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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3025)

DATE: 6/24/58

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (92-911)

SUBJECT: CARMINE GALANTE, was.
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Enclosed are two copies of a letterhead memorandum concerning the financial interests of CARMINE GALANTE which has been disseminated the Director of Internal Revenue, New York.

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United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
New York, New York
June 24, 1958

Re: Carmine Galante

According to the records of the Rosina Costume Company, 1515 70th Street, Brooklyn, New York, Carmine Galante is the Secretary of this company. It has been determined that during the fiscal year ending August 31, 1957, salary payments to Galante was \$7,026.17, with \$717.92 being withheld for tax and Social Security. Samuel Galante, brother of Carmine Galante and President of Rosina Costume Company allegedly owns 1/3 interest in this company while the subject and his wife, Helen Galante owns the remaining 2/3 interest. The extent of financial investment in this company by the subject is unknown.

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Galante has also been reported to have been connected with the ABCO Vending Machine Company, 5012 Palisades Avenue, West New York, New Jersey, however, the extent of this association has not been established.

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in view of this and his other criminal activities, he may derive considerable income from a variety of unspecified sources.

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DETAILS:

I. PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

A. Birth

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The records of the Manhattan Bureau of Vital Statistics, as checked by SA [REDACTED] on January 9, 1958, reflected under Certificate Number 10302, that CAMILLO GALANTE, a white male, was born on February 21, 1910, at 27 Stanton Street, New York City. His father was listed as VINZENZO GALANTE, born in Italy, age 28, occupation: laborer. His mother was VINGENZA RUSSO GALANTE, age 25, also born in Italy. The certificate further stated that he was the second child.

B. Residence

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On December 7, 1956, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] New York, conducted an investigation into the activities of CARMINE GALANTE. The results of this investigation are set out in appropriate sections of this report. [REDACTED] stated that the subject resides at 274 Marcy Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, with his wife, HELEN, and their two children. The premises, a well maintained three family house, is located in a low income neighborhood. The other two families occupying the house are MARULLI and LEGGIO. The MARULLIs are relatives of GALANTE's wife, HELEN.

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On January 28, 1958, the records of the Brooklyn County Clerk's Office were examined by SA [REDACTED] concerning the premises located at 274 Marcy Avenue, Brooklyn. These premises were located in block number 2206, lot number 32, and the tax records reflected that they were in the name of MARULLI with a land valuation of \$2,550.00 and improvements valued at \$14,000.00. It was described as a three story residence. The records further reflected that on January 16, 1956, these premises were sold by SALVATORE and ANTONIA

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MANERI to ANGELINA MARULLI and MAE LEGGIO. The deed on file of this transaction reflected that ANGELINA MARULLI had a 2/3 undivided interest and MAE LEGGIO owned a 1/3 undivided interest. The East New York Savings Bank held a \$6,660.00 mortgage dated October 1, 1955. The attorney for this transaction was listed as EDWARD Z. JACOBSON, 66 Court Street, Brooklyn, New York. The owners of this residence were checked from 1928 to the above mentioned present owner which were as follows:

December 13, 1928
Sirnelli Realty Corporation
sold to BENJAMIN KORNER

May 16, 1945
BENJAMIN and FAY KORNER
sold to ANTONIO SPINELLA

August 30, 1945
ANTONIO SPINELLA
sold to SALVATORE MANERI

September 13, 1949
SALVATORE MANERI
sold to SALVATORE MANERI and ANTONIA MANERI, joint ownership.

The subject's former residences as determined by [REDACTED] in 1956 were as follows:

329 East 101st Street
New York City
1935

876 New Lots Avenue
Brooklyn, New York
1935 - 1945

4069 Dorchester Road
Montreal, Canada
1955 - 1956

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On

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advised HELEN and
CARMINE resided in an apartment at 274 Marcy Avenue,
Brooklyn, New York.

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did not
know the present whereabouts of CARMINE and, furthermore,
did not know any of his associates who might know of his
present whereabouts. has not heard
from nor spoken to CARMINE since approximately

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had no knowledge of the
operations of Rosina Costume Company or of any information
concerning racketeering in the garment industry.

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residence address
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seen either of them for approximately [REDACTED] and did not know their present whereabouts. He further stated that he knew of no one who had any information concerning the whereabouts of HELEN or CARMINE.

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C. Employment

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The New York State Parole records, [REDACTED] SA [REDACTED] reflected that when the subject was arrested for robbery in 1930 he was employed at the O'Brien Fish Company, 105 South Street, New York City, as a sorter. He was paroled on January 18, 1930, to the Catholic Society. In 1939 the subject was employed at the Lubin Artificial Flower Company, located at 270 West Broadway, New York City. He was also employed by this concern from 1923 to 1926.

On February 3, 1941, the parole records reflected that the subject joined the International Longshoremen's Association, Local 856. He was sponsored by his brother, SAM GALANTE, and received a Coast Guard pass. For a short time he worked as a stevedore on Piers 14 and 21 for the New York and Cuba Mail Steamship Company and the New York and Puerto Rican Steamship Company.

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On September 15, 1941, New York State Parole records reflected that the subject was employed as a handyman by the General Electro Plating Company, 176-180 Grand Street, New York City, by SOL FARRAUTO.

The parole records reflected on August 17, 1942, the subject was employed by the Knickerbocker Trucking Company, 520 Broadway, New York City, as a helper on trucking company vehicles. His employer was listed as NATE MESOVETSKY.

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The records of [REDACTED] reflected in a report, dated March 5, 1955, that the subject was employed in a pastry shop located at 13 Prince Street, New York City. These records contained additional information concerning physical surveillances and persons contacted by the subject during this period.

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D. Marital Status

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The Manhattan Bureau of Vital Statistics, as checked by Investigative Clerk [REDACTED] on January 16, 1958, reflected that under Certificate Number 3146, dated February 7, 1945, CAMILLO GALANTE of 592 Shepherd Avenue, Brooklyn, occupation longshoreman, was married on February 10, 1945 to ELENA NINFA MARULLI, age 28, of 247 South 3rd Street, Brooklyn. ELENA MARULLI's occupation was listed as "radio," and she was born September 2, 1916 in New York City. Her father, JOSEPH MARULLI, was born in Italy and her mother, ANGELA MARULLI, nee: BULLARA, was also born in Italy. They were married by CELSUS REPOLE, Roman Catholic Priest, 213 Stanton Street, New York City, and witnessed by MICHAEL CONSOLO and MARY CASO.

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[REDACTED] reflected the following information concerning the subject's marital status:

GALANTE married Miss HELEN MARULLI on February 10, 1945, at Our Lady of Sorrows Church, New York City. ANGELO PRESENZANO, with alias: MOEY PRESENZANO, New York City, B#71432, 96 Henry Street, New York City, was best man at the wedding. PRESENZANO has been closely associated with GALANTE, having been arrested together for armed robbery in 1930. GALANTE's wife's brother, ANTHONY MARULLI, New York City B#220693, has been closely associated with GALANTE in his illegal activities, and was deported from Canada on April 30, 1956 with GALANTE and GALANTE's bodyguard, MICHAEL CONSOLO, with alias: MICHAEL LOCASO, 36-52 29th Street, Queens, New York, B#59684. CONSOLO and GALANTE were arrested together on August 11, 1930 in an armed robbery of a restaurant.

E. Relatives

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b7D [REDACTED] reflected the following information concerning the subject's relatives:

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b7D GALANTE's parents, CARMINE GALANTE and Mrs. VINCENZA GALANTE, nee: RUSSO, were born in Italy and immigrated to the United States. GALANTE's brother, PETER GALANTE, [REDACTED] GALANTE's other brother, SAMUEL GALANTE, was employed by the Department of Sanitation [REDACTED]

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b7D [REDACTED] GALANTE had two sisters, ANGELINA and JOSEPHINE.

The New York State Parole records reflected the following additional relatives of the subject, as furnished by him on various occasions to parole officers. None of this information was verified:

Aunt

b7c [REDACTED]
New York

Uncle

b7c [REDACTED]
New York City

Godfather

b7c [REDACTED]
New York
(presser and union delegate)

Cousin

b7c [REDACTED]
New York

Uncle

b7c [REDACTED]
New York

Brother-in-law

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Aunt
name not stated

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New York

Cousin

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New York

The records of the New York State Parole Office reflected that

During the

subject's parole in 1939 - 1941

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F. Education

New York State Parole records reflected that the subject attended Public School #79 and Public School #120 up to the 7th grade. He left at the age of 15.

G. Credit and Financial Information

New York State Parole records reflected that in 1939 the subject maintained a savings account at the Bowery Savings Bank.

