. White, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers Building, Chicago, Illinois, will testify that after the escape of Dillinger and associates at the Little Bohemia Lodge near Manitowish, Wisconsin on April 22, 1934, he discovered numerous guns and bullet proof vests in cars abandoned by members of the Dillinger gang; that he, together with Special Agent J. J. Waters, transported said guns and vests from the Little Bohemia Lodge to the Chicago Division Office on April 23, 1934; that subsequent thereto, he examined a .38 caliber Colt Super Automatic, and that upon making said examination he discovered secret number 14130.

M. Chaffetz, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers Building, Chicago, Illinois, will testify that he examined all guns and vests returned to the Chicago Division Office from the Little Bohemia Lodge, and that after said examination he made a record of secret number 14130 which was found on .38 caliber Colt Super Automatic by Special Agent J. C. White.

Colt Arms Company, Hartford, Connecticut, will be issued a subpoena duces tecum to produce records reflecting the sale of a .38 caliber Colt Super Automatic, bearing secret number 14130, to Wolf and Klar Company, dealers in firearms, Fort Worth, Texas.

Wolf and Klar Company, Fort Worth, Texas, will be issued a subpoena duces tecum to produce the records of said company reflecting the sale of a .38 Caliber Colt Super Automatic which was shipped to H. S. Lehman, 111 South Flores Street, San Antonio, Texas.

H. S. Lehman, 111 South Flores Street, San Antonio, Texas, will testify that he knows Tommy Carroll and will produce records to show that in October, 1933, he made a shipment of guns to the address of 3242 Sixteenth Avenue, South Minneapolis, Minnesota, which is the address of Joseph J. Bennett. Bennett is a brother of "Radio Sally", the wife of Tommy Carroll.

Joseph Bennett and wife, 3242 Sixteenth Avenue, South Minneapolis, Minnesota, will testify that five packages arrived from San Antonio, Texas in October, 1933; that they signed express receipts for said packages and that subsequently they turned same over to Tommy Carroll. They will further testify that the packages contained guns.

In view of the fact that it can be definitely established that the .38 caliber Colt Super Automatic, serial number 14150, is the property of Tommy Carroll, and since this gun was found abandoned in the Little Bohemia Lodge, Manitowish, Wisconsin, at the time of the escape of Dillinger and associates, it would tend to corroborate the evidence of other individuals who have identified Tommy Carroll as having been at the Little Bohemia Lodge at Manitowish, Wisconsin in the presence of Marion Virginia Marr, Marie Comforti and Ann Southern.

As a matter of interest, it may also be pointed out that the records of Smith and Wesson, Incorporated, Springfield, Massachusetts, show that a .38 Smith and Wesson pistol, number 876486, was shipped by this company direct to Chief of Police F. H. Pottinger, Warsaw, Indiana and that the Smith and Wesson, Incorporated further shipped a .38 caliber Smith and Wesson Double Action pistol on a 44 frame, number 40399, to the Mausy Sporting Goods Store, Warsaw, Indiana.

Mr. Mausy, who formerly operated the Mausy Sporting Goods Store, Warsaw, Indiana, advised Special Agent M. Chaffetz that the gun described above was sold to Chief of Police F. H. Pottinger, Warsaw, Indiana Police Department.

On May 3, 1934 F. H. Pottinger, Chief of Police, and Officer Raymond and Neff of the Warsaw, Indiana Police Department, called at the Chicago Division office, at which time they identified the guns in question, and after giving proper receipts, said guns were turned over to them.

Prior to this time Officer Raymond Neff and Chief of Police F. H. Pettinger had provided information concerning certain bullet proof vests which were also stolen from them at the time of the Warsaw, Indiana Police Department robbery. The vests were described as consisting of two pieces, one piece being the front and back, and the other piece being the side, which fits on the body separate from the front and back pieces.

It was further stated that one of the vests had been worn quite extensively, necessitating its repair. On May 3, 1934, two bullet proof vests were identified by Raymond Neff and F. H. Pettinger as the vests which were stolen from the Warsaw, Indiana Police Department.

Said identifications were made by virtue of certain elastis used in repairing the vests.

The Colt Super Automatic, .38 caliber, serial number 14130, is being forwarded to the St. Paul Office under separate cover.

It would thus appear that the Dillinger gang actually committed the holdup of the Warsaw, Indiana Police Department. Obviously, this information cannot be employed for the purpose of establishing the fact that Dillinger and associates were actually being harbored in the Little Bohemia Lodge, Manitowish, Wisconsin, in view of the fact that witnesses are not available to definitely establish that members of the Dillinger gang committed the Warsaw, Indiana Police Department robbery.

The report of Inspector W. A. Murar, dated at Chicago, Illinois, April 22, 1934, reflects that Paul Wanatka, proprietor of Little Bohemia Lodge, Manitowish, Wisconsin, will identify Homer Van Meter, Pat Heilly, John Dillinger, John Hamilton, Tommy Carroll and George "Baby Face" Nelson, as the individuals who remained at his resort from April 20, 1934 until April 22, 1934. He will also identify Ann Southern, Barton Virginia Starr and Mary Comfort, as individuals who remained at his place from April 20, 1934 until the time they were taken into custody on April 23, 1934.

Mrs. Paul Wanatka, Little Bohemia Lodge, Manitowish, Wisconsin, will also identify John Dillinger, John Hamilton, George "Baby Face" Nelson, Tommy Carroll, Homer Van Meter and Pat Cherrington.

Edward Mitchell, care of Mitchell's Rest Lake Resort, Manitowish, Wisconsin, will identify John Dillinger as one of three men who presented themselves at the Mitchell home on April 22, 1934, subsequent to the shooting fray at the Little Bohemia Lodge, at which time Dillinger stated, "I am Dillinger and the Government is after me"; that Dillinger demanded an automobile; that Dillinger did not approve of Mitchell's car and that he had information relative to the owner of another car which was standing near the Mitchell home, and that they informed him that same was the property of Robert L. Johnson.

Mrs. Edward Mitchell, care of Mitchell's Rest Lake Resort, Manitowish, Wisconsin, will identify John Dillinger as the man who presented himself at the Mitchell home on April 22, 1934, as set out above.

Robert L. Johnson, care of Mitchell's Rest Lake Resort, Manitowish, Wisconsin, will testify that he resides in a small cabin on the Mitchell's Rest Lake Resort; that approximately ten P.M. on the night of April 22, 1934 he was called to the door; that three men were standing outside in the dark and they instructed him to come out of his cabin; that he obeyed the said instructions; that in compliance with the demands of the three men referred to, he drove his 1930 Ford Coupe, motor number A2980061, and transported the three men from his home at Mitchell's Rest Lake Resort, until he was forced out of the car near Pixley Dam near Park Falls, Wisconsin. Robert L. Johnson will positively identify Dillinger and Van Meter.

It is understood that John Dillinger, Van Meter, and the third man who was believed to be John Hamilton, later abandoned the Ford Coupe of Robert L. Johnson's and stole another Ford Coach owned by Roy P. Francis, St. Paul, Minnesota.

The witnesses necessary to establish the chain of evidence from the time the Ford of Roy Johnson was abandoned until the theft of the automobile owned by Roy P. Francis, 356 Third Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, will not be set out in this report.

On May 2, 1934 the writer received a telephone call from the Damen Street Police Station, Chicago, Illinois, at which time information was provided that the Ford V8 Coach owned by Roy P. Francis had been recovered at 3333 North Leavitt Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Mrs. Amanda Gothe, first floor, 3333 North Leavitt Street, Chicago, Illinois will testify that she returned to her home at the given address, about midnight, April 30, 1934, at which time she did not notice a car parked in front of her residence; that before retiring she casually glanced out of the window and observed a Ford V8 Coach, which was later recovered by the Police Department; that she first noticed the Ford V8 Coach between one and one-thirty A.M. on the morning of May 1, 1934 and that the car remained in front of her residence the entire day of May 1, 1934 until approximately five P.M. at which time she notified the Damen Street Police Station concerning the location of the car in front of her residence. Mrs. Gothe will further testify that during the time the car was parked in front of her residence, 3333 North Leavitt Street, Chicago, Illinois, she looked into the car and observed something which appeared to be blood on the right front seat, and also observed some surgical dressings in boxes on the floor of the car; that during the examination of the car, she found a registration card issued to Roy P. Francis, 356 Third Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota; that Mrs. Louise Seek, who resides at the same address on the second floor, also observed the car during the same day and that Mrs. Gothe gave her the registration card, and that she in turn called at the Damen Street Police Station on the morning of May 2, 1934, again giving the information to the police Department. Approximately one P.M. on May 2, 1934, the police removed the car.

Mrs. Louise Seek, 3333 North Leavitt Street, Chicago, Illinois will also testify that she first observed the Ford V8 Coach parked in front of her residence at the given address at two o'clock on the morning of May 1, 1934 and that this car remained in front of her home until it was removed by the police about one o'clock on May 2, 1934.

Albert Timms, 3325 North Leavitt Street, Chicago, Illinois, will testify that on the morning of May 1, 1934, he observed the car parked in front of 3333 North Leavitt Street, Chicago; that he looked into the car, at which time he observed two flashlights; that he also observed several exploded .45 shells on the floor of the car, as well as some surgical dressings and bandages; that Mrs. Gothe gave the keys to the car to him; that he removed some of the effects from the car, in order to prevent the theft of same; that about one o'clock on May 2, 1934, he was contacted by the police who secured the keys to the car and removed it to the police station, and that later that same day he turned over to the police, two flashlights, one of which was a large black flashlight and the other a smaller flashlight and that the articles which he turned over to the police were obtained from the car

which was left parked in front of 3333 North Leavitt Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Frank Gleason and Mike Woods, Patrolmen, Damen Street Police Station, 3300 North Damen, Chicago, Illinois, will testify that they recovered a Ford V8 Coach, black, motor number 18-348420, bearing 1934 Illinois license plates number 232-822, from 3333 North Leavitt Street, Chicago, Illinois on May 2, 1934; that the car was thereafter placed in the garage at the police station where it was later examined for fingerprints.

A registration card was found which reflected that 1934 Minnesota license plates number B455-209 were issued for the car in question to Roy P. Francis, 356 Third Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

It may be stated that Sergeant Reynolds from Captain Stege's office and Sergeant Moore, Bureau of Identification, Chicago Police Department, on the evening of May 2, 1934, examined the car in question and the property found therein for fingerprints, but were unsuccessful in locating any.

Immediately upon receipt of information that the car, referred to, had been located in Chicago, Special Agents Chafetz and J. H. Rice proceeded to the Damen Street Police Station, Chicago, Illinois, for the purpose of conducting investigation, including an examination of the automobile and the effects located therein, for fingerprints. The Police Department were in control of the car at that time however, and declined to allow an examination of the car and its contents until an examination had been made by appropriate officers of the Bureau of Identification, Chicago Police Department.

On May 7, 1934, Captain Luke J. Garrick, Commanding Officer, Damen Street Police Station, turned over to Special Agent J. H. Rice, the following property which was found in the car owned by Roy P. Francis, 356 Third Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota:

- 3 cases pertaining to a surgical kit, containing surgical dressings, bandages and iodine and a tourniquet
- 2 exploded .45 caliber shells
- 2 paper match books with "Emil Wanatka, Little Bohemia Lodge, Manitowish, Wisconsin" printed thereon
- 1 5-cell black Sol-Ray flashlight
- 1 Telegraph Herald and Times Journal, evening edition, newspaper, dated Dubuque, Iowa, Monday, April 23, 1934
- 1 Chicago Herald Examiner, dated Monday, April 23, 1934.

2 blankets, Navaho design

In compliance with the request of Inspector E. H. Glass, St. Paul, Minnesota, the above articles, which may possibly be used as evidence at a later date, are being forwarded, under separate cover, to the St. Paul office.

It will be noted that among the articles found in the automobile owned by Roy P. Francis, St. Paul, Minnesota, and which is believed to have been stolen by the same individuals who committed the theft of the car owned by Robert L. Johnson, Manitowish, Wisconsin, there were found two paper match books, on which the following was printed: "Emil Wanatka, Little Bohemia Lodge, Manitowish, Wisconsin". In addition thereto, there was found one bandage which appeared to be saturated with blood. This bandage was found in the car by Special Agent J. H. Rice of the Chicago Division Office.

In connection with the articles described above, it may be stated that Special Agent J. L. Madala communicated with the writer by telephone on the evening of May 4, 1934 from Manitowish, Wisconsin, at which time he advised that Robert L. Johnson of Manitowish, Wisconsin had observed photographs of the articles found in the abandoned car in Chicago, and he identified the photograph of the flashlight as the flashlight which was in his car at the time Dillinger, Van Meter, and possibly Hamilton, stole same from him. Johnson also informed Agent Madala that there was a screw driver and a blanket in the car at the time of the theft. The blankets and the flashlight should be exhibited to Johnson for the purpose of determining whether he may identify same. It is the desire of Johnson, according to Special Agent Madala, that the property which was stolen from him be returned to him.

With reference to the clothing and other articles which were found among the effects of Dillinger and associates at the Little Bohemia Lodge by Special Agents of the Division, Special Agents J. A. Murphy and W. C. Ryan made an examination of same and set out appropriate leads to other officers. It appears from said examination that the only possible evidence which might indicate harboring of Dillinger and associates in Minnesota and Wisconsin will be developed by the completion of the undeveloped leads for the St. Paul office contained in the report of Special Agent V. W. Peterson, Chicago, Illinois, dated May 2, 1934, and by a previous letter to the St. Paul office from the Chicago office. With reference to the undeveloped lead for the Chicago office, the investigation was confined to Illinois and there have been no developments of evidence in this District implicating harboring of fugitives in either Minnesota or Wisconsin.

U. S. Bureau of Investigation

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1900 Bankers Bldg,
Chicago, Illinois
May 5, 1934

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



Dear Sir:-

Re: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases, Fugitive, et al,
I. O. #1219, Natl. Motor Vehicle Theft Act.,
Obstruction to Justice.

Reference is made to my telephone conversation with you recently concerning a call made on me by Al Dunlap, the publisher of the magazine called THE DETECTIVE.

Mr. Dunlap stated that he is writing a story for the LIBERTY magazine concerning the Dillinger matter, and he desired to inform me that [redacted] Indianapolis, has a great deal of information in his possession concerning John Dillinger and his gang.

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I immediately contacted Mr. Connelley in Indianapolis, and he stated that he already has all of the information in the possession of [redacted] and that the same is being given appropriate attention.

Very truly yours,

M. H. Furvis

M. H. FURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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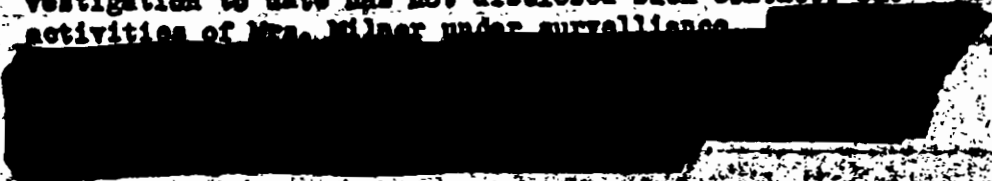
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REPORT MADE AT Birmingham, Ala.	DATE WHEN MADE 2-7-34	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/30 2/2, 4/34	REPORT MADE BY J. M. Towler
TITLE JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1217; JOHN HAMILTON, with alias, I.O. #1220, HOMER VAN Meter, with aliases, I.O. #1222, et al.			CHARACTER OF CASE NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

1934 Tennessee license 176-006 issued to one Robert L. Lane, Murfreesboro, Tenn., on 4-9-34, for Ford Deluxe sedan, motor #684515. Identity of Lane unknown. 1934 Tennessee license 289-339 issued to one Thomas Lee Burnett, Route #5, Lebanon, Tenn., on 4-11-34, for Buick Coupe, motor #2845172. Identity of Burnett likewise unknown. Unidentified informant offered information to U. S. Marshal, Nashville, indicating Dillinger possibly had contact with one Mrs. C. E. Milner, Murfreesboro. Investigation to date has not disclosed such contact, but activities of Mrs. Milner under surveillance.



