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AND
PRIVACY ACTS**

SUBJECT: JOHN DILLINGER GANG

FILE: 62-29777

SECTION 12



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

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

April 14, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases, I.O.
1217 - FUGITIVE, et al.
NMFTA. HARBORING FUG. FROM JUSTICE.

In conformance with Division's teletype message of April 12, 1934, there follows an itemized list of expenditures which accrued in connection with the hospitalization and treatment of Edward Green alias Eugene Green at the Ancker Hospital in St. Paul:

Hospital:

8 days (April 3 to 11, 1934) @ \$3.00 per day	\$24.00
X-ray	6.00
Operating room	5.00
Total	\$35.00

Nurses (hired by Frank Green):

Marie Tinklenberg, 8 days @ \$4.00	32.00
Sally Galbert, 8 days @ \$4.00	32.00
Marie Grethen, 7 days @ \$4.00	28.00
Total	92.00

Doctor:

Dr. E. Mendelsohn Jones	\$200.00
Total	200.00
	\$327.00

Expenses, Ancker Hospital St. Paul

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Concerning these estimations, Mr. Nathan, Mr. Rorer, Mr. Hanni, and myself are in agreement that it would be a matter of wisdom for the Division to arrange for the payment of any portion of this amount which is not paid for by the members of the family of Green or by his estate. It is to be pointed out that one of the nurses stated that she has not worked for some time and there appears to be considerable doubt that the Greens will make the payment. This, of course, is a matter which the subsequent events will determine. The opinion prevails that because of the fact that the hospital officials, the nurses, and the doctors cooperated fully with the Division in efforts to procure information from Green, and in view further of the fact that the hospital and the attendants were in no way responsible for the criminal career of Green, it would be the proper thing for the Division to see that these claims are properly settled.

Very truly yours,


H. H. CLEGG,
Inspector.

HHC:HVS

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

Room 318 4-16 1934.

To: Director
 Mr. Nathan
 Mr. Edwards
 Mr. Clegg
 Mr. Lester
 Miss Gandy
 Mrs. Kelley
 Chief Clerk
 Chief, Unit _____
 Personnel Files
 Files
 Equipment Section
 Supervisor, Steno. Pool
 Inspector
 Miss Sheaffer.

I do not agree that
the Division should
bear these expenses
and I doubt that
the General Account-
ing office would
pass any such
vouchers

I agree.

J. E. T.
Clyde Tolson.

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April 18, 1934.

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

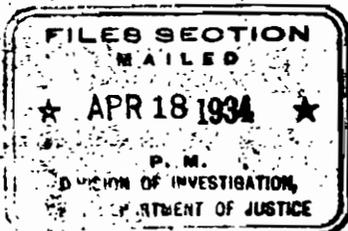
Dear Mr. Clegg:-

The Division has received your letter dated April 14th, with further reference to the matter of expenditures incurred in connection with the hospitalization and treatment of Edward Green, alias Eugene Green at the Anchor Hospital in St. Paul.

The Division does not agree with the officials in St. Paul to the effect that the Government should bear these hospital expenses. As a matter of fact, it is most doubtful that a voucher covering these expenditures would be passed by the General Accounting Office. It is desired that no indication be given by anyone connected with the Division in St. Paul that this Division will pay or attempt to pay these expenses.

Sincerely yours,

Director.



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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 12, 1934.

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

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Clegg telephoned me late on Wednesday concerning the death of Subject Eugene Green at St. Paul. He states that at the time of the shooting of Green, Agents of the Division called an ambulance to take him to the hospital and that nurses in attendance were secured by his relatives. He states the hospital bill will be approximately \$50 and the total bill approximately \$200. Mr. Clegg stated that no request had been received for the Division to bear these expenses but he wanted to be advised as to the manner of requesting reimbursement for such expenses in the event it is found necessary that they should be paid by the Division.

I spoke to Mr. Gardner concerning this matter, who stated that the proper procedure would be to prepare a regular voucher containing the items of these expenses and a full explanation of the circumstances surrounding the shooting of Green. He felt that it would be necessary to transmit the voucher to the General Accounting Office for a decision as to whether the expenses might be borne by the Government.

Personally, I see no reason why the Government should pay these expenses. I have prepared the attached teletypewriter message to Mr. Clegg concerning this matter for your consideration.

Respectfully,

←
Clyde Tolson.

Enclosure.

*Memo Mr Tolson
Mr Cowley
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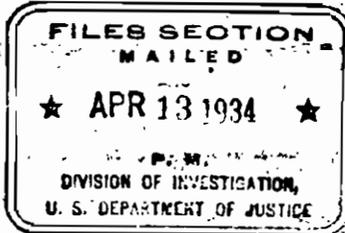
MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON
MR. COWLEY

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With reference to the inquiry which has been made by the St. Paul Office as to who is to pay the expenses at the hospital for Eugene Green, who was shot by Agents of this Division, I see no reason why the Federal Government should, under any of these circumstances, pay for the care of such persons. Any person shot engaged in lawless activities certainly cannot be considered as a patient of the Government.

Very truly yours,

Director.





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P. O. Box #786,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

It is noted that Fox was a close associate of [redacted] it is possible that this address in Grodo, West Virginia, [redacted] as the headquarters for making contacts, either person or [redacted] April 9, 1934
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It is further noted that Joseph Fox's mother and several Special Agent in Charge, 805 E. Main Street, Reading, Ohio. Chief of Police, Division of Investigation, informed this office as to Mrs. Joseph Fox, U. S. Department of Justice, to Grodo, West Virginia, P. O. Box #987, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Very truly yours,

Re: John Herbert Dillinger, with aliases,
I. O. #1217, et al
NAT'L MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT
Special Agent in Charge

Dear Sir:

Joseph Fox, #13883, who escaped from Indiana State Prison, Michigan City, Indiana, September 26, 1933, is described, as follows:

CC: Division	Age	29 years
Chicago	Height	5' 9"
Detroit	Weight	154 lbs.
St. Paul	Build	Medium
	Eyes	Yellow slate
	Hair	Dark chestnut
	Complexion	Medium
	Occupation	Glass worker
	Marks and scars	Large irregular scar left wrist posterior. Diagonal scar 1" above left brow.
	F. P. C.	(23) 29 L 100 19 R R 001 18
	Criminal record	Sentenced 6-25-30 to life term for bank robbery Franklin County.

Joseph Fox's wife, Mrs. Joseph Fox, 8343 Woodbine Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, is reported to have made several visits to her mother, Mrs. Ernest Farris, Grodo, West Virginia. It is believed advisable that this address be covered upon the possibility that Joseph Fox might be

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meeting his wife there. It is noted that Fox was a close associate of Dillinger and it is possible that this address in Grede, West Virginia, might be the headquarters for making contacts, either personal or by mail.

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It is further noted that Joseph Fox's mother and several other relatives reside at 808 Main Street, Reading, Ohio. Chief of Police W. Hilderbrant, Reading, informed this office as to Mrs. Joseph Fox making several trips by bus to Grede, West Virginia.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge

CC: Division
Chicago
Detroit
St. Paul

As per my telephone call
E.J.C.

U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

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

Tel.- Caledonia 5-8691

VCZ:PB

April 11, 1934.

Manager,
Pine Valley Field,
Clementon, N. J.

Dear Sir:

I am forwarding to you herewith four (4) copies each of our two Identification Orders numbered respectively 1217 (JOHN DILLINGER) and 1220 (JOHN HAMILTON), which circulars I should be pleased to have you show to the various employees at your airport in order that they may be familiar with the photographs and descriptions of both Dillinger and Hamilton, and also have the circulars at hand at your office should either or both of the individuals named in them come under notice.

In the event any information is obtained by yourself or any of your employees concerning either John Dillinger or John Hamilton, please communicate by phone call collect to this office - Caledonia 5-8691.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

F. X. Fay
F. X. FAY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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MESSAGE TO BE TRANSMITTED BY TELETYPEWRITER

TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT
M H CLEGG AT ST PAUL

REFERENCE REQUEST INFORMATION CONCERNING HANDBOOK COVERING EXPENSES HOSPITAL
GREEN CASE PROPER PROCEDURE WOULD BE TO SUBMIT REGULAR VOUCHER ITEMIZING
EXPENSES WITH FULL STATEMENT CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING SHOOTING OF GREEN
STOP DIVISION DESIRES MATTER TO BE SUBMITTED HERE FOR APPROVAL PRIOR
TO SUBMISSION ANY VOUCHER OR INDICATION THAT DIVISION WILL BEAR HOSPITAL
OR OTHER EXPENSES WITH STATEMENT OF VIEWS OFFICIALS AT ST PAUL

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*Edwin Lincoln
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 - MR. CLEGG
 - MR. COWLEY
 - MR. EDWARDS
 - MR. EGAN
 - MR. QUINN
 - MR. LESTER
 - CHIEF CLERK
 - MR. ROBER
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READY ON YOUR CONFERENCE

DIV INVEST CHICAGO 4-16-34 AM RMW

DIRECTOR AND HANNI

JOHN DILLINGER FUGITIVE ETAL NMVTA AT HEARING THIS MORING IN FEDERAL COURT GOVERNMENT CONTENTED THAT THE DEFENSE SHOULD HAVE COME INTO COURT ON A WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS INSTEAD OF A PETITION TO REDUCE BOND COURT WILL HEAR ARGUMENTS ON THIS POINT TOMORROW MORNING AND THEREFORE HEARING CONTINUED UNTIL THAT TIME

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P. O. Box 515
St. Paul, Minnesota



April 11, 1934.