On January 7, 1958, [redacted] Credit Bureau of Greater New York, advised SA [redacted] that she was unable to locate any credit record for the subject.

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As noted previously the mortgage on the subject's residence is maintained by the East New York Savings Bank.

H. Draft Registration

New York State Parole records reflected that on July 12, 1940, the subject advised that he had registered for the Selective Service Act of 1940 on October 16, 1940 in the 22nd Assembly District, 54th Election District, and he advised on May 10, 1941, that he had been classified 4-F.

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I. Religious Affiliations

New York State Parole report reflected that the subject belonged to the Church of All Nations number 9 located at 2nd Avenue and 1st Street, New York City, and was a member of the Catholic Youth Group.

J. Medical and Psychiatric Examinations

New York State Parole records reflected that a psychiatric report by Dr. BAKER was made at Sing Sing Prison on January 23, 1931 on the subject. It was noted that the subject was neat in appearance but dull emotionally. He had a mental age of 14½ and an IQ of 90. He was shy with strangers and had no knowledge of current events, routine holidays or other items of common knowledge. He was diagnosed as a Neuropathic, psychopathic personality, emotionally dull and indifferent with prognosis as being poor. New York State Parole records further reflected that on a physical examination held at Sing Sing Prison on June 24, 1932, the following medical history of the subject was noted:

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1921

injury to head from auto accident
hospitalized Post Graduate Hospital, New York City

1921

fracture of ankle (run over by auto)
hospitalized St. Marks Hospital

1930

gonorrhea

It was noted that at this time he was in good
physical condition

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[REDACTED] reflected that while
an inmate at Clinton Prison, GALANTE was diagnosed on July
19, 1938, as a Neuropathic, with a psychopathic personality.

II. CRIMINAL RECORD

A. Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Identification Record

The following FBI Identification Record for the
subject is under FBI number 119-495, as of January 1958:

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[REDACTED]

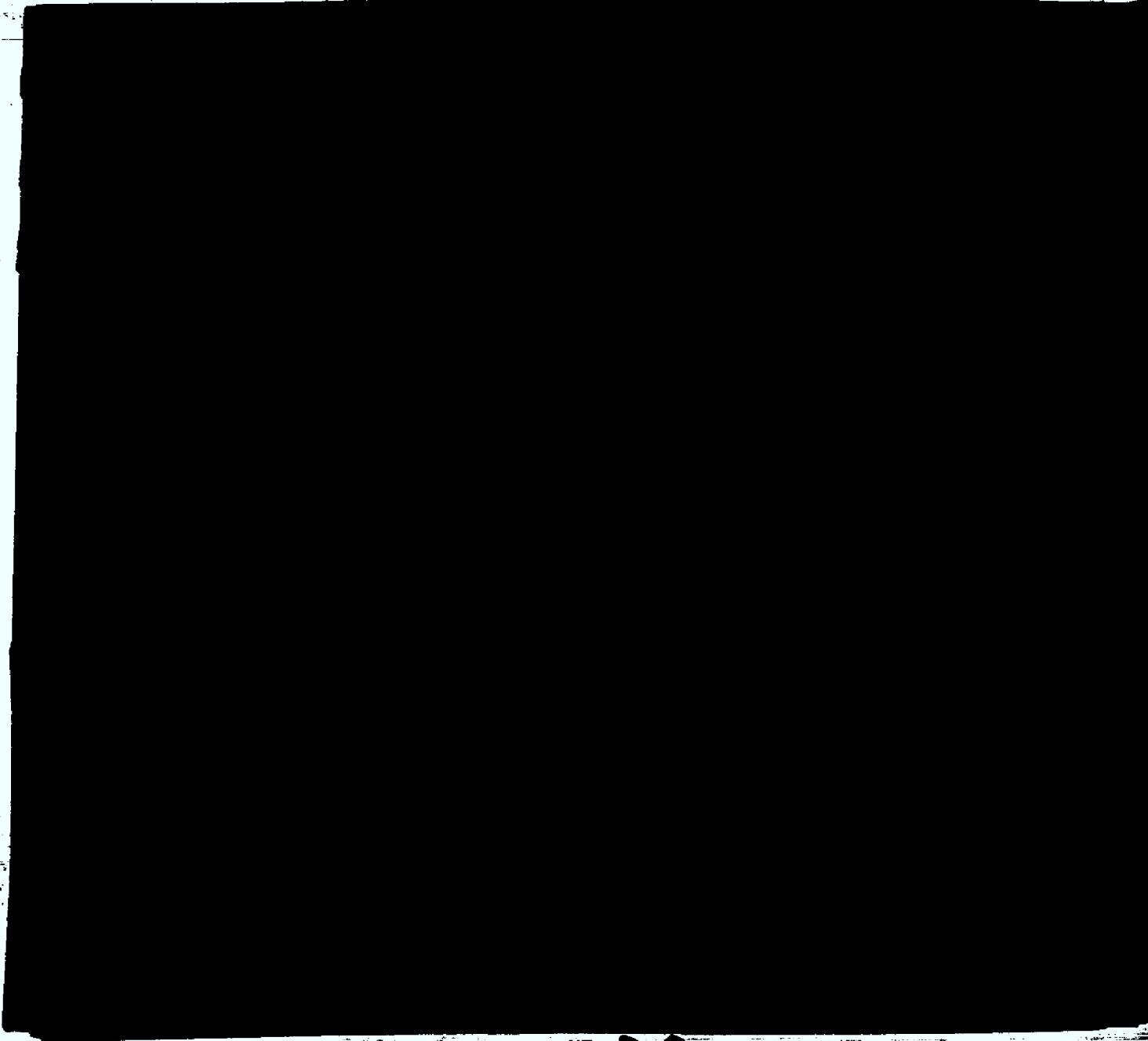
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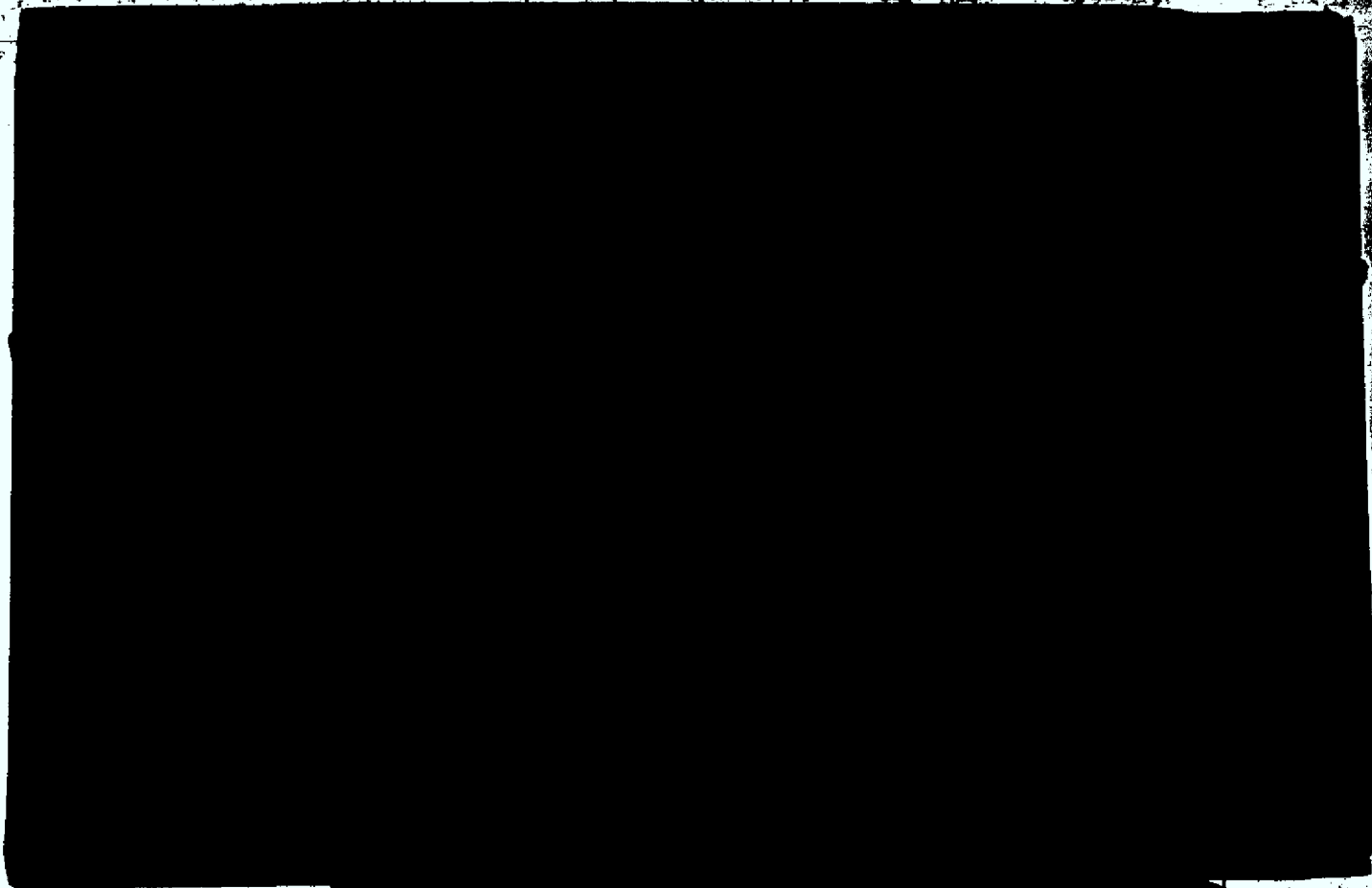