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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons, Birmingham, Alabama, dated 4-16-34.
Report of Special Agent J. M. Towler, Birmingham, Alabama, dated 4-20-34.
Letter from Chicago office dated 4-28-34.

DETAILS:

The following investigation was conducted with the assistance of Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons.

AT MURFREESBORO, TENNESSEE.

Upon receipt of the letter of reference from the Chicago office, immediate inquiry was made of Mrs. Elizabeth Ibernathy, deputy clerk, Rutherford

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County Court, Murfreesboro, Tennessee, concerning the issuance of 1934 Tennessee license 176-004, and it was ascertained that said license was issued to one Robert L. Lane on April 9, 1934, for Ford Deluxe sedan, motor number 684535. At the time application for the license was made, Lane gave his address as 302 West College, Murfreesboro, Tennessee. Subsequent investigation disclosed that there is no such number, although there is a College street in Murfreesboro. When questioned concerning the issuance of this license, Mrs. Abernathy replied that she did not know the individual to whom the license was issued, and she was unable to identify him from the photographs submitted to her. She further stated that the license had been issued to a man of rather unkempt appearance and gruff mannerisms. Copy of the original signed application was procured and is being transmitted to the Division by letter for comparison of handwriting of subjects and associates in this case. In this connection, it may be stated that Mrs. Abernathy had, on that same date, issued 1934 Tennessee license number 176-003 to a woman who gave her name as Mrs. Harmon L. Osgood, and her address as the James K. Polk Hotel, Murfreesboro, Tennessee. It has since been ascertained, from information furnished by the Division, that the signature of Mrs. Harmon L. Osgood is identical with that of Paula Harmon, with aliases. Mrs. Abernathy however, was unable to identify the most recent photographs of Paula Harmon as the individual to whom she had issued the license heretofore mentioned.

Further inquiry was made through the Postmaster at Murfreesboro in an effort to identify Robert L. Lane, but without result. He is unknown to officials of the Post Office, and has not recorded an address there. Search of the Murfreesboro city and telephone directories failed to disclose the name of

On April 24, 1934, an individual, giving his name as "Wilson", approached W. A. Hensley, Chief Deputy United States Marshal at Nashville, and advised that he had information relative to the activities of Dillinger at Murfreesboro, Tennessee. Before imparting his information to Mr. Hensley, he stated that he did not desire to disclose his identity, also indicating that the name "Wilson" was fictitious. He refused to give his address and other information which might lead to his identity and location, but stated that the information he was offering was true and could be borne out by investigation. He stated that there was a woman residing at 206 Second Avenue, Murfreesboro, who has a bad reputation; that she is married to a man who travels for some wholesale drug company and is seldom at home; that during his absence, the woman has frequent visitors at her home, the majority of whom are "outsiders"; that on one occasion recently she had a man living at her home who had an injured foot and, although she introduced the man to "Wilson", he could not recall the name. "Wilson" is said to have further informed Mr. Hensley that the house in which the woman lives was purchased for her by Dillinger and that either Dillinger, or members of his gang, had bought an Austin automobile for this woman's

son. "Wilson" further informed Mr. Hensley that the woman always has "plenty of money" and spends lavishly. Mr. Hensley stated that "Wilson" appeared to be sincere, and other than being quite deaf, was normal, well-dressed and, in his opinion, was not offering information because of a desire for publicity or because he appeared to hold a grudge.

Upon receipt of the above information, Agents interviewed Sam Cox, City Manager, Murfreesboro, Tennessee. It may be stated that Mr. Cox is most reliable; has held that position for several years and is well acquainted with the citizens of Murfreesboro. Mr. Cox offered his cooperation and agreed to treat the matter in strict confidence. Through Mr. Cox it was ascertained that Mrs. C. E. Milner occupies the premises at 206 Second Avenue, Murfreesboro; that she is a woman of bad repute and the police at Murfreesboro have frequently been called to quell disturbances at her home. Mr. Cox further stated that Mrs. Milner has been married several times; that she was formerly Geneva Finley, daughter of J. M. Finley, an attorney at Manchester, Tennessee. She married one Moore, first name and initials unknown, with whom she lived in Indiana for several years and by whom she had one son, Ibrin Moore, who is now about eighteen years old and resides with his mother at Murfreesboro. Their place of residence in Indiana is unknown. However, she married E. Milner, her present husband, who is a salesman for a wholesale drug firm with headquarters somewhere in Indiana, and about four years ago Mrs. Milner and her son returned to Murfreesboro, where they have resided since. On April 24, 1931, Mrs. Milner purchased the premises at 206 Second Avenue under the name of Geneva Moore, paying \$1,500.00 in cash and giving notes extending over a period of several years for the balance; the purchase price of the house having been about \$4,000.00. However, she is said to have taken up the notes, by cash payments, long before maturity. She has the reputation of being a "spender", always has money and is believed to possess Government Bonds. Mr. Cox further stated that Mrs. Milner's husband has not returned to Murfreesboro since the early fall of 1933; that prior thereto, he usually visited his home about once a month.

With respect to Mrs. Milner's reputation, Mr. Cox stated that she frequently entertains in her home, usually during the late evenings and that neighbors are always complaining about the noise and conduct. He further stated that Mrs. Milner's son has frequently been arrested on charges of intoxication, and that he drives an Austin car, while Mrs. Milner drives a Chrysler sedan. Mr. Cox stated that he would not hesitate to include Mrs. Milner among the ranks of racketeers; that, although he has no information to indicate positively that she may be aligned with a gang, nevertheless, her activities and her ready supply of money are sufficient to at least cause suspicion of her in that respect.

Mr. Cox agreed to maintain a surveillance of Mrs. Milner's home, and particularly to be on the lookout for license numbers

on automobiles which are brought to her home by her various visitors. In this connection, Mr. Cox stated that he could have Mrs. Milner's home watched each evening by members of the Murfreesboro Police Department, who are under his supervision; that, because of the numerous complaints against Mrs. Milner and her unsavory reputation, the surveillance might be maintained without advising his officers of the reason therefor or of creating any suspicion whatsoever. Such procedure was deemed advisable, and Mr. Cox stated that he would communicate with Agents by telephone immediately should his men observe anything that might prove of value to this investigation. In the meantime, Mr. Cox advised that he would endeavor to ascertain the name of the wholesale drug company by whom C. E. Milner is employed, and such further information as may be obtained with respect to his activities.

On May 1, 1934, Mr. Cox advised Agents that there had been no apparent activity about the Milner premises; that it had been noted that Mrs. Milner and her son remained at home each evening and, although it had been observed that lights burned in her home until late in the evening, she did not appear to have any visitors and no cars were seen about the premises other than Mrs. Milner's Chrysler sedan and her son's Austin car.

While this report was in the process of typing, Mr. Cox telephoned from Murfreesboro and advised Agent that on the evening of May 1, 1934, a car bearing 1934 Tennessee license number 120-401 had been observed at the Milner home. Mr. Cox stated that he was unable to determine the make of the car, because of the darkness. Investigation through the office of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, Nashville, Tennessee, disclosed that 1934 Tennessee license 120-401 was issued to one Mrs. Fred B. Vaughn, 2415 Parkview Place, Nashville, Tennessee, for a Durant sedan. Discreet investigation will be made at Nashville to determine the identity of Mrs. Vaughn and her activities, particularly her connection with Mrs. Milner.

Inasmuch as Murfreesboro is a small community, it was deemed advisable to permit Mr. Cox to have the surveillance maintained on Mrs. Milner's home, at least until such time as some definite information may be obtained to connect Mrs. Milner with Dillinger and his gang, or in the event subsequent investigation discloses no connection. For Agents to maintain the surveillance it is believed suspicion would be aroused and would undoubtedly result in undue publicity. As the reports of reference will indicate, some members of Dillinger's gang have been at Murfreesboro. There is, of course, the possibility that they may return. Therefore, it is not desirable that any indication whatever be given to arouse suspicion in the community.

In an effort to further identify the woman who procured Tennessee license number 176-003 on April 9, 1934 at Murfreesboro, contact

was again had with Mrs. Elizabeth Abernathy, deputy clerk, who was discreetly questioned with reference to her acquaintances in the community. Mrs. Abernathy replied that she has a speaking acquaintance with the majority of the citizens and she stated that she knows Mrs. E. E. Milner on sight; that she has issued her automobile license to her. Mrs. Abernathy was positive that it was not Mrs. Milner who had procured the license above referred to.

AT LEBANON, TENNESSEE.

The letter of reference from the Chicago office requested information concerning the ownership of 1934 Tennessee license number 259-336, which was found among Billinger's effects. Inquiry disclosed that said license was issued at Lebanon, Tennessee, to one Thomas Leo Burnett on April 11, 1934, for Buick Coupe, motor number 2845179, by Mrs. Douglas P. McLain, deputy clerk, Wilson County. No signature was obtained on the application for license, and at the time application was made, Burnett gave his address as Route #5, Lebanon, Tennessee.

Mrs. Douglas P. McLain, deputy clerk, Wilson County Court, was interviewed. Mrs. McLain stated that she recalls having issued the license, but could not remember the circumstances, nor was she able to identify the purchaser other than to recall that the license was issued to a man. Mrs. McLain was shown all photographs in this matter. However, she was unable to identify any of them as likenesses of anyone she knew or had observed about the office of the Clerk.

W. J. Pritchard, Assistant Postmaster, Lebanon, Tennessee, stated that Thomas Leo Burnett is unknown to officials of the Post Office and, after having searched the carrier's records, advised that there is no one by the name of Burnett residing on rural route number 5. Mr. Pritchard likewise searched for the name of Barnett, but could find no one by that name residing on rural route number 5. The name of Burnett was not recorded on the transient list of addresses at the Post Office and no one by that name could be found in the Lebanon telephone directory.

AT NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE.

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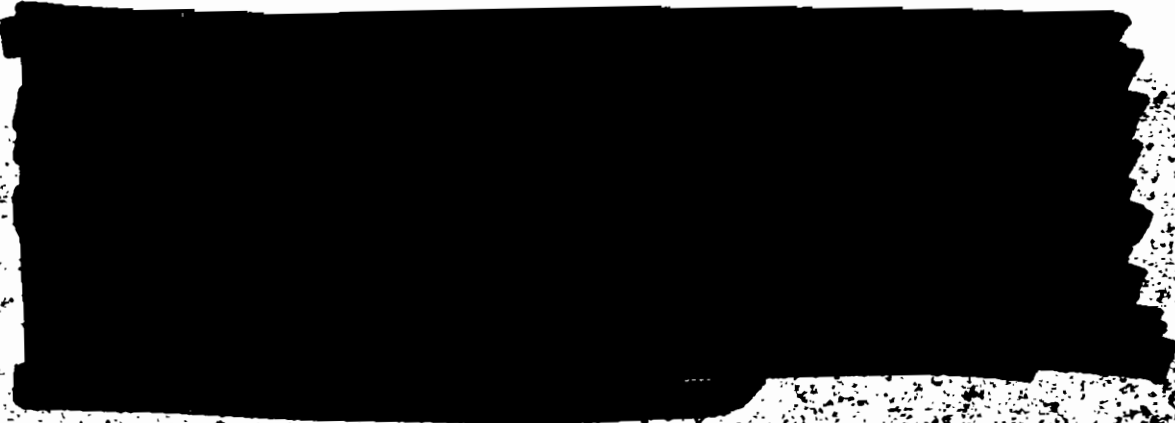
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A letter has been forwarded to the San Francisco office requesting that information be obtained relative to the issuance of 1934 California license plate number 7-B-1809, and for such information as may be obtainable concerning Mr. and Mrs. A. Simon Plate and their activities, in the event they may be known in that vicinity.

While Agent was in Birmingham, Alabama recently he was furnished with several neckties which had been purchased at Joseph Frank and Company, Nashville, Tennessee, and which had been found among Dillinger's effects at the Bohemia Tavern, Lac de Flambe, Wisconsin, during the recent raid at that place.

These neckties were exhibited to Joseph Franks, Jr., clerk, Joseph Franks Company, corner of Fifth Avenue and Church Street, Nashville, Tennessee, who admitted that he had made the sale to a woman who was accompanied by a man during the late morning of April 9 or 10, 1934. He was not positive as to which day it was, but expressed assurance that it was one or the other. In this connection, Franks stated that the woman and man entered the store rather hurriedly. The man asked if he might be permitted to use the lavatory, which was in the rear of the store. While he was gone, the woman selected the neckties. Upon his return, she inquired as to whether the store had a ladies' rest room. Mr. Franks advised her that they did not have, but directed her across the street to the Cain-Sloan Department store. She was coarse-mannered and insisted that she be permitted to use the lavatory in Franks' store, but her request was denied. The man who accompanied her purchased some underwear and socks and, together with the ties, the purchase price was \$18.00 or \$19.00. Franks stated that the man paid for the merchandise in cash, which he took from a large roll of bills. They seemed to be in a hurry and while the man appeared to be pleasant and had very little to say, the woman was gruff, out-spoken and "hard looking". All photographs pertinent to this matter were exhibited to Franks. He identified the photograph of Bernice Thompson, alias Opal Long, without hesitation, as identical with the woman who had been in the store on that occasion, but he was unable to identify any of the photographs of the men as a likeness

of the man who had accompanied the Thompson woman. Franks further stated that after the purchase had been completed, his customers walked across the street and entered the Cain-Sloan Department Store. It may be stated here that Bernice Thompson is the same woman who made purchases at Cain-Sloan's about noon on April 18, 1934, as indicated in the report of reference of Special Agent J. M. Fowler, dated Birmingham, Alabama, April 20, 1934.

Reference is made to an interview conducted by Special Agent C. G. Pickard with one Harry Gilliam, Route #1, Tennessee City, Tennessee, as reflected on page 10 of the report of reference of Special Agent J. M. Fowler, dated April 20, 1934.

The negro referred to by Gilliam was located at the International Harvester Company, Nashville, Tennessee, where he has been employed for the past fifteen years. His name is Jim Moore and officials of the International Harvester Company stated that he has been a trusted employee during his entire employment with that company. When interviewed, Moore stated that Gilliam had apparently misquoted him; that he recalls the incident and that he foolishly remarked that: "If these men who were in that car had met some nigger woman in the suburbs and told her to hide them and the car and offered her fifty dollars, that she would have done it". Moore further stated that he knew nothing about Dillinger or members of his gang; that he certainly had no information on which to base his remark and that he merely surmised what he has said. Moore readily admitted having made the remark quoted and did not attempt to make any denial.

C. M. Story and Amos Baker, Squirrel Lodge Tourist Camp, Murfreesboro Pike, were again interviewed, and stated that they had been unable to find any registration of the parties who had been there on April 9, 1934, but were quite certain that they came in about one-thirty or two o'clock on the afternoon of that date, driving a Deluxe V-8 Ford Sedan, bearing 1934 Tennessee licen 176-008. They were assigned to cabin number five, where they unloaded their belongings and then left, heading towards Nashville. They did not return until after nine o'clock that evening, when they secured their belongings and again departed in the direction of Nashville. Photographs were again displayed to Story and Baker, but they were unable to identify any of them.

It may be recalled here that sometime during the early afternoon of April 9, 1934, the above described Ford Sedan was serviced at the Walker Brake Service, Ninth Avenue, No., Nashville, Tennessee. The car had been left at the Walker Service Station from about two o'clock in the afternoon until about nine o'clock that same evening. There was no baggage in the car at that time. In view of the information developed through C. M. Story and Amos Baker, as above mentioned, it has now been definitely established that the belongings of the individuals had been left at the Squirrel Lodge Tourist Camp while the car was being serviced

and were removed immediately thereafter, after which the party proceeded through Nashville in the direction of Memphis and registered at the Crow's Nest Tourist Camp.

No leads are being hereinafter set forth to trace the purchase of the Buick Coupe and Ford V-8 Deluxe Sedan, for which 1934 Tennessee licenses were procured by Thomas Leo Burnett at Lebanon, Tennessee, and Robert L. Lane at Murfreesboro, Tennessee, respectively, as heretofore shown in this report, such procedure being left to the office of origin in the event information relative to the identities of the purchasers of these automobiles has not already been obtained.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE BIRMINGHAM OFFICE, at ATLANTA, GEORGIA

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In the event information of value may be obtained, such further investigation at Atlanta as may be deemed appropriate will be followed.