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

Re: JOHN DILLINGER with
aliases, I. O. 1217,
et al. - N.M.V.T.A.
and HARBORING

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith four envelopes found in Safety Deposit Box No. 172 in the Liberty State Bank of St. Paul, Minnesota. In these envelopes was enclosed the sum of \$4,644.00 in twenty, ten, five, two and one dollar bills. The serial numbers of these bills have been taken and they are being checked by the St. Paul office.

It is desired that these envelopes be submitted to the criminal laboratory for the proper process.

Very truly yours

H. H. Clegg
H. H. CLEGG
Inspector

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MESSAGE TO BE TRANSMITTED BY TELETYPEWRITER.

TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT
~~XXXXXXXX XX~~ ST PAUL MINN

JOHN BILLINGER WA IO 1219 FUGITIVE SPAL MEXIA

IN YOUR TELEPHONE CONVERSATION OF APRIL 10 WITH MR COWLEY YOU ADVISED
THAT BESSIE SKINNER ALIASES GREEN ETC WAS TAKEN INTO FEDERAL COURT ON
A PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS AND STATED THAT SHE DID NOT KNOW
AND DID NOT DESIRE THE SERVICES OF THE ATTORNEYS WHO FILED SUCH PETITION.

THE DIVISION DESIRES THAT YOU PROMPTLY SUBMIT A DETAILED REPORT COVERING
THIS INCIDENT WITH NAMES OF WITNESSES AS WELL THE PAST ACTIVITIES AND
REPUTATION OF THESE ATTORNEYS WITH A VIEW TO INSTITUTING SOME ACTION
AGAINST THEM SUCH AS OBSTRUCTING OF JUSTICE OR DISBARMENT PROCEEDINGS.

SUGGEST A SWORN STATEMENT BE TAKEN FROM BESSIE SKINNER SETTING FORTH
HER ACQUAINTANCE WITH ATTORNEYS AND WHETHER SHE HAD SOLICITED THEIR
ASSISTANCE THROUGH OTHER PERSONS.

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515 Hayes Building
San Francisco, California.

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April 11, 1934.

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Dear Sir:

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Thanking you for your cooperation, I am

Very truly yours,

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

✓ c.c. Division

Re: John Dillinger, et al
N.M.V.T. Act.

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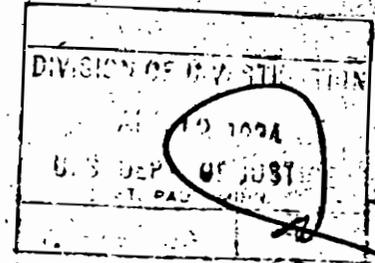


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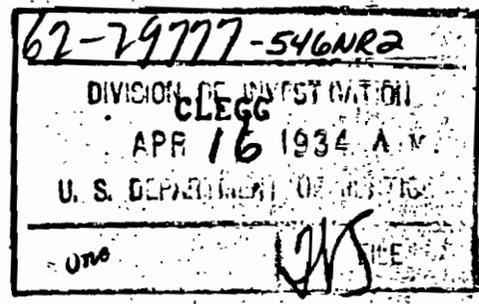
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JOHN DILLINGER NMVTA MINNESTTA 1934 LIN XXX O XXX LICENSE B95-264
ISSUED TO R D BATTIN FOR 1933 FORD COUPE MOTOR NO 18480865 GAVE
ADDRESS 4433 PORTLAND AVENUE NO SUCH ADDRESS IN ST PAUL

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1900 Bankers Bldg.,
Chicago, Illinois
April 14, 1934



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Dear Sir:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office,

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Thanking you for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

M. H. FURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge

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CC:Division
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases, FUG., I.O.#1217;
JOHN HAMILTON, with aliases, I.O. #1220; et al
NAT. MOT. VEH. THEFT ACT.
HARBORING A FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE.



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1900 Bankers Bldg.,
Chicago, Illinois
April 14, 1934.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Dear Sir:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office,

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Thanking you for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

JJW:TEH
CC:Division
28-5688

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge

RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases, FUG. I.O. #1217;
JOHN HAMILTON, with aliases, I.O. #1220; et al.
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.
Harboring Fugitive from Justice.

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San Francisco, California.

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Dear Sir:

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Thanking you for your cooperation, I am
Very truly yours,

S. B. Montgomery, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

S. S. Division

Re: John Dillinger, et al
N.M.V.T. Act.

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P. O. Box #788,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

MEK JH
#26-3288

April 14th, 1934.

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

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

Dear Sir:

Memorandum submitted as to the activities of
Division Agents in the Cincinnati District is being attached hereto
for your information, copy of this memorandum being furnished to
other interested offices.

Very truly yours,

H. B. KIRK,
Acting Special Agent in Charge.

- CC*Division ✓
- St. Louis
- Detroit
- St. Paul
- Los Angeles
- El Paso
- Birmingham
- Kansas City
- Jacksonville

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

MEK JH
#26-3708

April 14, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE:

Re: John Dillinger, with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1217, ET AL;
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE.

Special Agent H. D. Harris, Columbus, Ohio, reports
as follows:-

"Larry Van Schaik, Buckeye State Sheriff's Assn., in-
formed me today that he was present throughout the trial of Pierpont,
Makley and Clark at Lima, in charge of 'Army Intelligence' under
General Bush. He handed me the attached note, purportedly in code,
which he advised came by mail from Chicago, addressed to Pierpont,
during the early days of the trial, and suggested that it might be
possible to decode it and obtain something of value.

"Van Schaik further commented on various relatives of
these men who were interviewed by him during the trials, and while all
of these persons are known to the Division, some of his comments might
be of interest:

"Mrs. Lena Pierpont, mother of Harry Pierpont, Leipsic,
Ohio.

States she is quite capable of acting as contact between various members
of gang, and would do anything to keep gang together or to assist her
son. In Lima stayed with friends, name unknown, who run Mitchell Res-
taurant and live over this restaurant.

"Fred Pierpont, brother of Harry Pierpont, Leipsic,
Ohio.

States he skipped out and could not be located at time of trial and is
probably in St. Louis. It should be noted, however, that man claiming
to be Fred Pierpont visited Pierpont at Ohio Penitentiary on April 9,
1934.

"Fred Makley, brother of Makley. States he considers
him as very likely a contact man with gang. Is at St. Marys, Ohio.
Thinks other Makley relatives probably alright.

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Andrew Strachan, brother-in-law of Russell Clark, Detroit, Mich. States this man perjured himself at trial regarding ownership of Ford Sedan, Michigan plates Y-6030. States is a really 'tough mobster' and most likely of all relatives to be in touch with Billinger. States he was arrested at Detroit after trial in connection with ownership of above car, and has now secured another set of plates for this car, numbers unknown.

Beatrice Norton, sister of Clark, Detroit, Mich. States she is 'poison' and very likely in close contact with mob. States Clark's mother is probably alright, and is not trusted by the children or taken into their confidence.

Van Shaik also advised that he has confidential informants in Detroit, Toledo, Dayton, and Cincinnati, and if he learns anything of value will notify the Cincinnati Office of the Division immediately.

In connection with the code furnished by Larry Van Shaik, the same was transmitted to the Division under date of April 15, 1934.

In connection with the Ford V-8 Sedan, Tennessee license #176008, peace officers in the principal cities in the Cincinnati District have been advised to be on the look-out for this car.

On April 11, 1934, Special Agent F. E. Hurley called from Mt. Vernon, Ky., advising that Ford V-8 Sedan bearing Tennessee license #176-008, containing two men and a woman who appeared to have Auburn hair, was seen in that vicinity and that the car was pursued from Somerset trail between London and Somerset, Ky.; however, the trail was lost. Poses have been formed in that part of the country, with a view of locating this car and taking the occupants into custody; however, the car was not again sighted.

The activities of Agents at Springfield, Ky. and Bradfordville, Ky. are reported as follows:

At Springfield, Ky.

Agents A. C. Russell and F. E. Hurley ascertained that the Postmaster at Springfield is reliable; that he is an ex-Sheriff of Washington County, Ky. Interviewed him relative to this case. He could give no information of value. Nothing accomplished. Ascertained that damage might be done if the Sheriff should be interviewed. Decided not to do so at this time.

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At Bradfordville, Ky.

Again interviewed the Town Marshal, Ray Alistatt. Ascertained that he contacted Herman Morganson, Bradfordville, in a discreet manner on two occasions. Morganson was reticent. Refused to give out information, that is, Alistatt could not get any information out of him. The Marshal is of the opinion that Herman Morganson fears that anything he might tell would work against the interests of his wayward brother, Owen Morganson, Jones Fork region. Alistatt advised that he has found that appears to be a fine cooperator in the person of Frank Gabehart, Proprietor of the Gabehart Garage, Bradfordville. Advises that Gabehart is honest, discreet and well informed; that Gabehart is well acquainted with the Mullens, the Morgansons and others residing in the Jones Fork region; that Gabehart is intimately acquainted with Owen Morganson, Frank and Hugh Mullens and others including Frank Whitehouse of Lebanon, Ky. As a matter of fact, the above named persons frequently stop at his garage for repairs, oil and gasoline, etc. Suggested that Agents interview him and secure his cooperation.