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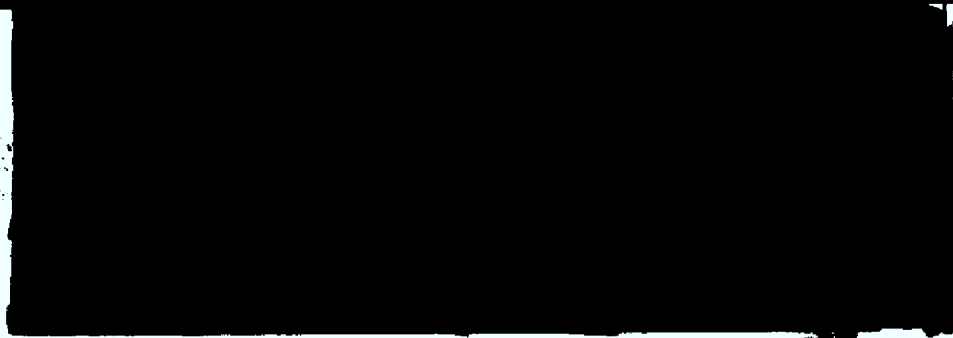
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B. Alcohol Tax Unit Arrest

b7C { New York Parole record reflected that on September 4, 1947 the subject was arrested with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] at 5 Berkley Place, New York City.

b7C The Alcohol Tax Unit (ATU) File #2169, stored at the Federal Records Center, 410 Washington Street, New York City, was examined by SA [REDACTED] on January 27, 1958. This file reflected that the subject was observed by the New York City Police Department on September 4, 1947 in front of 5 Berkley Place, placing part of a dismantled still into a 1938 Cadillac automobile of [REDACTED]. Also involved was a 1937 International truck registered to [REDACTED] of 149 Houston Street, New York City. This equipment consisted of copper sheeting, tubing and other parts necessary in the assembly of a still. The individuals were arrested by the New York City Police Department and the ATU investigators were advised. GALANTE on interview claimed to be employed by his brother who owned a grocery store in the neighborhood, and that he had been looking for olive oil in that area, and that [REDACTED] was the only person of those arrested whom he knew. [REDACTED] 41 Kenmore Street, was arrested as a co-conspirator, [REDACTED] 632 Union Street, Brooklyn, occupation tinsmith, was arrested as the still maker, and [REDACTED] was considered the still owner. GALANTE was charged as a co-conspirator and all of the [REDACTED] persons were charged with the possession of the equipment for the manufacture of alcohol. All of this equipment [REDACTED]

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{ the vehicles involved were seized by the ATU. Later a petition was submitted to the Secretary of the Treasury by JOSEPH WINSTON and J. WOLFE CHASSEN, attorneys, 66-58 Fresh Pond Road, Ridgewood, Queens, New York, for the return and release of the 1938 Cadillac belonging to [REDACTED]. Eventually this car was released by the Government and returned to [REDACTED].

C. Clinton Prison Record

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On February 18, 1958, [REDACTED] Clinton Prison, made available the record of subject.

The record reflects that he was sentenced January 8, 1931, by Judge CONWAY, Kings County Court, Brooklyn, New York, on his confession to attempted robbery, first degree, unarmed. He was ordered to serve 12½ years in a state prison, plus 2 years, 3 months, and 22 days delinquent time on a Sing Sing Prison confinement from which he was released January 18, 1930. He was eligible for parole on May 31, 1941. The robbery for which he was sentenced involved \$4,000.00, which was not recovered. Two co-defendants were not apprehended.

Subject served his delinquent time first, and was then paroled to start service of the 12½ year sentence on October 3, 1932. He appeared before the Parole Board on April 12, 1939, and was paroled May 1, 1939. He was received, at Sing Sing Prison as a parole violator on November 23, 1943, and met the Parole Board which ordered him held for his full maximum which would expire March 20, 1945. He was transferred to Clinton Prison, Dannemora, New York, on January 22, 1944.

In February, 1944, the Warden of Clinton Prison [REDACTED] to the Commissioner of Correction, Albany, New York.

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ascertain the date that subject should start serving the 12½ year sentence, in view of the Ingenito Decision. The Warden indicated that subject should only have been charged with 1 year, 10 months, and 19 days delinquent time on his return to prison on January 13, 1931. The basis of this inquiry is not shown, but Mr. CAIN stated that the Ingenito Decision provided that parolees were to be credited with sentence time served while serving parole time, where the original sentence was prior to July 1, 1928, and many records were being reviewed at that time to adjust inmates' time owed.

The record reflects that THOMAS F. DOUGHERTY and MARCUS L. FILLEY of the law firm Dougherty and Madden, 201 Cannon Building, Troy, New York, contacted subject in May and July, 1944, and prepared an Application for Writ of Habeas Corpus, July 8, 1944, under which the then County Judge of Clinton County, Plattsburgh, New York, F. CLAUDE O'CONNELL, ordered that the Warden of Clinton Prison produce CARMINE GALANTE in that court on July 17, 1944, in that:

On December 12, 1925, GALANTE pleaded guilty to assault, second degree, and on December 22, 1926, was sentenced to an indeterminate sentence in State Prison, minimum 2½ years and maximum 5 years; credited with 26 days jail time;

On January 18, 1930, GALANTE was admitted to parole, at which time he owed 1 year, 10 months and 9 days. On December 24, 1930, he was arrested, charged with robbery. On January 7, 1931, he pleaded guilty and received a definite sentence of 12½ years in state prison; received credit for 13 days jail time.

On his return to state prison he was informed by the Parole Board that before starting his 12½ year sentence he must serve what he owed on the maximum of his commitment of December 22, 1926, from the date of his release on parole, January 18, 1930. He was again admitted to parole May 1, 1939. On January 12, 1943, he was returned as a parole violator.

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That his imprisonment was illegal; the decision of the Parole Board that GALANTE, following conviction on another felony, while on his first parole, must serve the balance remaining on his first commitment, from the date of his release on parole, January 18, 1930, is contrary to law, under Chapter 736 of the Laws of 1926, amending the then Prison Law. That GALANTE was entitled to be credited with the time on parole from January 18, 1930, to December 24, 1930, and should have been released May 11, 1944.

This writ was dismissed at the Special Term of Clinton County Court in July, 1944, and GALANTE was remanded to the custody of the Warden of Clinton Prison.

Notice of Appeal from the order of Judge O'CONNELL was filed in the office of the Clerk of Clinton County on August 24, 1944. On November 15, 1944, the Appeal was denied at a Term of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, Third Judicial District, Albany, New York.

An Appeal to the Supreme Court of the State of New York was filed by Attorney THOMAS F. DOUGHERTY December 6, 1944, on the basis that GALANTE's prison time was not properly computed, in that the time of his release on parole was not credited to him as provided in Chapter 736, Section 214, of the Laws of 1926, amending the then Prison Laws. That under Section 219 of the Correction Law, Chapter 485, Laws of 1928, the Legislature specifically provided that forfeiture of parole time should not apply except to convictions of persons sentenced on or after July 1, 1928, and confined to a state prison. That GALANTE was convicted December 24, 1926, and, under the decision in *People ex. rel. Ingenito v. Brophy*, 267 A.D. 295, affirmed 293, N.Y., relief was requested. The Appeal further related that the case on which Judge O'CONNELL's decision was made, and affirmed by the Third Judicial Department of the Appellate Division (*Dayes v. Morhous*, 267 A.D. 851), was overruled by the Court of Appeals in its recent decision in the Ingenito case.