In conducting investigation concerning the above requested lead, utmost tact should be employed in order not to reveal the source of information received by the Birmingham Office concerning these parties.

AT MURFREESBORO, TENNESSEE, will continue investigation in an effort to establish definitely the associations of the Wilcox family, particularly with respect to their alleged activities concerning Dillinger and members of his gang and what, if any, connections they may have in Indiana.

P E N D I N G

U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice
1900 Bankers Building
Chicago Illinois

May 7, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith photographs of latent prints found on various bottles taken in the raid at "Little Bohemia" near Rhinelander, Wisconsin.

Kindly have these latent prints compared with the fingerprint records of all known Subjects in the case entitled, "John Herbert Dillinger with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1217, et al. - National Motor Vehicle Theft Act and Obstruction of Justice".

Very truly yours,

M. H. Purvis

M. H. PURVIS
Special Agent in Charge

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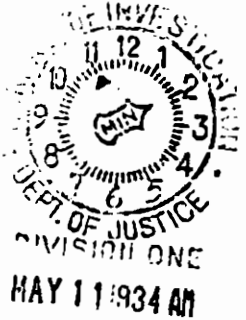
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P. O. Box 514,
Birmingham, Alabama,
May 7th, 1934



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

RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases, ET AL.
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act,
Obstruction of Justice.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. M. Towler, dated at Birmingham, Alabama, May 7th, 1934, noting on Page 2 that Robert L. Lane was issued Tennessee license number 176-006 at Murfreesboro, Tennessee, April 9, 1934, for Ford Deluxe Sedan, motor number 684515.

The original signed application for the above license is attached hereto, and it is suggested that the signature on same be compared with the handwriting of subjects in this case and the case of Alvin Karpis, with aliases, et al; Edward G. Bremer, Victim - Kidnaping.

Very truly yours,

D. O. Smith

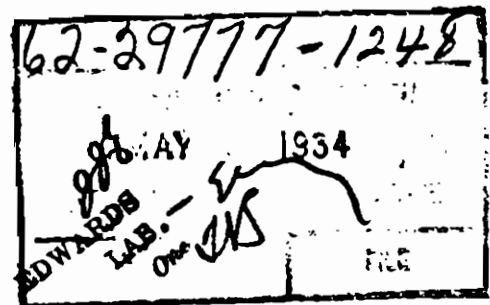
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Laboratory Report

Case: John Herbert Dillinger with aliases, et al.
NMVTA and Fugitive.

Number: 62-29777-1248
Ref: 7-576-1885.

Specimens: Tennessee License #176-008, Murfreesboro, Tennessee, April 9,
1934, for Ford Deluxe Sedan, motor number 684515, signed by
Robert L. Lane.

Examination requested by: Birmingham Division Office.

Date received: May 10, 1934

Examination requested: Handwriting comparison.

Result of examination:

Examination by:

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or Nelson or Hamilton or Westhamon
latter unlikely in view two signatures
different cars registered somewhere &
same day Sunday. Photo
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writing than signatures altho same
general style -
Letter to Winchell & to chief
of Police Port Hamon, Winchell believed
not same handwriting, wrote Daily
News New York City.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

1900 Bankers Building
Chicago Illinois

May 9, 1934

Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 518
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

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

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent E. M. Nicholson, dated at St. Paul, Minnesota, April 9, 1934, on Page 10 of which, among the inventory of articles found in the apartment at 93 to 95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, appears the item - "1 black fur coat, imitation seal" - with the following label - "Jack Glasser, 4828 Sheridan Road, Chicago".

Please be advised that 4828 Sheridan Road is the address of a large fur establishment owned and operated by Mr. Jack Glasser. This establishment sells, stores, repairs and remodels fur coats. Mr. Glasser advised that if a particular coat is brought into his establishment for storage, cleaning, repairing or remodeling, it is his practice to insert in the right or left front corner of the bottom of the coat a small piece of canvas bearing a number which corresponds to the order number of the transaction, and by means of this number the order can be traced and a customer identified. In the event that it is a coat which was sold by his establishment, such piece of canvas would not be inserted into the coat, but instead there would appear the regular label in the back of the coat at the top.

It is, therefore, requested that you open the left and right front corners of the bottom of the coat in question to determine if any number appears therein in order that this coat may be identified.

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traced and the customer identified. In the event that no such number appears, it will be necessary for the coat to be submitted to Mr. Glasser for inspection before he will be able to attempt to determine the ownership of the coat. Therefore, if no number appears it is suggested that the coat be forwarded to this Office to be displayed to Mr. Glasser.

Very truly yours,

M. E. FURVIE
Special Agent in Charge

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

CHARGE

CHICAGO ILLINOIS MAY 9, 1934

H. H. CLEGG
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
802 POST OFFICE BUILDING
ST. PAUL MINNESOTA

EVELYN FRECHETTE ETAL HARBORING IN MINNESOTA AGENT H H CLEGG TOOK
FINGERPRINTS OF EVELYN FRECHETTE CHICAGO

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May 8, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. J. W. GARDNER,
GENERAL AGENT AND CHIEF CLERK.

There is transmitted herewith voucher in the amount of \$180.71, in favor of Daisy S. Coffey of St. Paul, Minnesota.

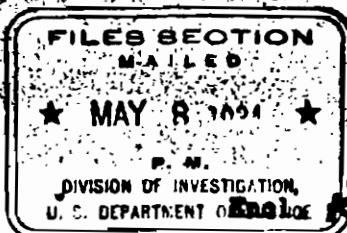
In explanation of this expenditure you are advised that the charges contained in this voucher represent amounts expended to repair damaged house fixtures and furnishings in an apartment house operated by the payee. This damage was caused at the time an attempt was made to apprehend John Dillinger and some of his associates who were known to be in the apartment house. The investigative activities of Special Agents of this Division in that apartment house resulted in an exchange of shots with the fugitives, thereby causing the damage for which this claim is made.

A careful investigation of all charges has been conducted by the Division, and it has been ascertained that all charges are fair, and all of the repairs listed were necessary. It is believed that this expense is properly payable from the funds available for this Division, inasmuch as the damage resulted to an innocent third party, whose cooperation with the Division was essential at that time. Furthermore, it is evident that if such parties cannot be reimbursed for such damages, the necessary cooperation in such cases will not be forthcoming and this will react to deter the completion of investigations of this nature.

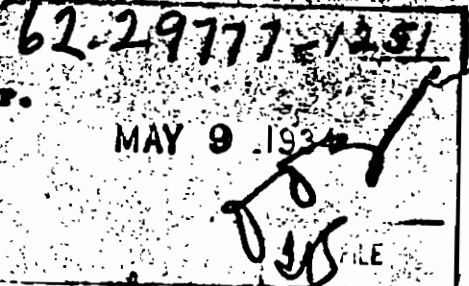
It is therefore requested that this voucher be passed for payment as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

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Director.



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EVEKYN FRECHETTE ET AL HARBORING IN MINNESTA M CONCERNING HERALD AND EXAMINER NEWSPAPERS RECOMMEND ONE OF AGENTS WHO WILL HAVE TO APPEAR HERE AS TO ADMISSIONS MADE BY FRECHETTE PURCHASE DUPLICATE ISSUES HERALD AND EXAMINER, HAVE SUBMITTED TO LEGAL DEPARTMENT HERALD AND EXAMINER THERE FOR COMPARISON IN ORDER THAT THEY MAY BE CHECKED THERE WITHOUT HAVING TO RETURN PAPERS ALREADY ON FILE HERE, 3823283 XXX LIKEWISE IN ORDER AVOID NECESSITY FOR AGENT MCK XXX MCLAWHON COMING TO STPAUL AS WITNESS.

PLEASE PREPARE SEPARATE REPORTS ON INFORMATION CONCERNING - 1. HARBORING CHARGES IN MINNESOTA 2. HARBIRING CHARGES IN WISCONSIN 3. DEATH OF AGENT BAUM 4. LOCATION OF DILLINGER ET AL. PLANS BEING MADE RETURN INDICTMENTS AGAINST SIX MEN AND FOUR WOMEN WHO WERE IN K XXX LITTLE BOHEMIA FOR HARBORING 1. JOHN DILLINGER AND 2. TOMMY CARROLL WHO IS LIKEWISE FUGITIVE . SUBMIT IMMEDIATE REPORT ALL EVIDENCE CONTAINED BY CHICAGO OFFICD SUBSTANTIATING HARO XXX HARBORING CHARGES IN WISCONSIN AND IN MINNESOTA. D XXX EXPEDITE. GRAND JURY MEETS TUESDAY - TOMORROW- - AT MADISON . THREE GIRLS HELD AT MADISON DESIRE CLOTHING WHICH MAY BE IN BAGGAGE YOUR OFFICE. WIRE IMMEDIATELY NAME OF AGENT WHO WIKK INTRODUCE PAPERS AND NAMES

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CHARACTER OF CASE
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT
CONSPIRACY TO HARBOR JOHN DILLINGER
AND THOMAS LEONARD CARROLL, FUGITIVES.

Changed: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases;
JOHN HALL, JOHN DONOVAN HALL, CLARENCE GREEN,
JOSEPH J. HARRIS, J. H. DONOVAN, KIRKLY, FRANK
O SULLIVAN, CARL T. HELLMAN - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1221;
HERBERT YOUNGBLOOD (Deceased);
JOHN HAMILTON alias JOHN CAMPBELL, SUMMARY REPORT
I.O. #1220;
EDWARD GREEN, with aliases; EDDIE GREEN, HARRY GREEN, GEORGE GREEN, GEORGE GRAHAM,
EUGENE GREEN, CHARLES RYAN, FREDERICK RILEY, FRED RILEY, D.A. STEVENS, FRED ROGGE,
FRED GRAHAM, J.S. MAKELY (Deceased);
EVELYN FRECHETTE, with aliases; EVELYN SPARK, ANN MARTIN, MARY EVELYN FRECHETTE,
EVELYN SPARK, EVELYN PASCHETTI, EVELYN FRECHETTE, GRACE E. EDWARDS, MRS. JOHN
DILLINGER, MRS. R. HUGHES, "BILLIE";
MRS. HESSIE SKINNER, with aliases; MRS. T.J. RANDALL, BETH GREEN, MRS. D.A. STEVENS,
MRS. EDWARD GREEN, BESSIE WALSH, BESSIE MOORE, BESSIE RANDALL, BESSIE GREEN,
ELIZABETH KLINE, HESTER HINDS, MRS. J.S. MAKELY,
HOMER VAN METER, with aliases; KENNETH JACKSON, KENNETH R. JACKSON, JOHN L. ORR,
I.O. #1222;
DR. CLAYTON E. MAY;
MRS. AUGUSTA SALT alias MRS. GUBRIATH LA BELLE;
ALBERT W. RILEY with aliases; PAT RILEY, PAT RILEY, I.O. #1223;
DR. NELS O. MORTENSON;
MRS. ISAAC STEVEN;
LESTER MCGILLIS with aliases; ALEX GILLES, LESTER GILLES, GEORGE NELSON, "BABY FACE"
NELSON, "BIG GEORGE" NELSON; JIMMY; JIMMY WILLIAMS, I.O. #1224;
THOMAS LEONARD CARROLL with aliases; TOMMY CARROLL, JAMES ROY BROCK, FRANK BLOAN,
FRANK SLONE, TOM CARROLL, JIM BROCK, GEORGE McLARKIN, J. G. McLARKIN, THOMAS MURPHY,
THOMAS MURRAY, I.O. #1224; FUGITIVE;
PATRICIA YOUNG with aliases; PATRICIA SHERRINGTON, PAT SHERRINGTON, ANN JACKSON;
MARIE MARION COMFORTI alias MARIE COMFORTI alias ROSE ANCKER alias MRS. THEODORE
ANKER alias ROSE ANCKER;
MRS. EDWARD A. CROMPTON with aliases; ANN SOUTHERN, ANN SOUTHERN, ANNE SOUTHERN,
ANN SOUTHERN; alias JEAN ANGELA DELANEY;
MRS. HELEN GILLIS, with aliases; MARLAN VIRGINIA MARR; MRS. JOSEPH J. MARR, MRS.
JIMMIE WILLIAMS; MRS. LESTER MCGILLIS.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED:  SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	62-29777-1253 BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION MAY 9 1934 A M DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE	RECORDED AND INDEXED MAY 9 1934 CHECKED OFF MAY 10 1934 SACKETT
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DETAILS:

The title of this report is being marked "charges" to include the names of MARIE MARION COMFORTI, with aliases; MRS. EDWARD L. CROMPTON, with aliases; and MRS. HELEN GILLIS, with aliases; who are made subjects in this case on a conspiracy charge; also to set out an additional alias for PATRICIA YOUNG, namely, PATRICIA CHERINGTON.

This report covers evidence in connection with the charges of conspiracy to harbor JOHN DILLINGER and also THOMAS LEONARD CARROLL, FUGITIVES, in the Western District of Wisconsin.

On March 3, 1934, JOHN DILLINGER and HERBERT YOUNGLOOD escaped from the Lake County Jail, Crown Point, Indiana. In making their escape these individuals stole a Ford V-8, four door Sedan, bearing Motor No. 256,449, the property of Lake County, Indiana, the car having been used by SHERIFF LILLIAN HOLLEY and stolen from her possession. This car was discovered abandoned in Chicago, Illinois, on Saturday evening, March 3, 1934.

On March 7, 1934, the United States Attorney at Chicago, Illinois, authorized the issuance of a complaint and a warrant for JOHN DILLINGER and HERBERT YOUNGLOOD for the theft and interstate transportation of this automobile. Accordingly, and on the same day, a complaint was signed and sworn to by Special Agent T.F. Mullen before United States Commissioner Edwin K. Walker at Chicago, Illinois. The warrant was issued the same day and is now in the hands of the United States Marshal at Chicago, Illinois, the warrant having never been served on JOHN DILLINGER and HERBERT YOUNGLOOD.

THOMAS LEONARD CARROLL was indicted by the United States Grand Jury at Madison, Wisconsin, in the Western District of Wisconsin, on June 17, 1933, on a charge of burglariously breaking and entering a United States Post Office at Ogema, Wisconsin, on March 7, 1933, with intent to steal monies of the United States; count two, with stealing money and stamps of the United States at Ogema, Wisconsin, on the aforementioned date and from the United States Post Office; count three, with breaking and entering the United States Post Office at Turtle Lake, Wisconsin, on March 9, 1933, with intent to steal monies, postage stamps, and others, of the United States in said Post Office; count four, with stealing monies of the United States and money order forms at the immediately aforementioned place on the last mentioned date. CARROLL failed to appear for trial in the United States Court at La Crosse, Wisconsin, on November 16, 1933, at which time his bond was forfeited and a bench warrant issued November 17, 1933, for his arrest, which warrant has been returned "not found" by the United States Marshal at Madison, Wisconsin.

WITNESSES:

EMIL WANATKA, proprietor,
"Little Bohemia Lodge",
Manitowish, Wisconsin.

EMIL WANATKA, proprietor, of the Little Bohemia Lodge, located in Spider Lake Township, address, Manitowish, Wisconsin, can testify that he is proprietor and owner of Little Bohemia Lodge, which is a public hotel and resort, located in Spider Lake Township, near Manitowish, Wisconsin, in the Western District of Wisconsin; that at about 2:00 P.M., April 20, 1934, he was at Little Bohemia Lodge when an automobile containing two men and a woman drove up to the lodge; that one of the men in said car was a person whom he has since identified from photographs as being HOMER VAN MEYER; that the second man in said car was ALBERT W. REILLY alias PAT REILLY and that the woman in said car is the woman who has identified herself to Special Agent S.W. Hardy as MARIE MARION COMFORTI; that the woman in said car had with her, at that time, a small bulldog; that HOMER VAN MEYER stated that he and his associates desired to remain for a few days at Little Bohemia Lodge and that six or eight other persons would arrive a few hours later with a letter of introduction to WANATKA, and that these persons also desired to remain at Little Bohemia Lodge for a few days.

