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**SUBJECT: JOHN DILLINGER GANG**

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 PENITENTIARY MICHIGAN CITY LOSANGELES OFFICE WIRES RUSSELL

LEE CLARK AND CHARLES MAKLEY IN CUSTODY POLICE TUCSON  
 ARIZONA HAVE WIRED LOSANGELES TO ADVISE YOU FULLY

PARTICULARLY THEIR ACTIVITY IN CONNECTION APPREHENSION  
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HARRY PIERPONT ETAL NMVTA ALSO MURDER SHERIFF JESS SARBER  
 LIMA OHIO STOP PIERPONT AND RUSSELL CLARK AND CHARLES  
 OMACKLEY ARRESTED BY POLICE TUCSON ARIZONA THIS AFTERNOON  
 WITH MRS PIERPONT AND BERNICE THOMPSON AND MAE MILLER STOP  
 SUBJECTS RECENTLY ARRIVED TUCSON AND ACTIVITIES CAUSED  
 CITIZENS TO REPORT TO POLICE WHO EFFECTED THEIR APPREHENSION  
 FINDING THEM IN POSSESSION FOUR MACHINE GUNS SEVERAL SMALL  
 ARMS AND APPROXIMATELY NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS CASH STOP  
 SUBJECTS TRAVELED IN STUDEBAKER CLUB SEDAN MOTOR C TWO FOUR  
 NAUGHT THREE SIX CURRENT FLORIDA LICENSE D THIRTEEN THREE  
 SEVEN THREE AND BUICK SEDAN MOTOR TWO EIGHT SIX SIX NINE  
 NINETY CURRENT FLORIDA LICENSE TWO SIX NINE TWO STOP  
 REPRESENTATIVES THIS OFFICE COOPERATING DILIGENTLY WITH  
 POLICE AUTHORITIES TUCSON WILL ADVISE FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS  
 STOP AUXILIARY OFFICES ADVISED=

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 25, 1934.

MR. NATHAN	.....
MR. TOLSON	.....
MR. CLEGG	.....
MR. COWLEY	.....
MR. EDWARDS	.....
MR. EGAN	.....
MR. QUINN	.....
MR. LESTER	.....
MR. LOCKE	.....
MR. RORER	.....

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*cc*

MEMORANDUM FOR MR CLEGG.

Mr. Dunn called at 11:50PM tonight from Los Angeles to advise the Division that JOHN DILLINGER had been taken into custody at Tucson, Arizona, about one hour ago. He had seven thousand dollars in cash on his person and was traveling in a Hudson sedan.

The above subject is mentioned in the attached files.

Respectfully,

*R. L. Moore*  
R. L. Moore

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*I called Newby - instructed him to phone Detroit - while I called Chicago -*

*1-25-34/8  
1-26-34 am.*

*[Signature]*

*Moore  
1/26/34*

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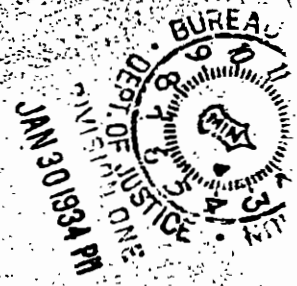
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WILLIAM LARSON  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U S DEPT OF JUSTICE  
625 LAFAYETTE BUILDING  
DETROIT MICHIGAN

HARRY PIERPONT ETAL NEWIA RUSSELL LEE CLARK AND CHARLES MAKLEY  
ARRESTED POLICE TUCSON ARIZONA TODAY IN POSSESSION STUDEBAKER SEDAN  
MOTOR EIGHTEEN NAUGHT FIVE EIGHT SEVEN ONE LAST YEARS FLORIDA LICENSE  
THIRTEEN THREE SEVEN THREE

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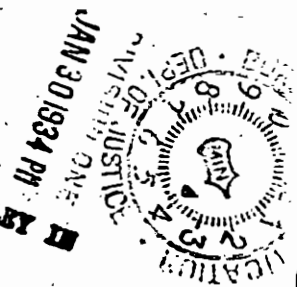
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 Division of Investigation  
 U. S. Department of Justice  
 Rm 426 U.S. Custom House & Post Office  
 Cincinnati, Ohio

HARRY PIERPONT WA ETAL NKVTA RUSSELL LEE CLARK AND CHARLES MAKLEY IN  
 CUSTODY POLICE TUCSON ARIZONA

CHARGE GOVT RATE  
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LOS ANGELES CALIFORNIA  
JANUARY 25th, 1934.

R J CONNELLEY  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U S DEPT OF JUSTICE  
ROOM 426 US CUSTOM HOUSE AND POST OFFICE BLDG  
CINCINNATI OHIO

HARRY PIERPONT ETAL NEMTA PIERPONT ALSO APPREHENDED POLICE TUCSON

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U S DEPT OF JUSTICE  
625 LAFAYETTE BUILDING  
DETROIT MICHIGAN

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HARRY PIENFORD ETAL. MIVA ALSO ARRESTED BY POLICE TUCSON ARIZONA IN POSSESSION OF BUICK SEDAN MOTOR TWO EIGHT SIX SIX NINE NINETY THIS YEARS FLORIDA LICENSE TWO SIX NINE TWO STOP CORRECT MOTOR NUMBER STUDEBAKER SEDAN O TWO FOUR NAUGHT THREE SIX THIS YEARS LICENSE STOP MRS PIENFORD SERVICE THOMPSON AND MAX MILLER APPREHENDED WITH SUBJECTS STOP FOUR MACHINE GUNS APPROXIMATELY NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS CASH RECOVERED FROM SUBJECTS

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NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

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

J E P DUNE  
 DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
 U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
 617 FEDERAL BUILDING  
 LOS ANGELES CALIF

HARRY PIERPONT WA ETAL MURKIN SUGGEST DIRECTOR BE FULLY ADVISED APPREHENSION  
 RUSSELL LEE CLARK AND CHARLES MALLEY PARTICULARLY ACTIVITIES THIS DIVISION IN APPREHENSION

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TELEGRAM	FULL RATE
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NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

J. C. WILLEVER, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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Cincinnati Ohio January 25, 1934 1040pm

E P DUNN  
 DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
 U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
 7 FEDERAL BUILDING  
 S ANGELES CALIF.

HARRY PIERPONT ETAL EMVTA MATT LEACH CHIEF INDIANA STATE POLICE  
 INDIANAPOLIS INDIANA PROCEEDING FROM INDIANAPOLIS EIGHT AM TOMORROW MORNING  
 ROUTE TUCSON AFFECT RETURN PRISONERS INDIANA STATE PENITENTIARY MICHIGAN CITY

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NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

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CINCINNATI OHIO JANUARY 25 1934

WM LARSON  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
826 LAFAYETTE BLDG  
DETROIT MICHIGAN

HARRY PIERPONT WA ETAL NANTA LOSANGELES WIRES  
MAKLEY INCUSTODY POLICE TUCSON ARIZONA

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION,  
1900 Bankers Bldg.,

Chicago

Chicago, Illinois, January 26, 1934 4:15 P.M.

S. J. KIDDER,  
c/o CHIEF OF POLICE,  
TUSCON, ARIZONA

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF EASTCHICAGO INDIANA ADVISES PART OF MONEY STOLEN  
CONSISTS OF THEIR FIVE DOLLAR NOTES BEARING NUMBERS BEGINNING A NAUGHT  
NAUGHT NAUGHT EIGHT FIVE THREE AND ENDING A NAUGHT NAUGHT TWELVE NAUGHT  
TWO THEY ARE NOT SURE WHICH OF THESE NOTES WERE STOLEN AS SOME NOTES  
BETWEEN ABOVE NUMBERS WERE GIVEN OUT BY BANK BEFORE ROBERTY YOUR TELEGRAM  
NOT CLEAR AS TO NUMBERS ON NOTES IN POSSESSION DILLINGER PLEASE VERIFY

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WAS: BEE  
CC: Division  
Los Angeles  
28-5547

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MR. LESTER	.....
MR. LOCKE	.....
MR. RORER	.....

# FEDERAL LABORATORIES, INC.

## PROTECTION ENGINEERING

GENERAL OFFICES & FACTORY 185 FORTY-FIRST ST.

PITTSBURGH, PA., U.S.A.

January 26, 1934

CABLE ADDRESS  
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OFFICE OF  
THE PRESIDENT

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

My dear Mr. Hoover:-

I was exceedingly pleased to read in todays paper of the apprehension of the "Dillinger gang" and immediately thought of you and your associates.

Realizing how hard you have worked on this case, I wanted to drop you a line and congratulate you on the results. I am always glad when I see your men succeed on one of these jobs.

I notice the credit that is given to the local police force on this occasion, and I suspicion you had considerable to do with the credit going where it did. I am sure this will pay you many times in securing the co-operation of the local police departments with your men.

I am wondering if it would not be highly beneficial to your Department if one of your magazine articles was devoted to playing up the important part the small police department has in assisting you in the capture of some of the nation's worst criminals. They like the credit and you can afford to pass it on.

Very cordially yours,  
FEDERAL LABORATORIES, INC.

*Henry Young*  
PRESIDENT

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Mr. John W. Young,  
President, Federal Laboratories, Inc.,  
185 41st Street,  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Dear Mr. Young:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated January 26, 1934 in which you invite my attention to the fact that due credit is given by the newspapers to the local police departments relative to the recent apprehension of the Dillinger Gang, at Tucson, Arizona. I agree with the thought expressed in the third paragraph of your letter that this practice on the part of newspapers will aid materially in securing the cooperation of the local and Federal authorities.

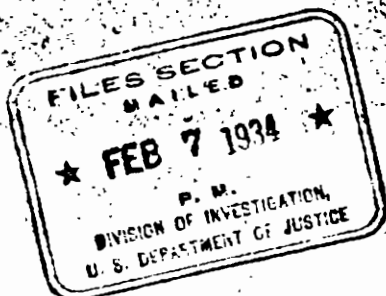
I appreciate your suggestion to the effect that an article dealing with the important part played by small police departments in the apprehension of many notorious criminals would prove interesting.

Again thanking you for your courtesy in calling these matters to the attention of the Division, I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

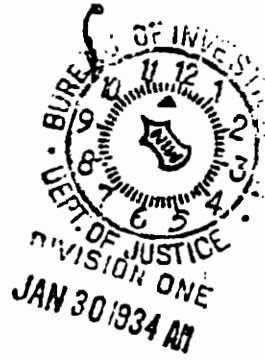


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U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

617 Federal Bldg.  
Los Angeles, California  
Jan. 27, 1934



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

Re: Harry Pierpont with alias, et al  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act,  
Murder of Sheriff Jesse Sarber,  
Lima, Ohio  
L. A. File 26-3287

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith a copy of a memorandum submitted on this date by Special Agent C. J. Endres who is now at Tucson, Arizona.

The Division will be advised immediately of any additional developments in this matter.

Very truly yours

E. P. DUNN  
Special Agent in Charge

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Memorandum for File Number 26-5287

Re: HARRY PIERPONT, with aliases, et al.  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act;  
murder of Sheriff Jesse Barber, Lima, Ohio.

Subjects Harry Pierpont, Russell Clark, Charles Makley and John Dillinger apprehended by Tucson, Arizona, Police Department on January 25, 1934. 34

Subjects accompanied by the following women: Mrs. Harry Pierpont, Berniece Thompson, May M. Miller and Ann Martin.

Subject Pierpont was in possession of a 1934 Buick Sedan, Motor Number 2866900, Serial Number 2707596, bearing 1934 Florida plates 2-692.

Subject Makley was apprehended in possession of a Studebaker Club Sedan, Motor Number C 24036, Serial Number 8048836, bearing Florida plates D 13-375. It is noted on this automobile that the last numeral in the motor number and the serial number (the 6) may have been added to the motor and serial numbers.

About 8 P.M. on January 25, 1934, Frank Sullivan and Ann Martin were apprehended in a Hudson Club Sedan, Engine Number 30071, Serial Number 252007, bearing 1933 Wisconsin plates 27-001.

It appears that the Studebaker Club Sedan entered the State of Arizona at Benson, Arizona, on January 21, 1934; that the Buick Sedan entered Arizona on the same date. The Hudson Sedan bore no tag of the Arizona Highway Patrol showing entry into the State of Arizona.

Subject John Dillinger was booked under the alias of Frank Sullivan and the papers pertaining to the Hudson Club Sedan reveal that this car was purchased from the Hudson-Franpton Motor Car Company, 4535 Delmar Blvd., St. Louis, Missouri.

Subject Dillinger had in his possession \$6875.44 and later \$500 in currency was found on his person. Subject Dillinger was taken to the Pima County Jail at Tucson, Arizona, and in a further search made of his person \$2000 was found in a money belt.

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A search of the premises occupied by subject Dillinger and Ann Martin at 1304 E. 5th Street, Tucson, Arizona, revealed a money bag containing an amount of money not determined at the present time. Among the money found in the possession of subject Dillinger were National Bank Notes on the First National Bank of East Chicago, Indiana, bearing the serial numbers, in part, as follows: A000919 to A001107.

On January 26, 1934, the information concerning the five dollar notes found in the possession of subject Dillinger was communicated by telegraph to the Chicago Division Office by the writer on advice of Special Agent in Charge, J. E. Dunn, of Los Angeles.

Subject Pierpont had on his person a sum of \$94.81. Mrs. Pierpont having \$3118.20. Subject Clark had a sum of \$1264.70; subject Makley \$794.09.

Subjects Clark and Makley when further searched in the Pima County Jail had additional sums in the amount of \$6000 on their persons in money belts.

From information furnished by the Tucson Police Officers it is the understanding of Agent that the subjects were registered at the Congress Hotel in Tucson, Arizona, on Monday, January 22, 1934, at which time there was a fire in the Congress Hotel. Subjects paid local firemen \$12 each to rescue certain baggage which subjects had in their rooms in the Congress Hotel. These local firemen, after this occurrence and while reading a magazine article concerning the fugitive subjects, recognized subjects as the persons who had occupied rooms in the Congress Hotel. They reported this fact to local police and the Sheriff Department. A trace was made of the baggage taken from the Congress Hotel and it was determined that the baggage had been taken to 927 N. 2nd Avenue. Officers from the Tucson Police Department went to the above address on the afternoon of January 25, and there apprehended subject Clark after a struggle in which no shooting took place. Subject Makley was followed to the Grabe Electric Company on Congress Street and he was there apprehended. After the apprehension of these two subjects one of the local motorcycle officers recalled that he had reprimanded a person in a Buick Sedan a few nights previous and went to an auto camp at the corner of 6th Avenue and 19th Street and apprehended subject Pierpont who was preparing a hasty departure from Tucson. Subject Pierpont was brought to the Tucson Police Department and while being formally questioned by Chief of Police C. A. Wollard, and other officers, drew guns from his person and attempted to shoot Chief of Police Wollard, but was unable to do so by intervention of other officers.

About 8 P.M. January 25, 1934, subject John Dillinger was apprehended in front of the premises at 927 N. 2nd Avenue, together with Ann Martin. Upon being searched at the Police Department an address was noted as 1304 E. 5th Street, and when these premises were searched, additional money, machine guns, ammunition and baggage of the subjects was located.

Also subjects were identified from fingerprints and classifications on file in the office of Mark L. Robbins, Superintendent of the Bureau of Identification, Tucson Police Department and there is no doubt that subjects are the fugitives wanted by the Indiana Penitentiary authorities and also wanted for bank robberies and murders in the vicinity of Chicago, Ill.

Chief of Police Wollard has received various communications by telegraph and long distance telephones from police authorities in Ohio, Indiana, Wisconsin and Illinois. It is stated that all four subjects, together with the women, are wanted for bank robberies and jail breaks.

On the morning of January 26, 1934, subjects were arraigned before Justice of the Peace C. V. Budlong on charges of being fugitives from justice. All were held for preliminary hearing set for Tuesday, January 30, 1934, at 10 A.M., and bond set at \$100,000 cash for the men subjects. Mrs. Pierpont is being held as a material witness on a charge placed against subject Pierpont of attempted assault on Chief of Police Wollard.

At the time of writing this memorandum, the women companions of subjects have not been fingerprinted and no effort has been made to identify them, but telegraphic communications received by Chief Wollard from the Indiana State Penitentiary at Michigan City, Indiana, indicated that one of the women may be Mary Kinder, who is also wanted in the vicinity of Chicago, Illinois, on bank robbery and murder charges.

At the preliminary hearing 2 Winchester 351 caliber rifles, mounted as machine guns, and 3 Thompson sub-machine guns were introduced as evidence, together with 3 bullet-proof vests taken from the baggage of the subjects. The total amount of money found in possession of all subjects has not been computed at the present time, but it is stated to amount to about \$25,000. This sum of money was also introduced as evidence before the Justice Court in order that it might not be used by subjects for attorney's fees and for bonds.

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Since the apprehension of the above subjects numerous calls have been received by the Sheriff's Office and the Police Department, in which it is stated that two more members of the Dillinger gang were yet in the vicinity of Tucson. Due to the excitement resulting from the apprehension of the above-named subjects, no concentrated effort has been made to locate the two remaining subjects believed to be in this vicinity. It is thought that these two subjects might be John Hamilton and Hilton O. Crouch.

Agent has been assisting local officers in the identification of the subjects, in checking the automobiles involved, and in attempting to trace the money found in possession of the subjects. Any further important information ascertained will be immediately communicated to the Los Angeles Office.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. Endres.

JEM:BCB

January 27, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CLARK

Colonel Gates telephoned to advise me of inquiries he had received as to whether we want Dillinger. I told Mr. Gates that we have no warrant for him as yet, but that Agents were examining him in connection with kidnaping matters.

Very truly yours,

Director.

*Dillinger  
Indiana Nat. Bureau*

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Washington, D. C.

January 27, 1934.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I called Mr. Dunn and inquired whether Agent Endres had interviewed Dillinger and his associates at Tucson, Arizona. Mr. Dunn stated he did not know whether he had done so or not.

I then requested him to get in touch with Mr. Endres and determine whether he had interviewed Dillinger and, if so, to obtain all information from Endres, resulting from such an interview, paying particular attention to the fact that it had been reported that Dillinger had swallowed some paper after being taken into custody.

Mr. Dunn requested to be advised whether Endres should interview Dillinger and these men if he had not already done so. I told Mr. Dunn that if they had not already been interviewed, Endres, who is in Tucson, should endeavor to interview them and obtain any information possible.

Respectfully,

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

*John Dillinger*

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Mr. C. A. Wollard,  
Chief of Police,  
Post Office Box 2808,  
Tucson, Arizona.

Attention: Mr. Mark L. Robbins,  
Superintendent, Bureau of Investigation.

Dear Sir:

In your letter of January 27, 1934, referring to the arrest of Charles Makley, John Dillinger, Russell Clark and Harry Pierpont, you indicated also that certain charges against the women arrested with these persons have been omitted from the fingerprint records.