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On December 21, 1944, at a Special Term of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, held in Clinton County, Plattsburgh, New York, before Justice ANDREW W. RYAN, ROBERT C. BOOTH, Assistant Attorney General, was asked by the court if under the Ingenito Decision, subject had completed service of his prison time. Mr. BOOTH replied that under that Decision, subject had. Justice RYAN stated it appeared to the Court that the entire maximum sentence for which GALANTE was committed had been served, and ordered his release from Clinton Prison.

It is to be noted that there is a copy of a letter in the file of Clinton Prison by Assistant Attorney General ROBERT C. BOOTH, attorney of Plattsburgh, New York, to the Attorney General of New York State, in which he stated that he could see no basis for appealing the case as prison officials were then reviewing all cases under the Ingenito Decision to recompute time owed by inmates.

It is to be noted that the above data relating to subject's release was obtained from his Clinton Prison file and from the records of the New York State Supreme Court, Clinton County Clerk's Office, Plattsburgh, New York, on February 19, 1958.

Subject's file contains correspondence with the Warden of Great Meadows Prison in 1938, wherein subject requests that the Warden reconsider the imposition of three years additional sentence imposed on subject while at Great Meadows in connection with the death of Inmate JOSEPH DEL GAIS, Number 11756, who died as a result of knife wounds. Subject apparently was not directly involved, and also suffered knife wounds, but would not name his assailant, and all persons involved were sentenced to loss of all good time, which in subject's case, amounted to three years. After considerable correspondence, the Warden of Great Meadows Prison recommended to the Warden of Clinton Prison that it was his belief that subject was not responsible and leniency might be afforded him. Subject's minimum had been increased from December 29, 1938, to January 14, 1942, but he was paroled on May 1, 1939, as a result of that action.

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D. Attorneys

New York State Parole records reflected that in 1937 the subject's attorney was NICHOLAS P. ANNUZZI, 2 Lafayette Street, New York City, who at this time served a writ on Superior Court claiming GALANTE was being required to serve a longer term than that which was owed to the state.

In 1938 Mr. ROSENBERG of Slade and Ohringer, Attorneys, 299 Broadway, New York City, advised that his firm had been retained to contest the right of the Parole Board to withhold the granting of commutation and compensation time on the subject's sentence.

On February 13, 1943, parole records reflected that FRANK DELLI PAOLI, Attorney, served a writ to release GALANTE after the CARLO TRESCA murder because he was being held without charge.

Parole records further reflected that while GALANTE was in prison as a result of his parole being revoked, THOMAS DAUGHERTY, Attorney, of Troy, New York, became interested in his case and visited GALANTE on May 25, 1944.

At the time of the subject's arrest for speeding on October 18, 1956, Attorney REIMO ALLIO of Johnson City, New York, represented him at the Binghamton substation of the New York State Police. GALANTE was later represented in this speeding arrest by DONALD W. KRAMER, then Mayor of Binghamton, New York.

III. ASSOCIATES

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[REDACTED] is a known close associate of the subject and has been seen in the company of the subject in New York City during April, 1958. [REDACTED] was last known to be residing as [REDACTED]

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The activities and connections of [REDACTED] with the subject are set out in other sections of this report. TH

B. JOSEPH BARBARA

JOSEPH BARBARA, SR., was born on August 9, 1905, in Castellammare Del Gofo, Italy. He entered the United States at New York City on May 28, 1921, and citizen certificate issued May 2, 1927, at Binghamton, New York. BARBARA married JOSEPHINE VIVONA, on June 24, 1933, at Endicott, New York. He resides at Apalachin, New York. FBI #474250 reflects BARBARA questioned for suspicion of murder. His only conviction was for violation of Office of Price Administration (OPA) laws in 1946, at Utica, New York. On November 14, 1957, a meeting of 58 (hoodlums) was held at BARBARA's home, Apalachin, New York, which was discovered by New York State Police and agents of the Alcohol Tax Unit, United States Treasury Department. BARBARA believed by local authorities and Alcohol Tax Unit, Binghamton, New York, to be engaged in illicit still operations and connected with bookmaking and gambling activities, but has no arrests or convictions on such charges. BARBARA President of the Canada Dry Bottling Company, Endicott, New York, which was originally Mission Beverage Company, Incorporated, organized in 1939.

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[REDACTED], and [REDACTED] have criminal records, and have all been associated with [REDACTED] or CARMIN GALANTE at sometime in an alleged enterprise.

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[REDACTED] has been actively associated with CARMIN in large scale gambling operations.

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In an article appearing in the New York "Daily News," dated November 16, 1957, written by HOWARD WANTUCH and SIDNEY KLINE, the possible reasons and the agenda of the Apalachin meeting of November 14, 1957, were discussed. They were of the opinion that the possible reasons for this meeting were to place someone in charge of dope peddling in the New York metropolitan area and that this assignment had, at one time, been given to JOSEPH DI PALERMO, 246 Elizabeth Street, New York City, described as an ex-convict who had graduated to narcotics after big dealings in alcohol, counterfeiting, and possible murder. This article stated that JOSEPH DI PALERMO was wanted on both federal and local warrants for conspiracy to violate the narcotics statutes but that he had reportedly left the country several months ago with another man's wife and both were believed to be somewhere in Italy.

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F. FRANK GAROFALO

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According to [REDACTED] GAROFALO resides at 339 East 58th Street, New York City, in a modern, well maintained apartment house, occupying a four room apartment with his brother, VINCENT GAROFALO. GAROFALO has no telephone, but uses a public telephone located in the lobby of the apartment, which has a doorman in attendance. GAROFALO has occupied these premises for about 15 years, and used this address as that of the High Grade Packing Company.

GAROFALO was born in Italy on September 10, 1891, and became a citizen of the United States on September 8, 1931 (Certificate #3426896). He is a rather distinguished looking man, 5'7" tall, weighing 170 pounds, having brown eyes, gray hair, and is required to wear glasses when operating a motor vehicle.

GAROFALO was issued New York State chauffeur's license #6065834, which expires on May 31, 1958. GAROFALO was fined \$10.00 on November 10, 1952, for passing a light, and \$5.00 on December 12, 1954, for going through a play street in Manhattan Traffic Court. There was no vehicle listed to GAROFALO or the High Grade Packing Company.

GAROFALO indicated that he was employed by the High Grade Packing Company. The New York County Clerk's Office issued business certificate 1693 on January 15, 1946, to GAROFALO as the sole owner of the High Grade Packing Company, which was reported to have been located at 100 Hudson Street, New York City, in 1945. A check of this address failed to indicate any connection with GAROFALO's company.

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It is noted that on the basis of information obtained about the High Grade Packing Company, it is the opinion of [REDACTED] that the usage of this business name is a subterfuge on the part of GAROFALO to give an aura of respectability to GAROFALO and to give him an excuse to be traveling to Florida and the West Coast.

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During this period, FRANK GAROFALO occupied Apartment 300, 1060 Bush Street, Los Angeles, California, and had a telephone, TUXedo 5-5614, [REDACTED]

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and [REDACTED] all involved in narcotics. At this time, GAROFALO declared he was in the wholesale grocery business around Fresno, California, and used the address of the High Grade Packing Company, Post Office Box 1370, Merced, California, and his home address at 339 East 58th Street, New York City.

On September 13, 1940, FRANK GAROFALO was issued New York City pistol permit #23745, and gave his home address as 339 East 68th Street, New York City, rather than 339 East 58th Street, the actual residence. GAROFALO gave his occupation as a partner in the firm of M & G Coat Company, 178 McKibbins Street, Brooklyn, New York. GAROFALO purchased a .32 caliber Smith & Wesson, Serial #45564, on September 20, 1940, from FRANK LAVA, 6 Centre Street, New York City. GAROFALO stated that he needed the revolver for protection in carrying large sums of money for payrolls. GAROFALO indicated NICHOLAS MARRONE, 178 McKibbins Street, Brooklyn, as his partner, and named as character references FRANK GIARANITA, 94 Wilson Avenue, Brooklyn; ANTHONY RUSSO, R & R Cloak Company, 47 Thames Street, Brooklyn, and JOHN CREMENDO, 22 Boerum Street, Brooklyn, as a reference on a subsequent application.

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GAROFALO renewed the license in 1941, 1942, and 1943. On April 19, 1943, the license was cancelled by a letter from Detective GEORGE DUNPHY, Shield 1503, and Assistant District Attorney GRUMET, as GAROFALO was no longer in business.