WANATKA will testify that he furnished board and lodging to the immediately aforementioned persons, at that time, and that at about 6:30 P.M., on April 20, 1934, while he was at the lodge, a Ford V-8 Sedan, and a Buick Coupe arrived, containing persons whom he has identified from photographs as being JOHN DILLINGER, THOMAS LEONARD CARROLL, JOHN HAMILTON, LESTER M. GILLIS, MRS. EDWARD A. CROMPTON, MRS. HELEN GILLIS, and PATRICIA CHERRINGTON; that GILLIS handed WANATKA a typewritten letter signed, "LOUIS", which, in effect, advised WANATKA that the persons bearing said note were friends of LOUIS and should be looked after and well treated; that he immediately furnished all of the aforementioned persons with lodging, assigning GILLIS, THOMAS CARROLL, and one of the women to a cottage adjacent to the lodge, and assigning DILLINGER, HAMILTON, and VAN METER and the two other women to rooms on the second floor of the lodge; that on the evening of April 20, 1934, ALBERT W. KELLY and PATRICIA CHERRINGTON left Little Bohemia Lodge in an automobile, not returning to the lodge thereafter, to the knowledge of WANATKA.

He will testify that from April 20, 1934, until the night of April 23, 1934, all of the aforementioned persons with the exception of KELLY and PATRICIA CHERRINGTON lodged at Little Bohemia Lodge; that about 9:00 o'clock A.M., April 21, 1934, LESTER GILLIS and THOMAS CARROLL left the lodge premises in an automobile and were gone for a few hours, after which they returned; that during the period from April 20, 1934, to the night of April 22, 1934, these persons remained closely together associating with one another, playing cards, drinking, walking about the premises, and remaining close together; that whenever outsiders approached, or entered the lodge, various persons in the group, including the women, would inquire of WANATKA and WANATKA'S employees concerning the identity of said persons; that, on several occasions, JOHN DILLINGER was referred to by other members of the group as "JOHN" and on other times as "BILLY"; that CARROLL was referred to by the other members of the group as "TOM" and "TOMMY"; that shortly after the arrival of JOHN DILLINGER at the lodge he recognized him as being the fugitive, JOHN DILLINGER, whose photograph had often been seen by him in the newspapers.

FRANK TRAUBE, employee,
Little Bohemia Lodge,
Spider Lake Township,
Post Office Address, Manitowish, Wis.

FRANK TRAUBE will testify that he is twenty-three years of age and on April 20, 1934, was employed as waiter and bartender by EMIL WANATKA at the Little Bohemia Lodge, Spider Lake, Township, Manitowish, Wisconsin; that he was at said lodge about 2:00 P.M., April 20, 1934, and observed two men and a woman arrive at the lodge in a Ford automobile; that one of the men in the car was referred to by the other as "WAYNE"; that the woman in said car was a brunette and had with her a small black bulldog; that the man known as "WAYNE" was about thirty years of age; about 5'11" tall; weighed about 150 pounds, or more; was slender; had dark hair; dark complexioned. He believes that the woman is the same as one of those who surrendered to officers on the early morning of April 23, 1934, at Little Bohemia Lodge and whom he will identify as MARIE MARION COMFORT; that the person referred to as "WAYNE" arranged with EMIL WANATKA, in his presence, for living quarters at the lodge; that a few hours after the arrival of the above mentioned persons, four other men and three women arrived at the lodge in a Ford V-8 Sedan and a Buick Coupe; that from photographs exhibited to him by Special Agents of the Division of Investigation, he can identify three of these four men as being JOHN DILLINGER, JOHN HAMILTON, and LESTER GILLIS; that the fourth man was called, "TOM", by the others; that two of the three women who arrived in the last two mentioned automobiles were women who surrendered to officers on the early morning of April 23, 1934, at Little Bohemia Lodge and who have been identified as being MRS. HELEN GILLIS and MRS. EDWARD A. CROMPTON. He will testify that the person who accompanied the man known to him as "WAYNE" left Little Bohemia Lodge in an automobile on the evening of April 20, 1934, together with an auburn haired girl, heavy set, who appears to be identical with the person whose photograph has been exhibited to him and described as being that of PATRICIA CHERRINGTON; that these two persons did not later return to the lodge; that the person whom he has identified from photographs as being JOHN DILLINGER, was called "JOHN" by the other members of the party; that from the evening of April 20, 1934, until the evening of April 22, 1934, there were at the lodge, JOHN DILLINGER, JOHN HAMILTON, LESTER GILLIS, the person known to him as "TOM", and the one known as "WAYNE", together with the three women who surrendered to officers on the early morning of April 23, 1934; that all of the women with this crowd were constantly with the men and were making

continual inquiries of the employees as to the identity of all persons who approached, or entered, the lodge and that they, likewise, appeared to closely observe the actions of the employees of the lodge.

GEORGE BAZZO, employee,
Little Bohemia Lodge,
Spider Lake Township,
Post Office Address, Manitowish, Wis.

GEORGE BAZZO will testify that he is twenty-six years of age and was employed as waiter and bartender at Little Bohemia Lodge in Spider Lake Township, Manitowish, Wisconsin, on April 20, 1934, through April 23, 1934, and that he has been so employed since July, 1933. He will testify that at about 7:00 P.M., on April 20, 1934, while employed at the lodge, he saw the woman, known as MRS. EDWARD A. CROMPTON, but who was known around the lodge as "JEAN", which woman he will identify as being one of those who surrendered to officers at the lodge early on the morning of April 23, 1934; that on April 21, 1934, he saw at the lodge guests who had remained over night and who he has identified from photographs as being BILLINGER, HAMILTON, and GILLIS; that he also saw two other men with the aforementioned, whom he describes similarly as CARROLL and VAN MEYER are described, but whom he has been unable to identify from photographs. He can identify the woman with the aforementioned persons as being MRS. HELEN GILLIS, MARIE MERION COMFORTI, and MRS. EDWARD A. CROMPTON, and that they, together with the aforementioned men, were guests at the Little Bohemia Lodge until the night of April 22, 1934, when a raid was conducted thereon by officers. He will testify that all of the aforementioned persons were in the same party and associated closely together while at Little Bohemia Lodge.

MRS. EMIL WANATKA,
Little Bohemia Lodge,
Manitowish, Wisconsin.

MRS. EMIL WANATKA will testify that she is the wife of EMIL WANATKA, owner and proprietor of Little Bohemia Lodge, and that she assists in said management and was employed on the premises from 2:00 P.M., April 20, 1934, until about 8:00 P.M., April 22, 1934; that about 2:00 P.M., April 20, 1934, while employed in the kitchen, she noticed two men and a woman

enter the lodge by the rear entrance; that the taller of these two men appears to be identical with the person whose photograph has been shown to her and which is that of HOMER VAN METER; that the second man is known to her as "SPAT" and is described by her as being about thirty years of age; 5'7" tall; 125 pounds in weight; having light chestnut hair; light complexion; with pimples; poor teeth; that the woman who accompanied these two men was a brunette and had with her a bulldog and that this woman is one of those who surrendered to officers on the morning of April 23, 1934, and who is known as MARIE MARION COMFORTI; that about 9:30 P.M., on April 20, 1934, while she was in the kitchen, EMIL WANATKA informed her that other men and women belonging to the same party as the aforementioned had arrived and expected to stay for a few days; that on the morning of April 21, 1934, she cooked and served breakfast to this party which consisted of six men and four women; that in this party at breakfast were persons whose photographs she has seen and identifies as being JOHN DILLINGER, JOHN HAMILTON, LESTER GILLIS, TOMMY CARROLL, HOMER VAN METER, PATRICIA CHERRINGTON, and that the other three women were those who surrendered to officers at the lodge and who are described as being MARIE MARION COMFORTI, MRS. HELEN GILLIS, and MRS. EDWARD A. CROPTON; that she heard members of the party call JOHN DILLINGER, "JOHN"; and TOMMY CARROLL, "TOM"; that she prepared supper for this party about 5:00 P.M., April 21, 1934, and also breakfast and supper on April 22, 1934.

JOHN M. COMFORTI
UNITED STATES MARSHAL
Madison, Wisconsin

The United States Marshal, Madison, Wisconsin, will, under subpoena duces tecum, produce the original warrant for THOMAS LEONARD CARROLL showing that a non est return was made thereon.

MR. and MRS. R. T. COLLINS,
Proprietors,
PHILLIPS GASOLINE STATION,
MERCER, WISCONSIN

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Collins will testify that they operate the Phillips Gasoline Station at Mercer, Wisconsin, and that they were at this station about 11:15 p.m., April 22, 1934, at which time, a car drove in occupied by a man and woman; that the car was a Ford V8 four-door Sedan, dark in color, with yellow or red wire wheels; that the right rear tire was off and that it was obvious that the car had been driven considerable distance on the rim; that Mercer, Wisconsin was approximately fifteen miles from Little Bohemia Lodge. Mr. Collins will testify that he approached this car when it stopped in front of his station and that the man driving asked him to put the spare tire on the right rear wheel and to fill the gas tank; that the rim was battered, having been driven considerable distance thereon and that the man informed him he had had a blow out ten miles down the road; that he changed the tire as directed and filled the gasoline tank which consumed approximately 30 to 45 minutes; that during this time the man got out of the car and walked around and the woman went into the filling station where Mrs. Collins was located; that the man and woman in the car appeared to be excited. MR. COLLINS can positively identify the man as being identical with a person whose photograph has been exhibited to him by Special Agents, which photograph is that of ALBERT W. REILLY alias PAT REILLY. MRS. COLLINS will testify that the photograph of PAT CHERRINGTON is a likeness of the woman who was in this car. She will testify that the man asked her the way to Minneapolis.

MR. and MRS. G. W. LANGE,
SPARTA LAKE TOWNSHIP,
MANITOWISH, WISCONSIN.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Lange will testify that they reside approximately one mile south of Little Bohemia Lodge in Sparta Lake Township, Manitowish, Wisconsin, and that they were at home on the night of April 22, 1934; that about 10:45 p.m. a man walked into their home with an Automatic pistol in his hand and forced both of them to drive him in their car to the home of ALBIN KOERNER; that this man accompanied them to ALBIN KOERNER's home at the point of a pistol and a few minutes later forced ALBIN KOERNER and EMIL WANATKA to accompany him from KOERNER's house to an automobile outside; and that a few minutes later they heard several pistol shots; that both will identify the photograph of LESTER GILLIS alias GEORGE (BABY FACE) NELSON as being a likeness of the person who had the automatic pistol and is above described.

MR. and MRS. ALBIN KOERNER,
SPARTA LAKE TOWNSHIP,
MANITOWISH, WISCONSIN.

Mr. and Mrs. ALBIN KOERNER can testify that they reside on Highway number 51, approximately one and one-half miles south of Little Bohemia Lodge; that they were at home on the night of April 28, 1934, when at about 11:00 p.m., Mr. and Mrs. G.W. LANE, neighbors, knocked on the door of their home and were admitted, followed by a man with an automatic pistol in his hand; that the man with the pistol appears to be identical with the person whose photograph has been exhibited to them and described as being that of LESTER GILLIS alias GEORGE (BABY FACE) NELSON; that GILLIS desired MR. and MRS. KOERNER to drive him to WOODRUFF, Wisconsin. While the conversation was taking place GEORGE LaPORTE, FRANK TRUEB, EMIL WANATKA and GEORGE BASSOLT came to the house and were admitted by NELSON who covered them with his pistol; that NELSON forced ALBIN KOERNER and WANATKA to go out of the house with him stating that they would have to drive him away; that shortly after they left the house several pistol shots were heard immediately outside the house.

EDWARD MITCHELL,
MITCHELL'S REST LAKE RESORT,
SPARTA LAKE TOWNSHIP,
MANITOWISH, WISCONSIN.

Mr. Edward Mitchell will testify that he resides at and operates MITCHELL'S REST LAKE RESORT in Sparta Lake Township, near Manitowish, Wisconsin, and that he was at home shortly before midnight April 28, 1934, when three men came to the door of his home and stated that they wanted an automobile; that two of the men came into his house while one of them stayed outside; that one of the men who came inside stated, "I am Dillinger and the Government is after me"; that he accompanied these men to his automobile and after looking at it they stated they did not want it, but they observed another car near it, and after learning that it belonged to ALBERT L. JOHNSON, who resides in a house immediately adjacent to MITCHELL'S, he went to JOHNSON'S home and later left with JOHNSON in his car.

ALBERT L. JOHNSON, Mitchell's Rest Lake Resort,
Sparta Lake Township,
Manitowish, Wisconsin.

ROBERT L. JOHNSON will testify that he lives in a house adjacent to the home of EDWARD MITCHELL at Mitchell's Rest Lake Resort, Manitowish, Wisconsin; that he was at home about 10:00 p.m., April 22, 1934, about which someone called him from the door; that he dressed and went outside where he found three men standing and that they instructed him to drive them away in his automobile, which is a 1934 Ford Coupe; that he drove these men away, at which time two of them sat beside him on the seat and one sat in the rumble seat; that the two who sat beside him appear to be identical with the persons whose photographs have been exhibited to him by Special Agents of the Division of Investigation and who he has been advised are identical with JOHN DILLINGER and HOMER VAN METER; that DILLINGER had a .45 Automatic pistol in his hand; that VAN METER carried what appeared to be a Thompson submachine gun; that he drove them through Powell, Wisconsin and to the vicinity of Park Falls, Wisconsin, at which place the men put him out of the car and drove away.

S. W. HARDY, Special Agent, Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice, 332 Post Office Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

MR. HARDY will testify that he interviewed MARIE MARION CONFORTI, who made a signed statement to him, in which she admitted that she knows HOMER VAN METER and that she lived with him as man and wife in Chicago, Illinois; Minneapolis, Minnesota; St. Paul, Minnesota, and at Little Bohemia Lodge, Sparta Lake Township, Manitowish, Wisconsin, between the period of about Christmas, 1933 until April 22, 1934, at which time she was arrested at Little Bohemia Lodge; that she also knows ALBERT W. REILLY alias PAT REILLY and a person known to her as "JACK", but who is identical with a person whose photograph has been described to her as being that of THOMAS LEONARD CARROLL; that she lived with VAN METER in apartment 201 at 3300 Fremont Avenue, South Minneapolis, Minn., under the name of Mr. and Mrs. John Ober, during the first part of 1934; that she had read many newspaper articles concerning JOHN DILLINGER and has seen newspaper and news reel photographs of him; that she, during February, March and April, 1934, was aware of the fact that DILLINGER had been arrested at Tucson, Arizona; that he had escaped from jail at Crown Point, Indiana; that he had stolen an automobile at Crown Point in which he had travelled to Chicago, Ill., and that the Federal and State police officers were endeavoring to apprehend him, and that she knew DILLINGER was wanted on a Federal warrant; that together with VAN METER she left Chicago on the morning of April 19, 1934 by train and arrived in the vicinity of Little Bohemia Lodge,

where she and VAN METER were met in an automobile and taken to Little Bohemia Lodge; that she remained with VAN METER, MRS. EDWARD A. CROMPTON, MRS. HELEN A. GILLIS, and from seven to ten men, who were friends of VAN METER's at the Little Bohemia Lodge from April 19th to April 23, 1934.

S. V. HARDY, Special Agent, Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice, 232 Post Office Bldg.,
St. Paul, Minnesota

Mr. Hardy will testify that he interviewed and obtained a signed statement from MRS. EDWARD A. CROMPTON, in which she admitted that she knows and has lived with as man and wife, THOMAS LEONARD CARROLL, whom she knows also as JACK; that she lived with CARROLL as man and wife in an apartment hotel in St. Paul, Minnesota, during December, 1933; that while in Chicago on April 18, 1934, she met CARROLL about 11:00 p.m., at which time MRS. HELEN GILLIS and a man called SLIM were with CARROLL in a black Buick Coupe; that she left Chicago with these persons in the Buick Coupe and after stopping at several places, arrived at Little Bohemia Lodge, Manitowish, Wisconsin, on or about Tuesday, April 19, 1934, at which place she saw her brother-in-law, ALBERT W. REILLY alias PAT REILLY; that from April 18, 1934, when she left Chicago until her apprehension at Little Bohemia Lodge on the morning of April 23, 1934, she knew that JOHN DILLINGER was a fugitive from justice and was being sought by officers of the United States Government for having stolen the Sheriff's car at Crown Point, Indiana; that she was at Little Bohemia Lodge on the night of April 22nd, when she heard a lot of shooting and CARROLL and seven or eight men who were in her group hurriedly left the lodge.