Gabehart interviewed by Agents and Chief Alistatt.

Stated that he is intimately acquainted with the Morgansons and the Mullens brothers. Stated that Frank Whitehouse makes frequent trips to the Jones Fork region, about seven miles distant; that he made two trips this week, one last Sunday and again on Tuesday; makes them about one o'clock in the afternoon; leaves his wife in Bradfordville; was seen by Gabehart Tuesday with a young girl, curly hair, about 20 to 25 years, name and identity not known. They went up toward Jones Fork. Gabehart advises that the Morgansons and the Mullens have stopped making liquor, so he has been told. Therefore, the reason for the frequent trips of Frank Whitehouse is a mystery. Agents will follow this lead out tomorrow, April 18th. Whitehouse is still driving his green colored and yellow striped DeSoto car. Gabehart continued that a few days after Dillinger escaped from Crown Point, Ind., Frank Mullens drove into the Gabehart garage; stopped for automobile attention. A man was with him in Frank Whitehouse's car, the DeSoto. The man could not be seen by Gabehart as he was either drunk or sleeping; was bending over at the time; may have been drunk or sleeping; probably trying to avoid being seen and identified. Gabehart cannot tell which. Believes that the man was Dillinger; the incident happened about eight or nine in the evening. Gabehart seems certain that Dillinger was at Jones Fork at that time. Many others seem convinced of this fact. Gabehart advises that he believes Dillinger is still in the region; nothing definite learned as yet by Gabehart. He advises that if Dillinger is in the region, he will stop at the home of Hugh Mullens rather than with Frank Mullens; seems certain as to this latter statement. Hugh's home is harder to reach and located in wooded territory. Same is true of the country around the Morganson and the Frank Mullens

homes. Gabehart added that he feels certain that there is a lookout stationed in the fork of the roads in the near vicinity of the Mullens and Morganson homes; seems certain of this fact. Believes that there is one located in the heart of Bradfordville, looking for the approach of strangers going toward the Jones Fork settlement. Warns Agents of this apparent danger. Gabehart and Alstatt suggested that a trip to the bank at Gravel Switch, Ky. may result in obtaining information of value. Dillinger is in decided disfavor because of the bank robbery here last summer. This lead will be followed tomorrow, April 15th. Further, the homes of the Mullens brothers, Morganson, et al, can be approached from the north, that is, from the Lebanon - Danville Pike, as well as from Bradfordville. Should approach be made from the north, cars must travel through Gravel Switch. Appears that Dillinger would avoid this means of entrance to Jones Fork. However, Whitehouse could make it but, apparently, does not. Seems always to make the trip via Bradfordville.

Results of day's work

Nothing definite as yet where Dillinger may be located. If in the Jones Fork region, will be at the home of Hugh Mullens. Whitehouse apparently is not bootlegging but makes frequent trips toward the Mullens home. Seen Tuesday with a young, unidentified curly-haired girl. Both going toward Jones Fork. Whitehouse not uneasy, apparently. Best results are that Gabehart will cooperate with Agents and with Marshal Alstatt. Gabehart being the best informed and most reliable cooperator with the Chief. Is highly intelligent and smart. Herman Morganson evidently will not cooperate. He and the Chief made a long and friendly trip to Liberty, Ky., yesterday. Chief tried to get him to talk. Morganson was reluctant. Consequently, little can be hoped for from Morganson. Good results should be secured from Gabehart, a much better trained man and a far better citizen. Leads at Gravel Switch, Ky. should be of value. Will cover all angles, as far suggested. Close contacts will be maintained with Gabehart and Alstatt.

All work and inquiries done in close cooperation with Special Agent Russell. All leads and suggestions carefully considered with him.

At Columbus, Ohio, Special Agent E. D. Harris reports as follows:-

At the Ohio Penitentiary, on April 10, 1934, it was ascertained from Warden Preston E. Thomas and Daniel J. Bonzo, chief

parole and record clerk, that Makley, #68157, Pierpont, #68150, and Clark, #68151, have had no correspondence since their incarceration.

Under date of April 2, 1934, letter from Attorney Clarence C. Miller, 504 Citizens Bldg., Lima, Ohio, to the Warden, requested information as to whether himself, Miss Jessie Levy, and Wm. M. Fogarty might visit the prisoners in connection with plans for an appeal, and also inquired if relatives might visit them. Warden Thomas replied on April 4th, in the affirmative, to both questions.

On April 4, 1934, Pierpont was visited by Mrs. Lena Pierpont, mother, Leipsic, Ohio, and Mrs. Mary Pierpont, wife, 930 Dailey St., Indianapolis. Mr. Bonso informed the latter that she would have to bring her marriage certificate on the next visit and she said she would, but stated she married Pierpont under the name of Mary Northan, and that he used the name of Harry Northan.

On April 9, 1934, Pierpont was visited by J. S. Pierpont, father, and Fred Pierpont, brother, both of Leipsic, Ohio. Makley and Clark had had no visitors at this time.

On the evening of April 10, 1934, Mr. Bonso advised by telephone that Attorneys Jessie Levy, Clarence Miller, and Wm. Fogarty had visited all three prisoners from approximately 2:30 to 3:30 that afternoon. The Cincinnati Office was informed telegraphically of this, and reply requested efforts to locate Jessie Levy and place her under surveillance. Check was made of all Columbus hotels without result. Attempt was also made to ascertain if she or Fogarty had made train reservations for Indianapolis, but it was found that all trains from Columbus to Indianapolis during the evening and night fail to have a Columbus sleeper, and no seats or berths for Indianapolis had been sold.

During the check of hotels on the night of the 10th, early edition of the Columbus Journal for April 11th appeared on the streets, carrying an article about the visit of these attorneys to the Penitentiary and their plans for appealing the convictions. Upon calling at the editorial offices of the Journal in an effort to secure information as to the location of Jessie Levy, Agent, who did not disclose his identity, learned that the three attorneys had called at the Journal office about 5:00 P.M. on that day and had then furnished the basis for the story.

On the evening of April 11th, 1934, Agent was informed by Warden Thomas that Pierpont was visited about 3:00 to 3:30 P.M. on that date by his mother, and supposed wife; that prior to allowing them to see Pierpont he questioned the latter and she advised that her correct name is Mary Kinder, and finally admitted to him that she is not married to Pierpont; that she was then allowed to see Pierpont but was

told that it was her final visit; that the conversation between Pierpont and Mary Kinder was watched by a lip-reader and also partly overheard orally; that Pierpont told Mary to "go to St. Louis tomorrow and go to O'Connell's, not the one in the 6400 block, but the one closer in; get the key for the special lock to the apartment, which O'Connell has; then go to the apartment and get the machine guns and get rid of them; you know how to do that." In speaking of the O'Connells one of them was mentioned as John. This information was telephoned to the Cincinnati Office.

Inquiry at the air lines at Columbus indicated that Mary Kinder did not take a plane from Columbus any time on the afternoon or evening of the 11th.

Inasmuch as she could take only two trains from Columbus to St. Louis on the evening of the 11th, at 7:20 P.M., and 11:17 P.M., Agent checked on all persons taking these trains, including all persons entering the sleeping car for the latter train, from 10:00 P.M. to 11:17 P.M., without result. The only woman nearly answering the description of this woman was one who left on the 7:10 train, and it was ascertained that she purchased a ticket for Richmond, Ind. and took the day coach.

Warden Thomas advised that both women came to the Penitentiary in a large car, but that he did not secure the make or license number.

At Dayton, Ohio on April 10th, 1934, a car was seen in front of the plant at 214 Clay St., moving slowly and honking the horn. The car finally stopped in front of the premises. The car was a 1928 Chevrolet Coach, brown color, with an Ohio 1934 license #299632. It was ascertained that the Ohio license plates were issued to W. E. Ford of West Milton, Ohio. A few minutes after the car parked in front of 214 Clay St., Mary Longaker came out of the house and entered the car. The man driving the car was about 32 years of age, 5' 8", 150 pounds, medium build, dark hair, medium complexion. He wore a blue suit, white shirt, blue tie, light gray hat, with black band. This man and Mary Longaker proceeded to Keiths Theatre in Dayton, and then returned home. It was further ascertained that the license plates on the car had been transferred from Ford to Ray Paulus of 343 S. Miami St., West Milton, Ohio, on a Ford Coupe, model "T". It was ascertained that Paulus has resided at West Milton for the past ten years and he buys and sells and delivers ice to the residents there, and is considered to be a responsible young man. He was interviewed by Agent Nolan, and advised that he is 31 years of age, married and has no children, and he owns his own home. He states that on 4/9/34 he had gone to Dayton, Ohio in a Chevrolet Sedan to find employment, and while waiting in the employment office of the Frigidaire

Plant in Dayton, Ohio he met Mary Longaker, who was also attempting to secure employment; that he had known Mary Longaker for the greater part of his life, as both of them had been reared at Pleasant Hill, Ohio. He stated that he had made an appointment with Mary Longaker on 4/16/34 and called for her in his car and had taken her to Keith's Theatre at Dayton. He claims he knew nothing concerning Mary Longaker's habits of living, her friends, etc.; that while she has been with him she has never mentioned the names of any of her friends or associates, and that he does not know Dillinger or Dillinger's gang. He states that he might be able to secure some information regarding Dillinger the next time he sees her, which he will arrange within the next two weeks.