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GAROFALO has no criminal record, and is relatively unknown to various law enforcement agencies in New York City, with the exception of the New York District Attorney's Office, who, in investigation of the CARLOS TRESKA murder, considered TRESKA's reported insult of GAROFALO as one of the most logical motives for TRESKA's death.

GAROFALO apparently is connected with Canada Dry Bottling Company, 9 Badger Avenue, Endicott, New York, operated by JOSEPH BARBARA, as according to the information

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[REDACTED] in his report of GALANTE's arrest, GAROFALO signed the charge account at the Arlington Hotel for the Canada Dry Bottling Company for the rooms occupied by the subjects.

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The following is a description of [REDACTED]
taken from personal interview by Agents of the Newark
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Date of Birth:

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Wife:

Occupation:

Parents:

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[REDACTED] is allegedly closely associated with GALANTE for many years. He was born in [REDACTED]

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GALANTE's Identification Record, as of October 25, 1938, reflected [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] Bronx, as being an associate of GALANTE on an arrest in 1930.

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IV. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

A. Organized Crime

1. November 14, 1957 Apalachin Meeting

The January 11, 1958 edition of the "New York Mirror" carried an article captioned, "12 ON LAM IN MAFIA PROBE," which reported the activities of the Legislative Watchdog Committee of New York. A portion of this article is quoted as follows:

"Investigators said Galante was among 60 hoodlums at November's conclave in the home of Joseph Barbara at Apalachin. He also had visited there in October 1956, when he was arrested as a traffic violator."

In connection with the Apalachin meeting on November 14, 1957, SALVATORE TORNABE, 1464 Second Avenue, New York City, associated with the Sunland Beverage Corporation, 125 Lawrence Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, had a note in his possession partially in Italian and partially in English. This note contained the telephone number of JOSEPH BARBARA, at whose home the Apalachin meeting was held on November 14, 1957. This note further mentioned the name "LILLO," which is the known underworld nickname of CARMINE GALANTE.

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after viewing a photograph of CARMINE GALENTE [REDACTED] believes he was one of the individuals who was at BARBARA's home on the morning of November 16, 1957. This individual identified as GALANTE. [REDACTED]

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2. ~~October~~, 1956 Meeting

On October 22, 1956, information was furnished to SA [REDACTED] by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] New York. [REDACTED] advised that the fact that the subject along with FRANK GAROFALO and other hoodlums were in the area and associating with JOSEPH BARBARA, a known hoodlum, and their reluctance to answer any questions led him to believe that they were consulting for some type of unlawful purpose. [REDACTED]

Investigation of this case revealed that one JOSEPH BARBARA, Apalachin, New York, on October 17, 1956, made reservations at the Arlington Hotel, Binghamton, New York, for five men. BARBARA is the operator of the Mission Beverage Company and Canada Dry Bottling Works at 9 Badger Avenue, Endicott, New York. He is a man with a lengthy criminal record, including arrest for homicide, and is known to control all of the area racketeers in this vicinity and to have wide-spread gangland connections. A check of the records of the Arlington Hotel, Binghamton, revealed that the following men registered for the reservations made by BARBARA:

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[REDACTED] indicated "in speculating and conjecturing" on the reasons for the meeting at the Arlington Hotel of the above mentioned individuals, it would be logical to assume that the manufacture and distribution of untaxed liquor would have been the principal matter discussed. Continuing, he indicated GAROFALO's apparent interest in the Canada Dry Bottling Company and BARBARA's purported operation of the company together with [REDACTED] and GALANTE's knowledge of the operation of the still could present the possibility that sugar, ostensibly allocated to the manufacture of ginger ale and soft drinks, could be diverted to an illicit still operation. Gambling and narcotics are other matters which could have been discussed by these individuals. On the other hand, administration policies and perhaps arbitration of the Italian element of the American Syndicate could have been on their agenda. In any event it is the opinion of [REDACTED] that the top echelon members of the Italian underworld were represented at this meeting.

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[REDACTED] conducted by [REDACTED] in 1950 reflected that several years ago GALANTE operated a large floating crap game with [REDACTED] and now serving time for murder in Florida. GALANTE has been active in counterfeiting and was picked up in 1950 for questioning relative to his knowledge of various East Side mobster activities regarding counterfeiting and illegal sale of alcohol. In August, 1930, GALANTE was arrested for the murder of Patrolman WALTER DE CASTILLA, who was killed trying to protect a payroll in Brooklyn. GALANTE was released for lack of evidence. On December 24, 1930, GALANTE was wounded by Detective [REDACTED] who surprised GALANTE and three other men in an attempted armed robbery of a truck. GALANTE was captured by Detective [REDACTED] after emptying his gun at the detective, piercing his overcoat several times and hitting him in the thigh. Two small children were wounded at the same time.

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GALANTE was suspected of the ownership of a large still with [REDACTED] at 71 Wanser Avenue, Inwood, Long Island, which was raided by Alcohol Tax Unit agents on July 30, 1934.

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On January 11, 1943, after reporting to the parole office at 80 Centre Street, New York City, GALANTE was trailed to a car by parole officers which was used shortly after in the murder of CARLO TRESKA, controversial anti-Fascist newspaperman, who was shot at 5th Avenue and 15th Street, New York City, within an hour after GALANTE had reported to parole officer. GALANTE was arrested for the murder but was never tried, being returned to prison for violation of parole.

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The New York District Attorney's office attempted for many years to show an association between GAROFALO and GALANTE with negative results.

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b7C GALANTE, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were arrested on September 4, 1947 while dismantling a still at 5 Berkley Place, Brooklyn, New York. The matter against the defendants was dismissed on July 6, 1950.

b7C On December 16, 1950, GALANTE was arrested with [REDACTED] for operating a large floating crap game at 235 West 18th Street, New York City, in which there were 51 people.

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C. CARLO TRESKA Murder

The files of the New York State Parole Office, mentioned above, reflected that CARLO TRESKA was murdered January 11, 1943 at 9:40 p.m. at 5th Avenue in New York City. He was shot by an unidentified assailant, who then entered a Ford sedan in which two accomplices were believed to be waiting.

On January 12, 1943, an abandoned Ford was found two blocks from the scene of this murder with New York license 1C 9272, which was believed by the Police Department to be the vehicle used by the escaped murders.

On the evening of January 11, 1953, CARMINE GALANTE reported to his parole officer and upon leaving the parole office was placed under surveillance. It was suspected that GALANTE was violating the provisions of his parole and the parole officers were attempting to ascertain his activities.

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After leaving the parole office, he was observed to enter a Ford sedan, license number 1C 9272, which was noted by the parole officers. Since they had no vehicle available and no other transportation was immediately available, they were unable to continue this surveillance.

The following day the parole officers noted the murder of CARLO TRESKA and the description of the vehicle found abandoned in the vicinity of this murder, at which time they advised the District Attorney's Office.

GALANTE was taken into custody on January 13, 1943 and held in violation of parole.

To date this murder has never been solved, although the District Attorney's Office and police officials are reasonably certain that GALANTE had some part in the TRESKA murder.

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In the "New York Times" edition of January 10, 1958, an article appeared describing the testimony of JOHN T. CUSACK, District Supervisor of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics. Mr. CUSACK testified as to his opinions regarding the reason for the meeting at Apalachin, New York, on November 14, 1957. He also offered a theory for the recent murder of ALBERT ANASTASIA in New York and named two men suspected of the responsibility of the 1953 assassination of CARLO TRESCA, anti-Fascist editor.

He identified CARMINE GALANTE as the reputed blayer of TRESCA and stated that GALANTE was now engaged in a campaign to control narcotics, gambling and other rackets in Brooklyn, New York. These activities were receiving the attention of District Attorney EDWARD S. SILVER. FRANK GAROFALO was listed as the one who had ordered TRESCA's killing.

In the "Herald-Tribune" edition of January 10, 1958, CUSACK was quoted as saying, "FRANK GAROFALO is mentioned in the Bureau of Narcotics files in association with the late WILLY MORETTI and the late ABRAHAM DAVIDIAN, a California mobster believed to have been assassinated in 1949 by elements of the Mafia in California. GAROFALO is a close associate of JOSEPH PROFACI, Brooklyn's 'olive oil king,' who was at Apalachin."

"There have been reports in the underworld that JOSEPH DI PALERMO assisted GALENTE in carrying out the TRESCA murder by driving the get-away car."