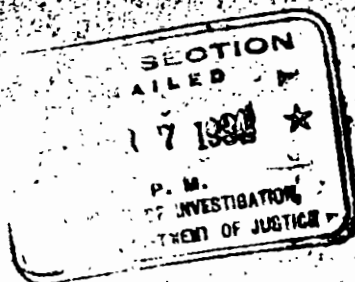
It does not appear that the fingerprints of these women, i.e., Berniece Thompson, Ruth Pierpont and Anna Martin have been received in our Identification Unit from your City. I beg to call this matter to your attention in the event you wish to submit the said fingerprints for the completion of the files.

With expressions of my appreciation of your assistance,

I am

Very truly yours,

Director.



Room 1403  
370 Lexington Avenue  
New York, N. Y.

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Special Agent in Charge  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Federal Building, Suite 1  
Kansas City, Mo.

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JAN 30 1934

Dear Sir:

Captain Conover of the Pennsylvania Railroad Police Department, Buffalo, N. Y., advised Special Agent G. V. Maherty of this office that he had read about the recent Kansas jail break where seven prisoners escaped and that the guard who had been overpowered was known as Clyde Derr.

Captain Conover further stated that in 1927 he arrested a Clyde Darr who he thought might possibly be the same man as the break appeared to him to be an inside job. It appears that Captain Conover went to Colorado to return Darr, who is supposed to be from the west. It will be noted, however, that the spelling of the two names is not identical, although of course similar.

Captain Conover described Clyde Derr as follows:

Age	28
Height	5'10 3/4"
Weight	202
Eyes	Blue - gray
Hair	Chestnut
Police	Buffalo Police Dept. #18728
	Sentenced at Buffalo, N. Y., May 24, 1927, grand larceny, first degree (theft of 9 carloads of coal) to serve term of four years in the Auburn State Prison, Auburn, N. Y.

The above is being submitted for your information and inasmuch as this data might possibly assist the State authorities.

Very truly yours,

F. X. PAY  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
417 Federal Building,  
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Sir:

RE: HARRY FISHER, with aliases,  
et al.;  
Special Motor Vehicle Theft Act,  
et al.;  
Escape from Federal State Penitentiary,  
Chicago, Ill., 1932.

On January 26, 1934, a letter was received from  
Special Agent, Tucson, Arizona, advising that he had found in the  
possession of Subject John Billinger bank notes of the First National Bank  
of East Chicago, Indiana, #A000019 to #A001107, requesting advice as to  
whether or not these were stolen from that bank in the recent holdup.

Mr. W. E. Spencer, Vice-President of the First National Bank  
of East Chicago, Indiana, was interviewed by Special Agent in Charge,  
office, and he advised that on January 12, 1934, approximately 1:30 p.m.  
Subjects Billinger and Hamilton entered the bank and after killing William  
O'Neil, a teller of the East Chicago, Indiana, branch, he and the  
cashier with \$47,424.87 after cleaning out the various boxes of the bank  
containing the bank notes found in the possession of Subject Billinger  
at his arrest at Tucson, Mr. Spencer advised as follows: On January 11, 1934,

at the United States Treasury at Washington, D.C., advised to the First National  
Bank of East Chicago, Indiana, 500 five dollar bills serials 117000000  
to 117000000 were received at the bank on January 12, 1934, and on the  
afternoon of that day were put to their proper place in the vault. There  
was a record entry of the receipt of these bills to  
January 12, 1934, all of these bills were distributed in various  
follars to be used in the cashing of pay checks. These bills were  
from #A000863 to #A001202. It is impossible for me to give the  
numbers of the bills which were stolen by the subjects Billinger and Hamilton  
as some of these five dollar bills had already been distributed through  
East Chicago, Indiana, in the cashing of pay checks. However,



stated that the money stolen from the First National Bank of East Chicago, Indiana, on January 15, 1934, by Subjects Dillinger and Hamilton bore the numbers above set out.

As soon as the foregoing information was received with respect to the numbers of the bills stolen from the First National Bank of East Chicago, Indiana, the following telegram was forwarded to Special Agent C. J. Endres, care of Chief of Police, Tucson, Arizona:

"FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF EAST CHICAGO INDIANA ADVISES PART OF MONEY STOLEN CONSISTS OF THEIR FIVE DOLLAR NOTES BEARING NUMBERS BEGINNING A NAUGHT NAUGHT NAUGHT NAUGHT FIVE THREE AND NINE A NAUGHT NAUGHT TWELVE NAUGHT TWO THEY ARE NOT SURE WHICH OF THESE NOTES WERE STOLEN AS SOME NOTES BETWEEN ABOVE NUMBERS WERE GIVEN OUT BY BANK BEFORE RECEIVING YOUR TELEGRAM NOT CLEAR AS TO NUMBERS ON NOTES IN POSSESSION DILLINGER PLEASE VERIFY"

Copy of this letter is being sent to Agent Endres at Tucson, Arizona, for his additional information in connection with this matter.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge.

TFM:GVT  
cc: Division  
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cc: C. J. Endres,  
Tucson, Ariz.

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HARRY PIERPONT WA ETAL NMVTA REFER PRIOR WIRES AND TELEPHONE CONVERSATION YESTERDAY WITH MR COWLEY STOP ALL SUBJECTS INCLUDING DILLINGER INTERROGATED YESTERDAY BY REPRESENTATIVE THIS OFFICE RESULTS NEGATIVE EACH AND ALL WERE UNCOMMUNICATIVE STOP ALL SUBJECTS STILL HELD BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES TUCSON AS FUGITIVES FROM JUSTICE DESPITE EFFORTS COUNSEL TO OBTAIN RELEASE THROUGH HABEAS CORPUS PROCEEDINGS STOP AM ADVISED WISCONSIN ILLINOIS AND INDIANA AUTHORITIES HAVE FILED TELEGRAPHIC DETAINERS AND THAT OFFICERS ARE AT TUCSON OR ENROUTE TO EFFECT EXTRADITION ALL SUBJECTS IN CUSTODY STOP ONLY ONE OF FEMALE COMPANIONS FORMALLY DETAINED SHE BELIEVED TO BE MARY KINDER WHO IS BELIEVED TO BE INVOLVED IN MURDER COMMITTED BY DILLINGER GANG IN ILLINOIS SHE TRAVELED AS COMPANION OF SUBJECT DILLINGER STOP AM

ADVISED PROSPECTS INDICATE SUBJECTS WILL NOT OBTAIN RELEASE FROM LOCAL CHARGE ALL MONIES IN THEIR POSSESSION TOTALLING ABOUT TWENTY FIVE=

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THOUSAND IMPOUNDED AS EVIDENCE ALONG WITH FOUR MACHINE GUNS AND NUMEROUS SMALL ARMS STOP FEMALE COMPANIONS ARE MRS HARRY PIERPONT AND BERNICE THOMPSON AND MAY M MILNER AND ANN MARTIN TRUE NAME OF LATTER BELIEVED TO BE MARY KINDER STOP INTERROGATION OF WOMEN COMPANIONS INDICATE THAT DILLINGER AS FRANK KIRTLEY RESIDED ON DECEMBER NINETEENTH DAYTONA FLORIDA AT NINE NAUGHT ONE SOUTH ATLANTIC BOULEVARD STOP IT ALSO APPEARS THAT PIERPONT AND CLARK AND MAKLEY WERE IN THAT COMMUNITY AT SAME TIME STOP THE ENTIRE PARTY LEFT DAYTONA BETWEEN JANUARY FIFTEENTH AND TWENTIETH LAST TRAVELLING IN AUTOMOBILES DESCRIBED IN PREVIOUS WIRES WITH THE EXCEPTION THAT DILLINGER LEFT FLORIDA IN AN ESSEX TERRAPLANE CAR WHICH HE TRADED ON FLOOR STLOUIS AUTO SHOW ON TWENTIETH INSTANT FOR HUDSON SEDAN STOP WHILE AT STLOUIS BELIEVED TO HAVE STOPPED AT ROOSEVELT HOTEL CAR TRADE AND HOTEL REGISTRATION UNDER NAME FRANK SULLIVAN HE PROCEEDED FROM STLOUIS DIRECTLY TO TUCSON AND HAD BEEN THERE TWO DAYS WHEN APPREHENDED STOP CLOSE INTERROGATION ALL MAIL SUBJECTS-

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HAMM OR BREMER CASES ALL SUBJECTS LIKEWISE DENIED CONNECTION WITH ROGER ~~TOUHEY~~ GANG ALTHOUGH SOME ADMITTED ACQUAINTANCE AND ASSOCIATION WITH TOMMY ~~TOUHEY~~ BROTHER OF ROGER STOP SHERIFF TUCSON RECEIVED TELEPHONIC ADVICE FROM HANNIBAL MISSOURI STATING IDENTIFICATION HAD BEEN MADE FROM NEWSPAPER PHOTO CONNECTING A MEMBER OF GANG PRESUMABLY DILLINGER WITH KIDNAPPING OF MRS ROY ~~CARPENTER~~ AT MONROE MISSOURI ON NINTH INSTANT NO DETAILS FURNISHED RELATIVE THIS PHASE STOP AUTO CHECKING RECORDS INDICATE ENTIRE PARTY ENTERED ARIZONA ON TWENTY FIRST AND TWENTY SECOND INSTANT STOP THE ARREST OF ALL PARTIES FOLLOWED FIRE AT CONGRESS HOTEL TUCSON ON TWENTY SECOND INSTANT AT WHICH TIME SUBJECTS PAID FIREMEN LIBERALLY TO RESCUE CERTAIN BAGGAGE SUBSEQUENTLY FIREMAN AS RESULT READING MAGAZINE ARTICLE CONCERNING DILLINGER GANG BECAME SUSPICIOUS AND REPORTED TO LOCAL OFFICERS THEREAFTER A DETAILED INVESTIGATION IN WHICH REPRESENTATIVE THIS OFFICE ASSISTED RESULTED TRACING BAGGAGE AND EFFECTING APPREHENSION SUBJECTS AT VARIOUS HIDEOUTS TUCSON AND VICINITY STOP PRESS STORY RELATIVE DILLINGER ATTEMPTING=

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 FINGERPRINTS OR IDENTIFYING INFORMATION AVAILABLE CONCERNING  
 FEMALE COMPANIONS WITH EXCEPTION THAT TELEGRAPHIC  
 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED BY TUCSON POLICE CHIEF INDICATE  
 THAT ONE OF THEM MAY BE MARY KINDER ABOVE REFERRED TO STOP  
 DETAILED MEMORANDUM FORWARDED AIR MAIL YESTERDAY SUMMARIZING  
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January 31, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

With reference to my memorandum dated January 26, 1934, advising of the apprehension of John Dillinger and his associates at Tucson, Arizona, on January 25, 1934, please be advised that I am now in receipt of information from the Los Angeles Office, of the Division, relative to the details surrounding the apprehension of these individuals.

It appears from the records of the Arizona Highway Patrol that the Studebaker Club Sedan, bearing Florida license plates, B-13-373, and the Buick Sedan, bearing Florida license plates, 2-692, which were found in the possession of these criminals had entered the State of Arizona on January 21, 1934. The entry of the Hudson Club Sedan, bearing Wisconsin plates 27001, into the State of Arizona, was not recorded by the Highway Patrol.

These criminals registered at the Congress Hotel in Tucson, on January 22, 1934 on which day there occurred a fire at the hotel and the subjects each paid local firemen \$12.00 to rescue certain baggage which they had abandoned in their rooms. These firemen later observed photographs in a magazine, which they identified as resembling the fugitives, and reported this fact to the local police and the Sheriff. The baggage taken from the Congress Hotel was traced to 927 North 2nd Avenue where, on the afternoon of January 25th, subject Russell Clark was arrested after a struggle in which no shooting took place. Subject Charles Makley was observed on the streets of Tucson and trailed to the Grabe Electric Company, where he was apprehended.

After the apprehension of these two individuals, one of the local motorcycle officers recalled that he had reprimanded a person in a Buick Sedan a few nights previous, who was stopping at an auto camp at the corner of 6th Avenue and 19th Street. Officers immediately went to this location where they apprehended subject Harry Pierpont, who was preparing to make a hasty departure from Tucson. When brought into the Tucson police station for questioning by Chief of Police C. A. Wollard, Pierpont unexpectedly drew gunshot which was overpowered before bringing them into action.

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As a result of a watch placed on the premises at 927 North 2nd Avenue, subject John Dillinger was arrested at about 8:00 P.M., when he arrived with one Ann Martin. Upon being searched at the police station, there was found on his person the address of 1304 - East 5th Street, which was immediately searched and machine guns, ammunition and baggage belonging to the fugitives were located.

Subject Dillinger had in his possession at the time of arrest \$7,175.44, and in a later search of his person at the Pima County Jail, an additional sum of \$2,000.00 was found hidden in a money belt. Included in this currency were national bank notes, on the First National Bank of East Chicago, Indiana, bearing consecutive serials, numbers A-000919 to A-001107, which have been identified as part of the loot taken from that bank at the time of its robbery.

Subject Pierpont had in his possession the sum of \$99.81, but Mrs. Pierpont surrendered \$3,116.30.

Subjects Clark and Makley had sums of \$1,264.70 and \$794.09, respectively, and a later search of the last two named at the Pima County Jail disclosed additional sums amounting to \$6,000.00 hidden in money belts.

On the morning of January 26, 1934, these fugitives were arraigned before Justice of the Peace C. V. Budlong, on charges of fugitives from justice. They were held for preliminary hearing set for Tuesday, January 30, 1934, and bonds were fixed at \$100,000.00 each.

Chief of Police Wollard has received various communications by telegraph and long distance telephone from police authorities in Indiana, Ohio, Wisconsin and Illinois, indicating that the fugitives are wanted by them for crimes committed in their respective districts.

At the hearing before Justice of the Peace Budlong, two Winchester .351 caliber rifles, mounted as machine guns and three Thompson sub-machine guns were introduced as evidence, together with five bullet proof vests taken from the baggage of the subjects.

Attorney General

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The total amount of money found in their possession, exceeding \$25,000.00, was also introduced as evidence in order that it might not be used by subjects for attorneys' fees, or for bonds.

Special Agents of the Division are at the present time checking the automobiles found in the possession of these fugitives inasmuch as it appears that there has possibly been a violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

The Division entered this investigation shortly after the murder of Jesse Barber, at Lima, Ohio, when it was learned that an automobile found abandoned by these subjects at Hamilton, Ohio, had been stolen from its owner at Chicago, Illinois.

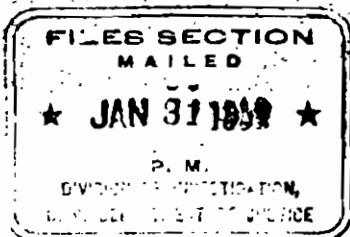
These subjects have been questioned by Special Agents of the Division for any information they might have concerning the Hamm or Bremer Kidnaping cases, but no information of value was obtained which would implicate any of the members of this gang.

Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

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From

# THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

to

Official Indicated below by check mark

- MR. NATHAN \_\_\_\_\_
- MR. TOLSON \_\_\_\_\_
- MR. CLEGG \_\_\_\_\_
- MR. COWLEY
- MR. EDWARDS \_\_\_\_\_
- MR. EGAN \_\_\_\_\_
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- MR. LOCKE \_\_\_\_\_
- MR. ROBER \_\_\_\_\_

## MEMORANDUM

- Solicitor General Biggs \_\_\_\_\_
- Assistant to the Attorney General Starob \_\_\_\_\_
- Assistant Attorney General Stephens \_\_\_\_\_
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- Mr. Hoover, Director of Investigation \_\_\_\_\_
- 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 \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Sornborger, Appointment Clerk \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Carusi \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Getz \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Glendon \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss Watkins \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss O'Brien \_\_\_\_\_

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

DETROIT MICHIGAN JANUARY 29 1934

J E P DUMM  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
617 FEDERAL BUILDING  
LOS ANGELES CALIFORNIA



HARRY PIERPONT WITH ALIASES ETAL EMVTA PROSECUTING ATTORNEY LIMA OHIO  
ADVISES HE DESIRES TUCSON ARIZONA AUTHORITIES BE ADVISED THAT CLARK  
PIERPONT MAKELEY AND DILLINGER ARE BADLY WANTED AT LIMA ON INDICTMENTS  
CHARGING MURDER OF SHERIFF JESSE SABBER OCTOBER TWELVE NINETEEN THIRTY  
THREE

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January 31, 1934

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

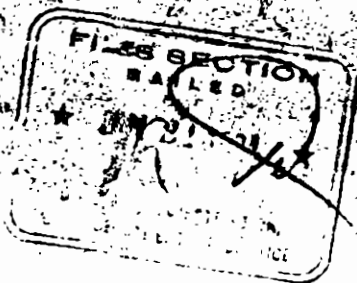
There is transmitted herewith, for your information, a copy of my memorandum to the Attorney General, dated January 31, 1934, containing further details surrounding the apprehension of John Gillingham and his three associates at Tucson, Arizona on January 25, 1934.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

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February 1, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:-

There is enclosed herewith clipping from the Indianapolis Star together with clipping from the Indianapolis News, in which reference is made to a statement by Mr. Al G. Feeney, Director of the Department of Public Safety, Indianapolis, Indiana, and who is in direct charge of the activity of the Indiana State Police as to which Matt Leach is the Chief, and with whom we have been concerned, in connection with efforts to apprehend the various members of the John Dillinger gang, who previously escaped from the Michigan City, Indiana Prison, and also were concerned with the murder of the Sheriff at Lima, Ohio, in effecting the escape of John Dillinger, at that point.

Mr. Feeney indicates that he is proceeding to Washington for the purpose of conferring with yourself and Senator Royal S. Copeland of New York, as to the enactment of certain proposed Federal Legislation.

Very truly yours,

*E. J. Connelley*  
E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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## NEW GANGS SPRING UP, FEENEY FINDS

State Keeps Eyes on Menace  
Incubated by Dillinger  
Gang Success.

A new note of gang menace in Indiana was sounded Saturday by Al Feeney, state director of safety, who expressed himself as "happy to the limit" over the apprehension of four members of the John Dillinger terror mob in Tucson, Ariz.

"Let us not be overly cheered by the arrest of this one gang," Feeney said. "There are other gangs in this state who have been fanned to secret activity by the success of the Dillinger gang. If the Dillinger gang obtained \$2,000 in a job, the word was passed out that they got twice that amount.

### Feeney Has "Lowdown."

"Spurred on by these tales of easy money, other lads just as tough and ruthless as Dillinger and his boys, are waiting the opportunity to begin operations.

"This department knows plenty about a number of these new fellows who are liable to start any time. We are not idle and Indiana is going to

be a safe place to live if we can possibly do anything about nabbing these fellows."

Feeney said he was going to Washington Sunday to confer with Senator Royal S. Copeland, of New York, on a law which he proposes in regard to crime extinction.