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William H. Wallace, Commercial Manager, Ohio Bell Telephone Co., Dayton, Ohio, has thoroughly checked his records but finds no telephone listed in the names of Mary Longaker at 214 Clay St., Claude Constable, [REDACTED] or Margaret Calloway. On 2/9/34 a call from Adams 6225, which is the Stricker Hotel in Dayton, Ohio, was made to Cherry 1979, Indianapolis, Ind., at 11:50 P.M.; the person making the call was not reported. This information has been furnished to the Agents at Indianapolis, Ind. In connection with the telephone of Attorney Egan, Dayton, Ohio, calls show that on 2/9/34 a call was made to Sheridan, Ind., near Indianapolis, to Dr. J. R. Reck, 8:28 P.M.

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A close check is being kept at the Stricker Hotel, 224 West First St., Dayton, Ohio, but no further activity was reported about the premises.

Agent Nolan telephoned on 4/15/34, advising that a Homer Van Meter had been located at Dayton, Ohio; however, this information was furnished by the police and Homer Van Meter was picked up and fingerprinted, but he was not identical with Subject Van Meter of I. O. #1222. He claimed not to be acquainted with Subjects in this case.

Special Agent Hurley advised that Ruby Whitehouse is now residing at 156 Kitchner St., Detroit, Mich., and that a sister-in-law of Ruby, a Mrs. Otis Whitehouse, is now residing at 1405 Lennox Ave., Detroit, Apartment 214. This information was furnished to the Detroit Office.

S.A.C. Larson of the Detroit Office called and advised

that Chrysler Coach bearing Indiana license plates #383-434 left the Clark residence in Detroit early on the morning of 4/12/34 and was followed by Special Agent Hall to within six miles of Muncie, Ind., where the car was lost. Three men and a woman were in the car. Mr. Larson believes that the telegram previously sent signed "Claude" has some connection with the individuals who were in this car. The license plates on this car were issued to Claude A. Horton, 120 Grayville Ave., Ellettsville, Ind., who also resides at Salma, Ind. This information was furnished to Mr. Larson previously.

67D On 4/12/34 S.A.C. Purvis telephoned from the Chicago Office, instructing that Special Agent H. B. Harris at Columbus, Ohio should be home at Columbus, Ohio at 1:00 P.M., 4/15/34; that a [redacted] would get in touch with him. [redacted] is a confidential informant in this matter.

Special Agent Nolan at Dayton, Ohio telephoned that Brady of the Pinkerton Detective Agency, Cincinnati, Ohio, has information that Attorney Driscoll of Cincinnati is holding a retainer fee of \$10,000.00 for the Billinger gang; that at the time Billinger was being held in jail at Dayton, Ohio, prior to his return to Lima, Ohio, Attorney Driscoll, accompanied by Jack Reynolds, National walter-weight wrestler,

67C [redacted] and Homer Van Meter, Subject of I. O. #1223, visited Billinger at Dayton, Ohio. Brady will be contacted for any further information he might have pertaining to this matter.

On 4/15/34 S.A.C. Connelley telephoned from Indianapolis, Ind., stating that he heard over the radio early on the morning of 4/15/34 that a hold-up had occurred at Warsaw, Ind., about 2:00 A.M., and that the parties were driving a large black sedan; that Billinger was identified by the victim as one of the persons who committed the hold-up. Details were lacking; however, he telephoned this information to the Chicago Division Office.

Mr. Connelley at Indianapolis, Ind. requested that authority be obtained from the Division, through the Cincinnati Office, to cover telephones of Attorney Jessie Levy, Indianapolis, Ind., office telephone Lincoln 2223, home telephone number Falbot 5497; Attorney Bessie Robbins, Indianapolis, Ind., office telephone Lincoln 2192, home telephone number Humboldt 5439.

Mr. Baughman of the Division was contacted by telephone by Special Agent Klein, in connection with the episode at Warsaw, Ind., and he advised that the Division had received a telegram from the Chicago Office, stating that Dillinger and a confederate held up the police station at Warsaw, Ind. and secured three steel vests and two .38 calibre pistols. Mr. Baughman suggested that Dillinger was probably looking for

machine guns, but none were obtained. Mr. Baughman also granted authority to go ahead with the telephone cover on Attorney Joseph [redacted] Robbing at Indianapolis.

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Mr. Clegg at St. Paul telephoned the Cincinnati Office at about 1:00 P.M., 4/13/34, and stated in substance that a confidential informant states Dillinger now has \$50,000.00 and is making arrangements on the inside of the penitentiary at Columbus, Ohio, as well as the outside, to liberate Pierpont, Makley and Clark, who are confined there; that Dillinger is securing steel vests, machine guns and other equipment, and it would indicate that this information is reliable inasmuch as Dillinger staged a raid at Warsaw, Ind., Police Department, apparently looking for machine guns, and also in view of the St. Louis angle of this case, in which Mary Kinder is supposed to proceed to St. Louis to secure the machine guns, in accordance with conversation had by her with Harry Pierpont at the penitentiary at Columbus.

Mr. Clegg instructed that a Division Agent, preferably Agent Harris, contact Warden Thomas at the penitentiary personally, and explain that the Division is taking him into their confidence, and explain the situation regarding Dillinger and his efforts to liberate members of the Dillinger gang; that all guards should be on the alert but that no State troops should be called. Mr. Clegg stressed the fact that no publicity should be given to the matter, and that no unusual guard arrangements should be made, as would be an indication to those on the inside that the information pertaining to the plans of the Dillinger gang had become known. Special Agent Harris was contacted in this connection and fully understands what is desired. Agent Harris also advises that about 1:00 P.M. on 4/13/34, informant [redacted] arrived and furnished him with certain facts in connection with the plans of the Dillinger gang.

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S.A.C. Ladd, St. Louis, called, 4/14/34, and stated the situation there is very indefinite; that an O'Connell family have been located in the 6400 block (street not stated) and are very high-class people; that this is the only O'Connell family residing in the 6400 block in that city, and cover is being maintained there. Also, air ports are being covered. Mr. Ladd was advised that possibly Fred Pierpont, brother of Harry Pierpont, might be in St. Louis at the time. Mr. Ladd was also advised that a news item appeared in the Cincinnati Enquirer of April 14, 1934, setting forth that during the Commissioner's hearing of Evelyn Frechette in Chicago, 4/13/34, Mary Kinder was present. Mr. Ladd states he will call the Chicago Office, with a view of ascertaining whether or not Mary Kinder was actually in Chicago, as reports

indicate that she is not in Indianapolis and her present whereabouts is not definitely known there. It may be, however, in this connection, that Mary Kinder will wait a few days before proceeding to St. Louis, if that is her intention.

Very truly yours,



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

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Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours,

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Re: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases, et al. 16 1934
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act

Dear Sir:

Confirming my telephonic communication of today, please be advised that in an effort to secure some information from a confidential informant who might have some acquaintance with the Dillinger outfit, I called upon Mr. Doyle who is employed as a Federal probation officer in this city. He advised me that there is an individual now reporting to him monthly who on his last visit stated that at one time he was incarcerated in the Indiana State Penitentiary and that while there he saw Dillinger, Hamilton and the rest of the outfit. This was of course before the escape in September 1933.

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I immediately secured the name and address of this person and had a long conversation with him. He stated that he was released from the Indiana State Penitentiary in [redacted] after serving one year on a charge of receiving stolen property, having been convicted at Warsaw, Indiana, and received a sentence of from [redacted]. Upon being paroled in [redacted] he was arrested on an old liquor charge at South Bend, Indiana, and was given a \$100 fine and placed on probation for a period of one year. This probation terminates in [redacted] and he is reporting monthly to Mr. Doyle in Detroit.

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He stated that he had known Russell Clark for several years; that Clark was engaged in running liquor across the Detroit River from Canada, and it was during the course of this activity that the informant came in close touch with him. Therefore upon the informant's arrival at the penitentiary in Indiana he immediately struck up a new acquaintance with Clark who introduced him to Dillinger and other members of the gang.

He very confidentially informed me that he knew before his release from the penitentiary that Pierpont and the others were contemplating escaping from the penitentiary and had talked to him about smuggling in guns; that on the day of his release he was able to smuggle out a letter which Russell Clark desired to be delivered to [redacted] that this letter contained instructions as to how the escape was to be perfected and also regarding the shipment of guns into the institution. Although the informant realized the extreme

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seriousness of taking this letter out, he states that he did it because of his close friendship with Clark and some of the others, and because of his complete hatred for the Deputy Warden of the institution who he stated was inhuman; that he further advised that he delivered the letter to [REDACTED] who exhibited much interest and discussed with the informant the possibility of getting guns in [REDACTED]. It was finally determined that four guns would be placed in a box and planted in a coal car which could easily be spotted in the yards at Michigan City; that it was contemplated [REDACTED] would be able to furnish Clark with the information as to what car the guns had been planted in; that he would then have access to the yard inside of the walls and be able to secure possession of the firearms.