R. G. GILLESPIE, Special Agent, Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers' Bldg.,
Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. Gillespie can testify that he interviewed MRS. HELEN GILLIS in the Dane County Jail, Madison, Wisconsin; that she is the wife of LESTER GILLESPIE alias GEORGE (BABY FACE) NELSON; that she knew that her husband was wanted by the Illinois police the latter part of 1931 and 1932; that she has known of her husband's escape from police officers about February, 1932; that she did not see her husband between February, 1932 and April, 1932, at which time a strange man came to her flat in Chicago and drove her out on the highway where she met her husband and has since lived with him; that on April 19, 1934, together with MRS. EDWARD A. CROMPTON and a man known to her as JACK (but who has been identified by others as being TOMMY CARROLL) and a man known to her as SLIM

above to Little Bohemia Lodge, that she denied that her husband was with her at Little Bohemia Lodge at any time, that she viewed photographs of JOHN DILLINGER, CARROLL, KEILLY, VAN METER, and JOHN HAMILTON and denied that she knew any of these persons; that she advised him that she had read newspaper articles concerning JOHN DILLINGER; that she knew he was wanted by the Federal Government on some kind of a warrant; that she had read in the newspaper that EVELYN FRECHETTE had been arrested on a charge of harboring John Dillinger; that she denied she had ever seen DILLINGER. H. C. GILLIS can testify that in the pocket book of MRS. HELEN GILLIS he found Ford keys #1177 and #0636 and claim check number K2692 of the A. S. Slinger Garage, Portage, Wisconsin, after statements of MRS. GILLIS that she was in the Ford car which was wrecked, with her husband at the time of the wreck, and that the claim check was for the wrecked Ford at the Slinger Garage at Portage, Wisconsin.

ANDREW H. SLINGER, Garage proprietor, Portage, Wisconsin, can testify he picked out the photograph of GEORGE (BABY FACE) NELSON as the party who brought the wrecked Ford to his Garage April 20, 1934; that he issued claim check K2692 for this car to NELSON, who told him that a man from some Chicago Construction Company would come after the car.

GEORGE CAMPEN, North Leeds Crossroads, address R.F.D.#1, Arlington, Wisconsin, witnessed the accident April 20, 1934 between car of the Midwest Canning Company and a Ford V8 Sedan with Kentucky plates. Identifies photo of LESTER M. GILLIS alias GEORGE (BABY FACE) NELSON as the driver of the car and HELEN GILLIS as the woman who was with GILLIS. He can testify there was a Buick Coupe with California plates travelling with the wrecked Ford.

ALFRED H. HEIDMAN, Arlington, Wisconsin, recognizes photos of THOMAS CARROLL and MRS. EDWARD CROMPTON as the parties in the Buick Buick with California plates April 20, 1934.

MRS. ALFRED H. HEIDMAN, Arlington, Wisconsin, recognizes photo of MRS. EDWARD CROMPTON as the woman in the California Buick April 20, 1934.

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Suite 1
Federal Building
Kansas City, Missouri
May 7, 1934.

Mr. H. E. Clegg,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 115,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

RE: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases, FUGITIVE
I O 1219, ET AL
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act

During the evening of May 5, 1934, a telegram was received from the Chicago office requesting that Melton Spark, No. 42165, U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, view photographs of Evelyn Frechette to definitely establish whether she is identical with his former wife. The telegram also requested that you be advised immediately of the results of the interview.

Special Agent H. E. Anderson of this office interviewed Spark at the Leavenworth Penitentiary and exhibited to him a photograph of Mary Evelyn Frechette, I. O. 1221. Spark identified the photograph as a likeness of his wife. He stated that they were married in the Cooks County Jail at Chicago, Illinois, August 3, 1932, by the Chaplain at the County Jail, one Reverend Ware; that they were married under the names of Walter Spark and Evelyn Frechette. Spark stated that they have not been divorced; in connection therewith, however, he added that he believed his wife had filed some sort of proceeding, the nature of which he does not know, but he intimated it was merely a gesture on her part, and that there never was a real intention that a divorce be obtained.

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At the mention of John Dillinger, Spark became very much perturbed and stated that if he could only get out of the penitentiary, he would be very glad to deliver John's body on any post office stop. He said that he knew that his wife was under the command of Dillinger and stated that in his opinion Dillinger had acted in every way, but the right in his treatment of the woman.

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After hearing the statement set forth above, Agent Andersen attempted to secure some information regarding Dillinger from Spark. The latter, however, although intimating he could locate Dillinger in a very short time, declined to supply any information, except to state that if Dillinger is injured, he is undoubtedly being taken care of in Chicago.

While Spark emphatically stated that he does not intend to become a "snitch," it is possible that because of his apparent hatred for Dillinger, he may furnish some information of value at a later date if properly interviewed.

A brief of the information pertaining to the marriage of Spark and Mary Evelyn Freshette was furnished you by telegram the morning of May 4, 1934, at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Very truly yours,

H. C. SPARK, Acting
Special Agent in Charge

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cc-Division - Chicago
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1900 Bankers Building
Chicago Illinois

May 9, 1934

SPECIAL DELIVERY

Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
232 Post Office Building
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

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

I am enclosing herewith certified copy of the marriage certificate of Walter Sparks and Evelyn Freshette, dated August 2, 1933, together with the attestation of the Clerk of the Cook County Court and the seal of the Court affixed, and also with a certificate of the Judge of the Cook County Court, that the said attestation of the above Clerk is in due form.

Robert M. Sweitzer informed Special Agent Arthur McLaughlin that the certified copy of the above papers, together with the attestations appearing thereto, are sufficient in themselves to constitute evidence, and any court will take judicial notice of their face value. However, if it is insisted upon that some party be subpoenaed to identify these papers in introducing them into the evidence, the proper party for subpoena would be Robert M. Sweitzer, County Clerk, Cook County, Chicago, Illinois.

Very truly yours,

M. H. FURVIS
Special Agent in Charge

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DIRECTOR

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Please be informed that during your absence Mr. Clegg telephoned from St. Paul and stated that there was quite a bit of expense incurred in connection with the Rhinelander investigation. He stated that he had in mind one item which was the hire of a car and chauffeur, the chauffeur acting as a guide, which item, up to Friday last, amounted to \$160 and which, of course, is a great deal more by this time. With regard to the death of the C. C. C. worker, Mr. Hoffman, Mr. Clegg stated that a brother of his was on the coroner's jury and that the verdict returned by this jury was that of accidental death; that the brother of Hoffman has shown a splendid attitude and Mr. Clegg pointed out that at the time of Hoffman's death he was riding in his brother's car and that the car was pretty well shot up. He suggested that if possible arrangements should be made to place this car in good condition and that the expense therefor should be borne by the Division. Further, that the other two occupants of the car are now in the hospital, and he spoke of the doctors' and nurses' bills which will be rendered in connection with this matter. He believes that the Division should defray these expenses. He stated that the Ford agency at Rhinelander had been called upon to furnish several cars and that the operator of the agency, according to Mr. Rorer, had hired an attorney to make absolutely certain that the Government would pay him for the use of these cars. Mr. Clegg stated that the bill in this regard will probably be pretty high.

Mr. Clegg feels that we should be very liberal in order that every one in that section may be left in a good humor. He spoke of the damage suffered by the Little Bohemia lodge, such as the breaking of windows, et cetera, at the time of throwing in the gas in an effort to apprehend those barricaded therein. He believes that the expense in this regard should be carefully scrutinized, but that the Division should be reasonable on this claim. He wanted information in order that he might telephonically confer with Mr. Rorer, who is in Rhinelander at this time, so that the claimants there may be informed as to what they may expect. I told him that this matter would be submitted to you and that you would telephone him some time during the afternoon.

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1000 Bankers Bldg.,
Chicago, Illinois
May 7, 1934.

Mr. F. G. Melvin,
c/o Northern Lights Hotel,
Manitowish, Wisconsin

RE: JOHN ROBERT DILLINGER, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1219; et al.
BAT. MOT. VSH. THEFT ACT; etc.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Charles Fribyl of the State's Attorney's Office, Chicago, Illinois, called at the Chicago Division Office at 3:00 P.M., May 7, 1934, at which time he informed Special Agent V. W. Peterson that one Richard Sleight communicated by telephone with Carter Blatchford, 80 E. Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois. Richard Sleight is a caretaker at the home owned by Mr. Carter Blatchford near the Island Lake Resort.

According to the information provided by Mr. Sleight to Mr. Blatchford, a man and a woman have been residing at the Island Lake Resort with one Abe LaFave. It is stated that the man has remarked that he was extremely lucky in escaping from a recent shooting fray and that he is remaining in the district indicated in view of the fact he is safer there than in the Chicago area, because of the activity of the law enforcement officials in that place.

Richard Sleight advised that the man and woman to whom he refers are being guided by one George Schroeder, who is a son of Mrs. LaFave by a prior marriage. Said George Schroeder also serves in the capacity of guide in the vicinity of Ole Catfish's place near Lake Flambeau, Wisconsin. The man and the woman in question are alleged to be residing at the Island Lake Resort at the present time. It is the opinion of Richard Sleight that in the event there is danger of their present hideout being located, they will move to Cy Graham's place, Papoose Lake Resort, Wisconsin. This place is alleged to be a notorious hideout for gangsters.

According to the information provided by Carter Blatchford, Richard Sleight will not furnish any information to anyone unless an individual presents a business card of Carter Blatchford. In this connection, there is forwarded herewith, a business card with the printed name of Carter Blatchford, 80 East Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, on which the name of Richard Sleight is written in pencil. It is suggested that this card be presented to Richard Sleight when he is interviewed concerning this matter.

Charles Fribyl, of the State's Attorney's Office, Chicago, also provided information to the effect that the wife of Emil Wanetha, is in possession of information concerning the location of a woman who

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is connected with the Dillinger Gang. It is further claimed the wife of Emil Hanstka is cashing checks for this woman. Mr. Prityl was unable to provide information regarding the identity of the woman in question; however, it is suggested that possibly he was referring to PAT CHERINGTON.

The information outlined above was provided by telephone to Inspector H. H. Clegg, at Saint Paul, Minnesota, by Special Agent V. W. Peterson, of the Chicago Office on the afternoon of May 7, 1934. Mr. Clegg suggested that the card of Carter Blatchford, containing the name of Richard Sleight be forwarded to you immediately with complete details concerning the information furnished by Richard Sleight.

Very truly yours,

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M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge

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INFORMATION RECEIVED THAT A MAN AND WOMAN ARE RESIDING AT ISLAND LAKE RESORT, WISCONSIN, WITH ABE LAFAVE. MAN REPORTED TO HAVE REFERRED TO ESCAPE DURING RECENT SHOOTING AND IS HIDING OUT AT LAFAVES. INFORMATION TELEPHONED ST. PAUL. DETAILS FORWARDED AGENTS MANITOWISH, WIS. INVESTIGATION THROUGH APIB CONCERNING VARIOUS PLYMOUTH SEDANS STOLEN IN CONNECTION WITH ALLEGED IDENTIFICATION OF DILLINGER IN ST. PAUL YESTERDAY DEVELOPED THAT ONE PLYMOUTH WAS STOLEN MAY FIRST BY GUNMEN FORCING OWNER FROM CAR THIS IS SAME DATE MEMBERS OF DILLINGER GANG ABANDONED FOR V-8 PROPERTY ROY P. FRANCIS IN CHICAGO HAVE BEEN UNABLE CONTACT OWNER FOR INTERVIEW YET.

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 - MR. LESTER.....
 - CHIEF CLERK.....
 - MR. BAKER.....
- [Signature]*

Walworth Co., Wisconsin

May 6, 1934.

Dept. of Federal Agents,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sirs: - It was stated in a last week
Janesville Gazette (Rock Co.) that some of the Dillinger gang seemed to be infesting Lake ^{Jefferson and} ~~Mississippi~~
in Walworth Cos. particularly between there and Milwaukee. Added to this, a clothing dealer in Whitewater (N. W. corner of Walworth Co.) had a suit to a man, which his tailor had altered. Later, both ^{men} identified a picture of a Dillinger gangster shown them, as their former customer.

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Last night a resident of Whitewater told me as a strictly "sub-rosa" statement that a man named "Fish", who has a "chop" business of some kind there, had sub-let his apartments to the gang who kidnaped Brewer of Minneapolis, and that the victim was kept ^{in those apartments} ~~there~~ all that time. He said the place was one block or so from his boarding house.

This may be only suspicion, but people there are so afraid of reprisals by the gang that any investigations must be decidedly secret with all names withheld. I believe this report is genuine, as you must remember, that the "Brewer" who was kidnaped in Mpls. saw Beloit & Janesville markers along the route taken, with suspicion cast on Orfordville. All these places are near Whitewater.

it is a fact that different gang murders, being "taken for a ride" etc., including bombings, have been quite frequent in Southeast Wis. and northern Ill. in ~~the~~ ^{our} lake regions.

It is known that gangsters summer (or did) at S. Geneva resorts, Brown's Lake etc., and Anderdale's and many other secluded cottages around northern Walworth ^{lakes,} and north into Jefferson Co., furnish ideal hiding places for those who know enough to keep quiet among respectable cottagers. And too many ^{of those people} are afraid to tell what looks suspicious for fear of the gang.

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Consequently, I will sign myself with good old copy men: "Pro Bono Publico."

Ask Removal of Federal Agent; Charge Stupidity
Inclusion of Purvis - a City Agent

Merced, Calif.—A petition asking the suspension of Melvin H. Purvis, chief of the bureau of investigation of the United States department of justice in this area, pending an investigation into the escape of the John Dillinger gang from a hideout near here Sunday night is being circulated today.

The petition, reported to have been drawn by Milwaukee newspapermen and telephoned to L. A. Gehr, postmaster, was presented at a meeting here last night of 50 members of the Lakeland Development association, which went on record as endorsing the petition and favoring its circulation among residents of this area.

One Three Charges

The petition addressed to the department of justice:

"We respectfully petition for the suspension of Melvin H. Purvis as head of the bureau of investigation for the United States department of justice for this area pending an investigation of the irresponsible conduct of federal operatives on the night of April 22, in raiding the John Dillinger gang hideout in such a stupid manner as to bring about the deaths of two men and injury to four others, none of whom were gangsters. We charge:

First: Failure to seek the aid of persons familiar with the Merced resort area who could have prevented the escape of the Dillinger gang over the only highways leading from the hideout at Little Boonemia merely by barricading three nearby bridges.

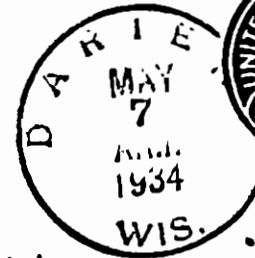
Lack of Caution

Second: Wanton recklessness and disregard for human life in firing on a car bearing three unarmed and respected citizens, killing one and wounding two.

Third: Criminal stupidity of two United States agents, acting evidently either with insufficient instruction or in disregard of orders for caution, in approaching a suspicious car parked near the Alvin Koorner lodge with no attempt at concealment and with weapons held so they could not be drawn for defense, as a result of which a lone bandit slew one agent, seriously wounded a constable and injured another agent."

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U. S. Dept. Agents of Justice,
Washington,
D. C.