The law, he said, was used extensively in the Philippine islands in the administration of President Taft. The practically forgotten law, Feeney said, dealt extensively with persons who were guilty of associating with criminals, "tipping them off" to the action or investigation of police or informing them as to the location of sums of money easily obtainable.

### Convictions Difficult.

"The great trouble we experience in this state," Feeney said, "is obtaining conviction of an arrested man on a specific charge. The law to which I refer and the one I am going to take up in Washington makes it a twenty-year penitentiary offense for any person even as much as to associate with a known criminal. Through its use, crime could be nipped in the bud. Of course the law used in the Philippine islands called for the removal of the criminal's head but that part will be done away with."

Feeney also said he would confer with J. Edgar Hoover, of the United States bureau of identification, concerning Indiana's road blockade system used in the search for the Dillinger terror gang. Hoover, he said, is much interested in the Hoover plan.

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## CUSTODY SOUGHT BY OTHER STATES

Lutz and Aid Leave With  
Papers—Feeney to Go  
to Capital.

A definite promise was made yesterday by the Governor of Arizona that the three escaped Indiana state prison convicts and John Dillinger, held in Tucson, will be given into custody of Indiana authorities.

The promise was made through the secretary of Governor E. B. Mosur of Arizona to Wayne Coy, secretary to Governor Paul V. McNutt, in a long distance telephone conversation.

### Speed to Arizona.

Meanwhile, Indiana authorities are speeding by train to Tucson and to Phoenix in the effort to outwit authorities from several other states who also seek custody of the four hoodlums and their "women." Those under arrest are Dillinger, head of the gang; Harry Pierpont, Charles Makley and Russell Clark; Mary Kinder, Opal Long and Anna Martin.

Philip Lutz Jr., attorney general, and his deputy in charge of criminal prosecutions, Edward Barce, left last night for Phoenix, armed with requisitions for extradition of the

The requisitions were based on the fact that the convicts were at Greencastle, Pa., at the time they were arrested.

Pierpont, Makley, Kinder, Long and Martin are in custody at the Federal reformatory at Joliet, Ill.

Justice C. A. Braden, who is in charge of the extradition proceedings, said justice should be given first consideration in paying the rewards they have posted

in several states. He said he believes that counties and states frequently do not

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Cowley of the Division telephoned this office this morning and advised that [redacted] advised him, Mr. Cowley, that two of the daughters of Sheriff Holley, Concord, Indiana are in the school at [redacted] and that Billinger (daughter) is in jail at Crown Point, Indiana and as a result the Sheriff (who is a woman) had received a number of threats both as to herself and daughters and that the Sheriff requested [redacted] to place special guards over her daughters [redacted] that the guards were placed and that on the night of February 4th, [redacted] received a long distance telephone call from someone giving his name as Melvin Purvis and this party desired to know what arrangements had been made as to the guard for the daughters of Sheriff Holley, also desired to know if the Agents from Cleveland had arrived.

Mr. Cowley advised that Special Agent in Charge Purvis did not make this call and he wants the telephone call traced and that the Chicago Office is working on that end of the matter, and that an Agent should be sent to [redacted] at once to interview [redacted] for all facts, and also to ascertain what arrangements have been made for guarding the daughters of Sheriff Holley, the Agent to keep in close touch with this office and also to advise this office before departing [redacted]

Special Agent Louis Lechl was assigned to this base and will leave Washington at 11:55 this morning and is scheduled to arrive at [redacted] about 4 p.m. this afternoon.

EARLE E. BLACK, Assistant  
Special Agent in Charge

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

Dear Sir:-

In re: HARRY PIERPONT, with alias, etal  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act  
Murder of Sheriff Jess Sarber  
LA File 26-5287

There are transmitted herewith several newspaper clippings  
from the Tucson, Arizona, Daily Citizen.

Very truly yours,

*J. E. P. Dunn*  
J. E. P. DUNN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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# TUCSON DAILY CITIZEN

## Bits Of This And That In Capture Of Dillinger Gang

Bits of this and that yesterday during the capture of the Dillinger mob:

"I want a 'mouthpiece' right away," demanded Harry Pierpont while he was being 'mugged' and fingerprinted last night in the offices of Mark Robbin's.

Everybody's eyes bulged when each gangster was forced to give up his huge "wad of dough" to the police—there were tens-thousands dollar bills (honest to goodness, Al I saw 'em with my own eyes), fifties, tens and smaller denominations. That in the flour sack was of all sizes and included silver—probably scooped up in a hurry from some middle western bank.

Large numbers of the Tucson populace gathered at the police station as the news of the wholesale capture spread.

When caught, Pierpont was well-prepared to "turn on the heat" for anybody. He assertedly attempted to shoot officers while he was being "tricked" at the police station. Officers found two well-polished .45 automatics and a .38 detective special (short range type).

Dillinger presented Frank Eymann, Tucson officer, with his eye glasses last night. They were part of a disguise.

The luggage taken in the capture was some of the smartest seen here.

While Pierpont was being measured and fingerprinted someone laughing remarked, "this is a blank of a way to treat a winter visitor."

"Yeah!" replied Pierpont, "I mighta spent some money with you folks this winter." He asserted that "I'd like to have back that \$150 I paid down for rent on that house I never used."

The circular clip in one of the machine guns contained 50 shells which may be fired in a split-second.

Dillinger "wilted" when the police department's new machine gun, gift of "Uncle John" Chandler, was pointed toward him at the time of his arrest.

Two Chicago newspapers called the police station for information.

Pierpont and Makley had their pictures in Mark Robbin's files. A reward of only \$100 was offered for each. Judging by the sum of the clothes and dollars, the pictures were taken some time ago before they "graduated" into the higher school of gangsterism. When Pierpont saw his picture, he denied his identity but said, "One hundred dollars, huh; well I'll be @'s @'s." Later he told Harry Herman that "If anybody gets that hundred dollars I'll give him another hundred."

Indiana officers telephoned the police station and said they'd be "right over."

Wonder, amazement and awe were expressed from time to time as officers brought in more and more luggage containing "reds," "Tommyes," "chatter boxes," steel-jacketed bullets and other "language."

Here are a few words for your vocabulary—make up a greater list at the next party you attend: get, gun, mob, hot-spot, taken for a ride, mob, bumped off, wiped out, crashed, do work, scam, take it on the lam, mouthpiece, and get a load of this.

Look at the publicity the city is getting, say Tucson publicists.

"As far as we're concerned, we don't want them (the prisoners)," Chief C. A. Wollard replied.

Wollard instructed his men to "take no chances," later warning them that "these fellows mean business."

The three cars possessed by the gang were all new and of expensive makes.

Hand cuffs, wrist clavs, bullet-proof vests, pistols and machine guns were found in the luggage besides a "four sack full of money," according to one spectator at the police station. The sack contained about \$5,000 in currency and specie; also a great pile of pennies.

A baby bull pup was among the possessions in Dillinger's car.

Mary Kinder wore a great deal of jewelry, including three rings, a watch, bracelet, and string of crystals. The only piece she was

allowed to wear to jail was a watch having a small gold case, a miniature of St. Joseph. All fingers were counting the bags of money found in the garage, offered the information that had a few small belongings in a pocket. She said she wanted the watch back and "had papers to show it was paid for."

There was one mobster and one beauty.

A copy of the American Bulletin, supplied or, was used to desperation.

Pierpont "did" "I want Kinder."

The mooted question: Did they come here to hide or to "pull a job"? After all, two or three thousand apiece in pocket change, for a gangster must spend his "dough" fast.

Did they know that the Tucson police have no radio system why was one bought for a short-wave

Mary Kinder was a good woman.

The men and women well dressed.

Some of the luggage splashes of chemicals distinguishing the Congress

As he tried to eat a pepper while being booked, "sure" was applied to a on Pierpont's wrist. "Go break it" he snarled to the gun.

Several of the gangsters had pieces among their pocket coats. It is now a federal offense to hoard gold.

When "Bobby" Burns, a photographer reached the police station, he attempted to "shoot" pictures of the captured men but his flashlight first refused to cooperate. He ran to another place and tried again.

The desperados, ("the old meanies") pulled their coats around their heads. One policeman to Pierpont, "Pierpont, can't you take it easier? You made no answer but you hid his head while he tried to snap the photo."

# MAIL ACTIVITY MA JAIL

In an attempt to identify the gangster who shot the police officer at the robbery at Phoenix, Arizona, the following photographs were taken from photographs at the Tucson Police Station. The man with the bullet in the back of his head is the "dough" of the county jail.

# John Dillinger Tucson Officers Are Praised For Work Against Gang

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 29. (AP)—  
Al G. Eganey, state safety director,  
said today Indiana authorities will  
ask to hold John Dillinger for  
trial in East Chicago on a charge  
of murdering Detective Patrick  
O'Malley, who was killed in a  
holdup of the First National Bank  
there.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 30. (AP)—  
An Indiana state police detail  
headed by Captain Matt Leach  
sets out for Tucson, Ariz., today  
to return John Dillinger and  
three of his henchmen to the state  
prison at Michigan City, Ind.

Leach said the capture of Dillinger,  
Harry Pierpont, Charles Makley and  
Russell Clark "stamps out the so-  
called Dillinger gang." He was high  
in his praise for the Tucson police  
"for the fine, splendid, cool and ef-  
ficient manner in which they handled  
the whole matter."

Al G. Eganey, state director of  
public safety, said "Arizona has done  
a remarkably fine piece of work and  
citizens of Indiana should be grate-  
ful."

The fact that Dillinger, Pierpont,  
Makley and John Hamilton have  
been reported working together in  
most of the gang's activity led Leach  
to express belief that Hamilton,  
identified as the slayer of Detective  
Sergeant William Shanley of Chicago  
last Dec. 14, may be in the vicinity  
of Tucson.

Return of Pierpont, Makley and  
Clark to the prison will place them  
again within the walls of the insti-  
tution from which they got their  
way to freedom in company with  
seven others last Sept. 26. Dillinger  
himself had been paroled from the  
prison.

## OHIO AND INDIANA TO FIGHT FOR GANG

LIMA, O., Jan. 29. (AP)—Allen  
County Prosecutor E. M. Rottke said  
today, "we want Harry Pierpont, the  
biggest man, first and then we'll  
take the others as we can get them,"  
as he prepared to deal with Indiana  
authorities for the return of mem-  
bers of the Dillinger gang accused  
of the murder of Sheriff Joe Barber  
last Oct. 15.

Rottke already has gained the  
promise of Indiana officials they will  
return Harry Copeland and Edward  
Shoups, two other members of the  
gang, to stand trial for murder.

Sheriff Don Barber, the son of the  
slain officer, promised when he ac-  
ceeded his father that he would  
wade his efforts to bring the slayers  
to justice. Today he had little to  
say in comment on their capture.

"We'll make every attempt to get  
them back here to stand trial," he  
declared.

The elder Barber was slain in the  
presence of Mrs. Barber and a deputy  
sheriff, Harry Sharpe, as he braved  
the guns of two of the Dillinger gang  
to halt Dillinger's escape in the

# Leader Of Bank Mob Tells How He Was Captured

"I may be in jail now but you  
can never tell how long I'll stay  
here." John Dillinger speaking  
John Dillinger who brags it is  
said, that he has got "13 pups"  
in his life of crime. John Dillinger  
—leader of the infamous gang bear-  
ing his name. Wanted in several  
states for murder and robbery.

John Dillinger was sore, plainly  
sore. He wouldn't talk. He had  
nothing to say.

Thirty-one years old, suave, soft-  
spoken, more like an academic pro-  
fessor than a hunted outlaw, Dil-  
linger lolled in his solitary cell—  
secured by two padlocks—in the Pima  
county jail this morning.

He had just finished a delicious  
breakfast obtained from a downtown  
cafe when he had refused the regular  
jail food. In his hands was a paper  
recounting his capture by those  
"hick cops."

"Nothing to say"

"No, I have nothing to say," he re-  
peated, turning his back to the en-  
trance.

"But, Dillinger, don't you know  
the folks back in Chicago are won-  
dering about you—how you happened  
to be caught way out here after  
getting along so easily back home."

John Dillinger smiled. It was a  
whimsical smile.

"Well, it was just one of those  
things. I don't know exactly how it  
did happen."

"I left my place about 9 o'clock  
last night and started over to see  
Clark a while. When I got there I  
didn't get suspicious when there  
were no lights in the house because  
I wasn't sure if I was going to the  
right house. I had never been there  
before."

But when he stepped into the little  
bungalow at 227 North Second avenue,  
he met—instead of a welcome from  
his friend—the yawning muzzles of  
machine guns and revolvers.

## To Fight Extrajurisdiction

Looking toward his next move  
Dillinger declared he plans to fight  
extrajurisdiction to Indiana.

"How long can you prevent extrajurisdiction if you fight it?" he asked.

Dillinger was speaking carefully and  
very low. Several times he was asked  
to repeat himself to be heard.

Only when asked about Anna  
Martin, with whom he was arrested,  
did he show any interest.

"Is she your wife?"

"No."

"Say, what are they holding her for,  
anyhow?" he queried.

"Just as a material witness."

"And another thing, Dillinger, how  
are they treating you up here?"

"Fine."

There was a slight movement in  
the cell, adjoining where Harry  
Pierpont is confined.

"Say, Dill," he whispered, "be care-  
ful what you say."

"Aw, I ain't saying anything," came  
the reply.

And the interview was ended.

# Captured



John Dillinger, leader of the notor-  
ious gang of desperadoes that  
terrorized the middlewest for  
months, was held under \$100,000  
bail this morning after having  
been captured last night by Tucson  
police officers.

# COURTHOUSE PLACED UNDER HEAVY GUARD

## Fear Of Jail Delivery Prompts Stationing Of Armed Men

Fear of a wholesale jail delivery for  
which the Dillinger gang is notorious  
by name and possibilities of blood-  
shed in the event that confederates  
of the gangtry seek to free them  
from their solitary confinement be-  
hind the bars of the county bastille  
today prompted Chief of Police C. E.  
Wollard and Sheriff John F. Belton  
to reinforce the guard of officers,  
heavily armed with rifles, pistols,  
machine guns and tear gas.

Six officers maintained an all-  
night vigil and this morning a  
barricade was thrown about the entire  
court house after the chief and  
sheriff had conferred pertaining to  
the possibilities of outside assist-  
ance arriving to help the imprisoned  
gangsters.

One officer was instructed to check  
the identity of passengers of all cars  
bearing foreign license plates which  
park within the boundaries of the  
court house. Another was stationed  
on the stairs leading to the jail, and  
a third was placed near the door  
from which prisoners are led down  
the corridor to the superior court  
room. This is on the second floor  
and overlooks the grass-covered patio.

All entrances to the sheriff's office  
were also under heavy guard and in

# Makley Sorry for Family Less Concerned Over Self

Rich But Dishonest Son of Poor But Honest Parents Denies Part in Bremer Kidnaping; Says "It's Not My Game—Ask Any Banker"

By J. F. WEADOCK

It's a long time since 1906 and it's many miles from St. Marys, a little mill and farming town on the banks of the St. Marys river, to the Pima county jail in Tucson where I found Charlie Makley last night, but despite his 44 years and his reputation for being the "hardest guy of the Dillinger mob," Makley is still much like the young blacksmith I know

me. I'm clear of that."

"How about the Shanley killing in Chicago?" I asked. "Were you in that jam?"

"You mean when that copper was killed? No, that was a one-man job. Hamilton bumped him off and was recognized when he did it. They have nothing of that rap on me."

"How about the Lima break out, Charlie, when Jess Sarber was shot?" "I didn't do that," said Makley, but added no other comment about the flamboyant jail break which released John Dillinger, but which cost Sheriff Sarber his life.

Hot for Leach

"They would have been more facing us if they had crowded us a bit more back there in Indiana," said Makley, "it was that guy Matt Leach that we were hot for."

"He's the one that's coming after you Charlie. He's on his way now."

"Well, he'll be glad to see us," said Makley with a wry smile, "but it will be one-sided, I don't want to see him."

We then dropped the past and drifted down to the present and the incidents that brought the Dillinger mob into the Pima county jail. "How did you come to pick Tucson for a stop over, Charlie. It's a darned poor place for a hide-out."

"No, it was a good hideout. I had been here before, but this time the boys got the breaks. By the way, I hear that it was at the fire that we were tipped off, is that right?"

"Yes, that's the dope," I answered and told him of the revealing pictures in the detective story that William Benedict and Robert Freeman read at the fire department which showed them who it was that owned the baggage they had carried out of the fire.

"Well I'll be damned," said Charlie, "that sure was getting the breaks, wasn't it. But these boys worked smooth at that and in addition had some luck. Well, here

28 years ago when as a kid I watched him shoe my father's horses.

Older, it's true, but with no visible regrets regarding the path he chose to travel, that is, except one.

"I am sorry for the Makleys," said Charlie, "for you know they were some pretty good people. They are not like me; they were honest, at least, even if never rich."

"But I picked my own way. I tried both ways of living and the other way didn't furnish the type of living I wanted. Look at my dad, he worked like the devil all his life and what did he get out of it?"

"But I guess anything said about me can't do much harm. It has been said. They have accused us of many things we had nothing to do with. For instance, this attachment today, which ties me up with a bank job in Michigan City, Indiana. On the day that bank was robbed I bought a car in Jacksonville, Florida, and the sheriff here has the bill of sale dated and attested to prove it. But what's the difference? I'm faced with so many raps that one more will make no difference only that is one they got wrong."

Began As Blacksmith

Makley who, in his youth, was raised in the buggy and wagon works of his father and uncle in St. Marys, was taught that trade and also learned general blacksmithing. He went to school in St. Marys, both the parochial and public schools. He was well known there for his participation in the ordinary contests of boyhood in a town so small that its boyish baseball was something that everyone turned out to see. But St. Marys and a blacksmith shop offered little in the way of advancement and Makley, as he puts it "wanted to live." He left the little town on the river bank and then—well it's a long road, but as he phrases it "I have lived as long in 60 minutes at times as my dad did in 40 years. It's all what you make it and sometimes it is a close decision."

"As you know I wasn't brought up this way. My family is not responsible in anyway for any jam I got into."

Robbed Own Bank

For a while he chatted about the old town, its quiet, easy going life in the old days and then I asked about his last visit there. That last visit, on the part of Makley, was of an "official" nature. He was one of a group that robbed the First National Bank of St. Marys of more than \$10,000.

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# SNARLING GANGSTERS FA TO MAKE \$100,000 SUR AND REMAIN IN PI

Gangster and Judge Who Set Big Ball



The large picture is John Dillinger, gangster chief, as he posed for J. Robert Burns, photographer, in the Pima county jail following his arrest by Tucson police. The smaller picture is Justice C. V. Budlong, who placed Dillinger and his three pals under \$100,000 bail at hearings yesterday morning.