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D. Parole Violation

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The New York State Parole investigation conducted to determine if GALANTE's parole should be revoked following his arrest as a suspect in the murder of CARLO TRESCA on January 13, 1943, gave the following summation of his activities since release from Sing Sing Prison on May 1, 1939. It was noted that he worked quite steady on a full-time basis until July, 1940 for the Lubin Artificial Flower Company, 552 West Broadway, New York City, and then part-time until February, 1941. Thereafter until about September, 1941 he was employed as a longshoreman at various piers. From September, 1941 to May 11, 1942, he was employed by the General Electro Plating Company, 176 Grand Street, New York City. He then received unemployment insurance until about August, 1942, at which time he was employed with the Knickerbocker Transportation Company, 383 Grand Street, and allegedly employed there until taken into custody on January 13, 1943. It had been alleged that he had been associating with [REDACTED] who was suspected of operating a still by the Federal ATU. However, ATU advised on October 10, 1941, that their informant was unable to identify GALANTE or [REDACTED]. He was charged with associating with an ex-convict, JOSEPH DI PALERMO, on January 12, 1943 and for driving an automobile for about a 6 months period of time, such being unauthorized under the terms of his parole. He was returned to prison to serve the remaining portion of his sentence.

E. Vehicle Violations

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Records of [REDACTED] reflected that the subject was issued an original drivers license permit #5311017 on September 3, 1952. This permit was lost and he was reissued operators permit number 125781 which was suspended on June 20, 1956 for 11 traffic summons during the period May 10, 1952 to December 13, 1955.

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F. 1956 Speeding Arrest

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The following information was furnished to
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[REDACTED] New York, on October 22, 1956:

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[REDACTED] CARLINE GALANTE, 274
Marcy Avenue, Brooklyn, New York. He was described
as a white male, 46 years old, 5'5" tall, 160 pounds,
born February 21, 1910. [REDACTED]

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He stated that he owned and operated the Robina Costume
Company, 1515 70th Street, Brooklyn, and he was also a
partner in the Bonfire Restaurant, 5460 Decarie
Boulevard, Montreal, Canada, with a HARRY SHIP and a
LOUIS GRECO. [REDACTED]

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GAROFALO, 339 East 58th Street, New York City.

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was accompanied by Attorney RENO ALLIO of Johnson City, New York, 'an associate of all the local racketeers, and an attorney for many of them.

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GAROFALO, like GALANTE, was very evasive but did state that the three men had come to this area on October 17 instead of the 18th as stated by GALANTE. His reason for coming to this area was to see the "great IBM factories." He was described as a white male, 65 years old, 5'7" tall, 170 pounds, wearing glasses, brown eyes, gray hair, and speaking with decided Italian accent. He stated that he owned and operated the Highgrade Packing Company at the above 58th Street address. He exhibited a card of this company which contained his name and also an address of Post Office Box 1370, Merced, California.

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CARMINE GALANTE was charged with the following violations of the Vehicle and Traffic Law:

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1. Speeding (5-56-3)
2. Unlicensed operator (3-20-4-A)
3. Unauthorized use of another's license (3-20-3)

GALANTE was arraigned before Town of Windsor, New York Justice of the Peace RICHARD B. KLAUSNER. He pled not guilty to all of the charges and was released on \$200.00 bail on each charge, a total of \$600.00. The case was adjourned until October 25 at 7:00 p.m.

A check with the Department of Correction revealed that CARMINE GALENTE under the name of CARMINE GALANTO, CARMINE GALANTE, CARMINE GALANTI, JOSEPH RUSSO, CHARLES BRUNO, and CARMONE GALANTE had a lengthy criminal record. He was identified as New York State DCI #137561X, and New York City Police Department #B36994. He had been arrested for petit larceny, grand larceny, attempted robbery and assault, assault second degree, homicide, violation of parole and violation of the Internal Revenue Code.

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b7D On November 20, 1956, [REDACTED] advised that GALANTE on November 9, 1956, had been sentenced by Justice RICHARD KLAUSNER of Windsor, New York, to 30 days in the Broome County Jail for unlicensed driving, fined him \$100.00 for speeding and fined him \$50.00 for using another driver's license.

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b7D [REDACTED] attempts were made to have leniency exercised in GALANTE's sentence.

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b7D [redacted] his opinion GALANTE and his associates probably had a large still operation in the making and GALANTE was the key man. He stated that he based his opinion on the fact that GALANTE and his friends had extensive records for illicit still operations and the fact that they were tied in with a grocery wholesaler and trucker.

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b7D In connection with the above information concerning GALANTE [redacted]

b7C [redacted] requested an investigation of the activities, businesses and criminal records of CARMINE GALANTE, FRANK GAROFALO, [redacted] b7C JOSEPH BARBARA and [redacted] b7C

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b7D A portion of this report of investigation of [redacted] dated December 7, 1956, is set out below:

b7C "CARMINE GALANTE, a top flight man in the American Syndicate, has a long criminal record being involved at various times in armed robbery, homicide, manufacture and transportation of illicit alcohol and gambling, being closely associated with [redacted] b7C [redacted] in most of his activities, both having achieved powerful positions in the Italian underworld after the killing of CARLOS TRESCA, a controversial left-wing newspaper editor in 1943. GALANTE is closely associated with FRANK GAROFALO and [redacted] intimate associates of [redacted] and [redacted] reported to be the leaders of the Mafia in the United States. [redacted] b7C very active in big time still operations for many years, is reported to have recently become one of the top narcotic dealers in America, being associated with CHARLES LUCIANO, who was arrested in Rome, Italy, in 1949 when [redacted] was attempting to bring 10 kilos of heroine into the United States.

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b7C [REDACTED] was closely associated with [REDACTED]
b7C [REDACTED] brother-in-law of [REDACTED] in a
\$1,000,000.00 forgery of American Express Travelers' checks.

b7C "When registering at the Arlington Hotel on
October 17, 1956, the three occupants of CALENDRILO's
Oldsmobile were GALANTE, [REDACTED] and GAROFALO.

b7D FRANK GAROFALO has never been arrested to [REDACTED]
b7C [REDACTED] knowledge and professed to be a legitimate
businessman. GALANTE and [REDACTED] are notorious
criminals and in registering at the hotel would in all
probability use fictitious names [REDACTED]

2. New Jersey Law Enforcement Council

b7C In January, 1958, the New Jersey Law Enforcement
b7D Council conducted an investigation into the activities
of Captain CHRIS GLEITSMANN and Detective Sergeant
PETER J. POLICASTRO of the West New York, New Jersey
Police Department. Considerable publicity appeared in
New York local newspapers concerning their attempts
to intercede with the New York State Police in October,
1956 on the behalf of CARMINE GALANTE, who had been
arrested for speeding by the New York State Police in
October, 1956. The New Jersey Law Enforcement Council
opened their hearing in Newark, New Jersey, in an effort
to obtain factual information concerning these allegations.

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Commissioner ERNEST J. MODARELLI was also named as being behind the effort of GLEITSMANN to intercede for GALANTE. This investigation resulted in the suspension of GLEITSMANN, POLICASTRO and MODARELLI, the latter who held an additional job as issuing pistol permits for Hudson County. Captain GLEITSMANN, when testifying, claimed he had gained the acquaintance of a JOE LANZINI, proprietor of the ABCO Vending Machine Company, West New York, New Jersey, and had gone to upstate New York at JOE's request to try and get one of his salesmen out of jail. He related how Sergeant CROSWELL stopped his intercession attempts by showing him GALANTE's extensive criminal record. ANTHONY CALANDRILLO of Garfield, New Jersey, whose car GALANTE was driving when arrested in October, 1956, testified that he had only known GALANTE by his first name along with the other fellows who hung around the ABCO Vending Machine Company.

MODARELLI evaded the issuance of a subpoena to appear before the New Jersey Law Enforcement Council and remained in hiding until the New Jersey Law Enforcement Council was no longer in official existence due to expiration of the legislative term.

In a report released to the press, the Law Enforcement Council stated that the conduct of West New York Police Commissioner ERNEST J. MODARELLI and Detective Captain CHRIS GLEITSMANN strongly suggests that their relationship with the criminal element may go much deeper than intercession and attempted bribery on behalf of an ex-convict.

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The Broome County Grand Jury of Binghamton opened an inquiry into the charges of police influence on behalf of CARMINE GALANTE. Despite the dropping of charges by the Chairman of the New York Legislative Watchdog Committee, they named additional persons as being interested in the speeding arrest of CARMINE GALANTE, one of whom was identified as VINCENT MACRI, described as the Capital Hill Mystery Man who got the State Division of Veterans Affairs to look into the speeding arrest of GALANTE.