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Walworth Co., Wisconsin

May 6, 1934

Dept. of Federal Agents,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sirs:-

It was stated in a last week's Janesville Gazette (Rock Co.) that some of the Dillinger gang seemed to be infesting lake resorts in Jefferson and Walworth Cos. particularly between there and Milwaukee. Added to this, a clothing dealer in Whitewater (E.W. corner of Walworth Co.) had sold a suit to a man which his tailor had altered. Later, both men identified a picture of a Dillinger gangster shown them, as their former customer.

Last night a resident of Whitewater told me as a strictly "sub-rosa" statement, that a man named "Fish", who has a "chain business" of some kind there, had sub-let one of his apartments to the gang who kidnaped Bremer of Minneapolis, and that the victim was kept in those apartments all that time. He said the place was only a block or so from his boarding house.

This may be only suspicion, but people there are so afraid of reprisals by the gang that any investigations must be decidedly secret with all names withheld. I believe this report is genuine, as you must remember the "Bremer" who was kidnaped in N.Y., saw Beloit and Janesville markers along the route taken, with suspicion cast on Orfordville. All these places are near Whitewater and it is a fact that different gang murders being "taken for a ride" etc. including bombings, have been quite frequent in southeast Wis. and northern Ill in our lake regions. It is known that gangsters summer (or did) at L. Geneva resorts, Brown's Lake, etc. and Lauderdale's; and many other secluded cottages around northern Walworth lakes and north into Jefferson Co. furnish ideal hiding places for those who know enough to keep quiet among respectable cottagers. And too many of those people are afraid to tell what looks suspicious for fear of the gang.

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Consequently, I will sign myself with the good old cognomen, "Pro Bono Publico", and let you work out these pointers as you best can, and "Shoot em on sight".

Ver. sincerely,

"PRO BONO PUBLICO"

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

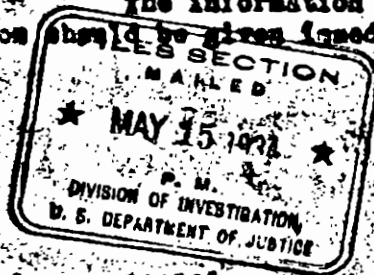
RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Identification
Order #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases,
Identification Order 1219, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Division Letter dated May 11,
1934, transmitting data with respect to the possible location
of the town in which the hide-out is located, with particular
attention being given to the sounds present in the town of
Whitewater, Wisconsin.

The Division has received an anonymous communication,
dated May 6, 1934, copies of which are enclosed herewith, dis-
cussing the possibility of locating gangster hide-outs in Walworth
County, and reference is made therein to the town of Whitewater,
Wisconsin. The writer of this communication states that a man
named "Fish" sub-let one of his apartments to the gangster kid-
naped Bremer, and that this apartment is only a block or so from
his boarding house.

The information set forth in this anonymous communica-
tion should be given immediate attention.



Very truly yours,

Director,

Inclosure 554896

cc-Mr. H. H. Clegg

Handwritten initials: HHC

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

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

May 3, 1934

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

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that Special Agents M.C. Falkner, R.D. Brown, A. H. Crowl and L. D. Nichols arrived in St. Paul, Minnesota, from Chicago, Illinois at 8:25 a.m., today, on subpoena.

Very truly yours,

WERNER HANNI,
Special Agent in Charge.



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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 5, 1934

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. COWLEY *RC*

Mr. Connelley called this evening about 9:35 P.M. and advised that information had been received that three men one of whom was supposed to have had a machine gun were seen today in a car which according to the license plates was supposed to belong to a Mr. Hart who is related to the people who concealed Dillinger after he murdered the sheriff at Lima. This information came from the sheriff at Hamilton, Ohio.

He advised that Hart lived on a farm near Hamilton, and that the sheriff at Hamilton and the police at Middletown who are going to raid the farm at 5:00 A.M. tomorrow morning had requested him to accompany them. Mr. Connelley stated that he was leaving Indianapolis at 10:30 P.M. with three other Agents and that two Agents from Cincinnati would join them there and they would accompany the local officers on the raid.

Mr. Connelley advised that he could be located through either the Cincinnati Office or the men remaining at Indianapolis.

Respectfully,

R. L. Moore
R. L. Moore

Mr. Connelley

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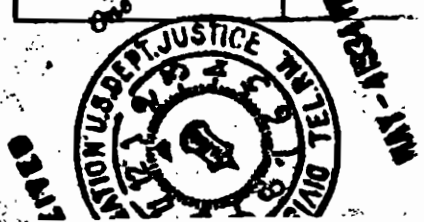
JOHN DILLINGER NMVTA CAPTAIN C C KESSLER FOSTORIA OHIO POLICE DEPARTMENT
CALLED ME AND STATED THAT HOMER VAN METER HAD BEEN IDENTIFIED BY SEVERAL
WITNESSES TO THE BANK ROBBERY WHICH OCCURRED THERE YESTERDAY AFTERNOON
WHEN \$17,299.00 WAS TAKEN IN ADDITION TO A FEW BONDS. THE AUTOMOBILE IN
WHICH THE BANK ROBBERS WERE TRAVELING WAS FORD V8 TUDOR SEDAN WITH YELLOW
WIRE WHEELS AND DARK BODY THE OHIO LICENSE NUMBER BEING
C-4-018. 5 PEOPLE WERE SHOT ~~INCLUDING XXX~~ INCLUDING THE CHIEF OF POLICE
THERE WHO WAS WOUNDED BUT NOT SERIOUSLY. CAPTAIN KESSLER INFORMED ME
THAT THE ROBBERS WERE SHOOTING LOW. THEY TOOK THE CASHIER AND A WOMAN
WITH THEM AND DROPPED THEM OFF ABOUT A MILE AWAY FROM THE BANK. THEY
MADE THEIR GETAWAY IN ONE CAR ONLY. THEY LEFT 2 GRAY OVERCOATS ONE SIZE
36 OR 38 AND THE OTHER SIZE 34 ^{OR} 35. THE LABEL IN ONE COAT WAS AS
FOLLOWS: MANUFACTURED UNDER MENS CLOTHING CODE AUTHORITY L I D NUMBER
021190. THE OTHER OVERCOAT BEING IDENTICAL IN COLOR BEARS THE SAME
WRITING BUT ALSO BEARS NUMBER 008619. THE BANK ROBBERS LEFT ON US ROUTE
23 PROCEEDING NORTH. THE CAR IN WHICH THEY WERE DRIVING WAS STOLEN
FROM MAUMEE OHIO ON TUESDAY OR WEDNESDAY NIGHT. DILLINGER HAS NOT BEEN
POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED BUT SEVERAL WITNESSES STATE THAT HE MIGHT HAVE
BEEN ONE OF THE ROBBERS. CAPTAIN KESSLER STATES THAT THERE WERE ONLY 4
MEN IN THIS ROBBERY BUT IT IS BELIEVED THAT THERE WAS ONLY 1 MAN IN THE RE-
OF THE BANK AT THE TIME OF THE ROBBERY. HE WILL INFORM ME OF ANY FURTHER
DEVELOPMENTS. I WILL MAKE EFFORTS TO TRACE THE OVERCOATS
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1900 Bankers Bldg,
Chicago, Illinois
May 8, 1934

Mr. Al Feeney,
Director of Safety,
Department of Public Safety,
State of Indiana,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear Mr. Feeney:

I have received your letter of May 5, 1934 and I have carefully noted the contents thereof. I am entirely in accord with your suggestion that some means be decided upon by which State Policemen and Federal Officers might be made known to each other, in order to prevent any tragedy which might result from a lack of this knowledge.

Mr. Connolly, who is the Special Agent in Charge of our Cincinnati District Office, and who is in Indianapolis, was contacted by me by telephone yesterday, immediately after receipt of your letter, in order that such arrangements might be made immediately. I trust that by this time this has been satisfactorily handled, and I have requested Mr. Connolly to inform me as to the signal decided upon.

With best wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

M. H. DWIS,
Special Agent in Charge

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State of Indiana
Department of Public Safety
Al Feeney, Director.

May 3, 1934

Mr. Melvin Purvis,
Department of Justice,
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Purvis:

Many calls have reached my office lately telling of cars
in which armed groups of men are riding.

Investigation in some instances revealed the fact that the
men were Federal operatives. These men are often reluctant
to identify themselves. In view of the fact that I do not care
to ask State Policemen, who in most instances operate singly,
to make unnecessary changes, I respectfully request that you
devise some signal by which these men can identify themselves.
I fear that unless such arrangements are made, a tragedy may
result.

Thanking you for your prompt attention in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

Sen: Al Feeney,
Director of Safety

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EVIDENCE TO BE PRESENTED TOMORROW TO U S GRAND JURY MADISON WISC
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 Mr. Coffey handling this

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

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San Francisco, California.
May 2, 1934.

C. C. Spears,
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

The attached letter, dated May 9, 1934, from the Washington Field Office, outlines the action taken by that office in causing the steamship "Duchess of York" to be searched for Dillinger, and indicates that the publicity concerning same emanated from London.

The Washington Field Office is being requested that in the future every precaution should be taken in matters of this nature to avoid any publicity.

Though the search of this vessel did not result in the location of Dillinger, it is interesting to note that it did lead to the apprehension, by officials of Scotland Yard, of a man who was wanted by London authorities, one Trebilsch Lincoln, alias Abbot Chao Kung, who was a spy during the World War and who has caused the British Government a great annoyance by his activities in fomenting rebellion among the British Colonies in India and various other activities of a rebellious nature against the British Government. Mr. Pennington states in his letter that this individual was wanted as badly by the London authorities as Dillinger is wanted by the Division.

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Respectfully,

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S.P. Cowley
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Send memo to A.G. & Stanley & give some of Lincoln's background for he has had a colorful career.

J. C. H.

Memo to A.G. & Stanley 5/13/34
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511 Hurley-Wright Bldg.,
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Division of Investigation,
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RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER w.o.,
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1217, ET AL,
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT,
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE.

Dear Sirs:

Reference is made to telephonic instructions from the Director, May 3, 1934 to take immediate action with respect to information personally received at his office to the effect that subject Dillinger was aboard the SS "Duchess of York".

It was established from Mr. C. E. Phelps, General Agent, Passenger Department, that the aforementioned ship belonged to the Canadian Pacific Line and that it had sailed from St. John's, New Brunswick, on April 28, 1934 at 11:00 P. M.; that it was due at Glasgow, Scotland, on May 5th, hour not known, at Belfast, Ireland, on May 6th, and at Liverpool, England, on May 6th. A passenger list of the cabin and tourist passengers was immediately secured and left with Mr. Cowley of the Division.

Mr. Phelps immediately telephoned the office of the Canadian Pacific Line at Montreal, Canada, and both he and I discussed with a Mr. Fallincaus of the line, the possibility of having the ship searched before it docked at Glasgow. Mr. Fallincaus stated that he would not be able to do anything about the matter but would immediately phone Mr. McCallum, the General Passenger Agent, to phone me back at Washington. Prior to Mr. McCallum calling back, he had received information from other sources as to what had been desired and he had already sent a radio to the SS "Duchess of York" requesting that the ship be searched for a dangerous character.

Mr. John M. Keith of this office advised the New York Office by telephone of the above and requested that an Agent leave for Montreal, Canada, to arrange immediate action by the officials of the Canadian Pacific Steamships Ltd. with respect to instructions to the Captain of the "Duchess of York" and to contact such Canadian Government officials as would appear to be necessary to assure speed and action by the officials of the Canadian Pacific Steamships Ltd. The New York Office was

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requested to instruct the Agent to make an immediate examination of the passenger list of the "Duchess of York" and more particularly to examine any handwriting for comparison with that of the signature of subject Dillinger.

Mr. Keith further requested the New York Office to contact the Radio-Marine Corporation of New York City with a view of having a picture of Dillinger immediately transmitted by wireless to the nearest receiving station of their facilities in England or Ireland in order that such picture could be immediately delivered to the police authorities at Liverpool, Belfast, Glasgow and to Scotland Yard. It was explained to the New York Office that should they receive a negative answer from the Radio-Marine Corporation, that they should then contact Mr. Charles J. Pannill, Executive Vice-President of that Corporation, and who is a relative of Agent Burruss of this office, and to secure through such introduction his closest cooperation in handling the transmission of subject Dillinger's picture to Europe.

Mr. Keith next called the Canadian Legation in Washington, D. C., and explained the situation to Mr. Hume Wrong, Counsellor of the Legation. Mr. Keith explained to Mr. Wrong that it was regretted that the element of time did not permit the request for their cooperation to go through Departmental channels, i.e., Department of State. Mr. Wrong was requested to contact the Canadian Government officials at Ottawa, Canada, with a view of having such Government officials issue necessary instructions to all concerned and to the officials of the Steamship Line to take appropriate action whereby a search would be made of all passengers aboard the "Duchess of York" before it landed, and in the event Dillinger was found on board, to prevent his landing and to see that he was returned to Canada on the same boat. Mr. Keith informed Mr. Wrong that every precaution should be used in handling this situation. About thirty minutes after Mr. Keith made this request, Mr. Wrong called the Washington Field Office and advised that he had gotten in immediate touch by telephone with his Government at Ottawa, Canada, and assured Mr. Burruss that action would be taken without delay to effect the apprehension of Dillinger if found on board the "Duchess of York".

Agent Burruss discussed the situation with Mrs. Shipley, Chief, Passport Division, Department of State, and arranged through her, with the Chief of the Consular Service, to send cables to American Consuls stationed at Glasgow, Belfast and Liverpool, advising of the above and incorporating in the cables a complete and thorough description of Dillinger. Mrs. Shipley gave immediate instructions for such action by the Department of State and about 7:30 P. M. advised Mr. Burruss that the cables had been sent and that the Consuls stationed at the above named cities would take appropriate action in connection with the local police authorities there to have all passengers searched before they landed and in the event Dillinger should land to place him in custody. It was suggested before the cables were sent that Mrs. Shipley inform the Consuls at Glasgow, Belfast and Liverpool that they undoubtedly could find a picture of Dillinger in the newspapers of those cities which could be used for identification purposes.

Relative to Mr. Cowley's request for information as to how in my opinion the information leaked out that the "Duchess of York" was being searched for Dillinger, it appears that this information was given out by someone in London due to the fact that the newspaper article stating that this ship had been searched for Dillinger, was shown to have emanated from the Associated Press from London.

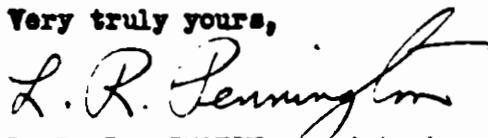
Mrs. Shipley of the Department of State has informed Mr. Burruss that the search conducted under the instructions of the American Consuls at Glasgow, Belfast and Liverpool did not result in the apprehension of subject Dillinger. In connection therewith, on May 7, 1934 at 6 P. M., Mr. Lowell Thomas, spoke over Station WMAL during which he stated in effect that although the search of the passengers aboard the SS "Duchess of York" did not result in the apprehension of Dillinger, it did lead to the apprehension by officials of Scotland Yard of a man who was wanted as badly by the London authorities as Dillinger was by the Division. Mr. Thomas referred to this man as one Trebilsch Lincoln, who was a spy during the World War (country not known) and as one who had caused the British Government a great annoyance by his activities in fomenting rebellion among the British Colonies in India and various other activities of a rebellious nature against the British Government. Mr. Thomas referred to Lincoln, travelling presently under the name of Abbot Chao Kung. This name was also given to Agent Burruss

by Mrs. Shipley of the Department of State who referred to such as being a name of the Mongolian race. Mrs. Shipley further recalled that Abbot Chao Kung, either under that name or some unknown alias, was last found in a Buddhist monastery, from which he made his escape and subsequent thereto the British Government has taken drastic action to see that he does not again arrive on British territory. Mrs. Shipley is of the opinion that Scotland Yard apprehended this man and held him for deportation.

In order that the files of the Division will not be confused with respect to the Mongolian name used by Lincoln, i.e., Chao Kung, the attention of the Division is respectfully invited to the fact that Abbot is a title used by the priests of the Buddhist religion.