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## OHIO WILLING TO FORGO DILLINGER

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 26.—(P)—Governor George White announced late today that he is willing that Indiana authorities take custody of John Dillinger, leader of the gang that slew Sheriff Jess Sarber, as long as Dillinger's three aides are surrendered to Ohio.

The governor said he had talked with Prosecutor E. M. Botkin and that the Allen county prosecutor, whose duty it will be to prosecute the sheriff's slayer, is willing that Dillinger be returned to Indiana, too.

The governor said Botkin offered the opinion that Dillinger and Harry Pierpont, Charles Makley, and Russell Clark, the trio captured with him, can be returned to Indiana without extradition proceedings as escaped convicts. Then the latter three can be extradited to Ohio.

Governor White said Botkin told him that Dillinger probably can be more successfully prosecuted at East Chicago where he is wanted for the killing of a policeman. Dillinger was in jail at Lima when Sheriff Sarber was killed and had no part in the actual slaying.

### ON WAY HERE

RACINE, Wis., Jan. 26.—(P)—Chief of Police Grover Lutter, District Attorney John Brown and Detective Lyle George of Racine are en route to Tucson to seek extradition of John Dillinger and his companions.

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## DILLINGER MONEY MAY BE ATTACHED

Maryland Corporation  
Serves Garnishment  
For \$20,426

A writ of garnishment for \$20,426.87 of the approximately \$37,000 in currency which was taken from members of the Dillinger gang here yesterday was served this morning on Judge C. V. Sudlong, in whose custody the money was placed.

The garnishment was served by Mathews and Bilby, who represent the Fidelity and Deposit company of Maryland, and the four men—John Dillinger, Charles Makley, Russell Clark and Harry Pierpont—were named defendants in the action.

The currency was gradually collected yesterday with the apprehension and subsequent search of the defendants, and the largest sum—more than \$9,000—was taken from Dillinger's person. In addition to the \$9,000, more was found in a sack among his personal belongings.

**ELDER DILLINGER  
GLAD SON NOT KILLED**  
MOOREVILLE, Ind., Jan. 26.—Sobbing relief came to the elder Dillinger, without assistance, when the reaction of 78-year-old John W. Dillinger, to the news that his son John, leader of a gang of middlewestern desperadoes, was in custody at Tucson, Ariz.

Since last fall when the younger Dillinger was delivered from the jail in county, Ohio, jail by gunmen who killed the sheriff there, the elder has lived in fear his son would be killed in a battle with officers. Summoned from sleep last night at his farm home near here, the elder expressed his relief and talked a little about his boy.

"I don't believe they have anything on him in any of these killings," he said.

### TEN BANK ROBBERIES FINANCE DILLINGERS

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 26.—The brazen exploits of the "dangerous Dillinger gang" were financed by nearly a quarter of a billion dollars stolen from ten midwestern banks, and the desperadoes were armed with guns obtained in spectacular raids on Indiana city police arsenals.

Machine guns, rifles, pistols, ammunition and bullet-proof vests were the rewards obtained in investigations of the Auburn, Ind., police station last October 14, and the Peru, Ind., station one week later.

In ten bank holdups charged against the gang, the loot totaled \$248,000.

### J. E. HOOVER LAUDS WORK OF POLICE

J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the federal department of justice, today expressed through Carlton Endres, special agent in Arizona, his satisfaction with the performance of Tucson and county peace officers in effecting the capture of the Dillinger gang. Hoover, whose offices are maintained in Washington, D. C., is keeping in constant touch with all developments in the case.

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tary to Governor B. B. Moore of Arizona that Dillinger, Harry Pierpont, Charles Makley and Russell Clark would be turned over to Indiana authorities.

The attorney-general also had extradition papers for Mrs. Mary Klinder, one of the three women arrested with the gang. She is under indictment in Indianapolis for aiding criminals to escape.

The formal requests for Dillinger and his partners will be based on charges that they participated in the robbery of the Central National bank at Greencastle, Ind., last October in which \$74,000 was obtained. Additional papers also are being prepared for Dillinger in which he is charged with the murder of Patrick O'Malley, an East Chicago, Ind., police officer. The murder took place during a holdup in that city recently.

Conviction on a charge of murder during a holdup, carries only one sentence in Indiana—death in the electric chair.

Turning to Eyman, Pierpont said, "I had my gun in my lap when you got into the car. (Thursday, Eyman rode back to the police station in Pierpont's car, after he, Jay Smith, Earl Nolan and Kenneth Mullaney had stopped the trigger-man as he was leaving his quarters in a local tourist camp) and could have used it on you at any time. But you out-smarted me."

"You were so polite I thought you were just taking me to the station to check my license plates. Two weeks ago I was in a police station with two guns on me while my car was being checked and walked out of the police station a free man."

Going back to the incident of the tussle between Sherman and Russell Clark at 927 North Second avenue early Thursday afternoon, Pierpont said that the young officer must have superhuman strength to hold Clark, as the gangster was regarded as being tremendously strong. "I think you officers are 100 per cent when compared with the ones we're used to," the "trigger-man" said.

It was at this junction that Pierpont stated he wished the fact that he had never referred to "hick cops" to be published.

**Is Grateful**

At this point Clark expressed his gratitude to the officers who arrested him, for refraining from beating him unmercifully, or, as Eyman expressed it "for only beating him as much as was necessary, but not too much." Clark said that at his recapture after a prior jail break, he was beaten unmercifully, after having been safely captured, disarmed and manacled.

Pierpont denied the report that he had been in Tucson eight days prior to his arrest. "I came to town the day the young speed cop stopped me. (This Wednesday, and

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# MURRAY SEeks OUST CHIEF JUSTICE

## Oklahoma Governor Has Bitter Fight With Supreme Court

OKLAHOMA CITY, Jan. 26. (AP)—The refusal of Governor William H. Murray for a good fight was whittled on three of them today.

In two—his effort to oust Chief Justice Fletcher Riley of the state supreme court and to elect Speaker Tom Anglin of the House as the next governor—the outcome remains in doubt.

In the other—his attempt to waive penalties for delinquent taxes for 1932 and prior years by executive edict—he has met with his second rebuff. Attorney General J. Berry King ruled the order was unconstitutional and that only the legislature legally could make such a provision.

Keeping a threat made when a special supreme court—appointed in his absence by another of his political enemies, Lieutenant Governor Robert Burns—ruled against salary reductions of elected state officials, Murray sent to the secretary of state a proposed initiative petition to abolish the office of Chief Justice Riley and permit the governor to name a new chief justice.

# Victim



Mrs. Edward Bremer, wife of the St. Paul banker who was kidnaped one week ago Wednesday, today feared for his safety.

# ROSKRUGE ISSUES NEW HONOR ROLL

Roskrige junior high school honor roll for the third six weeks of the first semester follows:

### Seventh Grade

Thomas Allen, Teddy Blood, Vaughn Call, Pauline Correll, Eugene Cowdry, Mary Jane Dillender, Carl Flores, Betty Anderson, Margaret Cunningham, Dorothy Curtis, Margaret Hill, James Martin, Morton LeVins, Alma Mead, Kathryn Presley, Leo Pina.

### Eighth Grade

Annette Aaronson, Enid Burtis.

# Dillinger And Pals To Fight Extradition



Although Governor Mearns today promised Indiana that he would surrender the notorious Dillinger outlaws to Hoosier police, John Dillinger and his gangsters were preparing to wage a stubborn fight against returning to the middlewest. Dillinger is in the upper left; Harry Pierpont, upper right; Russell Clark, lower left; and Charles Makley, lower right. (Associated Press Photos by J. Robert Burns)

# INDIANA POLICE TAKE PLANE IN RACE FOR GANG

## Seek To Get Dillinger Before Ohio Men Can Arrive

CHICAGO, Jan. 27 (AP)—Four Indiana officials, armed with a murder warrant for John Dillinger, Indiana and Ohio escaped convict, left the Chicago municipal airport today (9 a. m.) for Tucson, Ariz., scene of the capture of Dillinger and three of his gang.

They were Robert G. Estill, prosecutor of Lake county, Nicholas Makler, chief of police of East Chicago; Carroll C. Holley, chief deputy of Lake county, and Policeman Robert Wilgus of East Chicago, who was inside the First National Bank there when Policeman Patrick O'Malley was killed during a raid by the Dillinger gang.

"We will make a fight all the way to bring Dillinger back to Indiana for trial," said Estill. "We are not so much interested in the others as we are in him, hence we waited only long enough to get the extradition papers for Dillinger. Papers for the others will be forwarded to us at Tucson."

### OHIO OFFICIALS STILL WANT GANG

LIMA, O., Jan. 27 (AP)—As John L. Dillinger and three members of his gang held in Tucson, Ariz., began to combat efforts to extradite them, Ohio officials worked today to clear a path for bringing them back to Ohio.

They are under indictment for the slaying here of Jess Barber, Allen county sheriff, in a raid on the county jail in which Dillinger, held on a bank robbery charge, was liberated.

Prosecutor E. M. Borkin declared that if complications develop so that Indiana authorities will not seek return of the prisoners, Ohio will move for direct extradition.

He added, however, that all dealings thus far have been with Indiana authorities and he has no reason to change his course unless he is advised differently.

Previously Governor George White of Ohio had announced at Columbus that he is willing for Indiana to take custody of Dillinger, if Harry Pierpont, Charles Makley and Russell Clark are surrendered to Ohio.

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Wanted in East



Above at the left is Charles Makley and at the right is Harry Pierpont, two of the Dillinger gangsters held in the Pima county jail. At least three states have asked for their extradition on charges ranging from robbery to murder.

## Dillinger Gangsters May Be Divided in Two States

Indiana Asks for Big Chief of Gang Held Here; Ohio Wants Remainder; Hoosier Attorney General on Way to Phoenix With Papers

LIMA, O., Jan. 27.—(P)—Gov. George White of Ohio issued a request at Columbus tonight for the extradition of three members of the John Dillinger gang under arrest in Tucson, Arizona, to Lima, O., where they are charged with the slaying of Sheriff Jess Sarber. Claims upon Dillinger were waived in favor of Indiana.

Don Sarber, son of the slain official and his successor as sheriff, and Prosecutor E. M. Botkin told the governor that Allen county was particularly anxious to obtain custody of Harry Pierpont, identified by Mrs. Sarber, widow of the sheriff, and by Deputy Sheriff W. L. Sharp as the man who fired the fatal shot. Gov. White also asked for extradition of Russell Clark and Charles Makley.

The waiver of a claim on Dillinger was made, Botkin said, in favor of Indiana, which wants the mob leader for a policeman's slaying at East Chicago, Ind. Allen county feels its case against Dillinger is not as airtight as that against Pierpont, Clark, Makley, John Hamilton, Harry Copeland, and Edward Shouse, the six men charged with having a hand in the delivery of Dillinger from jail held at the time on a bank robbery charge. Sheriff Sarber was killed in that delivery.

Botkin and Don Sarber said they were prepared to send Sharp to Phoenix by airplane to testify at an extradition hearing if the step proved to be necessary.

### ATTORNEY GENERAL OF OHIO ON WAY

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 27.—(P)—Attorney-General Philip Lutz, Jr., and Edward Barce, a deputy, left here this evening by Phoenix, Ariz., with extradition papers for John Dillinger and his three companions in crime who were arrest-

## WE HATE THEM, SAYS PIERPONT

Arizona's Gentlemen, the Midwesterners Are Rats, Says Trigger Man

### LAWYER GETS CARS

Gangster Denies He Ever Referred to Hicktown Officers

PORT WORTH, Texas, Jan. 27.—(P)—Four Indiana officials and officers passed through Fort Worth tonight on their way to Tucson, Arizona, where they hope to secure John Dillinger, Chicago gangster, and return him to East Chicago, Ind., for trial.

In the party of officials was Policeman Hobart Quilgus of East Chicago, partner of the slain man. Others were Prosecuting Attorney E. G. Ercell of Lake county; Sheriff Carroll Helley of Lake county and Chief of Police Nicholas Hukar of East Chicago.

The party arrived in Fort Worth on an American Airways plane.

By FRED FINNEY

A Boston terrier puppy yesterday accomplished what the city, county, state and federal officers failed to do—it made John Dillinger, midwest gang leader; his trigger man, Harry Pierpont, and Russell Clark, gang member, talk.

It was all very simple. Patrolmen Frank Eyman and Chet Sherman, of the city police, who were featured in Thursday's sensational roundup of Dillinger and three of his men here, brought the Boston puppy up to the county jail and to Ann Martin, Dillinger's companion. They had been caring for the pooch and thought it likely Dillinger and Miss Martin would enjoy having it with them during the remainder of their stay in the jail here.

And the wiggling little puppy cracked the stern silence and scornful taciturnity of the machine gun terrorists as nothing else could do.

So Dillinger talked to Sherman and Pierpont talked to Eyman.

Officers are divided into two classes, according to Pierpont; rats and gentlemen. The former are encountered in Indiana, Ohio and Wisconsin; the latter in Tucson.

And Pierpont was very definite about one thing: he wanted it distinctly understood that he had not called Tucson a "hick town" nor any of its police officers "hick cops."

Turning to Eyman, who bested him in a gun argument in Chief C. A. Wollard's office after he had been arrested late last Thursday afternoon, Pierpont said, "Frank, you're either the smartest or the dumbest officer in the world. Which?" Eyman smiled and replied, "The dumbest." "You're a liar," Pierpont said.

### Smart Officers

Pierpont then said that he had heard Eyman and Sherman subjected to ridicule for their participation in the arrests of the Dillinger quartette.

"I want to be quoted as saying that Frank Eyman and Chet Sherman are two of the smartest officers I've ever seen," the gunman said. "The only reason they are

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### Dillinger?



A few days before John Dillinger, gang leader, was trapped here, Lloyd Lehrina, 22, (above), was arrested as Dillinger. He was called a "head ringer" for the desperate fugitive.

## MOEUR WILL GIVE INDIANA DILLINGER

### Ohio Plans To Fight For Harry Pierpont, Wanted For Murder

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criminal, it is necessary for the governor to hear extradition proceedings except when the procedure is waived by the defendant.

#### Money Is Checked

G. J. Andrea, department of justice agent who has been assisting city and county officers here, began checking the serial numbers of the \$20,000 in currency taken from the gangsters Thursday. He said a number of banks had requested this procedure.

"I have checked part of \$20 new five dollar bills found in Dillinger's possession and already found many have serial numbers between 223 and 1,202. I have not had time to check the entire \$20 but apparently the greater part, if not all, carry numbers between 223 and 1,202." These numbers represent money taken from the East Chicago bank.

The four men and three women—known to officers as Opal Long, Ann Martin and Mrs. Pierpont—are still being held incommunicado in the county jail by order of Sheriff John F. Belton. With exception of Makley, they refuse to talk except to their attorney, Van Buehler. Pierpont, Dillinger and Clark are in adjoining cells in one tank, while Makley is confined in another tank.

Makley is affable but declines to discuss any crimes for which he stands accused.

The entire group was placed on jail fare today due to the fact that their money is being held pending attachment proceedings, and no funds are available to pay for orders of reinstatement.

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# MOEUR PROMISES TO SEND DILLINGER TO INDIANA AS STATES SEEK BANDIT GANG

## Bonds Of Women Raised To \$100,000 To Keep Them From Gaining Freedom

Western justice struck swiftly again this afternoon when two women companions of members of the notorious Dillinger gang were placed under \$100,000 bonds by Judge C. V. Budlong on complaints charging them with being fugitives. This procedure apparently thwarted any attempts to release either of them on bail.

Fines of not guilty were entered by each defendant.

The complaints were sworn out by County Attorney Clarence Houston against Jane Doe alias Opal Long and Mary Doe alias Mary Kinder.

At yesterday's arraignment the Long woman was charged with obstructing an officer and her bail was fixed at \$2,000. The other woman was held as a material witness under a \$300 bond. This

amount being the maximum under Arizona's statutes in such cases.

Rumors that bond was to be raised for the women prompted Houston to file a fugitive complaint against them in order to levy a higher bail set.

Mary Kinder, it was learned, is wanted for allegedly assisting in the Michigan City prison escape. She was apprehended Thursday night with Harry Pierpont, wanted for bank robberies and murder, while the other woman was arrested with Russell Clark at 257 North Second avenue.

To retain her in custody, she was charged with obstructing an officer in connection with Clark's battle with Patrolman Chet Sporman and his (Clark's) subsequent injury to the head when struck with a pistol.

## Ohio May Get Pierpont If \$7,500 Reward Is Paid

A bitter controversy over the extradition of the notorious Dillinger bank robbery gang imprisoned here since Thursday night, focused today subsequent to announcement by Gov. W. H. Moore that extradition of the gang must to Indiana would be granted.

First replies of the legal battles were heard within a half-hour after Gov. Moore had issued his decision.

John L. Van Susteren, attorney for the seven prisoners, declared the announcement of extradition to Indiana was premature since the hearing of the defendants before Judge C. V. Budlong is not scheduled until Tuesday and that any statement released before that time cannot be regarded as official.

A few minutes before Gov. Moore granted the extradition to Indiana, it was learned that in the event Lima, O., officials pay the \$7,500 reward to officers responsible for the arrest of Harry Pierpont, they would be given first consideration in extradition proceedings, so far as Pierpont was concerned. Others are also wanted there but it was understood that Lima authorities would be satisfied if Pierpont was placed in their custody.

Walter Ross, Lima newspaperman who arrived here today, said he intended to wire the county attorney at Lima the information he was given pertaining to Pierpont's extradition.

Judge C. V. Budlong said he believed that cities paying the rewards they have posted should be given first consideration in the proceedings and the rewards frequently go unpaid after extradition has been granted. He said the city police were entitled to rewards for their splendid work in rounding up the gangsters.

**Rewards Demanded**  
"I am a firm believer in protecting our officers when they are entitled to reward money and unless scope of it is forthcoming the prisoners should be held here. They have been the many instances of 'sawing' out after arrests of crime trials have been held here."

In addition to Lima and Indiana authorities, a number of other large midwestern cities are seeking extradition of the mobster for bank robberies, and in some cases officers are on their way here to protect their respective departments in the proceedings next week.

Ross stated that Lima was particularly anxious to extradite Pierpont because of the cold-blooded murder of Sheriff Jim Smith in which he allegedly participated. Identification of Pierpont positively was made by a deputy who saw the sheriff shot and beaten brutally about the head by a pistol. Pierpont, the deputy said, did the shooting and proceeded to fracture the sheriff's skull with brutal blows.

## Tucson Night Club Woman Tells Of Adventures With Notorious Dillinger Band

How an unsuspecting woman, who works diligently to provide for her two children of school age, became innocently associated with the notorious Dillinger gang, was related last night after she had been released from a 24-hour confinement in a dreary Pima county jail cell. She gave the name of Mary Milton and

her profession as an entertainer in a night club.

In spite of the humiliation which her brief association with three members of the gang brought her, she expressed no bitterness toward them. In reality she regretted to learn they were criminals who face a series of serious charges in many of the large midwestern cities.