He states that [REDACTED] also came to his home at Detroit some time thereafter, and discussed the situation, she having the utmost confidence in the informant, as did Clark, Dillinger and the other members of the gang. This of course is obvious, as they realized what consequence would have taken place had the authorities found the letter on the informant, which he states was stuck on to his back with adhesive tape so that it would not be detected by the officials upon his release. The informant states that he did not desire to go through with the scheme of smuggling the guns into the institution as his father and mother who are old and very feeble needed his services and hence he made up his mind to avoid getting mixed up in any further crime.

In May or June of 1933, [REDACTED] brought one [REDACTED] to his, the informant's, home in Detroit, and that [REDACTED] lived with him for a period of about thirty days. [REDACTED] the informant states, comes from Muncie, Indiana, and that upon his release from the Indiana State Penitentiary in May or June of 1933 he was informed by Russell Clark to see [REDACTED] in Detroit for the purpose of making contact with the informant. This accounted for [REDACTED] bringing [REDACTED] to the informant's home.

[REDACTED] often mentioned the fact that he would like to have the informant go with him on bank holdups and invited him to come to Muncie whenever he so desired. Also [REDACTED] told the informant that he had discussed plans of escape with Russell Clark, Dillinger and the others, and that he had promised them that he would smuggle in the necessary firearms, and discussed this situation with the informant, attempting to have the informant go in with him on the deal, which the informant states he diplomatically refused to do. The informant advised that [REDACTED] could clearly understand that it was necessary for the informant to remain in Detroit because of the condition of his father and mother and this was used as a basis for the informant's excuse in not going through with assisting in the escape.

The informant now informs me that undoubtedly [REDACTED]

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is the individual who ultimately smuggled the guns into the Indiana State Penitentiary. The informant states that [redacted] left Detroit about the same time that Dillinger was released on parole from the penitentiary, and that evidently he went directly back to Muncie or some particular point in Indiana where he contacted Dillinger and perhaps Copeland.

From the above it will be noted that the informant has a very fine connection with the Dillinger outfit and he agreed to make the trip to Muncie for the purpose of locating [redacted] and he feels that [redacted] undoubtedly will have some valuable information regarding the location of Dillinger and Hamilton. He can make this contact with [redacted] without causing any possible suspicion due to the fact that [redacted] left him a standing invitation to come there whenever he so desired. It will also be noted that the informant has a good entree to the [redacted] but he believes that it would be better to contact [redacted] first before attempting to talk to [redacted]

He agreed to go through with this matter upon being furnished expense money and whatever reward might be offered. I informed him that the reward on Dillinger would run as high as \$1,000 and on Hamilton as high as \$500. He stated that he was very much in demand of that much money at the present time, and although these individuals are considered his friends he feels that someone is going to eventually turn in Hamilton and Dillinger and that he might just as well be that person and secure the reward, which he badly needs. It was learned that his clothes were badly worn and torn and he informed me that in order to put up a good front to [redacted] indicating to him that he had been in on a couple of bank jobs in Michigan and that he was anxious to go out on some bigger jobs in Indiana, it would be necessary to have some pretty fair clothes.

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Upon close study and observation of this individual I reached the conclusion that it was not a case of him merely trying to obtain a free suit of clothes, but that he was very honest and conscientious in trying to show the necessity therefor, that the type of clothes which he wore would play an important part by indicating to [redacted] that he was not absolutely down and out which was the case. With the approval of Inspector Clegg with whom I discussed the situation over the telephone at St. Paul, I purchased a suit of clothes, a pair of shoes, shirt, cap and sox for the informant at a cost of \$28.98. I also furnished him the amount of \$30 which he states will nicely take care of his expenses for the period that he will be required to stay in Muncie, Indianapolis and other nearby points. He feels that with the proper breaks he should secure valuable information within the course of the next few days. I also purchased for him a round trip ticket over the Michigan Central Railroad from Detroit to Muncie, Indiana, at the cost of \$15.60, bringing the total amount to \$72.64. He felt that his expenses would not run over \$5 a day and perhaps less. He departed from Detroit at 11:50 A. M. today for Muncie where he will arrive

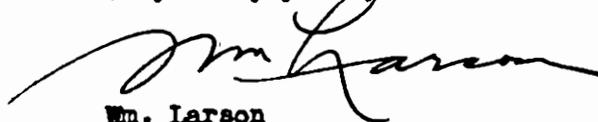
at 4:40 P.M. It was impossible for him to state where he would stop tonight but he will contact me by telephone either tonight or tomorrow morning, and furnish me information as to where he can be located.

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In sizing up this informant I would say that he will be very sincere and reliable and I feel that with the very marvelous setup which he has with the Dillinger gang that he should be able to bring in results. Upon discussing his previous criminal record I determined that he has been arrested in Detroit on several occasions on violation of the State Liquor Laws. In the majority of instances he was released outright and in some cases he paid a small fine. The term of [REDACTED] which he served in the Indiana State Penitentiary is the only time he was incarcerated in such an institution. I also determined from the Federal Probation Office that he has reported regularly and has shown every indication of making good. His criminal activities seemed to be confined entirely to violation of the Liquor Laws with the exception of the case at Warsaw, Indiana, where certain stolen property was found in his possession which had been turned over to him by another person.

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He requested of course that the information which he furnished me concerning the smuggling out of the letter regarding the escape from the Indiana State Penitentiary and which he delivered to [REDACTED] Detroit, be kept strictly confidential in every sense; that he had never mentioned this to any other person, and that he realizes what it would mean to him in the event the information ever got back to the institution.

The name of the confidential informant is being furnished in a separate letter to the Director.

Very truly yours,



Wm. Larson
Special Agent in Charge

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cc H. H. Clegg, Inspector
St. Paul Division Office
Chicago
Cincinnati

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

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



April 14, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

**Re: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases,
I. O. 1217 - FUGITIVE, et al.
NMVTA. HARBORING FUGITIVE.
St. Paul file No. 26-2434.**

There is attached hereto a copy of the report from the ~~Knicker~~ Knicker Hospital, St. Paul, signed by Dr. John F. Noble relative to the hospitalization, pathological condition, and autopsy of Harry Green alias Eddie Green alias Eugene Green.

Very truly yours,

E. H. Clegg
**E. H. CLEGG,
Inspector.**

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CASE TITLE GUN SHOT WOUND OF THE HEAD

NAME Harry Green AGE 50 SEX Male

ADMITTED April 8 1934 6:00 P. M. DIED April 11 1934 6:18:55P. M.

PATHOLOGIST Dr. John F. Noble AUTOPSY April 11 1934 4:15 P. M.

PHYSICIAN Drs. Jones-Culligan SPECIMENS PRESERVED _____

HISTORY

The case is that of a white man age 50, who was admitted to the Ancker Hospital on April 8, 1934 at 6:00 P.M. The patient had been shot by Federal men at 778 Rondo Street and had been brought to the hospital by the police ambulance at 6:20 P.M. Examination in the receiving room revealed the patient to be conscious. There was no odor of alcohol on his breath. There was a bullet wound of the scalp in the right occipital region with a bullet palpable above the right temporal region. There were bone fragments and tissue looking suspiciously like brain in and around the wound. There was an exophthalmus of the right eye and a superficial wound in the right shoulder. The wounds were cleaned and dressed in the receiving room, and the patient was given 1500 units of tetanus anti toxin. There was no further history obtainable.

On physical examination after admission, the temperature was 97.6 the pulse 72, and the blood pressure 130/86. The patient was conscious but unruly and tore the dressing from his head. The dressing was saturated with blood and there was rather free bleeding from the wound. The pupils were round and equal and reacted to light. There was an extensive ecchymosis about the upper right eyelid. There was no bleeding from the nose or ears. There was some clotted blood in the pharynx. The heart and lungs were negative. The abdomen was negative save for an old healed surgical scar at or approximately just below McBurney's point. The genitalia were negative. The extremities were negative and the neurological examination was negative. There were tattoo designs on the dorsal surfaces of both forearms. The dressings were re-applied.

The patient continued to be quite restless and required morphine and luminal for rest. Later in the evening after admission, the bleeding had considerably diminished from the wound, but a large hematoma formed just anterior to and superior to the right ear. The ecchymosis about the right eye continued to enlarge. The blood pressure taken at frequent intervals fluctuated rather widely, but the systolic remained fairly closely between 130 and 140. On the 6th of April, a left sided facial paralysis had developed and by the 7th of April, there was a paresis of the left arm. On the 5th of April also, some neck rigidity was noted. The wound began to drain a purulent material on the 7th of April. On the 8th of April an area of fluctuation was incised above the right ear, Pus was

obtained and considerable blood and brain tissue as a result of this incision. The bullet was removed from this area at this time. The purulent drainage persisted from the wound and the ecchymosis spread to involve the entire right side of the face and neck and the left eye. ~~The patient remained conscious until the evening of April 10 when he became comatose and unresponsive.~~ Respiration became labored, rapid, and shallow, and death occurred at 12:55 P.M. on April 11, 1934.