It is suggested, in the event it has not been done, that the Division consider the advisability of transmitting to all foreign contributors and correspondents, the identification order on Dillinger, together with the nine-pose photograph. This suggestion is being made in order that the police officials of foreign governments may have immediately available the photograph and complete description of Dillinger should similar rumors be received indicating that Dillinger is en route to such countries.

Very truly yours,



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

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cc - New York (2)
St. Paul (3) (1 Mr. Rorer)
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Division of Investigation,
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Washington, D. C.

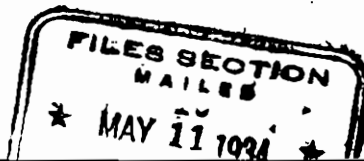
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated May 9, 1934, in the case entitled John Herbert Dillinger, with aliases - Fugitive, Identification Order #1217, et al., National Motor Vehicle Theft Act; Obstruction of Justice, in which it is noted that the publicity given to the search of the S. S. Duchess of York, looking towards the apprehension of Dillinger, emanated from London.

It is requested that in investigations of this nature every effort be made to avoid publicity and that those being contacted to extend any service to the Division be advised that it is a matter of a strictly confidential nature and that efforts should be made to prevent its being given publicity.

Very truly yours,

Director.





1212 Smith Young Bldg
San Antonio, Texas.
May 9, 1934.

Mr. E. E. Clegg,
Inspector,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
512 Post Office Bldg.,
St. Paul, Minn.

W. S. [unclear]
Unlawful Pass. Conv. Prop.
JOHN DILLINGER ET AL
RE: M. V. T. Act

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith copies of memoranda
submitted today by Special Agents F. J. Lasky and G. B.
Davis.

A further check is being made here and additional
information will be conveyed to you as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

W. S. [unclear],
Special Agent in Charge.

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MEMORANDUM

San Antonio, Texas.
May 2, 1934.

H. S. LEBMAN,
Dallas Post. Govt. Prop.

JOHN DILLINGER ET AL.
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Referring to the above entitled investigation, Agent C. E. Davis ascertained through [redacted] Confidential Informant, residing at [redacted] San Antonio, Texas, Telephone [redacted] listed in telephone directory as [redacted] that the identification card No. 1223 of George Wilson with aliases was identical with the party whom she knew as Jimmie Williams. [redacted] stated that in the months of November and December, 1933, Jimmie Williams was in San Antonio, Texas, with Charles W. Fisher alias H. L. Keith and J. C. McLarkin, who she positively identified as being the same party as Tommie Carroll; that she saw Jimmie Williams only on one occasion and that he was at that time in an Essex Terraplane; that from the conversation that occurred between Keith and Carroll, Jimmie was also called "Big Boy."

[redacted] information was that when the gang first came to San Antonio that J. C. McLarkin registered at the Robert E. Lee Hotel and H. L. Keith registered at the Blue Bonnet Hotel but she was under the impression that the others in the gang registered at some apartment or Tourist Camp.

She was shown the photograph of Homer Van Meter, Chicago Police #11561 and she stated that she had seen this party with Jimmie Williams, J. C. McLarkin and Keith and that they called him "Wayne." She stated that the photograph of Homer Van Meter on I. O. #1222 was not a good resemblance of Homer Van Meter and the party whom she knew as Wayne.

[redacted] stated that while Jimmie Williams, McLarkin, Keith and the party Wayne were in San Antonio that she was the party who informed the Police Department about McLarkin being at the Blue Bonnet Hotel and Keith being at the Aurora Apartments, and it was through her information that the City Police were sent to apprehend Keith and Carroll on the afternoon of December 11th, when Carroll, known as McLarkin, killed City Detective H. B. Ferrow and wounded City Detective Hartmann.

[redacted] stated that in conversation heard between McLarkin and Keith that while Jimmie and Wayne were here they purchased a fox terrier puppy and a German Police puppy.

Upon receipt of the photograph of Mrs. Jos. J. Marx with alias, Marie Marion Comforti, with alias, and Ann Sothern, [redacted] positively identified the photograph of Marie Marion Comforti as the woman that she had seen in the Essex Terraplane with Jimmie Williams and Wayne on one occasion. She stated that she was unable to identify either of the other two women.

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On the afternoon of April 29, Agent C. R. Davis proceeded to the County Jail with the photograph of Homer Van Meter, I. O. #1222 which was exhibited to H. B. Lehman, who positively identified same as the party who was known to him as Wayne Hattner and who was in San Antonio with Tommie Carroll, H. L. Keith, Tommie McGannan and Jimmie Williams, and that the .45 automatic pistol turned over to SAC was T. Jones by Lehman, which he Lehman was making into a machine gun was ordered by Wayne Hattner.

On April 30th, on receipt of I. O. No. 1223 Lester H. Gillis, with aliases, Agent Davis exhibited this photograph to H. B. Lehman at the County Jail, San Antonio, and Lehman positively identified the photograph as being Jimmie Williams, who was with Tommie Carroll, the latter whom he knew as J. C. McLarkin, and the balance of the gang at San Antonio in November and December, 1933.

Lehman further stated that Jimmie Williams and Wayne Hattner while here purchased a fox terrier puppy and a German Police puppy for the little boy of Jimmie Williams and the little girl of Tommie McGannan.

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[redacted] stated that in the months of November and December, 1933, he was working in a [redacted] near 111 S. Flores Street and that he often saw a bunch of men at that time hanging around Lehman's store. He stated that he had seen the photograph of Tommie Carroll and H. L. Keith which had been shown him by the Police Department. That he often shaved Tommie Carroll and H. L. Keith and also a party who they called Jimmie and some times called him Williams. The photograph of Lester Gillis, I. O. #1223 was exhibited to [redacted] who immediately identified the same as being Jimmie Williams whom he had shaved and cut his hair on one occasion.

The Identification Order #1222 on Homer Van Meter was shown [redacted] who stated he was not positive that he had ever seen this party, however, when Chicago Police No. 11561 which carried a photograph of Homer Van Meter, was exhibited to [redacted] he immediately identified him as being one of the persons who was in the barber shop with Carroll, Keith, and Jimmie. He stated that this bunch of men were accompanied by two women and a little boy aged about 5 or 6 years and that the little boy was thought by him to be the son of Jimmie.

The photograph of Mrs. Jos. J. Marr with aliases, was exhibited which [redacted] immediately identified as Jimmie's wife and the little boy's mother. The photograph of Marie Marion Comferti with alias was exhibited which [redacted] identified positively as a woman who had accompanied Jimmie's wife to the barber shop on one occasion when he, [redacted] cut the little boy's hair. He stated that at this time he heard the two women talking and they stated that they had purchased a fox terrier puppy and also a German Police puppy from some one in San Antonio.

The Robert E. Lee Hotel registration records disclose that J. C. McLarkin registered from St. Joseph, Mo., on Nov. 27, 1933, and checked out of said hotel on Dec. 6, 1933, occupying Room 803. Up to the time of writing this memorandum the account covering this registration has not been located by the Robert E. Lee Hotel, however, a search is being made for same and when located it will be checked for any additional information that the account may disclose.

The records of the Blue Bonnet Hotel were checked which shows that J. C. McLarkin, St. Joseph, Mo., checked into this hotel on Dec. 9, 1933, and was assigned to Room 807, which was occupied until Dec. 11, 1933, Account No. 1541B. The account shows the following local telephone calls:

Dec. 6, 1933, to Garfield 3759. This telephone is listed under the name of Bobby Bowman, 323 1/2 North Street, San Antonio, Texas.

Dec. 7, 1933, to Garfield 3759. Same as above.

Dec. 7, 1933, to Belmont 30201. This telephone is listed under the Jefferson Barber Shop.

Dec. 9, 1933, to Belmont 31272. This telephone is listed to H. S. Lehman, 111 S. Flores Street.

Dec. 10, 1933, to Garfield 3759. Listed in the name of Bobby Bowman, 323 1/2 North Street.

Bobby Bowman, mentioned above, is the girl with whom Tammie Carroll was with on December 11, 1933, when he shot his way out killing Detective Perrow and wounding Detective Hartman.

No check has been made at the Jefferson Barber Shop to ascertain if any person there can identify any of the photographs in possession of this office of this gang.

The records at the Blue Bonnet Hotel disclose that H. L. Keith, Monkato, Minn., registered at the above hotel on Nov. 25, 1933, and checked out of said hotel on Dec. 6, 1933, leaving a forwarding address to the Aurora Apartments, San Antonio. The account numbers on this are 15025 and 15271 which disclose the following local telephone calls:

Nov. 27, 1933, Cathedral 6153. This is listed to the Goodrich Tire Co., 724 Lexington.

Nov. 30, 1933, Garfield 7228. This telephone is also listed to the Goodrich Silvertone Tire Co., at the same address. It has been ascertained that while Keith was in San Antonio he purchased several automobile casings from this concern.

Dec. 5, 1933, Pampa 0796. This telephone is listed
in the name of Miss Dollie Williams, 302 S. Oliver Str.
A further check will be made to ascertain the identity
of Miss Dollie Williams.

b7D This office is keeping in close contact with [redacted] who
is endeavoring to obtain any information that Bobby Bowman may possess as
to the whereabouts of Tommie Carroll as Bobby Bowman was madly in love with
Carroll, whom she knew as J. C. Mearkin, while he was here in November and
December, 1933.

[redacted]

cc:
H.H. Clegg, St. Paul-2 Air Mail
Chicago-2.
Division-2. Air Mail
Dallas
El Paso

C. R. Davis,
Special Agent.

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

1216 Smith Young Tower,
San Antonio, Texas,
May 5, 1934.

MEMORANDUM

H. S. LEMMON - Unlawful Possession of Government Property

JOHN DILLINGER, et al - NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT

J. A. Hagen, Service Manager, Orsinger Motor Company, Hudson-Kaiser Dealers, 445 Main Ave., San Antonio, Texas, states Lester M. Gillis, with aliases, under the alias of James Williams had Essex SS model Terraplane '33 Deluxe Sedan serviced at the Orsinger Motor Company thirteen times between July 27, 1933, and December 1, 1933, and that Gillis was last seen by him at San Antonio on December 12, 1933.

Hagen's records indicate that when Williams first brought his Terraplane in on July 27, 1933, he gave his address as Robert E. Lee Hotel. The car bore Indiana 1933 license 705-193 and had been driven 17,377 miles. The motor number was 20821 and the serial number was 70603 and had been purchased new May 18, 1933. On this occasion the car was serviced with a general tightening. There is hereinafter set out dates additional work was done, the mileage shown by the speedometer on each date and the nature of the work done. Attention is called to the fact that the car was driven 17,377 miles between May 18th, date of purchase, and July 27th, and the mileages hereinafter set out indicate graphically the manner in which Williams used this car.

7/31/33 - 18,080 miles
8/1/33 - 18,120 miles - tuned motor
8/3/33 - 18,515 miles - repaired generator
9/18/33 - 26,930 miles - overhauling clutch and rebush shocks
(When car was brought in this time it bore California 1933 license 4D47-39)
9/19/33 - 28,949 miles - checked left rear wheel
11/17/33 - 36,168 miles - clutch overhauled.
11/20/33 - 36,216 miles - replaced generator
11/23/33 - 36,385 miles - removed power dome head (exchanged with Bittner's car as will be set forth hereinafter)
11/24/33 - 36,431 miles - rebush front shocks
11/27/33 - 36,764 miles - wash
11/28/33 - 37,368 miles - tighten transmission flange - overhaul rear shocks.
12/1/33 - 37,533 miles - change oil

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Hagen states that Gillis under the name of Williams was in the garage a couple of days after December 1st, but that he had no way of knowing that he was in the garage last the day after City Detective Perrow was killed and that the time he was in the garage was December 12th about 3:30 P.M.; that there was another man with him about the same height as Gillis, but that this man was thinner. Hagen got only a fleeting glance of this man and could not give any other description and does not believe he could identify his photographs.

It would appear that Gillis was in Chicago as well as California between August 3, 1933, and September 12, 1933, as he was seen in the Butler Motor Company at Chicago in August, 1933, by Chas. Orsinger at which time Gillis talked to Orsinger about San Antonio.

Hagen stated that on 11/17/33 when the clutch on Gillis' car was overhauled the bill amounted to \$29.75 and when Gillis came for the car he remarked that he was a little short of change and asked Hagen to drive him downtown so he could get some money. Hagen drove Gillis downtown in Gillis' own car and on instructions from Gillis stopped the car in front of the Keene Drug Store on S. Flores Street and waited in the car and saw Gillis go down the street and enter Lehman's Store at 111 S. Flores Street. He states that in about three minutes Gillis came out of Lehman's Store at which time he had a rather sizable roll of bills, which Gillis claimed to have gotten from his brother.

Hagen states when Gillis first came to San Antonio he claimed to stay at the Robert E. Lee Hotel. Checking at this address has not yet been completed. The second time he was here he claimed to stay at the Grande Courts Tourist Camp, and the third time he declined to tell Hagen where he was staying, but his car was seen by Pat Paxon, a salesman at the Orsinger Motor Company, near the Thompson Tourist Court in the 4400 block of S. Press Street.

Hagen identified the photograph of Homer Van Meter as being that of a man known to him as R. L. Huttner.

The records of the Orsinger Motor Company indicate that Huttner brought his 1933 Terraplane "8" Deluxe Sedan to the motor company the first time on 11/23/33 to have the five cream wheels painted black. At that time mileage on the car was 1761 miles. At this time Huttner gave his address as Dallas, Texas, but the service policy on the car was issued in the name of R. L. Huttner, Chicago, Ill. The motor number was 27683, serial 77753 and bore Texas 1933 license 101-127. On 11/27/33 this car was again serviced and the valve tappets set at .010 and .012 for fast driving. The car was equipped with a Majestic Radio. On this occasion Huttner gave his address

at 2733 Pine Grove Ave., Chicago, Ill. On December 5, 1933, the car was again brought in the mileage being 5265 miles and the oil was changed and shock absorbers filled.

Hagen states that the only gun he ever saw in either one of these cars was a .22 rifle in Gillis' car which Gillis claimed that he had bought in San Antonio and that it wouldn't work and he was taking it back to the man who sold it to him to have it repaired.

Both Hagen and [redacted] another employee of the garage, and several mechanics all unhesitatingly identified the photograph of Gillis as being that of Williams on whose Terraplane Sedan they had worked and Hagen and [redacted] both unhesitatingly identified the photograph of Marion Virginia Marr as being the wife of Williams and stated that they had a little boy about four years old with them. Hagen and [redacted] both identified the photograph of Rose Ankar as being the woman seen on several occasions with Huttner and stated that she was a very small girl with dark complexion, straight black hair, and looked like an Indian. They stated that Huttner's associates addressed him as Wayne. Neither Hagen nor [redacted] ever saw Gillis or Van Meter in any cars except the Terraplane, but both identified the photographs of H. L. Keith and Tommy Carroll as being the persons who came to the garage on several occasions with either Gillis or Huttner.

Hagen and [redacted] stated Williams was in his shirt sleeves most of the time and they had never seen a gun on him; that he was very nice looking, polite, never used profanity, was always well dressed and good natured.

[redacted] at Orsinger Motor Company, identified the photograph of Gillis and stated that he had on several occasions driven Gillis to the Aurora Apartments. It will be noted that H. L. Keith stayed at the Aurora Apartments while in San Antonio and was apprehended at that place. [redacted] also identified the photograph of Marion Virginia Marr as the woman known to him as Mrs. Williams, wife of James Williams.

Hagen states that Gillis told him that he lived in East Chicago, Indiana, where his father was in the oil business and claimed to have bought an interest in some oil well at Somerset, Texas, and on another occasion claimed to have made a round trip to Chicago and California. This was probably between August 3rd and September 18th.

Agent interviewed further employees of the Orsinger Motor Company, all of whom identified the photographs of Gillis and Van Meter as being known to them as Williams and Huttner, respectively, but none of these employees could furnish any additional information of value.

Texas 1933 license #11157 on the car driven by [redacted] was issued at San Antonio, Texas, November 21, 1933, to James Williams, 418 E. Euclid, San Antonio, for Essex Terraplane Sedan, motor #20821, serial #1001. At the time of registering this car Williams surrendered Indiana certificate of title #1884983, covering Essex Terraplane Sedan of the motor and serial numbers stated, and disclosed that the car was bought from the Valley Motor Company, Chicago, Ill. The signature of James Williams on application for license appears to be in the handwriting of Homer Van Meter. A tracing of this signature was made and is in the San Antonio Office.