Quite by accident she was apprehended, questioned, searched and locked up without any iota of evidence against her, without a charge of any sort being preferred. Authorities were confident from the outset that she had no connection with the gang, but overlooking no possibilities, she was lodged in the county jail Thursday and not released until nearly 24 hours later.

**Meets Bandits**  
"Slightly more than three weeks ago two gentlemen came into the establishment where I was employed as an entertainer. They were well-dressed, neat-appearing and their language and etiquette were flawless. I was impressed by their appearance. They asked me to sing for them. I did a number of songs.

"While they did not squander their money, they bought the best to eat and drink, although they did not drink excessively. The fact they employed temperance in their drinking was one of the first things to impress me.

"A couple of days later they asked me and another woman employed there to accompany them to

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625 Lafayette Building  
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February 7, 1934

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

Dear Sir:

On this date the Detroit Division Office was in receipt of a wire from the Birmingham Office in which it was requested to trace record of shipment for Chevrolet Sedan Motor #3879192.

By telephone it was ascertained from the Automobile Theft Bureau of the Chevrolet Motor Company of this city that the above described Chevrolet Sedan bore serial #5 24 1217972 and had been assembled and shipped from the Kansas City, Missouri, branch of the Chevrolet Motor Company. Accordingly, a wire was dispatched to you advising of these facts.

In view of the above, this matter is being considered R. U. C. by this office.

Very truly yours,

Wm. Larson  
Special Agent in Charge

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1900 Bankers Building,  
Chicago, Illinois.

**AIR MAIL**

February 7, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
322 Federal Building,  
Birmingham, Alabama.

Dear Sir:

Re: Harry Pierpont, et al; National Motor Vehicle  
Theft Act; Murder of Sheriff Jesse Searcy,  
Lima, Ohio; Escape from Indiana State Peni-  
tentiary. Chicago File 26-5447.

Reference is made to my air mail letter of even date, which  
enclosed photographs of John Hamilton and which advised that a photo-  
graphic copy of the signature of Hamilton would be obtained from the  
Indiana State Penitentiary at Michigan City, Indiana.

Enclosed, herewith, is a photographic copy of the signature  
of John Hamilton, which was supplied to Special Agent T. F. Malley by  
Deputy Warden Schmale, Indiana State Penitentiary.

Very truly yours,

V. A. SMITH, Acting,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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625 Lafayette Bldg.  
Detroit Michigan  
February 8, 1934

Special Agent in Charge  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
322 Federal Building  
Birmingham, Alabama

Re: **HARRY PIERPONT** with aliases, et al  
Murder of Sheriff Jesse Barber, Lima, O.  
Nat'l Motor Vehicle Theft Act  
Escape from Indiana State Penitentiary

Dear Sir:

On February 7, 1934 the Chicago office telephonically requested this office to examine the instant file to determine whether any information was contained therein concerning a good looking, blond woman who may be traveling with John Hamilton.

You are advised that after very carefully reviewing this file, no information could be found therein regarding any woman who might be with Hamilton at the present time nor any woman who would answer the above description. The following information regarding subject's relatives is being set out for the benefit of the Birmingham office:

- Subject's wife and mother are both reported to be dead.
- A brother, W. G. Hamilton, resides at 2209 S. Douglas Street, South Bend, Indiana.
- A brother, Elmer J. Hamilton, resides at 6407 25th Avenue, Kenosha, Wisconsin.
- A brother, Foye Hamilton, resides at 1705 Chestnut Street, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan.
- A brother, Claude W. Hamilton, resides in Mentor, Ohio, a suburb of Cleveland.
- A brother, Sylvester Hamilton, resides at a camp along the river near Cary, Indiana.
- A sister, Mrs. C. V. Martin, resides at 113 Louise Street, Barberton, Ohio.
- A sister, Mrs. Isaac Steve, resides at 1700 14th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

He is reported to have two sons who are living at the present time with his mother-in-law in Toledo, Ohio - the mother-in-law's name is unknown.

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He also has a niece who is Mrs. Steve's daughter, Miss Eleanor Campbell, whose address is 615 Public Square Building, Cleveland, Ohio.

For the benefit of the Birmingham office, it may be stated here that Subjects Harry Copeland, Russell Clark, Edward Shouse, Harry Pierpont, Charles Makley, John Dillinger and John Hamilton have all been indicted at Lima, Ohio for the murder of Sheriff Jesse Sarber of that city. Subject John Hamilton is the only one who is a fugitive at the present time, all of the other subjects above mentioned having been taken into custody.

The Detroit office has received information to the effect that these subjects will be removed to Lima, Ohio for trial in that city for the murder of Sheriff Jesse Sarber. Every effort should be made by the Birmingham office to effect the apprehension of subject John Hamilton. In doing so, extreme caution should be exercised as he is very dangerous and shot a police sergeant in Chicago, Illinois in escaping a trap set for him in that city.

In view of the fact the file indicates that circulars of John Hamilton, which contain his description, have already been forwarded to the Birmingham office by the Chicago office, subject Hamilton's description is not being set out herein.

Very truly yours,

Wm. Larosa  
Special Agent in Charge

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**SPECIAL DELIVERY**  
**AIR MAIL**

1900 Bankers Bldg  
Chicago, Illinois  
February 7, 1934



Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
201 Liberty Natl. Life Building,  
Birmingham, Alabama.

Dear Sir:-

Re: HARRY PIERPONT with aliases, et al,  
Natl. Motor Vehicle Theft Act,  
Murder of Sheriff Jesse Barber, Lima, Ohio,  
Escape from Indiana State Penitentiary,  
Chicago File 28-5647

In accordance with your telephonic request of  
even date for photographs of John Hamilton, there are transmitted  
herewith three copies of a bulletin issued by the Chicago Police  
Department, containing a photograph of Hamilton and also three un-  
mounted photographs of Hamilton, and a card containing the photograph  
and description of Hamilton, issued by the Indiana State Police.

The file of the Chicago Office does not contain  
a specimen of Hamilton's handwriting.

Special Agent T. F. Mullen has been sent to Mich-  
igan City, Indiana, where he will receive a photographic copy of  
John Hamilton's signature, which he will forward to you direct by  
Air Mail, Special Delivery. The file in the Chicago Office does  
not contain any information as to a good-looking, blonde woman,  
who may be travelling with Hamilton. Special Agent in Charge Larson  
of Detroit advises by telephone that he will make a search of the  
file in that office on this case, in an effort to determine whether  
any information is contained therein concerning Hamilton's woman  
companion, or any other information concerning his contacts. He  
stated he would advise you of any information he is able to find,  
of value.

Very truly yours,

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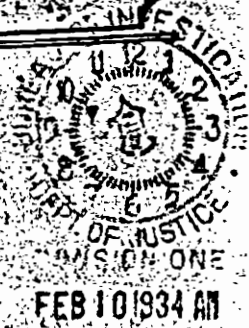
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**TO:**

Mr. LARSON  
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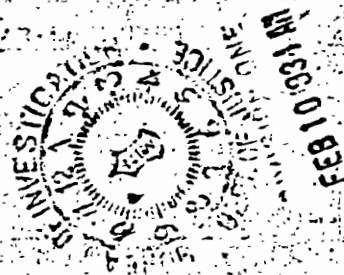
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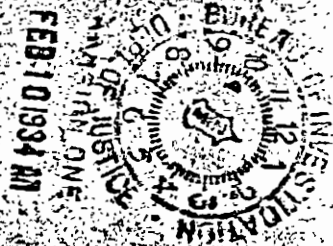
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Birmingham, Alabama

HARRY PIERPONT MAYNOR JACK COOPER TRANSPORT COMPANY GOOD REPUTATION HERE  
INSTANT CHEVROLET SEDAN SOLD BY COMPANY TO MRS A H MOORE SEVENTEEN NAUGHTY FEB 10 1934  
NINE CULLOM BIRMINGHAM SISTER OF JACK COOPER SEPTEMBER FIFTH NINETEEN  
THIRTY THREE CAR DRIVEN TO BIRMINGHAM BY G W MORGAN SON OF MRS MOORE  
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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **DETROIT, MICHIGAN.**

L. A. FILE NO. **26-3887-**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Los Angeles</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>2-9-34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>1/26, 27, 28, 29/34 &amp; 2/2/34</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>C. J. Endres</b>
TITLE <b>HARRY PIERPONT with alias et al.</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>Nat'l Motor Vehicle Theft Act Murder of Sheriff Jesse Barber, Lima, Ohio</b>	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Subjects Pierpont, Clark, Makley, and Dillinger apprehended by Tucson, Ariz., Police Department on Jan. 25, 1934, accompanied by Ann Martin, Mary Kinder, and Bernice Thompson. Subjects Dillinger, Pierpont, Makley and Clark, together with Mary Kinder, returned to Indiana. Women companions Thompson and Martin released.

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Report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Cincinnati, Ohio, dated January 6, 1934.

AT TUCSON, ARIZONA.

Subjects Pierpont, Clark, Makley, and Dillinger were apprehended by the Tucson Police Department on January 25, 1934, together with women companions Bernice Thompson, with aliases, Ann Martin and Mary Kinder. Subjects were in possession of machine guns, automatic pistols, revolvers, bullet-proof vests, and three automobiles. Subjects and women companions were held by Justice of the Peace, Tucson, Arizona, on charges of being fugitives from justice; bond was set at \$100,000.00 each, and subjects and women companions were remanded to the Pima County Jail in default thereof. Subject Dillinger was removed to Crown Point, Indiana, on January 29, 1934. Subjects Clark, Makley, and Pierpont were removed to State Penitentiary, Michigan City, Indiana, on January 30, 1934, together with Mary Kinder. Women companions Thompson and Martin were released the same day.

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When apprehended, subjects were in possession of approximately \$25,000. Agent had an opportunity to examine a portion of this money, among which were found in the possession of subject Billinger, notes originating from the First National Bank of East Chicago, Indiana, bearing serial numbers, in part, as follows: A 000919 to 001107. For the reason that this money is being held in the safety deposit vault of the Consolidated National Bank, and for the further reason that various bonding companies have tied this money up by injunction suits, agent was unable to make a thorough investigation of this money.

Tucson Police Officers and Deputy Sheriffs, Tucson, Arizona, have made a diligent search to locate other subjects, without success, and it is their opinion that no further members of the "Dillinger gang" are in the vicinity of Tucson, Arizona.

Sheriff J. R. McFadden and Deputy Sheriff Lon Jordan made investigation at 1142 North 25th Street, Phoenix, Arizona, and advised agent that Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Hooten had resided at that address until about December 15, 1933, at which time they departed, leaving various bills unpaid and destination unknown. 1934 Arizona license plates 1HL5 were obtained by Leroy Hooten on a Chevrolet Coach.

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625 Lafayette Building  
Detroit, Michigan  
February 15, 1934

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
FEB 17 1934

[Redacted]

Re: Harry Pierpont, with aliases, et al  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, etc.  
26-4755

Dear Sir:

[Redacted]

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Thanking you for your cooperation in this  
matter, I am

Very truly yours,

Wm. Larson  
Special Agent in Charge

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# U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice  
1900 Bankers Building,  
Chicago, Illinois.



February 14, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

I am returning to you this date, under separate cover by Registered Mail, the bullets that were transmitted to this office by you under date of December 8, 1933, said bullets having been used in the murder of Sheriff Jesse Sarber at Lima, Ohio. A thorough ballistic examination has been made of these bullets at the Northwestern Crime Detection Laboratory, under the direction of Colonel Goddard. They were compared with bullets from various guns in the possession of the Ballistics Department of the Chicago Police Department, but no resemblance was found between them in any particular manner. However, at the time these tests were made, the Chicago Police Department had in their possession the gun of Harry Copeland, which was a Colt .38 Super-Automatic Serial 14167, Copeland being at the present time incarcerated in the Indiana State Penitentiary in Michigan City, Michigan, having been one of the members of the original Dillinger gang. The result of bullets fired from Copeland's gun was that while there is some similarity, this similarity is not sufficient to render a decision, and the general report on this examination would be negative.

However, there are being forwarded to you in the same box, five bullets fired from the Colt .38 Super-Automatic, Serial #1314, taken from Harry Pierpont at the time of his arrest at Tucson, Arizona, by the Tucson, Arizona, Police Department. This gun is now in the possession of Captain E. A. Eyman of the Tucson, Arizona, Police. These bullets were fired in the presence of Special Agent T. F. Mullen, of this office, on the outskirts of Crown Point, Indiana, on February 10, and the same are being forwarded to you for a laboratory test to be made in comparison with the bullets used in the murder of Sheriff Sarber at Lima, Ohio.

Captain Eyman has further advised Agent Mullen that the remainder of the guns taken from the Dillinger mob arrested at Tucson are now in possession of the Chief of Police there, and that a request upon him for bullets to be fired from these various guns, for ballistics purposes, would be granted immediately.

Very truly yours

*W. A. Smith*

W. A. SMITH, Acting,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Form No. 1  
 THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **DETROIT, MICH.** FILE NO. **72-308**

REPORT MADE AT <b>NEW YORK CITY</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>2/11/34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>1/18, 19, 21/34 2/9/34</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>R. J. ABBOTT, SA</b>
TITLE <b>HARRY PIERPONT with aliases; et al.</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT; ACT OF MURDER OF SHERIFF JESSE BRADDER, LIMA, OHIO; ESCAPE FROM INDIANA STATE PRISON.</b>	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

[redacted] party located at Chelsea Hotel, New York City, registered under name of [redacted] 2 men and 3 women taken into custody by police after several identifications, of one of party as John Hamilton, a member of the Dillinger gang. All released after stories checked, and police decided complaints to Chicago police spite job, probably by [redacted] state man identified as Hamilton is now in Chicago. Pending his return, investigation discontinued on advice from Chicago Office that [redacted] party has no connection with Dillinger gang.



**REFERENCE:**

Letter from the Chicago Office to the Detroit Office, dated January 15, 1934; report of Special Agent F. T. Martin, Chicago, Illinois, dated January 25, 1934; and letter of New Orleans Office to Chicago Office, dated January 24, 1934.

**DETAILS:**

**AT SOUTH OZONE PARK, L.I., N.Y.**  
 Agent ascertained that there is no such address as 130-160 120th Street, but interview with [redacted] Jamaica Post Office Station, [redacted] lived at 130-160 120th Avenue, developed that [redacted] 120th Street. The neighborhood investigation, in the course of which several persons living near [redacted] were contacted without Agent's disclosing his identity, together with inquiries at the local 106th Precinct of the New York City Police

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*R. Nathan*  
 SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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b7C Department, 102nd and Liberty Streets, disclosed that [redacted] was an elderly sea captain of Spanish extraction, at present unemployed, and that he had resided with his wife at his present address for approximately seven years; was a registered voter, and was considered an entirely respectable member of the community and not likely to knowingly harbor criminals of the Dillinger type.

While at the police station, Agent was informed by Detective A. G. Duryea, in charge of the Detective Squad at the time, that on January 8th the New York City Police Department had issued a five-state teletype broadcast directing the arrest of the occupants of 2 Essex Terraplane Sedans, one dark steel grey in color, bearing 1933 Louisiana license plates #220-780, and the other, black, with Michigan license plates, number unknown, and stating that the occupants were thought to be Harry Pierpont, John Dillinger, Charles Makley, Homer Van Meter, and John Hamilton; that they were all escaped convicts from the Michigan City, Indiana penitentiary, and were also wanted for bank robbery and murder; that they were heavily armed and thought to be wearing bullet-proof vests. It also stated that they had two or three women with them; might be using the names of Williams or Guss; and also had a Chrysler Sedan.

b7D [redacted] only two doors from [redacted] home, and was a good friend of his, Agent called [redacted] that evening and explained the situation to him. [redacted] recalled that about 11:45 P.M. Tuesday evening, January 16th, she saw a new black sedan with Michigan license plates parked in front of [redacted] home;

b7C [redacted] then accompanied Agent to [redacted] home and introduced Agent as a friend of his who was trying to locate [redacted] for [redacted] of New Orleans, La. [redacted] then showed Agent a telegram received by him at approximately 2:00 A.M., Monday, January 15th, which read as follows:

"When received phone Chelsea 3-3700 - ask for [redacted]"

The last word was the signature. [redacted] stated that he knew no one of this name but did as directed and found that [redacted] was [redacted] whom he had known for several years, and with whom he had had some recent correspondence relative to a proposed treasure hunt. He also stated that [redacted] told him that [redacted] would come out to his house the following day, which he failed to do, but did show up on Tuesday evening in a new black sedan with another man and three women, one of whom he introduced as his wife, and another as her sister, with the third woman being the sister of the other man. He described the other man as a pleasant young fellow of 24 or 25 years of age, 5 ft. 3 in. in height, medium build, weight 145 pounds, full face, and dark wavy hair. The party stayed for about 5 hours discussing the proposed treasure hunt. They told [redacted] that they had just driven from Chicago, together with a lawyer, who had returned to Chicago by plane for the purpose of raising money for their venture. They also said that they were stopping in a New York hotel but were thinking of getting an apartment for the week, and that they would come back out to see him on the following day, which was Wednesday, and would at that time bring with them the lawyer, provided he had returned to New York. [redacted] stated that they did not return Wednesday, but that his next-door neighbor, [redacted] 130-58 120th Street, had informed him that they did return at about 3:00 P.M. on Thursday, January 18th, at which time he was not at home, and that they had informed her that they would return on Friday.

Agent then informed [redacted] of his identity and the purpose of his visit, and exhibited to him the photographs on the Chicago Police Bulletin of members of the Dillinger gang but he failed to identify any of the [redacted] party therefrom. He thereupon agreed that when the party called the next day he would obtain the license number of the car, the names of the members of the party, and any other information that he could without arousing suspicion, and as he had no telephone would communicate same to [redacted] for Agent. [redacted] also agreed to watch for the return of the [redacted] party.

Agent then returned to the 106th Precinct, and ascertained from the telephone company that the number, Chelsea 3-3700, was that of the Chelsea Hotel at 222 West 23rd Street, New York City.

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AT NEW YORK CITY.

At the 10th Precinct, New York Police Department, 230 West 20th Street, Agent ascertained that the Chelsea Hotel is known as a small, respectable family hotel which has few transient guests. Accompanied by Detectives Leaky and Rogers, to whom the situation had been explained, Agent entered the lobby of the hotel, but as it was then past 1:30 A.M., and the only hotel employees visible were a night clerk and one elevator boy, it was deemed advisable to wait until the following morning before making inquiries or attempting identifications.

The following morning, January 19th, Agent ascertained from ██████████ Chelsea Hotel, that on the evening of January 10th the party of six people, three men and three women, checked into the hotel, one man registering for all as ██████████ and family, Flint, Michigan; that they were checked in sometime after 10:00 P.M. ██████████ and were roomed five in #529, which is a three-room suite, and one man in #320; that the man in #320 had apparently checked out shortly thereafter and this room was assigned on January 11th to a ██████████ from Atlanta, Georgia, who was known to ██████████ but that the rest of the party were still in the hotel.