An article appeared in the New York "World Telegram and Sun" dated February 4, 1958, concerning the New Jersey state probe by Deputy Attorney General CHARLES S. JOELSON who had obtained indictments against four West New York, New Jersey Police officials on misconduct and conspiracy charges. This indictment reportedly charged ERNEST J. MODARELLI, West New York Public Safety Commissioner; Police Chief FREDERICK J. ROOS; Detective Captain CHRIS GLEITSMANN; Detective Sergeant PETER POLICASTRO, and a man called only as "JOSEPH JOE," who was described as a man of dark complexion formerly employed by the ABCO Vending Company in which CARMINE GALANTE allegedly had an interest. It is believed that "JOSEPH JOE," mentioned above, is identical to JOSEPH ZICARELLI.

In the New York "Herald Tribune" dated February 20, 1958, an article appeared concerning the identity of the Albany, New York, man who intervened for CARMINE GALANTE concerning his 1956 traffic arrest. This person was identified by Acting State Investigation Commissioner, ARTHUR L. REUTER, as being NATHAN WEINSTEIN. It was reported that VINCENT MACRI, who was described as a Legislative Consultant, had been asked by Mr. WEINSTEIN to get information concerning the arrest of CARMINE GALANTE. WEINSTEIN was described as being an Albany liquor dealer who was presently in a semi-conscious state in Albany Hospital and had been recently declared judicially incompetent about five or six months ago.

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V. LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

A. Rosina Costume Company

At the time of GALANTE's arrest on October 18, 1956, he stated he owned and operated the Rosina Costume Company, 1515 70th Street, Brooklyn, New York, and that he was also a partner in the Bon Fire Restaurant, 5460 Decarie Boulevard, Montreal, Canada, along with a HARRY SHIP and a LOUIS GRECCO.

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[REDACTED] stated he has no knowledge of any illegal payments to CARMINE GALANTE, union officials, or alleged racketeers. He advised he has no knowledge of racketeering on the part of CARMINE GALANTE or any of his associates, whose identities he denied knowing. He further related he has no knowledge of any racketeering in the garment industry.

On April 4, 1958, the FBI Identification Division furnished an Identification Record for [REDACTED] under FBI# [REDACTED] which reflected the following:

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B. ABCO (ABSCO) Vending Machine Company

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[REDACTED] mentioned previously, advised that GALANTE is connected with the ABSCO Vending Company, Incorporated, 5012 Palisades Avenue, West New York, New Jersey. The company was incorporated on February 4, 1955, at which time it was declared that

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the business of the company would be operating cigarette machines and juke boxes. The officers were reported to be SAMUEL ATKINS, STEVE SCHWARTZ and E. B. AZAROW.

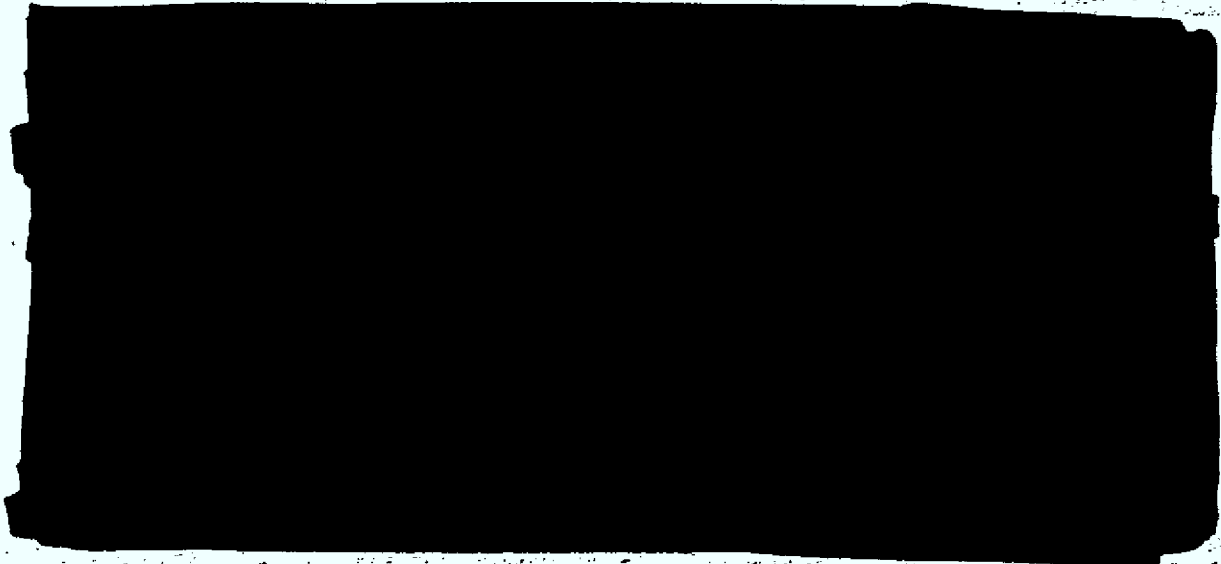
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In connection with the above-mentioned ABCO Vending Company, the "Newark Star Ledger" on December 19, 1957, carried an article stating that CARMINE GALANTE, a Brooklyn racketeer, had a direct line from the ABCO Vending Company to the West New York Police Headquarters. In connection with this allegation, Police Chief FREDERICK ROOS of the West New York Police Department stated, "I know it (the line) doesn't exist now and I never knew of it existing." He did state there was a burglar alarm system from ABCO to Police Headquarters when he was a Captain. ROOS stated the alarm had been discontinued.

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since the firm moved out of West New York some six months ago.

The Newark Office advised that it had been determined that ABCO had moved from West New York and was now known as the Star Novelty Company, 501 New York Avenue, Union City, New Jersey, telephone number Union 6-6575.

A local newspaper reported that CHARLES A. DOWD of the New Jersey Bell Telephone Company testified before the New Jersey Law Enforcement Council that the burglar alarm connecting the ABCO Vending Company with the West New York Police Department was a non-talking hookup, but admitted that a signaling device could be placed at either end.

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b7C The records of [redacted] mentioned previously reflected that they received information on [redacted] that CARMINE GALANTE and [redacted] had transferred their juke box interest from New York City to West New York, New Jersey, and had set up business with a direct line into West New York, New Jersey Police Department Headquarters via telephone.

C. Latamer Shipping Company

1. Background

b7C It has been alleged that subject along with [redacted] is the money behind the Latamer Shipping Company, 10 East 49th Street, New York City. This company allegedly deals in the purchase and selling of aviation parts and equipment to all parts of the world. In view of [redacted] prior record of dealing in contraband arms and ammunition, and the alleged association of GALANTE with foreign countries, the activities of the Latamer Shipping Company were suspected of being within complete legal bounds.

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On March 27, 1958, the Certificate of Incorporation filed at the Kings County Clerk's Office, New York City, for the Latamer Shipping Company, was examined by SA [REDACTED]. This certificate, number 4328, was filed on May 10, 1957, with the name Latamer Shipping Company, Incorporated, and its purpose was to engage in business in the various states, territories and districts of the United States, and in foreign countries; to buy and sell merchandise offered by foreign manufacturers for sale and disposal in domestic and foreign markets; to buy and sell merchandise offered by domestic manufacturers for sale and disposal in domestic and foreign markets; and to engage generally in the import and export business.

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The total number of shares that may be issued by the corporation was 200, all of which were without par value. The directors of the company were listed as follows:

JOSEPH LINARDI
10 East 49th Street
New York, New York

SAM ATKINS
285 Broadway
Bayonne, New Jersey

SAM GIARRUSO
141 East 21st Street
Brooklyn, New York

Each of the above directors were listed as having one share of stock each. This Certificate of Incorporation was signed by the three above listed individuals on April 17, 1957, and sworn to before JACK M. RADSKIN, Notary Public, Kings County, and filed by JOHN A. MC AVINUE, 253 Broadway, New York City, on April 23, 1957.

b7C It is to be noted that in connection with the above listed [REDACTED] it is believed that he is identical to [REDACTED] who is known to use this as an alias and since his mother's maiden name is [REDACTED]

b7C The following individuals or concerns were contacted by SA [REDACTED] on the dates indicated, but none were able to furnish any information concerning the Latamer Shipping Company; on March 26, 1958:

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[REDACTED] Export Section, United States Customs House, Bowling Green, New York.

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[REDACTED] of the Ship Operations Branch, Atlantic Coast District, Maritime Administration, 45 Broadway, New York City.

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[REDACTED] the Custom Brokers and Forwarders Association of America, 8 Bridge Street, New York City.

Other government investigative agencies advised in March, 1958, that they were unable to locate any record or information concerning the Latamer Shipping Company or the officials of this company.