The San Francisco Office has been requested by wire to advise full details on California SS license 4047-33. The address in Texas application 418 E. Euclid, San Antonio, is a vacant lot. The Indiana certificate of title indicates that Williams gave the address of 3801 Block Ave., East Chicago, Ind.

Agent examined guest registrations at Grande Courts Tourist Camp and found that J. Williams and family, San Francisco, California, checked in on September 16th and out on September 19th, were assigned to room 44 and paid \$9 for the three days. The records do not disclose that any telephone calls were made. A tracing of the signature on the registration card strongly indicates the handwriting of subject Gillis. [redacted] at Grande Courts, who registered Williams and family, states that photograph of Gillis was very familiar to him but that he could not tell where he had seen this individual, but thought that he had been a guest of the camp at one time or another. He could not identify the photograph of Marion Virginia Marr.

The register of Thompson Tourist Camp, 4402 So. Presa Street, failed to indicate that subjects had stopped there under any of their known aliases and none of the employees could identify the photographs of subjects or their women.

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At the Johnson Courts Tourist Camp, 4502 So. Presa Street, Agent interviewed [redacted] who immediately identified photographs of Gillis and Marion Virginia Marr as being Mr. and Mrs. J. Burnett who registered in his camp from San Francisco, California, on 11/22/33 and occupied house #2 and checked out on December 7, 1933. He states that Burnett and his wife were accompanied by a four year old boy and were driving a Terraplane Sedan with California license. The handwriting on the register discloses a marked similarity between the signature of J. Burnett and family and the handwriting of J. Williams and family on the register at Grande Courts. A tracing of Burnett's registration is being retained at the San Antonio office.

Johnson also identified a photograph of Homer Van Meter as being

that of a person named James J. Williams, Dallas, Texas, who registered in
house #4 on 11/23/33 and checked out on 12/9/33. [redacted] identified the
photograph of Rose Acker as being the woman with Van Meter and states that
they were both friends of the family known to him as Burnett. He does not
remember what kind of a car Van Meter was driving but thinks it had a
Minnesota license and does not think it was an open car. He states
that Van Meter had the back end of the car piled high with very expensive
luggage and that Van Meter had a half grown German Police dog with him.

[redacted] also identified the photograph of Tommy Carroll as being
the person who on several occasions visited Gillis and Van Meter. He could
not identify the photograph of Keith as having visited there and stated that
neither Van Meter nor Gillis had received or made any telephone calls at
his place. He states that the woman stayed around the camp all day and that
the men usually left in the morning and returned about three in the after-
noon and were usually there at night.

The registration of James J. Williams appears to be in the hands
of the writing of Van Meter. A tracing of this registration is in the San Antonio
office.

None of these interviewed identified the photograph of William
Weaver as that of any person seen by them.

SAC W. H. Purvis, Chicago, in a letter dated April 28, 1934, forward-
ed one green and one brown necktie which were found in Bag #3 at Little
Bohemia Lodge, Spider Lake, Wis., and which neckties were purchased at
Joaks Brothers Company, San Antonio. Agent contacted W. J. Quinn, Manager,
Men's Furnishings Department, and Chas. Starra, Floor Manager, Joaks Brothers
Company, San Antonio, both of whom identified these ties as being a pattern
sold during 1933 by Joaks Brothers Company and were of the dollar grade.
Through these two men photographs of all subjects were shown to employees who
mentioned nor could they identify the photographs of any subjects as having
purchased ties from them, although Starra stated he is positive that he has
seen Tommy Carroll in the store but does not remember having ever sold him
any merchandise. The two ties mentioned are returned herewith to the Chicago
office.

cc H. H. Clegg, St. Paul - Airmail
Chicago -
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Dallas
El Paso
E. J. Lacey,
Special Agent

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May 8, 1934.

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Mr. E. H. Clegg,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 518,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your teletype message of May 7th, there are transmitted herewith the original papers submitted by Inspector Horer under date of April 24, 1934, as having been found in the Little Bohemia Lodge, Manitowish, Wisconsin, in connection with the Dillinger Case.

J. Edgar Hoover

Very truly yours,

Director.

Enclosure #698798.

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Re: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER
I.O. 1217, et al
National Motor Vehicle Theft

MAY 18 1934

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that Special Agent W. E. Peters of this office on May 5th conferred with Mrs. C. V. Martin, a sister of John Hamilton, at 113 Louise Court, Barberton, Ohio.

She advised that some time during the fall or winter of 1933 she received two photographs of Hamilton in a letter post-marked Detroit, Michigan. She stated the letter was in a woman's handwriting and that the writer advised that she was a friend of Hamilton and that he had requested that the photographs be forwarded to his sister, Mrs. Martin. The letter was unsigned and Mrs. Martin does not know the name or address of the sender nor does she know the identity of the woman who appears in a bathing suit with Hamilton in one of the photographs. These two snapshots are being forwarded to the Division with the request that copies of same be furnished to all interested offices.

The woman in the photograph, it has been definitely established, is Pat Cherrington, alias Ann Jackson, alias Patricia Young. This woman, it will be noted, is in Detroit at the present time. She is alleged to be the sister of Opal Long, alias Bernice Thompson who is also in Detroit. It will be observed in previous reports submitted by the St. Paul Office that this woman, "Pat", as well as Opal Long, has been identified as being at St. Paul at the time Dillinger, Hamilton, Van Meter and others were located there.

Palm trees will also be noted in these snapshots which indicate that the photographs were evidently taken in Florida. Previous reports in the Dillinger matter reflect that this outfit spent considerable time at Daytona Beach, Florida, around Christmas,

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1933. It appears that they left that point going perhaps directly to Tucson, Arizona. In view of the above, both of these pictures are, of course, very recent.

In discussing this matter further with Mrs. Martin, she advised Mr. Peters that Hamilton had been at Barberton, Ohio, only once during the past nine or ten years. He met her husband about seven years ago when the Martins were visiting their relatives at Sault Ste. Marie. Mrs. Martin stated that she last saw Hamilton about a year ago while he was incarcerated in the Indiana State Penitentiary at Michigan City. She stated that the letter with which the photographs were forwarded, as she recalls, was written after his escape from the Indiana State Penitentiary on September 26, 1933.

She further advised that on February 14, 1934, her birthday, she received a box of candy from some point in Illinois. There was no letter or card accompanying this candy and she has no way of knowing exactly by whom it was sent except that she believes it was from her brother John.

She stated that subsequent to the East Chicago bank holdup, she received a letter from her sister, Mrs. Steve, of Sault Ste. Marie, in which she, Mrs. Steve, enclosed a letter from John Hamilton. In this letter Hamilton stated that he had been shot seven times in making the get-away from the bank. Mrs. Martin states that the last time she heard of her sister, Mrs. Steve, was shortly after Hamilton, Dillinger and evidently Pat Cherrington had been to visit her home at Sault Ste. Marie which was April 17, 1934. At that time Mrs. Steve stated that a man who she believed to be Dillinger and an unknown woman to whom she was not introduced arrived at her house accompanied by John Hamilton and stayed only a couple of hours. Mrs. Steve did not say anything in the letter about the present physical condition of Hamilton.

Mrs. Martin, who appeared to be very cooperative in every respect, stated that she had destroyed all the letters which she had received either from her sister or other persons concerning her brother, John Hamilton, doing so because she did not desire to become involved in this matter and felt that in the event her house was ever raided and communications found therein that she would be held.

It was determined that Mr. Martin is employed as a shipping clerk for the Sun Copper Company at Barberton and is a member of the Masonic Lodge there, having lived there for ten years, and owns his own home.

It was determined that Mr. and Mrs. Martin were expecting a visit from Mrs. Martin's brother, Claude Hamilton, also a brother of John Hamilton, yesterday and that in the course of the conversation with him, the Martins will attempt to secure any information which he might have concerning John Hamilton.

With regard to the description of Hamilton, Mrs. Martin stated that it was correct with the exception of his hair; that instead of that being light brown as shown in the description, it should be sandy red. The telephone number of this office was left with Mr. and Mrs. Martin who advised that in the event they hear either directly or indirectly from Hamilton, they will telephone this office the information immediately.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Martin stated that they would rather see Hamilton killed or captured than to have him running about the country as he is at the present time. Mrs. Martin doubts very much if she will receive any information from her brother but stated that in the event she does, same will be transmitted to this office. There is every reason to believe that the Martins are sincere in their cooperation.-

In view of the photographs forwarded to her presumably by Pat Cherrington and also because of the information furnished Mrs. Martin by her sister, Mrs. Steve, regarding the visit of the three individuals at Sault Ste. Marie on April 17, it was felt that Mrs. Martin could appropriately contact Pat Cherrington at Detroit under the pretext of determining the physical condition of her brother without causing the slightest suspicion that she was attempting to secure information regarding the whereabouts of the fugitives with the purpose of turning the information over to this Division.

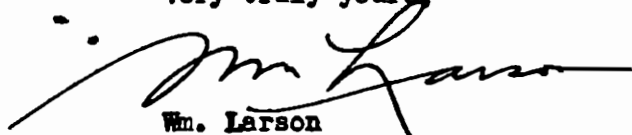
Agent Peters was instructed to go into this angle with Mrs. Martin informing her that by furnishing valuable information

to this Division, she would materially help her sister who is now under arrest at Sault Ste. Marie for harboring the fugitives and also that she would be paid well for her services. Agent Peters had a further long talk with her and she emphasized the fact that she did not want to become involved under any consideration; hence, she would not consider proceeding to Detroit for the purpose of contacting Pat Cherrington.

It is suggested that the Chicago Office consider the advisability of talking to Mrs. Steve at Sault Ste. Marie concerning a proposed interview with Pat Cherrington at Detroit on the theory of helping herself considerably regarding the case against her. It is felt that Mrs. Steve is in a good position to approach Pat Cherrington, who undoubtedly would talk freely to her and perhaps furnish her with her brother's, John Hamilton's, address. The question might arise that Mrs. Steve is not supposed to know the present address in Detroit of Pat Cherrington and that it would perhaps create suspicion for her to go directly to 75 Windemere where Pat Cherrington and Opal Long are now residing. In this respect, it might be stated that during the course of the trials of Pierpont, Makley and Russell Clark at Lima in March, newspapers on many occasions carried the name of Russell Clark's mother, Mrs. May Clark, with her address, 531 Chandler Street, Detroit. One of the local papers was permitted by the Clark family to take certain photographs inside of this house. In view of this, Mrs. Steve could, without causing any suspicion whatsoever, call upon Mrs. Clark at 531 Chandler and, during the course of a casual conversation, ask Mrs. Clark for the address of Pat Cherrington and Opal Long who, it will be noted in previous reports, lived for a period of time with Mrs. Clark. Their present address, 75 Windemere, is the home of Mrs. Clark's daughter, Mrs. Andy Strachen, and Pat Cherrington and Opal Long ply between the two above addresses.

The distance from Sault Ste. Marie to Detroit is approximately 375 miles.

Very truly yours,



Wm. LARSON
Special Agent in Charge

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cc - St. Paul
Chicago
Cincinnati
Kansas City

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2 Snapshots of John Hamilton

furnished by Mrs. C. V. Martin,

Sister of Hamilton

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John Hamilton
Patricia Cherrington



John Hamilton



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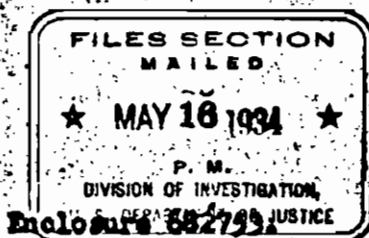
RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER,
with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1217 - et al -
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Dear Sir:

There are returned herewith the two photographs of John Hamilton forwarded to the Division with your letter of May 8, 1934, which were obtained from Mrs. G. V. Martin, a sister of John Hamilton, residing at 113 Louise Court, Barberton, Ohio.

Enlargements have been made of these photographs and sufficient copies are being furnished to all Division offices.

Very truly yours,



Director.

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

Kansas City, Missouri
April 30, 1934

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TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT

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

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May 7, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. # 1217, et al.
N.M.V.T.A. and HARBORING.
St. Paul File No. 26-2434.

Reference is made to the letter dated
May 2, 1934 addressed to this office by the Kansas City Office,
relative to the above entitled matter.

In this connection there is enclosed,
herewith, the cellophane envelope which contains the envelope
addressed to Mr. C. C. Chilcott, an attorney at Kansas City,
Missouri, as well as a newspaper clipping which is enclosed for
such action as it may appear advisable for the Division to take.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Clegg
H. H. CLEGG,

Inspector.

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KANSAS CITY, MO.

MAY 4 1934

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

Re: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with
aliases - Fugitive I. O. #1217
JOHN HAMILTON, with alias, I. O. #120;
HOWARD VAN METER, with aliases, I. O. #1222, AL
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT AND
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

Dear Sir:

Mr. C. C. Chilcott, Attorney, 821 Bryant Building, Kansas City, Missouri called this office this morning and advised that he had received a letter in regard to John Dillinger which he would like to discuss with an Agent of the Division.

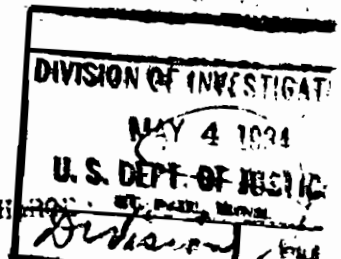
Special Agent R. H. Simons immediately went to the office of Mr. Chilcott and was given the envelope and newspaper clipping which is being forwarded herewith to you. The clipping and envelope were not handled by anyone other than Mr. Chilcott. Mr. Chilcott explained that he had no idea who could have mailed this clipping to him as the post mark is Kansas City and the newspaper clipping from the Kansas City Star under date of April 28, 1934, he stated that he believes some one was trying to play a joke on him or trying to embarrass him in some way but that in view of the intensive search for John Dillinger, he had believed it would be wise to communicate with the Division in this regard.

The envelope and newspaper clipping are being forwarded to you for what action you may deem necessary in this instance. It is possibly the work of a practical joker or some friend of Mr. Chilcott. He advised Special Agent Simons that he had an employee at one time by the name of George Nelson who had worked for him as an investigator. He stated, however, that this George Nelson weighs in the neighborhood of two hundred and fifty pounds, very large, and he knows that he is at the present time working out of the office of Jim Reed here in Kansas City as an investigator. It may be that the mailing of this clipping to Mr. Chilcott is in connection with these facts.

Very truly yours,

RHS:G
cc - Division
cc - Chicago
62-29777-1274

E. E. CONROY
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE



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Laboratory Report

Case: John Dillinger with aliases, et al.
NEVTA and Fugitive.

Number: 62-29777-1274

Specimens: One newspaper clipping entitled 6P.M. Today.
One envelope in which this clipping was mailed to C. C. Chilcott,
Attorney at Law, 82 I Bryant Bldg, City, Postmarked Kansas City,
Mo., Apr 28, 1934, 5PM.

Examination requested by: St. Paul Division Office.

Date received: May 11, 1934

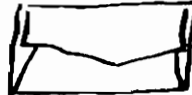
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RE: DILLINGER CASE

At the time of the shooting which occurred at 93-95 Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, a green Ford Coupe was abandoned by an individual who has been identified by Special Agent H. C. Coulter as Homer Van Meter. Investigation disclosed that this car was registered in the name of ZENO P. MILLER, 482 Burgess Street, St. Paul, Minnesota.

In this connection attention is directed to the report of Special Agent in Charge William Larson, dated Detroit, Michigan May 1, 1934, in which information is furnished concerning ZENO A. MILLER, Sherwood, O. It is stated that said Zeno A. MILLER is an uncle of Van Meter. This appears to be of some interest in view of the fact that Van Meter registered the car found abandoned in St. Paul under the name of ZENO P. MILLER.

V. E. PETERSON
Special Agent.

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