The hotel employees then on duty were thereupon called individually to ██████████ and photographs of the Dillinger gang were shown them by Agent, with the result that the ██████████ made an uncertain identification of the man in Room 529 other than ██████████ as John Hamilton. This man was subsequently shown to be ██████████ Also, ██████████ stated that on the evening of January 11th he had engaged in an argument with the man who was originally in Room 320 over this man's loud talk and drunken behavior in the hotel lobby; that ██████████ had taken this man upstairs and that he had checked out soon thereafter. This is the man who was later shown to be ██████████

The various elevator operators and bell boys who had seen members of the party on several occasions failed to identify the men or women as members of the Dillinger gang, and it was learned that ██████████ who had roomed the party and who had had occasion to observe them more closely than anyone else

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at the hotel, could not be reached until 10:00 P.M. that night.

Agent also learned that telephone calls had been made from Room 529 on January 12th, 13th, 15th, and 16th, the numbers called not being available, and that on January 18th Long Distance Operator No. 97 at Chicago attempted to put through calls to Room 529 at 7:30, 8:00, and 9:00 P.M., finally leaving word for any occupant of that room to call her when they came in. At 12:00 midnight, the party came in and the message was given to [redacted] who went to one of the public telephone booths in the lobby, immediately returning to tell the clerk that the coin box was damaged and then going back to the other booth to make his call from Watkins 9-9212.

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The facts that the [redacted] had been located at the Chelsea Hotel and that they had called Chicago from that number, and that the New York Office was endeavoring to trace the call, were then telegraphed to the Chicago Division Office.

Agent then conferred with Captain Patrick J. McVeigh of the Main Office Detective Division, New York City Police Department, over whose name the five-state police broadcast of January 8th had gone out, and learned that the broadcast was made up from the information in the following telegram received by Louis Valentine, Chief Inspector, New York City Police Department, on January 8th, from William H. Shoemaker, Chief of Detectives, Chicago, Illinois:

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"Information received that Harry Pierpont, John Dillinger, Charles Makley, Homer Van Meter, and John Hamilton left Detroit yesterday; headed for New York City; all escaped convicts from Michigan City, Indiana penitentiary; also wanted bank robbery and murder. See our recent five-page circulars giving all photos and descriptions. All heavily armed. All wear bullet-proof vests. Have two or three women with them. May be using names [redacted]. Has two Essex Terraplane cars, one Louisiana license #220-780, and the other, a Michigan license number, unknown. One Essex, dark steel grey in color, and one black Essex Sedan. Also have Chrysler Sedan. Photo and prints follow air mail."

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Agent also learned from Lieut. Michael McNamara of the Main Office Division, who had been working on the case, that the steel grey Essex Terraplane with Louisiana plates had been located on January 9th in the Hudson Garage at Hoboken, New Jersey, where it had since been under constant surveillance by the Hoboken police; that it was brought to the garage on January 9th by a man and a woman who checked it in under the name of [REDACTED] - New Orleans, La.; that the license plates were removed by the man, after which both persons changed their clothes in the basement of the garage.

Lieutenant McNamara's report also showed that early that same day (January 9th) a man and woman had registered at the Myers Hotel, Hoboken, which is near the Hudson Garage, and [REDACTED] that they had eaten dinner at the hotel and that the man had been shaved in the adjacent barber shop, where he had had a piece of court plaster removed from his face by the barber, and that both the waiter who had served them and the barber had positively identified the man as John Hamilton; that the man and the woman had left the Myers Hotel at 6:45 P.M., January 9th, in a cab, for the Pennsylvania Station, New York, where they had taken the 8:00 P.M. train for Philadelphia. A subsequent search of their room at the Myers Hotel disclosed that they were members of the [REDACTED] party; and that their clothes and effects were being held by the Hoboken police pending their return. The police had also learned that members of the party stopped at Green's Hotel in Philadelphia and had spent one night, that of January 8th, at the Cornish Arms Hotel, New York City.

It was decided to arrest the entire [REDACTED] party upon the authority of the telegram from the Chicago police and the identifications of John Hamilton. To that end Capt. McVeigh, Lieut. McNamara, this Agent, and eight detectives proceeded to the Chelsea Hotel, and while the manager was being advised as to what was to take place, the three women of the [REDACTED] party descended to the hotel lobby, left the hotel, entered the black sedan with 1933 Michigan plates, #M-38034, which had just been parked in front of the hotel. Detectives were covering the hotel entrance, but it was decided to let the women go as they carried no baggage and apparently were merely going for a drive. This was at 1:30 P.M.

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The police, Agent accompanying, then entered the suite by means of a pass key but found it unoccupied. The baggage and clothing was examined, but no weapons or other indications that the owners were criminals or in any way connected with the Dillinger gang were found. Arrangements were then made whereby Capt. McVeigh, Lieut. McNamara, Agent and two detectives would occupy Room #525, adjacent to Room #529, to await the return of the man, while several detectives were stationed in the hotel lobby.

Shortly thereafter a young man, who subsequently proved to be [redacted] entered Room 529 and was promptly taken into custody. He was followed by [redacted] who was also taken. It was immediately apparent that neither of these individuals was a member of the Dillinger gang whose photographs appear on the Chicago Police Bulletin. Both [redacted] were questioned separately and at length by Capt. McVeigh and this Agent as to their activities at 201 E. Delaware Place and 2136 Lincoln Park West, in Chicago, and on their trip to New York.

[redacted] story was the same as that which he later related to Special Agents McKee and Baum in Chicago, as set out in the report of reference. [redacted] story checked in every detail with that of [redacted]. Both furnished the description and account of the antecedents and activities of [redacted] who was the man identified in Hoboken, N. J., and at the Chelsea Hotel, as Hamilton, substantially as set out in the report of reference. They stated, however, that they did not know the present location of [redacted] except that he had gone to Chicago by plane on January 13th.

Although it began to appear doubtful that these individuals were connected with the Dillinger gang, [redacted] and [redacted] were removed to Police Headquarters, fingerprinted, and the information that they were held, and their fingerprint classifications were communicated by Capt. McVeigh by telephone to the Chicago Police Department with the request that the New York police be immediately notified whether or not they were wanted at Chicago. While awaiting a reply Capt. McVeigh had [redacted] dictate to a police stenographer his account of the trip from Chicago to New York, and of the party's activities in New York. Meanwhile, [redacted] discussed with the police and Agent the possibility that the anonymous complaints received by the Chicago police and resulting in his detention, were maliciously made. He stated that he believed them to be the work of [redacted]

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[redacted] Chicago, with whom he is still under contract in the capacity of a marine engineer, and whose attorney [redacted] was until his resignation on January 5, 1934, as related in the report of reference. He stated that due to his resignation, to which [redacted] violently objected, he felt sure that [redacted] notified the Chicago police that the Billinger mob were travelling in the two cars belonging to his party, as [redacted] is the type of man who would stop at nothing to gain revenge for fancied grievances. To strengthen his contention, he mentioned the incident related in the reference letter, dated January 25, 1934, wherein [redacted] charged several of his employees with the kidnaping of his wife and son, when as a matter of fact he knew that she had merely left him. [redacted] stated that at the present time [redacted] formerly general manager of the [redacted] suing [redacted] for one hundred thousand dollars for false arrest as a result of this charge.

[redacted] dictated a statement embodying the above information, which was incorporated with that of [redacted] in the report of Capt. McVeigh. A copy of this report was furnished Agent on February 9, 1934 and has been placed in the file of the New York Office.

While the statements were being taken, it was ascertained that neither [redacted] nor [redacted] had a criminal record in New York City, and word was received from the Chicago police that neither was wanted there.

Meanwhile, the three women of the [redacted] party had returned to the Chelsea Hotel and had been taken into custody by detectives and police matrons. Capt. McVeigh, Lieut. McNamara, and Agent thereupon returned to the Hotel with [redacted] and [redacted] still in custody, and separately interrogated each of the women. They were found to be [redacted], wife of [redacted] nee [redacted] sister of [redacted] and [redacted] sister of [redacted]. Their stories checked in every detail with those told by [redacted] and [redacted] including the belief that their present predicament could be traced [redacted] with the result that the police were satisfied that the party had been victims of a spite complaint on the part of [redacted] and [redacted] who had never been formerly placed under arrest, were permitted to destroy their fingerprint cards.

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Although all of these individuals stated that they were positively not acquainted with any of the members of the Dillinger gang and expressed great amusement when told that [redacted] had been identified as Hamilton, it was decided by the police that upon [redacted] return to New York, which was momentarily expected, that he be required to present himself at Police Headquarters before his car at Hoboken would be surrendered to him. In this and the [redacted] who still deny any knowledge of [redacted] present address, were informed that in order to prevent the possible shooting of [redacted] by the Hoboken police at the time he called for the car, it would be necessary for him to be accompanied to the garage by Lieut. McNamara. In view of the fact that [redacted] return to New York was imminent, it was deemed advisable to withhold a report of this investigation until he could be interviewed. However, on January 22nd a telephone call was received at the New York Office from Special Agent W. H. Smith at Chicago, advising that the investigation in this matter at New York be discontinued as it had been definitely ascertained that the members of the [redacted] party had no connection with the Dillinger gang. In view of this and the further fact that Dillinger and the majority of his confederates have since been apprehended, it is deemed unnecessary to set out herein descriptions of [redacted] and the three women.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

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Dear Sir:

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[redacted] Cincinnati office of the Globe Indemnity and Insurance Company, Dixie Terminal Building, Cincinnati, with home office at 150 Williams Street, New York City, furnished the following information to Special Agent R. D. Brown, on this date. He advised that on October 3, 1933, the First National Bank of St. Marys, Ohio, was held up and robbed by Harry Copeland, Edward Shouse, Russell Lee Clark, Harry Pierpont, Charles Makley and John Hamilton, members of the so-called "Dillinger Gang," who are all subjects in Cincinnati file entitled "Harry Pierpont with aliases et al, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, and Murder of Sheriff Jesse Sarber, Lima, Ohio," and \$15,000.00 in currency together with \$46,000.00 in securities obtained.

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[redacted] stated that one James Murray of Chicago, Ill., offered for sale at Chicago, Ill., United States Treasury Coupon Bond No. 35381-A, Fourth Liberty Loan Coupon Bonds Nos. B-016888402 and K-00790050; he has information to the effect that Murray pledged as security with the Fauerbach Brewing Company, Chicago, Ill., Fourth Liberty Loan Bond No. G-01688307, all of the above bonds being in denominations of \$1,000.00 each and all negotiable. He further stated these bonds belonged to customers of the St. Marys, Ohio, bank, and were on deposit there as guaranty for subscriptions for new stock. He also stated that the robbers obtained a Federal Reserve Bank stock certificate, number not known, belonging to that bank, face value \$2,850.00. He further stated he has information to the effect that Murray attempted to sell Mr. F. C. Huntington, 936 East Epler Ave., Indianapolis, Ind., a private detective employed by the International Surety Company, First Liberty Loan Registered Bonds Nos. 3154, 3155, 3156, and 3157, all the property of Miss Cora Smith, St. Marys, Ohio, all of which bonds were taken from the St. Marys Bank by the robbers. He further advised that Fourth Liberty Loan Bonds Nos. 560428 and 310062 belonging to W. C. Clover and J. E. Heap respectively, St. Marys, Ohio, and First Liberty Loan Bonds Nos. 36714, and 36715, belonging to Ed Gernett, St. Marys, Ohio, were among the bonds stolen by the robbers. He also stated he has information to the effect

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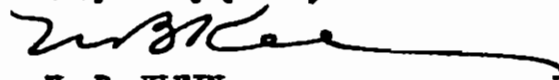
that Otto Klingbell, Burlington, Wis., together with Murray purchased an Auburn 12 cylinder sedan for Harry Copeland, a member of the "Dillinger Gang" and used Fourth Liberty Loan Bond No. C-0166673 valued at \$1,000.00 stolen from the First National Bank, St. Marys, Ohio, and two bonds stolen from the First National Bank, Greencastle, Ind., by members of the "Dillinger Gang" during November, 1933. He further advised the Travelers Indemnity Insurance Company, representative, is alleged to be in contact with Murray, or someone close to him and that Murray or this unknown person has offered to turn over the bonds stolen from the First National Bank at St. Marys, Ohio, for a proper consideration from the Travelers Indemnity Insurance Company.

b7D [redacted] also advised that an indictment and warrant from Wisconsin authorities is in the hands of Chicago, Ill., police, for the arrest of Murray, but that because of Murray's powerful political influence in Chicago, the Chicago police refuse to serve the warrant or attempt to apprehend him; Murray at the present time ostensibly operates a Bar-B-Que stand on the northeast corner Harlam Ave. and North Ave., on the west edge of Chicago; that about two years ago he was released from some penitentiary, name and location not known and is widely known in Chicago, as a "fence" for stolen bonds and other securities; that he is said to have been implicated in the famous Rind Out, Mont. mail robbery several years ago.

b7D The information furnished by [redacted] was rather indefinite and lacked details, and he informed Agent Brown that his purpose in bringing this matter to the attention of the Department of Justice was to ascertain if any Federal action could be taken against James Murray to force him to turn over the bonds obtained by members of the "Dillinger Gang" in the robbery of the First National Bank at St. Marys, Ohio, the Globe Indemnity Insurance Company having already paid the before mentioned losses of that bank; he stated that no cooperation can be expected from police or state officials at Chicago, Ill., and in view of the reported recent decision of the Attorney General of the United States to assist other law-enforcement agencies in breaking-up racketeering, he has reported this matter and will furnish complete details and assist in every possible way, should the Department decide to take any action in this matter.

Copies of this letter are being furnished the Chicago Division office for their information only at this time and the Division is respectfully requested to advise the Cincinnati Division Office whether or not any further investigative action is desired in this connection.

Very truly yours,



N. B. KLEIN,  
Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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March 5, 1934

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

Dear Sir:

RE: HARRY PIERPONT, with aliases, et al,  
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

Reference is made to a letter from the Cincinnati Office dated February 20, 1934, addressed to the Division, copies of which were furnished your office, wherein information obtained from [redacted] of the Globe Indemnity and Insurance Company, Cincinnati, Ohio, is set forth relative to the tracing of certain securities obtained by the so-called "Sillinger gang" on October 3, 1933 when the First National Bank of St. Marys, Ohio, was held up and robbed.

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It appears that [redacted] makes reference to one James Murray of Chicago, Illinois, who is widely known in Chicago as a "fence" for stolen bonds and other securities; that he is said to have been implicated in the famous Rund Out, Montana mail robbery several years ago.

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In this connection the Division desires that you ascertain the identity of Murray, the names of his associates, arrest numbers if available, and furnish same to the Division for its information. You should not, however, conduct any investigation with a view to tracing the securities referred to in the Cincinnati Office letter.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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From  
**ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL KEENAN**

To  
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MR. ROSEN

MEMORANDUM

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Mr. Hoyet E. Lowe,  
318 North Keystone Avenue,  
Indianapolis, Indiana.

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FEB 27 1934

Dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 29, 1934, addressed to the President, concerning the criminal activities of the "Dillinger gang".

While this Division has no jurisdiction over the Dillinger case, I appreciate your interest in the prevention of crime.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

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318 N. Keystone Ave.  
Ind'pls. Ind.  
Jan. 29, 1934

Hon Franklin D Roosevelt,

My Dear Sir:

I was once a soldier and now I am a Govt Employee, a Railway Postal Clerk. I believe you are the man it took to bring this country back. All my friends and I certainly feel very happy and glad we have you to do the many things you have for the poor, and they are all 100% for you.

What I wanted to tell you of is the crooked Dillenger gang that have gone throughout this state and robbed many banks and killed policemen, sheriffs or whoever they wanted to. This has been the worst crime the state of Indiana has ever suffered.

Those wonderfull men in Arizona have finally captured them through their wonderfull bravery. It seemed that Indiana did not try to get them, for certain reasons.

Now the women that were with them even laugh and joke about how much fun they have had. It is most certain that Indiana or Ohio should take them over and give them all death sentences. Here they have murdered and bank robbed more than any others ever did. They have bragged about how good they are at killing. Kill-Crazy gangster Pierpont admits he fired the shot that ended Sabers life, Sheriff in Lima, Ohio. "One or other of us did", he says. The public know that this gang of killers should not be allowed to live.

Now the state of Wisconsin wants to take them over simply that the officers in Tucson, Arizona could get the reward for capturing them. That means aly 19 years imprisonment, and they have bragged they will get out, and they will.

Please see if you, with your wonderfull power and influence, can see that this bunch of gangsters, women and men, be brought to their justice—death.

It would be the greatest law that could ever be had, would it be a death sentence for gangsters, bank-robbery and kidnaping.

Respectfully your friend,

HOYET M. LOWE

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 MR. LOCKE  
 MR. RORER

January 26, 1934.

MEMORANDUM

I telephoned Agent in Charge Purvis at Chicago and instructed him to make immediate inquiry, submitting a report not later than tomorrow, concerning a Mr. McEaters, connected with some Federal agency in Chicago, who is supposed to be the source of information to the effect that during some of the raids and arrests made of the Dilinger mob or in the Jack Klutas matter, certain lists of names were found of persons who were to be snatched in a kidnaping racket; that the list indicated that one of two officials of a Labor Union in Indianapolis would be snatched. I advised Mr. Purvis that the names of these officials are Daniel J. Tobin and Thomas L. Hughes. I mentioned the friendship of Tobin with the President and the Attorney General and also advised him of the connection of Scott Stewart, attorney for the Touhy mob, with this matter. Mr. Purvis stated that he knows of a Mr. McWhorter in the Post Office Department and suggested that this may be the man referred to. He will make discreet inquiry in the matter immediately.

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FEBRUARY 23, 1934



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

62-29777

Dear Sir:

IN RE: HARRY PLEHONT, with aliases, ET AL  
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT

This office was in receipt of a telegram from the Detroit Office on February 7, 1934, requesting the shipment record on a Chevrolet Sedan, motor number 3879192 on the same date your telegram was received requesting information concerning Jack Cooper Transportation Company, Inc., Kansas City, Missouri, as to whether or not it was a reputable concern, and, if so, to ascertain if they sold the Chevrolet Sedan mentioned in the telegram from the Detroit Office, and requesting further information concerning the purchaser thereof.

This is to confirm our telegram reporting that the Jack Cooper Transportation Company enjoys a good reputation in Kansas City, Missouri. Also that the instant car was sold by this company to Mrs. A. H. Moore, 1709 Collum Street, Birmingham, Alabama, and that Mrs. Moore is a sister of Jack Cooper. This car was sold on September 5, 1933, and was driven to Birmingham, Alabama, by G. J. Morgan, son of Mrs. Moore.