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VI. TRAVEL AND CURRENT ACTIVITIES

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B. Automobiles

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4T-99-20 New York
1995 Oldsmobile sedan - two tone white and green
Issued to JOSEPHINE MELINO (GALANTE's sister)
24-54 37th Street, Astoria, Long Island

5T-26-11 New York
1951 Buick sedan - black and gray
Issued to JOSEPH PALLADINO
220 East 179th Street, New York City

H/A 9J9 New Jersey
1956 Oldsmobile coupe - white
Issued to ANTHONY CALENDRILLO
205 Patterson Avenue, Lodi, New Jersey

C. Past Travel

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D. Current Travel

In the "New York Journal American", dated January 9, 1958, an article appeared stating that a law enforcement official told the "New York Journal American" that CARMINE GALANTE was seen in Havana two days ago. He stated that prior to that, GALANTE was observed in Miami Beach in the company of three well-known gangsters. This official was quoted as saying, "We have every reason to believe that GALANTE may be planning to move into the operations of Havana's Sans Souci gambling concession."

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In the "New York Daily Mirror," dated January 11, 1958, an article appeared in connection with the investigation being conducted by the New York Legislative "Watchdog" Committee. It was reported that investigators had said that GALANTE had been reported to have left the United States for Italy, but that the Interior Ministry at Rome had said an extended check had failed to show his entry.

The "New York Herald Tribune," dated January 8, 1958, carried an article stating that GALANTE was believed to have fled to Italy, where he could enlist the aid of LUCKY LUCIANO for whom he used to run narcotics in Harlem.

The "New York Times," on January 11, 1958, reported that GALANTE was reported to have fled from the Apalachin meeting; possibly to Italy, but that Interior Ministry sources in Rome had said an extended check had failed to produce any evidence that he was in that country.

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E. Current Activities

1. Alrae Hotel

b7C On March 6, 1958, Special Agents of the FBI observed [REDACTED] driving a 1954 Pontiac bearing New Jersey license HH 7525. This vehicle was determined to be registered to [REDACTED] b7C
b7C [REDACTED] Jersey City, New Jersey. On March 23, 1958, Special Agents of the FBI observed this same Pontiac sedan parked in the vicinity of 51st Street and Park Avenue, New York City. Later that afternoon two males were observed to enter this Pontiac and drive to Newark, New Jersey. They were believed to be [REDACTED] and CARMINE GALANTE. On the evening of March 23, 1958, they returned to New York City. They picked up a third man at 51st Street and Park Avenue. This third man was tentatively identified as [REDACTED] b7C
b7C [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] They drove to the Alrae Hotel, 51 East 64th Street, where they registered under the names [REDACTED] Miami Beach, Florida, and CH. GANER. After registering the three individuals departed the hotel where the third man believed to be [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] alighted at the corner of 51st Street and Park Avenue. [REDACTED] and GALANTE then continued to the Bamontis Restaurant on Wither Street, in Brooklyn.

b7C On the evening of April 2, 1958, Special Agents of the FBI observed [REDACTED] CARMINE GALANTE b7C and [REDACTED] and one other unidentified male accompanied

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b7C by two unidentified females having dinner in the L'Amorique Restaurant. Later this evening, [REDACTED] was observed to be driving a 1957 Plymouth license number EL 1313, registered to [REDACTED] Bayonne, New Jersey.

b7C On April 3, 1958, the occupants of Suite 10-A of the Alrae Hotel checked out. Shortly thereafter [REDACTED] and GALANTE were observed to enter the 1957 Plymouth and drive through the heart of Manhattan in a circuitous manner and proceed through the Brooklyn Battery Tunnel to the vicinity of 2850 Shore Parkway, Brooklyn, New York. GALANTE departed this vehicle and was observed to enter the premises to the rear of this apartment building.

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b7C On April 4, 1958, it was determined by an examination of the mailboxes located in the foyer at 2850 Shore Parkway, Brooklyn, New York, that an [REDACTED] Apartment 6-C [REDACTED] was the most likely occupant of that building that GALANTE had visited since it had previously been reported that he was a close associate. [REDACTED] has been described to be [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] has further been described as an enforcer for the GALANTE organization. [REDACTED]

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VII. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

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parole officers that "LILLO" was the boyhood nickname of
CARMINE GALANTE, and [REDACTED] had known him since childhood.

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The following is a composite description of the
subject as obtained from [REDACTED]
New York State Parole records, and other records mentioned
previously in this report:

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True Name:
Aliases:

~~CARMINE GALANTE~~ - *Summary*
~~CAMILLO GALANTE~~
"Lelo," "Lilo," Charles
Bruno, Joe Dello, Joe
Gagliano, Joe Galiceno,
Joe Gagalino, Joe Lelo,
Joe Lilo, Joe Leio, Joe
Nelo, Bruno Russo, Charles
Russo, Joe Russo

Sex:
Race:
Age:
Date of Birth:

Male
White
57
February 21, 1919, at

Residence:

New York City, N.Y.
274 Marcy Avenue
Brooklyn, New York

Height:
Weight:
Build:
Hair:

5'5"
160-170 lbs. *C.*
Stocky
Brown; graying; bald on
top

Complexion:
Scars and Marks:

Dark
Small round burn scar
left forearm, inner side;
small diagonal scar second
joint, right thumb; small
diagonal scar left side
forehead; round boil scar
on back of neck

Peculiarities or
Characteristics:

IQ of 90, reportedly
emotionally dull, and
allegedly a vicious killer
Owner, Rosina Costumer Company
1515 70th Street,
Brooklyn, New York

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Marital Status:

Wife - HELEN GALANTE

274 Marcy Avenue,
Brooklyn, New York

Immediate Relatives:

Son - JAMES GALANTE, born
January 27, 1946

Daughter - CAMILLA GALANTE,
born January 24, 1951

Daughter - ANGELA GALANTE,
born November 14, 1952

Brother - SAM GALANTE
107-01 109th Street
Richmond Hill
Queens, New York

Brother - PETER GALANTE

Sister - ANGELINA GALANTE VOLPE
1262 Blake Avenue
Brooklyn, New York

Sister - JOSEPHINE GALANTE
VOLPE
1262 Blake Avenue
Brooklyn, New York

Nationality:

American

FBI Number:

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New York City Police
Department, Bureau of
Criminal Identification
Number:

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VIII. ARMED AND DANGEROUS

On January 28, 1958, [REDACTED]

Brooklyn,

New York, advised SA [REDACTED] that he became acquainted with GALANTE in 1930, at the time of GALANTE's arrest for an attempted holdup. He stated that two other individuals were also involved in this holdup, and GALANTE stayed behind and shot it out with arresting officers, permitting the other

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two individuals to escape. He stated that from his experience with GALANTE at this time and the information he has learned since then, he considers GALANTE to be a vicious killer with no emotions whatsoever. He added that since GALANTE's involvement in the murder of CARLO TRESKA and the fact that he refused to talk concerning this, he began his rise in the criminal underworld to where he now occupies the position of a trusted lieutenant.

He stated that GALANTE is the type who would be given such an assignment as the murder of ALBERT ANASTASIA, which was committed in October, 1957. He based this opinion on the fact that no matter what illegal activities GALANTE might be caught in or charged with, he has the reputation of not talking.

IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT GALANTE IS KNOWN TO HAVE CARRIED FIREARMS IN THE PAST, TO HAVE SHOT AT LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ATTEMPTING TO APPREHEND HIM, AND IN VIEW OF HIS LONG CRIMINAL RECORD FOR ASSAULT AND ROBBERY, HE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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[REDACTED] that the Castelmmares Gang was the most powerful in NYC and that FRANK GAROFALO and CARMINE GALANTE belonged to this gang. He added that [REDACTED] of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers used the services of this gang.

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The office of the Latamer Shipping Co., Inc. is managed by one NICK DUGANIS. He is of Greek extraction and resides in Astoria, Queens, NY.

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It is to be noted that NY files contain information concerning [redacted] who figured in the investigation of the case entitled [redacted]

[redacted] He is known to have associated with the underworld for a number of years.

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Also in the office of the Latamer Co. at 10 E. 49th St. is [redacted] He is the right-hand man for CARMINE GALANTE who is still in Havana, Cuba.

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In addition to running the Latamer Co., GALANTE and [REDACTED] also operate a loan shark business. [REDACTED] business is separate and apart from that operated by GALANTE and [REDACTED]

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The Latamer Shipping Co, Inc., uses the switchboard telephone at 10 E. 49th St., which is Plaza 9-7950. However, there are two unlisted telephones in that office.

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Dissemination

Information concerning the financial interests of the subject has been disseminated to the New York Office of the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

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