The day after admission to the hospital, the temperature rose sharply to 101.4 degrees. For the next three days it fluctuated between 101 and 102. On the 7th of April, the temperature became elevated to 104. Thereafter it fluctuated between 103 and 105 until death.

An I-ray of the skull on the 5th of April showed an extensively comminuted fracture of the right parietal bone with fracture radiating anteriorly to the squamous portion of the temporal bone and base and into the frontal bone. A large fragment of bone was seen to be deeply depressed into the brain posteriorly. The bullet lay over the posterior portion of the right frontal bone in the soft tissue of the scalp.

A blood count on the 4th of April, showed 91% hemoglobin, erythrocytes 4,050,000, and leukocytes 14,500 with a differential count of 89% polymorphonuclear leukocytes, 8 lymphocytes, and 5 monocytes. The blood Wassermann was negative. A blood sugar on the 4th of April was 170 mgs per 100cc. A lumbar puncture was done on the 9th of April and showed a trace of globulin, two cells, many erythrocytes, and a spinal fluid of 98 mgs. Three urine specimens were examined. The first showed 5% sugar and three plus acetone but was otherwise negative. Subsequent specimens showed no sugar or acetone but occasional leukocytes and a faint trace of albumin in one.

EXTERNAL APPEARANCE: The body is that of an adult white male measuring 173 cms in length and weighing about 150 pounds. The body is normally developed and well nourished. Post mortem rigidity is absent, but there is slight post mortem lividity in the dependent parts. There is no edema, cyanosis, or jaundice. The pupils are round and equal. The nose and ears show nothing of note. The teeth are in good condition. The external genitalia and anus are normal. In the right parietal area, just inferior to the right parietal prominence of the scalp, there is a puncture wound which measures 3x2 cms. There is some evidence of infection of this

wound. Six centimeters anterior to this wound, there is a surgical incision 6 cms in length. This wound is gaping a wound a distance of 1½ cms. It too, shows some evidence of infection. There is marked ecchymosis of the eyelids of both eyes which extends well downward onto the cheeks. There is subconjunctival hemorrhage in each eye. On the superior surface of the right shoulder, just over the trapezius muscle, there is a crusted, superficial wound measuring 4x2 cms. On the dorsal surface of the right forearm, two figures are tattooed which are definitely recognizable as the newspaper caricatures Matt and Jeff. On the left forearm on the dorsal surface, a figure of a woman is tattooed. There is a star on each side of the woman. There is a superficial abrasion of the skin over the left greater trochanter which measures 3 cms in diameter, and on the inner surface of the right malleolus, there is a crusted area 1x1½ cms, on the surface of the skin.

ABDOMEN: On opening the abdomen, the subcutaneous fat is found to be ½ cms in thickness. The peritoneal surfaces are smooth and shiny, and there is no excess fluid present. In each inguinal region, there is a surgical scar measuring 11 cms in length. Beneath the right incision, the great omentum is adherent to the under surface of the abdominal wall, and the tip of the appendix is also adherent in this region. The appendix is unusually thick and shows tags of fibrous adhesions. The liver extends 7½ cms below the xiphoid and 6 cms below the costal margin in the right mid clavicular line. The diaphragm arches to the 4th intercostal space on each side.

PLEURAL CAVITIES: On opening the thorax, the lungs are found to be free and the pleural cavities are empty.

PERICARDIUM: The pericardial sac shows nothing of note. The heart measures 12 cms in width. Examination of the large branches of the pulmonary artery shows no evidence of thrombi or emboli.

HEART: The heart weighs 320 grams. The valves are normal in appearance. Examination of the left descending branch of the coronary artery shows an atheromatous plaque which partially occludes the lumen of the vessel. The balance of the coronary vessels show nothing of note. The root of the aorta shows a mild degree of atheromatous streaking. The myocardium on cut section shows no gross evidence of excess fat or fibrosis. The auricular appendages are free from thrombi.

LUNGS: The right lung weighs 330 grams. The organ has four lobes. Crepitation is present throughout the lung. The pleural surface is smooth. On cut section, the lung shows no gross evidence of consolidation. There are small localized areas of atelectasis in the lower lobe. These may prove microscopically to be pneumonic. The bronchi are found to contain a thick purulent material. The left lung weighs 330 grams. It shows a picture similar to the opposite organ.

LIVER: The liver weighs 1897 grams. The surface of the organ is smooth, the edges are sharp, and the angle is narrow. Just beneath the capsule of the right lobe on its superior surface there is a small dark red area which extends about 6 or 7 mm into the substance of the liver. The cut surface of this area shows it to be composed of dilated blood spaces. The cut edge of the liver everts. The cut surface is practically normal in appearance.

GALL BLADDER: The gall bladder is thin walled and normal in appearance. There are no stones present. The bile ducts are patent.

SPLEEN: The spleen weighs 275 grams. The organ is flabby and the capsule wrinkles easily. On cut section, the splenic pulp is light red in color, the corpuscles are not visible, and the pulp is soft and easily scraped from the surface.

PANCREAS AND ADRENALS: Show nothing of note.

KIDNEYS: The right kidney weighs 160 grams and the left 210. The capsules of the organs strip easily leaving smooth surfaces. The cut edges evert, and the cut surfaces are rather cloudy and swollen in appearance. They are paler than normal. The pelvis and ureters show nothing of note.

BLADDER AND GENITAL ORGANS: The bladder is normal in appearance. The prostate is normal in size and on cut section shows nothing of note.

AORTA: The aorta shows a very mild degree of atheromatous streaking.

GASTRO-INTESTINAL TRACT: Normal in appearance.

HEAD: On opening the head, the scalp is found to be infiltrated by blood almost throughout its whole extent save for a small area in the left temporal and occipital region. In the right temporal parietal region of the skull, there is a defect measuring 6.8 cms

in length and 1.5 cms in width. There is marked comminution of the squamous portion of the temporal bone anterior to this skull defect and many small free fragments are found in the soft tissues around the wound. From the anterior margin of the wound, a Y shaped fracture is found to extend towards the base. The two limbs of the Y joint and the fracture continues along the anterior margin of the middle fossa almost to the mid line. In this region, there is some extradural hemorrhage but not a sufficient amount to cause any pressure. Examination of the brain shows a marked thickening of the dura and leptomeninges over the surface of the right hemisphere. There is a considerable quantity of a purulent material scattered over and involving the leptomeninges of almost the entire right hemisphere. There is a sloughing hemorrhagic tract through the right hemisphere of the brain measuring 18 cms in length and 8 cms in width and extending from the occipital lobe through the parietal lobe and into the temporal lobe on the right side. This laceration of the brain substance is deepest in the occipital lobe which is almost completely destroyed. The brain tissue surrounding the trace shows hemorrhage and necrosis. The surface of the left hemisphere shows a definite flattening of the convolutions of the brain.

DIAGNOSIS: Gun Shot Wounds of the Head and Shoulder

Fractured Skull

Brain Laceration

Purulent Meningitis

Jno. F. Cahill M.D.

TELETYPE

April 18, 1934

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

Attention: Mr. Caldwell

Pursuant to the request of Mr. Caldwell for certain data concerning Charles Arthur Floyd, Clyde Champion Barrow and John Herbert Dillinger, there are attached copies of this Division's Identification Orders #1194, #1211 and #1217, respectively, which reflect the known aliases used by these criminals and the charges for which they are wanted by the Federal Government.

In addition thereto, the files of the Identification Unit of this Division reflect the following data concerning each of them:

CHARLES ARTHUR FLOYD

*Arrested Kansas City, Missouri, four other times, all cases of investigation of holdups and was released each time.

WANTED: as Charles Arthur Floyd alias Frank Mitchell, alias 'Pretty Boy' Smith, 11-24-30, sentenced 12 years Ohio State Penitentiary (bank robbery, Sylvania, Ohio), 12-10-30, escaped enroute to Penitentiary. Notify: Ohio State Penitentiary or Comm., Bowling Green, Ohio.

STILL WANTED: As Charles Floyd, murders and bank robbery. Notify: Police Department, Kansas City, Missouri and Sheriff's Office, Bowling Green, Ohio.

STILL WANTED: As Charles Arthur Floyd, for murder, according to information received, 5-18-32 in Police Department Bulletin. Notify: Sheriff's Office, Bowling Green, Ohio.

CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW
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*WANTED: as Clyde Barrow for robbery and theft. Notify: Sheriff, Waco, Texas. Still wanted: as Clyde Champion Barrow, #414, escaped after being sentenced to 2 years in State Penitentiary, Waco, Texas, or Sheriff's Office, Waco, Texas.

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Clyde Champion Barrow (continued)

WANTED: as Clyde Barrow, alias Clyde Champion Barrow alias Elvin Williams, #414, Police Department, Waco, Texas, murder. Notify: J. W. Freeland, Hillsboro, Texas. Still wanted: as Clyde Barrow (Ident. record) murder. Notify: Sheriff's Office, Hillsboro, Texas.

WANTED: as Clyde Champion Barrow, holdup and safebreaking, 5-25-32, 6-1-32; Notify: Police Department, Dallas, Texas.

WANTED: as Clyde Champion Barrow, holdup, 5-12-32; notify - Police Department, Lufkin, Texas.

WANTED: as Clyde Champion Barrow, murder and assault to murder, 8-5-32; notify: Sheriff's Office, Atoka, Oklahoma.