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Investigation discloses that this car was sold by the Chevrolet factory at Leeds, Kansas City, Missouri, to the Feld Chevrolet Company, Kansas City, Kansas, and that subsequently this company sold the instant car to Jack Cooper on September 5, 1933. Mr. Cooper, who is also a dealer, states that he purchased the car for his sister from Birmingham, Alabama, and that on the same date that the car was bought from the Feld Chevrolet Company it was turned over immediately to G. J. Morgan, his nephew. The Bill of Sale to the car was sent to Mrs. Moore about a week after the above transaction took place. At the time the car left Kansas City it bore Kansas tags, which were obtained through the Feld Motor Company.

The Jack Cooper Transportation Company, Inc., engages in the business of transporting Chevrolet cars which are manufactured at the Chevrolet plant at Leeds, Kansas City, Missouri. Mr. Cooper



advises that during the course of a day, some hundred cars are sent to him by the Chevrolet plant for delivery in the surrounding States. No inquiries were made at the Chevrolet plant with regard to the reputation of Mr. Cooper inasmuch as he has a personal connection with the plant.

The Better Business Bureau, at Kansas City, Missouri, advises that they have never been in receipt of any complaint indicating that the Cooper Transportation Company does not enjoy a good reputation.

For the information of the Birmingham Office it is noted that when an Agent from this office conducted his investigation at the Cooper Transportation Company he talked with C. J. Morgan, son of Mrs. Moore, who stated that he had just arrived at Kansas City from Birmingham, Alabama, and he appeared quite anxious to know the nature of the present investigation.

It further appeared to Agent that employees at the Cooper Transportation Company were quite reticent about divulging any information concerning this car.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR, ACTING  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - Detroit

cc - Division

# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **DETROIT, MICH.**

FILE NO. **62-807**

REPORT MADE AT <b>CINCINNATI, OHIO</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>2/26/34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>1/4 to 2/2/34</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>R. D. BROWN JR.</b>
TITLE <b>HARRY PIERPONT with alias, ET AL.</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT MURDER OF SHERIFF JESSE WAGNER, T.M.A., OHIO.</b>	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Residence of Larcy and Naomi Hooten, Hamilton, Ohio, covered on 1/25/34, 1/26/34 and 1/27/34, due to possibility Subject John Hamilton (reported wanted) in hiding at Hamilton and vicinity. Joseph Fox, reported recently seen in Hamilton and Middletown, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Hooten admit presence in Hamilton, Ohio of Subjects Copeland and Ehouse in October, 1933, and indirectly admit other Subjects occupying camp located on Miami River, ten miles southwest of Hamilton, during October, 1933, which fact is corroborated by William and George Lee, R.R. 20, Hamilton, Ohio, owners of this camp. No information as to Subject Hamilton's present whereabouts, but Cincinnati Division Office cooperating with police at Reading, Hamilton, and Middletown, Ohio, in attempting to locate Joseph Fox.

**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, Cincinnati, Ohio, dated 1/6/34, and report of Special Agent C. J. Endres, Los Angeles, dated 2/8/34.

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**AT HAMILTON, OHIO**

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*b7D* [redacted] Champion Coated Paper Company, on January 22, 1934 advised that on January 18, 1934 he received a telephone message from a [redacted] a close friend and employee of the [redacted]

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED:  SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	62-29777-81 UNITED STATES <b>MAR 2 1934 A.M.</b> BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED FOR FILE 	RECORDED AND INDEXED <b>MAR 2 - 1934</b> CHECKED OFF <b>MAR 12 1934</b> JACKETED
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[redacted] Hamilton, to the effect that Leroy Hooten, a close connection of the Subjects, was in his office for the purpose of securing a loan on his Chevrolet automobile. [redacted] was interviewed and stated he immediately called at the loan office and arranged with [redacted] to listen in on the conversation, and also coach [redacted] as to what he should ask Hooten. During the interrogation Leroy Hooten advised he was residing at the home of his father and mother-in-law, 1054 South Second St., Hamilton. When asked how long he had been living at that address he stated "about two weeks", and before that had resided at 1142 North 25th St., Phoenix, Arizona, for approximately two months. He stated [redacted] had difficulty in obtaining information as to where the Hootens were originally from but Leroy Hooten finally stated he lived at New Cross Plains, Indiana. It was thought that this might have some bearing on the case, due to the information that Mrs. Hooten, after Subjects disappeared from Hamilton in October, 1933, made several short trips from Hamilton under suspicious circumstances.

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Leroy Hooten advised [redacted] that he wanted the loan for about a month, to pay rent and household expenses. [redacted] stated he then heard from his informants that Hootens had moved from 1054 South End St. and had located at 108 Lawn Ave. on January 10, 1934, which was approximately a week prior to the date this loan was applied for, indicating that the Hootens were attempting to keep this address secret. At the Hamilton, Ohio Post Office, Agent learned that Hootens had not given a forwarding address. The address of 108 Lawn Ave. was examined by Agent and was found to be a one-story bungalow, a number of garages being located in the rear. It was situated in such a way that a surveillance of the place without being noticed would be difficult.

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[redacted] further stated that shortly after Subjects left Hamilton, Captain Byron Ferguson, Hamilton Police Department, asked him, [redacted] for the loan of a special automatic pistol; that Ferguson stated he was "on the spot" as a result of the visits of Subjects in Hamilton. [redacted] stated he saw Ferguson again a short time afterward and was informed that one of the gang was in Hamilton at that time, but Ferguson failed to reveal the identity of the Subject.

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[redacted] further advised that he had recently seen a 1932 model Studebaker convertible coupe, bearing 1934 Arizona plates #U-18-T, in front of 112 "B" St., the residence of Mrs. Eva M. Donald, a relative of the Hootens and Clarks.

On January 23, 1934 Agent proceeded to New Cross Plains, Indiana, where it was learned that Leroy Hooten has an uncle, Mr. Larry Hooten, residing at that point; that his father, John Hooten, is deceased, and that his mother, Maggie Hooten, is a widow and is engaged in housework. As a result of numerous guarded inquiries it was learned that no strangers had been frequenting this section for the past six months. The country is exceedingly rough and hilly and could be regarded as an ideal hide-out for the Subjects.

In answer to an inquiry from the Motor Vehicle Division, Department of State, Phoenix, Arizona, the Cincinnati Division Office was advised that 1934 Arizona plates #U-18T had not been issued but that 1935 Arizona plates of that number were issued to M. S. Bailey, Catman, Arizona, for a 1928 Studebaker cabriolet, motor YB-7320, serial number 70-0E-3129.

On January 24, 1934, while covering the home of Leroy and Naomi Hooten, 108 Lawn Ave., Agent located this car while driving on a street in Hamilton. The machine was covered with mud and it was difficult to view the driver, and in attempting to follow this car the car was lost in the traffic. Agent assumed that possibly the owner of this car might be connected with Subjects.

On January 25, 1934, a telegram was received from the Los Angeles Division Office, advising that Subjects Clark and Makley were in custody of police at Tucson, Arizona. Another telegram on the same date from the Los Angeles Division Office advised that Subject Pierpont had also been taken in custody by the police at Tucson, Arizona.

Immediately upon receipt of this information, Special Agent J. S. Johnson, Special Agent H. B. Klein and this Agent proceeded to Hamilton, Ohio and carefully covered the home of Leroy and Naomi Hooten, 108 Lawn Ave., believing that Subject John Hamilton, who had not been apprehended, or possibly Joseph Fox, might be in hiding at the Hooten house or at some other place and being visited by the Hootens. No information of value was obtained at that time, and the following night arrangements were made with Hamilton, Ohio police and Butler County Sheriff's Office officers whereby Leroy and Naomi Hooten were taken to the Hamilton Police Department, where they were questioned.

Leroy Hooten, after considerable persuasion, finally admitted that Harry Copeland and Subject Shouse had called at the home of his father and mother-in-law to visit his (Hooten's) wife sometime during the early part of October, 1933. He also later admitted that he knew Subjects occupied a camp located on the Miami River approximately ten miles south-west of Hamilton, but declined to state that his wife

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has visited them, although he intimated that he knew that she knew they were occupying this camp. When questioned concerning his departure from Hamilton and presence in Phoenix, Arizona during the latter part of November and first part of December, 1933, Hooten stated that the trip was made in his Chevrolet automobile for the purpose of taking his wife's (Naomi Hooten's) brother Charles, age 18, to Arizona for his health. He denied making connections with the Subjects in this case at Phoenix, stating that he remained there only four days. He was unable to explain his sudden departure from Phoenix and the only information obtained from him was that he visited Henry Steig while in Phoenix, who was an old friend at Hamilton, Ohio. He advised that Steig operates a department store in Phoenix. He also denied knowing Subject John Hamilton or Joseph Fox, who are at liberty at the present time.

The only information obtainable from Mrs. Hooten was her admission that Subject Copeland visited her home at 1052 South End St., Hamilton, sometime during the month of October, and after that residence had been raided by Hamilton police on October 9th, 1933. She also admitted that Subject Shouse had called at her house soon after that time; that she was formerly friendly with Subject Harry Copeland. She denied knowing that Subjects occupied a camp on the Miami River, or having called at this camp while they were there. She is an exceedingly hard and evasive individual [redacted] No other information of value could be obtained from her. b7c

Previous to the interview with the Hootens, Dr. D. V. Schneider was interviewed, and after viewing the photograph of Subject Pierpont, advised that he recalled treating this individual for a wound in his heel which had the appearance of being a bullet wound, sometime during the early part of October, 1933. He stated that he did not know at that time Subject Pierpont's identity and further stated that Pierpont was accompanied by Mrs. Naomi Hooten; that Pierpont was in his office on one occasion only.

Chief of Police J. G. Calhoun advised that he had learned from informants that Joseph Fox had been seen in Hamilton, Ohio during the early part of January, 1934; that he took no action as to this, due to the fact that he believed Fox had been apprehended. He was advised that Fox was still at liberty, and he stated that he would make further contacts with his informants in an effort to secure Fox's apprehension.

William and George Erd, R. R. #9, who have a farm located approximately ten miles south-west of Hamilton on the Miami River, were interviewed and stated that a woman answering the description

of Mrs. Naomi Hooten rented a camp belonging to them on October 2, 1933, which camp is located approximately a mile from his farm, on the Miami River. They stated that they noticed automobiles driving to and away from this camp and saw several men and several women enter and leave the camp, from a distance, but would be unable to identify any of the persons who stayed there; that they left the camp on October 10, 1933, after having paid a full month's rent. They were unable to furnish information as to the make of cars used by the persons residing at the camp or the license plates appearing thereon. They explained that the camp is located in such a way that it is difficult to view it from their farm; that they had never had occasion to visit the persons who rented the camp.

William Erd stated that he was subpoenaed by State authorities to appear at the trial of Fred Pierpont, brother of Subject Pierpont at Wapakoneta, Ohio during November, 1933, at which time he testified as to the rental of his camp, in the presence of strange men and women. He also stated that Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Hooten had been subpoenaed to appear at this trial but that they had failed to appear.

While at Middletown, Ohio on February 8, 1934, Agent was advised by Chief of Police R. W. Scofield that a woman by the name of Ann Willis, who resides in the rooms located in the rear of Bastanos Grocery, 1601 Central Ave., was reported to him as being a close friend of Joseph Fox's mother, who resides at 808 Main St., Reading, Ohio; that he had learned through confidential informants that Joseph Fox might visit Ann Willis and he had therefore placed a close watch on this address and should Joseph Fox appear he will advise the Cincinnati Division Office. He also stated that he had been advised by informants that Joseph Fox, or a stranger answering Fox's description, had recently visited the Ideal Smokery located at #1343 Central Ave; that this angle is also being covered by his office.

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Chief of Police Nate Hilderbrandt was interviewed concerning his effort to apprehend Joseph Fox at the home of his parents at 808 Main St. He stated that he is certain that Joseph Fox has not visited this address and is reasonably certain that he has not been in Reading, Ohio, as he has made elaborate plans for his capture if he appears in that city.

Copies of this report are being furnished the Los Angeles Division Office for their information only. The report of reference from the Los Angeles Division Office, dated 2/8/34, fails to

show whether or not the information furnished by the Cincinnati Office concerning the presence of Leroy and Naomi Hooten in Phoenix, Arizona had any connection with the apprehension of Subjects at Tucson, Ariz. Facts developed by the Cincinnati Division Office indicate that the Hootens went to Phoenix, Arizona for the purpose of contacting the Subjects, in view of their close relationship while Subjects were in hiding near Hamilton, Ohio in October, 1933.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE CINCINNATI OFFICE: At Middletown, Ohio, will contact Chief of Police R. W. Scofield for any information he has been able to obtain relative to the appearance in Middletown of Joseph Fox, who is still at large.

The same investigation will be conducted at Hamilton, Ohio, by an interview with Chief of Police J. C. Calhoun.

At Reading, Ohio, will maintain contact with Chief of Police Nate Hilderbrandt for information relative to the possible presence of Joseph Fox in Reading.

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J. EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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March 3, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN

Mr. Stone, a newspaper man, and Mr. Cusak of Universal Service both telephoned concerning the escape of Dillinger.

I informed them that the Division had been informed by its Chicago office that information was current in Chicago to the effect that Dillinger had escaped but we had no confirmation of this and we had no details of the escape, if, in fact, he had escaped.

They inquired as to why we did not know more about it and I informed them that Dillinger was not a Federal prisoner.

Respectfully,

H. H. Clegg

*John Dillinger*

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March 3, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CLEGG

Mr. Peters of the Washington News telephoned and advised that Dillinger had escaped from jail last night; that when the authorities arrived at the jail this morning they found everything locked, and upon breaking in, discovered the guards locked in cells and Dillinger and a colored prisoner missing. They escaped in the Sheriff's automobile. Mr. Peters inquired if the Department of Justice will assist in apprehending him, and I advised him that while Dillinger is not wanted for a Federal violation of law, we would cooperate with the local authorities.

Mr. Rex Collier of the Washington Star telephoned and said he understood Dillinger had grabbed a machine gun from one of the guards, thus effecting his escape. Mr. Collier is preparing a story, stating that we will cooperate with the local authorities in an attempt to effect his apprehension.

Mr. Carroll Pecke of the Washington Times telephoned to inquire about this matter. He stated they had received rumors of Dillinger's escape, as well as rumors that he had been killed. He said he would notify this office if he received further information.

Very truly yours,

J. Edge Hoover

Director.

*John D. ...*

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MAKLEY PIERPONT AND RUSSELL OF DILLINGER MOB BEING HELD  
AWAITING TRIAL STOP BUSH DESIRES PHOTOGRAPH AND CRIMINAL  
RECORD DILLINGER WHICH IS BEING FURNISHED=  
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*H. Clegg*

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PLEASE SEND AT ONCE PHOTOGRAPH OF JOHN DILLINGER WANTED IN INDIANA=

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

Dear Sir:

Confirming telephonic conversation between Mr. Coffey and Mr. Larson, there are being forwarded under separate covers, registered, first-class mail, special delivery, air mail, the bullets used in the murder of Sheriff Jesse Barber at Lima, Ohio, and the five specimen bullets fired from Colt .38 Super-automatic, Serial #1314, taken from Harry Pierpont at the time of his arrest at Tucson, Arizona.

The above specimens were compared in the laboratory. It was found that the specimen bullets are not properly prepared for this examination and a conclusive opinion would require the forwarding of the gun. No comparison, of course, could be made with the shell found at the time of the murder as the shells of the specimen bullets were not forwarded by the Chicago office. If the gun may be forwarded and the fatal bullets returned, then a conclusive examination may be made and it is believed that this examination would result in evidence that the bullet which killed Sheriff Barber was fired from the weapon recovered in the possession of Pierpont.

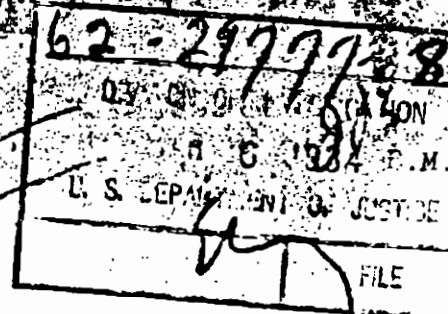
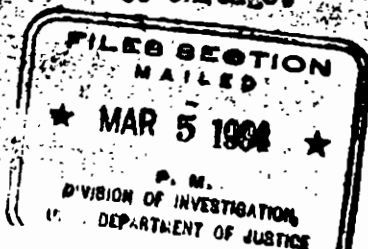
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JOHN DILLINGER I TALKED WITH WOMAN SHERIFF MRS HOLLEY CROWN POINT INDIANA WHO <sup>SWEARS</sup> SPARES EVERYTHING IS CONFUSED AND THAT SHE CANNOT ~~FX~~ GIVE MUCH ~~INF~~ *State (?)*

INFORMARION OVER THE PHONE SHE STARES INFORMATION RECEVEED BY HER TO EFFORT

EFFECT OFFICERS HAVE DILLINGER CORNERED SOMEWHERE IN ILLINOIS NOTHING POSITIVE ON THIS AGENT DEVEREUX ENROUTE CROWN POINT TO SECURE DETAILS POLICE DEPARTMENT CHICAGO ADVISE DILLINGER ESCAPED WITH NEGRO NAMED HERBERT YOUNGBLOOD IN SHERIFFS CAR BLACKFORD SEDAN WITH RED LIGHT

IN FRONT BEARING 1934 LICENSE NUMBER 67919111 YUIXX YUOGSSSSS 67929

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RECENT REPORT SHOWS BILLY AND

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OFFICIALS AT CROWN POINT INDIANA ONLY THAT DILLINGER ESCAPED NINE THIRTY

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JOHN DILLINGER DEPUTY SHERIFF LEW BAKER CROWN POINT ADVISES AGENT DE  
 VEREUX THAT AT NINE FIFTEEN THIS MORNING DILLINGER SENT ONE OF  
 THE GUARDS TO THE FRONT OFFICE TO GET BAKER WHO WENT BACK TO THE CELL  
 AND DILLINGER THEN PRESSED A WOODEN GUN WHICH HE HAD CARVED HIMSELF  
 IN SOME MANNER WHILE IN THE JAIL IN THE BACK OF BAKER DIL  
 XXX DILLINGER THEN SEIZED TWO FORTY FIVE ARMY AUTOMATIC PISTOLS FROM  
 TWO NATIONAL GUARDSMEN WHO HAD BEEN STATIONED THERE TO GUARD STOP  
 COLORED PRISONER WHO ESCAPED WITH DILLINGER HERBERT YOUNGBLOOD AGE  
 THIRTY FIVE FEET NINE INCHES HUNDRED FIFTY POUNDS, BLACK KINKY HAIR  
 BLACK COMPLEXION BROWN EYES RESIDENCE 2565 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE GARY  
 RECEIVED COUNTY JAIL CROWN POINT DECEMBER 22 LAST GARY POLICE DEPART-  
 MENT 3127 FINGERPRINT CLASSIFICATION TWENTY ONE OVER TWENTY EIGHT  
 INNER OUTER OVER INNER FOURTEEN TOP XXX STOP DILLINGER ALSO SEIZED  
 TWO MACHINE GUNS NUMBERING 6464 AND 7448 LAST NUMBER NOT DEFINITE  
 YET BOTH GUNS HAVE VERTICAL GRIPS BUT NO BUTTS FORD SEDAN BLACK WIRE  
 WHEELS HAS POLICE RED LIGHT ON LEFT BUMPER BRACKET STOP DILLINGER  
 TRIED TO GET PRISONER HENRY JALINEK TO GO WITH HIM JELINEK REFUSED  
 AND STAYED IN JAIL DI XXX DILLINGER TOOK FOLLOWING PRISONERS TO  
 GARAGE WITH HIM AFTER WHICH THEY REFUSED TO GO AND RETURNED TO A XXX  
 JAIL FRED BEAVER ALIAS HOWARD ANDERSON LESTER CARON AND JAMES POSEY  
 STOP DILLINGER TOOK WITH HIM ERNEST BLUNK A DEPUTY SHERIFF AND  
 FINGERPRINT EXPERT BLUNK WAS RELEASED LATER BUT CANNOT BE FOUND YET  
 PROBABLY IS OUT WITH THE SHERIFF LATEST INFORMATION IS THAT CAR  
 WAS SEEN GOING EASTWARD OUT OF BLUE ISLAND ILLINOIS ABOUT AN HOUR AGO

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*Phoned Mr. Guinan 3/3/34*

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CROWN POINT AUTHORITIES ADVISE ALL INFORMATION HAS BEEN BROADCAST SUG  
GEST WANTED NOTICE FOR HERBERT YOUNGBLOOD COLORED PRISONER WHO  
ESCAPED DESCRIBED ABOVE PURVIS END

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H. H. Clegg.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

March 5. 34.

Mr J. Edgar Hoover

Chief of the Justice Department's  
Bureau of Investigation

Dear Sir.

Do you remember, seeing in one of our local newspapers some time ago, a picture of a certain Prosecuting Attorney and one of the worst criminals in a very sociable way on the front-page.

I can't see how a man, who is to stamp out crime and according to his duty, is to find Dillinger where he belongs, can allow himself to disgrace the public, who has put him there.

When I saw the picture and remembered the words Dillinger said, I know then, that he would be out again.

It would be laughable, if it was not so serious

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It is not only an outrage, but a disgrace to our Government, who has spend all kinds of Money to get a hold of that crook and some court officials let him run loose again. It is graft and nothing else but that, nobody can tell me that he could have gotten away otherwise.

Not only the jails and prisons, but among the State Authorities ought to be a good cleaning out job done. What this country needs, is more men of an honest type like yourself and the man we got in the White House.

This is from one, who is in favor of a more honest and efficient Government.

Very respectfully Yours  
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crooks outside of the Law.

Those are the ones Hitler got rid  
of. Don't like to say this, but  
it's true and is too bad.

WASHINGTON, D. C.



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OF ADDRESS

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Chief of the Justice Dept.  
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March 5, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN.

In connection with the murder of Sheriff Sarber at Lima, Ohio, with which members of the Dillinger gang are charged, you are advised that fatal bullets were submitted to the laboratory by the Detroit office and subsequently test bullets fired through the gun of Harry Pierpont were submitted by the Chicago office. It has not been possible to reach a positive conclusion on the comparison due to the fact different type test bullets were submitted than the fatal bullets and it does not appear the test bullets were properly discharged. Furthermore, no shells were submitted for comparison with fatal cartridge shells.

Mr. Larson was advised by telephone this morning of this information and in view of his statement that Pierpont was going to trial in Lima tomorrow morning, it was believed advisable to immediately transmit the original evidence to the Detroit office in spite of the fact Mr. Larson does not anticipate the prosecution is going to use any ballistics evidence. Larson was advised that should further comparison be later desired, the fatal bullets should be re-submitted together with the suspected gun itself in order that proper test shots can be made at the laboratory.

Respectfully,

*E. P. Coffey*  
E. P. Coffey.

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*John Dillinger*

*[Handwritten signature]*

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JR

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

- MR. NICHOLS
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- MR. QUINN
- MR. LESTER
- MR. LOCKE
- MR. ROBER

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March 5, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Taylor of the Washington Times called and stated that he had information to the effect that Dillinger had been shot by the Michigan State Police and he requested verification of this information.

I told him that I knew nothing about this matter.

Respectfully,

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

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Director,  
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U. S. Department of Justice,  
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Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that on March 5, 1934 [redacted] a mail carrier at the City Post Office, Washington, D. C., called this office and claimed that he knew considerable about detective work and wanted to report that [redacted]

[redacted] had informed him that she had seen a man on a street car in Washington on March 4, 1934 who in her opinion bore a close resemblance to John Dillinger who escaped from the County Jail at Crown Point, Indiana, on March 3, 1934.

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Agent Schoales interviewed [redacted] who stated that she boarded a Mount Pleasant street car on Connecticut Avenue in front of the [redacted] about 6:45 P. M. on March 4th and that as the car approached Dupont Circle, a man whom she described as being very well dressed, wearing a light fedora hat, a dark gray overcoat, boarded the car and took a seat opposite her and one seat ahead of her; further, that this individual took from his pocket a folder which appeared to be approximately 12 or 18 inches in length and was extremely interested in the contents thereof, seemed very much at ease but was continually looking at his watch, and that from pictures she had seen of Dillinger in the newspaper, she thought this individual if not Dillinger bore a very striking resemblance to him. In her opinion he was a man of about 35 years of age and had a 2 inch scar on his left cheek and had a small moustache.

Mr. Quinane of the Identification Unit of the Division advised that the following was an accurate description of Dillinger according to his files:

Age	30	Hair	Medium chestnut in one description and light brown in another.
Height	5' 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ "		
Weight	160 to 168		
Eyes	Gray (another description gives eyes grayish brown)	Marks & Scars	Mole outer corner left eye and mole center of eyebrows. Deep dimple in chin. Cut scar center upper lip, however, no
Complexion	Medium in one description and ruddy in another		

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mention is made in the description on file at the Identification Unit of Dillinger of a 2" scar or any scar on his left cheek. Consequently, it appears that the individual whom [REDACTED] saw is not Dillinger.

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Very truly yours,

*Earle M. Black*

EARLE M. BLACK, Assistant  
Special Agent in Charge.

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March 6, 1934

Personal Attention

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

Dear Mr. Purvis:

I am somewhat concerned over the situation relative to the sources of your information in Chicago, particularly in connection with underworld activities. In talking with you last evening I gathered that you had practically no underworld informants or connections with which your office could contact in the event of an emergency arising. I recognize how difficult it is to procure competent and reliable underworld connections, but I do think it is imperative that every Agent in Charge have such connections within his district so as to make it possible for him to procure information from the underworld when necessary. I recognize that it may become necessary to expend some sums of money in order to make possible such connections, but I would consider the expenditure of these sums to be entirely warranted. Of course, I do not intend that we should employ underworld informants without being reasonably assured in advance that such informants have the actual contacts.

I have had in mind particularly the situation in your district concerning the Dillinger matter. It would appear from press reports that Dillinger is in Chicago and is in hiding with some of his friends. I think that we should be in such a position as to have some entree into underworld channels through confidential information in order to obtain, if possible, any information that might be procurable concerning Dillinger's whereabouts. This apparently you do not have, and it is for this reason that I am writing you this letter to urge that you give the matter very careful study immediately, with the idea in mind of developing certain channels of information into underworld sources. Of course, you must exercise judgment and discretion in these matters in order that any expenditures of money which may be authorized will not be in any sense wasted.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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1900 Bankers Building,  
Chicago, Illinois.

March 6, 1934.



Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
520 1/2 Post Office Building,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

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

This is to confirm telegram of even date. An extensive investigation is being conducted by this office, as well as other law enforcement officials in northern Indiana and northern Illinois, to locate John Dillinger, who escaped from the County Jail at Crown Point, Indiana, on March 3, 1934. Today, Lieutenant John Howe, of the Chicago Police Department, advised this office that he had received information that two telephone calls were made from Chicago, Illinois, from telephone South Shore 2444, which is listed in the name of Lester Leuley, 7840 East End Avenue.

One of these telephone calls was made to Belmont 26349, Springville, Alabama. The substance of this conversation was as follows:

"This is Pearl, we got that Crown Point matter straightened out. Will call you later if any further developments. Will hear from Mary in a day or two."

It is the belief of Lieutenant Howe that Pearl, doing the talking, might be Pearl Elliott, and that the Mary mentioned may be Mary Kinder, both associates of Dillinger and his gang.

A second telephone call was made to Tom McCahore, Dexter Hotel, Mobile, Alabama. There was no answer to this call.

It is respectfully requested that appropriate investigation be conducted through the above two members, to ascertain whether or not there is any connection between these individuals and John Dillinger, and whether any information concerning his present whereabouts may be obtained through these individuals.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
 DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
 U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
 NEW ORLEANS, LA.  
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CHICAGO ILLINOIS MARCH 6, 1934 8:00 P.M.

JOHN DILLINGER & KNOWN PERSONS BELIEVED TO BE DILLINGERS ASSOCIATES  
 CHICAGO MADE LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE CALLS TO BELMONT TWO SIX THREE SIX  
 SPRINGWILL ALABAMA AND TOM MOGHARE DEKTER HOTEL MOBILE ALABAMA  
 CONDUCT INVESTIGATION TO ASCERTAIN PRESENT WHEREABOUTS DILLINGER  
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*Chicago call Washington*

POLICE DEPARTMENT CHICAGO INFORMED ME JOHN DILLINGER ESCAPED OF INVESTIGATION  
CROWNPOINT JAIL NINETHIRTY THIS MORNING WITH NEGRO FURTHER DETAILS

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Baltimore Md

Dear Mr. Hoover:

The enclosed clipping appeared in papers last week and from the friendly pose it led under the impression instead of sending this criminal keeping jail they sent him home among his friends, this might use this in your investigation is my object in mail to you. I hope you urge every effort to uncover which one let let this man out, In your investigation it might be well ascertain which one of the deputy's suggested to allow the young woman to visit him in jail. this is the bird who got the grant which was delivered when she visited there.

I hope you trap them.

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 A Honest citizen  
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# Woman Sheriff Of Jail Held



**SHERIFF LILLIAN HOLLEY** PROSECUTOR R. G. ESTELL **JOHN F. DILLINGER**  
Despite heavy guard placed to prevent robbery in East Chicago. The jail is in charge of Mrs. Lillian Holley as sheriff of his escape, John F. Dillinger, bank robber and killer, today fled from the jail at Crown Lake county. Picture shows Dillinger with Point, Ind., where he was awaiting trial on charge of killing a policeman during a bank robbery in East Chicago. The jail is in charge of Mrs. Lillian Holley as sheriff of Lake county. Picture shows Dillinger with her and county prosecutor, when Dillinger arrived as prisoner. Picture from International News Photograph Service.

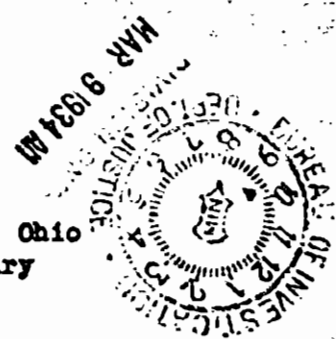
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**U. S. Department of Justice  
625 Lafayette Building  
Detroit, Michigan  
March 5, 1934**

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

**Re: HARRY PIERPONT, with aliases, et al.,  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act  
Murder of Sheriff Jesse Sarber, Lima, Ohio  
Escapes from Indiana State Penitentiary**



**Dear Sir:**

**For the information of the Division and interested offices, the following is submitted:**

While at Lima, Ohio, last week, I conferred with Prosecuting Attorney Ernest Botkin, who informed me that Subjects Pierpont, Russel Clark and Charles Makley who were apprehended at Tucson, Arizona, are now incarcerated in the County Jail at Lima awaiting prosecution concerning the murder of Sheriff Jesse Sarber on October 12, 1933, at which time John Dillinger was liberated from the County Jail. Mr. Botkin advised that under the Ohio State laws separate trials must be had, hence Pierpont is scheduled to go to trial March 8, and the trials of Clark and Makley will follow immediately.

The Prosecuting Attorney informed me that Edward Shouse who also participated in the crime at Lima in October and who was apprehended some time ago in Indiana, is now incarcerated in the Indiana State Penitentiary, from which institution he with nine others escaped on September 29, 1933. He has furnished the Prosecuting Attorney with a full statement and has agreed to testify for the State.

Subject Harry Copeland, who also participated in the crime at Lima, and who was arrested in Chicago, is at the present time incarcerated in the Indiana State Penitentiary as a parole violator, and Mr. Botkin informs me that he will also undoubtedly be removed to Lima for trial following the disposition of the case against the three now held in that city.

John Hamilton is the only individual now at large who took part in the murder of Jesse Sarber at Lima on October 12, during the escape of John Dillinger.

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Two other individuals who escaped on September 29, 1933, from the Indiana State Penitentiary, who have to date not been apprehended but who did not participate in the murder at Lima, are Joseph Burns, Indiana State Penitentiary register number 8703, and Joseph Fox, Indiana State Penitentiary register number 13883.

John Dillinger, it will be noted escaped March 3, 1934, from the County Jail at Crown Point, Indiana, where he was confined following his apprehension at Tucson, Arizona, awaiting trial for the murder of a policeman.

I also ascertained at Lima that every precaution is being taken to prevent the escape of the three convicts now being held there; in addition to about fifteen special deputy sheriffs guarding the jail twenty-four hours a day, the National Guard have a detail of twenty-four men under command of Brigadier General H. M. Bush, who remains constantly at Lima. Machine guns mounted on tripods have been set up in strategic points, one located on the third floor of the Norval Hotel, trained on the entrance to the County Jail. Also a wooden fence has been constructed to prevent anyone from entering the door leading to the cell block of the County Jail.

One peculiar circumstance in connection with this matter is the fact that the City Prosecutor, known in Ohio as City Solicitor, has been employed as attorney for the three convicts.

Since the escape of Dillinger at Crown Point last Saturday, further steps have been taken by the Prosecuting Attorney and the Sheriff at Lima with regard to keeping the County Jail well guarded, as Dillinger it will be noted is obligated to Pierpont, Makley and Clark who took the initiative in causing his escape from the same county jail on October 12, 1933.

Very truly yours,



Wm. Larson  
Special Agent in Charge

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R. Whitley  
Division of Investigation  
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326 Post Office Building  
New Orleans Louisiana

FOLLOWING WIRE RECEIVED FROM LAKE CHARLES QUOTE ARRESTED HERE  
FOR ERIC KANSAS DWIGHT BRUMBAUGH OKLAHOMA CONVICT HAD IN POSSESSION  
ADDRESS OF JOHN DILLINGER THIRTY ONE SOUTH WARREN STREET TRENTON  
NEW JERSEY VIENNA RESTAURANT SIGNED S. ILES JUNIOR CHIEF OF POLICE  
UNQUOTE INTERVIEW ILES AND BRUMBAUGH FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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# Bureau of Investigation

Room 1403  
370 Lexington Avenue  
New York, N. Y.

March 7, 1934.



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

Re: JOHN DILLINGER

Dear Sir:

On March 6, 1934, Mr. R. E. Newby of the Division at Washington called Special Agent R. B. Nathan of the New York office and advised that Sheriff S. J. Ives of Lake Charles, Oklahoma, had informed the Division that he had arrested on that same day Dwight Rumbaugh, Oklahoma convict, and that Rumbaugh had in his possession an address of John Dillinger, which was 31 South Warren Street, Trenton, N. J., Vienna Restaurant. Special Agent E. Sandberg, who was at that time in Trenton, N. J., was requested by telephone to conduct immediate investigation.

Agent Sandberg reported that he enlisted the aid of Detective W. J. Mullen of the Trenton Police Department, and conducted appropriate investigation at the above mentioned address. It was ascertained that the Vienna Restaurant, 31 South Warren Street, Trenton, N. J., is owned and operated by Felix Dollinger. Mr. Dollinger was not present at the time of Agent Sandberg's visit, but his wife, Ethel Dollinger, advised that she and her husband had owned this place for approximately four or five years, and that there had been a party around there about a year ago by the name of Dwight, last name unknown. This party was described as being 45 years of age, tall, thin, dark complexion, with a peculiar looking nose. Detective W. J. Mullen advised that he was well acquainted with the Dollinger family and all of the people who live in the apartments above the restaurant, and that they were all reputable people.

It appears that the only connection in this matter is the similarity of the names Dollinger and Dillinger.

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Very truly yours,  
*[Signature]*  
F. X. FAY  
Special Agent in Charge.



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R. Archer at Mc Neils Island Was good  
me I was a Trusty at Mc Neils  
27 months 22 Days out of 3. year  
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Was also a Trusty 37 days  
at Crown Point Indiana Lake Co  
Ill - I am Telling you a Fact

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Dillinger got out of there due to  
Pure Carelessness if not with actual  
help of one or more Guards - I know every  
cell in that jail as I went around there  
three times a day to see milk to the  
owners - and also I frequently had to  
and hold the Draw Bar on a Tank  
Turn Key Mc Cutchon went in to  
count the dangerous inmates -  
I had to at times relieve the  
door man take his keys and let  
out only persons I knew  
with the prison -

in property (sure Dilling) went  
in kitchen door but to do so he  
ad to go thru the front office, wh  
e New prisoners are checked in at  
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nder Sheriff Ben Strong - at that  
ime we Trustys practically ran  
the jail -

of course I dont know the real  
acts in the Dillinger escape but  
would be willing to wager my last  
cent that at least one guard wa  
ribed by Dillinger - and one  
crooked guard can do a lot of damage  
any jail house -

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Yours Truly

V. A. Duker

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**Washington, D. C.**

**March 22, 1934.**

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Mr. J. A. Dukes,  
General Delivery,  
Ogden, Utah.

Dear Sir:

Please accept my thanks for your letter dated March 5, 1934, furnishing information relative to the condition of the jail at Crown Point, Indiana, from which John Dillinger recently escaped.

If you should receive information at any time as to the whereabouts of John Dillinger, or have information which you believe might lead to his apprehension, it will be appreciated if you will communicate with Mr. John A. Dowd, Special Agent in Charge, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Room 503-A, U. S. Court House and Post Office Building, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Very truly yours,

*J. E. Hoover*  
Director.

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March 6, 1934.

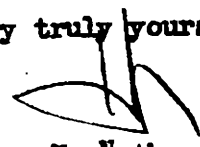
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Gates called. He said the A. P. told him that they have a report that the District Attorney at South Bend had requested the assistance of two Agents on the Dillinger case upon the theory that Dillinger kidnaped Mrs. Youngblood. I told him that if this were so I had heard nothing about it.

Very truly yours,



H. Nathan.

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