WANTED: as Clyde Champion Barrow (possible identification) for murder and robbery at Hillsboro, Texas. Notify: Police Department, Denison, Texas.

WANTED: as Clyde Champion Barrow (possible identification) for murder. 4-15-35. Notify: Police Department, Joplin, Missouri. Also notify: Police Department, Kansas City, Missouri.

ALSO WANTED: as Clyde Champion Barrow for murder and robbery. Notify: Police Department, Sherman, Texas.

WANTED: as Clyde Champion Barrow (possible identification) murder. Notify: Sheriff's Office, Van Buren, Arkansas.

WANTED: as Clyde Champion Barrow, assault to murder. Notify: Sheriff's Office, Wharton, Texas.

10-8-32, Wanted at Abilene, Texas - robbery by firearms.

JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER

WANTED, as John Dillinger for bank robbery and auto banditry; notify Sheriff's Office, Muncie, Indiana.

WANTED as John Dillinger for jail delivery, murder and bank robbery; notify State Bureau, London, Ohio.

WANTED, as John Dillinger, for bank robbery; notify State Police, Indianapolis, Indiana.

WANTED as John Dillinger (#14395, Indiana State Reformatory), for violation of parole, May 11, 1933; notify State Reformatory, Pendleton, Indiana.

Mr. Stanley

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April 14, 1934

John Herbert Billinger (continued)

WANTED: as John Billinger, (#10337, Police Department, Dayton, Ohio), murder and bank robberies; notify Police Department, Chicago, Illinois.
WANTED: as John Billinger, (#14487, Sheriff's Office, Crown Point, Indiana) for escape; notify Sheriff's Office, Crown Point, Indiana.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Enclosure #891491

MR. NATHAN _____
 MR. TOLSON _____
 MR. CLEGG _____
 MR. WILEY _____
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P. O. Box #766,
 Cincinnati, Ohio.

RE: MI
 #26-3988

April 16, 1934

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

SPECIAL DELIVERY

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

Re: John Herbert Dillinger, with aliases,
 I. C. #1217, et al
 NAT'L MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT

Dear Sir:

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A memorandum submitted by Special Agent E. J. Wynn at Indianapolis, Indiana, indicates that informant [redacted] who is operating under the name of [redacted] has been contacted at Indianapolis, Indiana, on April 11, 1934, and reported that he has visited Frank Whitehouse at Lebanon, Kentucky, on three occasions since last Saturday, April 7, 1934, and that Whitehouse has received him cordially; that Whitehouse is short of money and is interested in making a Chicago connection for the handling of stolen cars to be sold by Whitehouse at Louisville, Kentucky; that Whitehouse made the statement that he would like to accompany the informant to Chicago, Illinois, and contact Tommy Touhy, who is in Chicago at the present time. The informant felt that he could contact Subject Dillinger within twenty-four hours, in the event he is in Chicago, Illinois. Whitehouse is sold on the proposition that informant has got put Dillinger on the spot in the past.

For your information, the informant has been advanced \$25.00 on April 11, 1934, and arrangements have been made for him to proceed from Indianapolis to Lebanon, Kentucky, and pick up Whitehouse and the two of them will then proceed to Chicago. The informant, when he arrives in Chicago, will contact Special Agent in Charge Purvis at the

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letter's home sometime during the evening hours. Whitehouse is a very good friend of Dillinger and in no way suspects that the informant is going to Chicago for the purpose of putting Dillinger on the spot. For your further information, on April 7, 1934, the informant was advanced \$60.00, in addition to the \$25.00 advanced recently to him. It is suggested that before further expense money is advanced to him, a statement of expenses so far incurred by him should be obtained.

In connection with this matter there are enclosed herewith two photographs of the informant.

Very truly yours,

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N. B. KLEIN,
Acting Special Agent in Charge

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DO YOU HAVE ADDITIONAL DETAILS DILLINGER SINCE LAST NIGHT

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JOHN DILLINGER REVEA SECRETARY OF STATE ADVISES NO SUCH LICENSE AS D SIX DASH SIX EIGHT SIX ISSUED MISSOURI PRESENT YEAR

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**U. S. Immigration Inspector
Blaine
Washington**

REFER OUR IDENTIFICATION ORDERS TWELVE SEVENTEEN AND TWELVE TWENTY REFERRING TO JOHN DILLINGER WITH ALIASES AND JOHN HAMILTON WITH ALIASES MAY BE ACCOMPANIED BY EVELYN FREGHETTE AGE TWENTY FIVE HEIGHT FIVE FEET TWO WEIGHT ONE TWENTY POUNDS HAIR BLACK BUT MAY BE DYED RED EYES BROWN BUILD PLUMP COMPLEXION DARK RACE HALF BREED INDIAN DESIRE PREVENT PARTY LEAVING THIS COUNTRY AND ANY INFORMATION IMMEDIATELY TELEPHONED THIS OFFICE STOP PLEASE NOTIFY CANADIAN IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS YOUR VICINITY BE ON LOOKOUT ENDEAVOR AVOID PUBLICITY.

SEND ABOVE ALSO TO
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Northport, Wn
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Oroville, Wn
Port Angeles, Wn.

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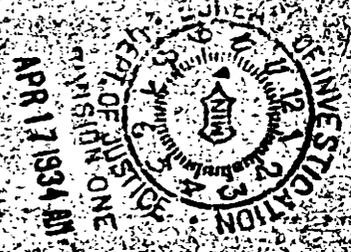
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F. J. BLAKE
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DILLINGER RMVTA AUTOMOBILE WITH THREE MEN DESCRIPTION SOMEWHAT FAVORABLE
BELIEVED NORTHERN FLORIDA OR SOUTHERN ALABAMA HEADING NORTH THIS MORNING
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LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA
APRIL 7, 1934

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ANDRADE, CALIFORNIA

CHIEF PATROL INSPECTOR IN CHARGE,
U. S. IMMIGRATION SERVICE,
CALEXICO, CALIFORNIA.

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EL CENTRO, CALIFORNIA.

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QUARANTINE INSPECTOR IN CHARGE,
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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
625 LAFAYETTE BLDG.
DETROIT MICHIGAN.

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SEDAN MOTOR ONE EIGHT FIVE ONE SEVEN TWO FOUR FOUR WAS SHIPPED IF DEALER NOT
THIS DISTRICT REQUEST OFFICE COVERING SAME TO TRACE AND ADVISE THIS OFFICE

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1900 Bankers Building
105 W. Adams
Chicago, Illinois

April 15, 1934

Mr. William Storen
Treasurer of State
State of Indiana
Indianapolis, Indiana.

RE: JOHN HUBERT DILLINGER,
with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1217, H.M.V. #3,
Chicago File #26-2685.

Dear Sir:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, it is respectfully requested that you advise me of the name and address of the person to whom 1934, Indiana License Plates number 675489 were issued, and the make of car and motor number for which they were issued.

Enclosed find a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

Very truly yours,

H. H. PURVIS
Special Agent in Charge

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CC: Division
CC: Cincinnati

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Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida

BAA:SLH

April 13, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 793,
Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Sir:

RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER with aliases—
FUGITIVE—I. O. #1217, ET AL.
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act

Please refer to your telegram of April 8, 1934, and to your letter of April 9, 1934, in which you advised that Johnnie Vinson, description given, former associate of Dillinger, is now located under the name of John J. Jones at either Box 1926 or 1936, Winter Haven, Florida, and requesting that suitable cover be arranged in view of the possibility that Dillinger may contact Vinson if he comes to Florida.

In my letter to you on April 11, 1934, I advised we were unable to locate Vinson in Winter Haven, Florida, but had determined that he is the same individual who is the

[REDACTED]

With your letter of April 9, 1934, you enclosed

[REDACTED]

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Since my letter of April 11, 1934, Special Agent R. O. Shivers has been in Haines City, Florida, and ascertained that Vinson is still residing there with Mrs. L. M. Lawther, this woman having informed neighbors that she reared him from a small child. Vinson has never left Haines City for any length of time since he was picked up in September 1932 and released. However, he makes frequent trips in and out of the city, does not have any occupation, always has plenty of money, and has a woman with whom he is living, by the name of Ruby Jones, this woman also living with Mrs. Lawther. Whenever Vinson leaves Haines City, Ruby Jones accompanies him. Vinson recently purchased a Dodge truck in Haines City but sold it, and it is not known at the present time

To the Cincinnati office

4/13/34

whether he has an automobile. Agent Shivers has made arrangements in Haines City so that in the event Dillinger or any member of his gang should come there the Jacksonville office will be advised.

In the event that the Indiana authorities desire Vinson's apprehension, he can be taken into custody at any time at Haines City.

Very truly yours,

E. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge

cc Division
cc Chicago (2)
Jax #26-2682

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H. H. CLEGG, INSPECTOR,
 DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION,
 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
 203 Post Office Building,
 St. Paul, Minnesota.

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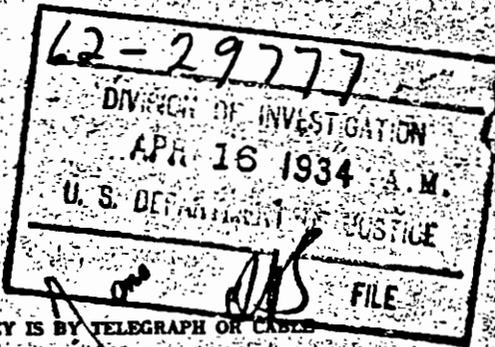
St. Paul, Minnesota,
April 12, 1934.

PLEASE SEND TO THE FOLLOWING THE TELEGRAM SET OUT BELOW:

1. Senior Patrol Inspector, U.S. Immigration Service, Bandette, Minnesota.
 2. " " " " " " Duluth, Minnesota.
 3. " " " " " " International Falls, Minn.
 4. " " " " " " Grand Marais, Minn.
 5. " " " " " " Hoyes, Minn.
 6. " " " " " " Pine Creek, Minn.
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8. Senior Patrol Inspector, " " " " " " Banier, Minn.
 9. " " " " " " Warroad, Minn.
 10. " " " " " " Carbury, North Dakota.
 11. " " " " " " Crosby, North Dakota.
 12. Director, " " " " " " Grand Forks, North Dakota.
 13. Senior Patrol Inspector, " " " " " " Hannah, North Dakota.
 14. " " " " " " Langdon, North Dakota.
 15. " " " " " " Cavalier, North Dakota.
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 22. " " " " " " Mohall, North Dakota.
 23. " " " " " " Walhalla, North Dakota.
 24. " " " " " " Westhope, North Dakota.
 25. Chief in Charge, U.S. Immigration Service, Pembina, North Dakota.



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

P. O. Box 1288

Butte, Montana,
April 12, 1934.

Collector of Customs,
Great Falls, Montana.

Re: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases,
et al.

Dear Sir:

As you already know, this Division is endeavoring to secure the apprehension of John Dillinger, with aliases, and John Hamilton, alias John Campbell. Identification Orders for Dillinger and Hamilton have already been furnished your office. The Director of this Division has requested this office to communicate with the border officials and request their cooperation in an endeavor to effect the apprehension of these persons in the event they attempt to leave the United States for Canada. Your cooperation in this matter will be sincerely appreciated and it is respectfully requested that you furnish copies of this letter to the various inspectors at different points in your territory, with the request that they pass the information along to the border patrol and be on the lookout for these fugitives. In the event any information whatever is secured concerning them it is desired that this office be notified immediately by telephone or telegraph.

Following are the descriptions of the persons above referred to:

Name

JOHN DILLINGER, alias
John Hall, alias John
Donovan Hall, alias
Clarence Cruse, alias
Joseph J. Harris, alias
J. E. Donovan, alias
Kirtly, alias Carl E.
Holmes

JOHN HAMILTON, alias
John Campbell

Age

31

35

Height

5' 9 1/2"

5' 6"

Weight

155

165

Build

Medium

Medium stout

Hair

Medium chestnut

Brown

Eyes

Gray

Blue

Complexion

Medium

Fair

Occupation

Machinist

Carpenter

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Collector of Customs--/2

Mark & Scars

Dillinger

1/8" scar back left hand; scar middle upper lip; brown mole between eyebrows

Hamilton

Long irregular vertical scar center forehead; right index and middle fingers amputated; tattoo heart and banner with initials J. H. on left forearm, center.

F. P. C.

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Five extra copies of each of the Identification Orders are transmitted herewith. It is felt that immediate distribution of this information will be of the utmost importance and it is therefore requested that as soon as possible this information be furnished the inspectors in your territory.

Very truly yours,

J. P. McCarthy
Acting Special Agent in Charge

CC: Director ✓

JPM/ce

Encls.



418 Hayes Building
San Francisco, California

IRM/AD
44-2732

April 18, 1934

Mr. E. Clegg,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
P.O. Box 518,
St. Paul, Minn.

44-2732-7977
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
APR 18 1934
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Dear Sir:

RE: JOHN DILLINGER, ET AL
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

Referring to your telegram of April 7, 1934, and
confirming my reply of April 9, 1934:

Investigation establishes that Post Office Box 412,
Sausalito, California, has been vacant since January 17, 1933.
This box was rented to William Chase, said to be an alias used
by John P. Chase, on June 30, 1932; was surrendered March 31,
1933, and was not used subsequent to January 17, 1933. In
January, 1934, it was rented to W. W. McPherson. Investigation
by Agent T.P. Geraghty established Mr. McPherson has no connec-
tion with John P. Chase, nor is Chase known to him. Agent
Geraghty also established that no one of the name of John Joseph
Lavelle is receiving mail at Sausalito, or is known.

Regarding California 1934 license S-C-7691, the re-
cords of the State Motor Vehicle Department are that these plates
were issued to John P. Chase, P.O. Box 412, Sausalito, California,
Feb. 1, 1934, for a 1933 Plymouth Coupe, motor PC-27635; legal
owner William M. Klinger Co. 516 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, Calif.

Records of Klinger & Co. are that the Plymouth car in
question, motor PC-27635, serial PC-1,734,719, was sold to John P.
Chase, Sausalito, California, Dec. 15, 1933, for \$176.50 cash, and
a Dodge Coupe, value \$100.00; balance on installments at \$33.00
per month. The Klinger records further show installments were
paid regularly; that on Dec. 15, 1933, at the request of Chase,
the Plymouth contract on the books of Klinger & Co. was transferred
to George Nerton, 922 Water St., Sausalito. The Klinger records
indicate, but do not show, that the final installment was paid by
Nerton. The State Motor Vehicle Department has no record of this

George Norton denied to Agent Goughly that he made any payments on the Plymouth for himself, or for Chase, or that the car was transferred to him, or was ever in his possession, or that Chase ever spoke to him about the car, or that he knows what became of the car. Norton asserts the last time he saw Chase was in February of this year. At that time, presumably Chase had the Plymouth car in his possession. Norton knows nothing about the Essex Coupe.

Norton is a well known bootlegger in Sausalito and a close friend of Chase. Norton's statement is that Chase was flat broke for some time before leaving Sausalito; that he gave Chase a sock and beard; loaned him as little as a dollar to go to a movie, even paid for his laundry. He denies knowing Chase's whereabouts.

John P. Chase was a well known bootlegger in Sausalito. He was considered weak, or rather no account. Other than his bootlegging activities, for which he appears to have escaped arrest, the only known offenses committed by him were minor traffic law violations. He has no known criminal record.

The State Motor Vehicle Department has no record of any car owned by Chase, other than the Plymouth in question. This car was registered by him in 1932-1933 and 1934.

Efforts to trace Chase's ownership of the Essex Coupe, referred to in your telegram, have been unsuccessful. If he had an Essex, the license plates, 5-C-7691, allegedly thereon, were for the referred to Plymouth.

Efforts to locate Chase are continuing. He is well known to Marin County Officers, who will take him into custody, if found.

Very truly yours,

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

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
VIA AIR MAIL

1900 Bankers Building
Chicago Illinois

April 12, 1934

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

RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER
with aliases, FUGITIVE
I.O. 11217, et al
National Motor Vehicle
Theft Act

Dear Sir:

This office has been advised that the police department at Tucson, Arizona, was given the tip-off by a confidential informant, [redacted] who was at one time a member of the Dillinger mob, this tip-off leading to the arrest of the Dillinger mob on January 25, 1934.

[redacted]

It is extremely important to the success of the investigation being presently conducted in an effort to locate Dillinger, that we ascertain the identity of this informant, and all possible information regarding her and her possible whereabouts in order that this source of information might be pursued vigorously, and if it is learned that the informant is located within your territory, every effort should be made to determine the past or present hideout, associates and contact of the Dillinger mob.

It is possible that the police at Tucson are very anxious to protect and conceal the identity of their informant, and for this reason the matter should be treated strictly confidential, and that the police be so informed. Should it develop that the informant can be located in some place other than in your territory, the necessary instructions should be forwarded by you as expeditiously as possible.

Very truly yours,

M.H. PURVIS
Special Agent in Charge

JCH:FB
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cc Division ✓

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Post Office Drawer 1457
Saint Louis, Missouri
April 13, 1934

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

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
APR 17 1934 AM

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the case entitled JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases, I. O. #1217, et al, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Immediately upon receipt of telegram from Inspector Clegg, dated St. Paul, Minnesota, April 7, 1934, concerning Ford Deluxe Sedan, motor No. 40-4845, as well as telegram from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley of the Cincinnati Office under date of April 9, 1934, concerning the Ford V-8 Deluxe Sedan purchased in Indianapolis under the name of Penfield, the writer personally telephoned the information contained in each of these telegrams to the Kirkwood Sub-Station of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, the Collinsville Sub-Station of the Illinois State Highway Patrol, and personally furnished the information contained in both telegrams to the St. Louis Police Department, and caused such information to be forwarded to all districts by teletype, as well as to be broadcast over the police radio at St. Louis, Missouri.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Division ✓
cc Cincinnati
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cc St. Paul

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Handwritten initials and number 9

April 14, 1934.

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

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

Dear Sirs

Please give attention to the investigation requested
in Division letter dated March 5, 1934, for the purpose of
securing all available data concerning James Murray of Chicago,
Illinois, who is widely known in Chicago as a fence for
stolen bonds and other securities.

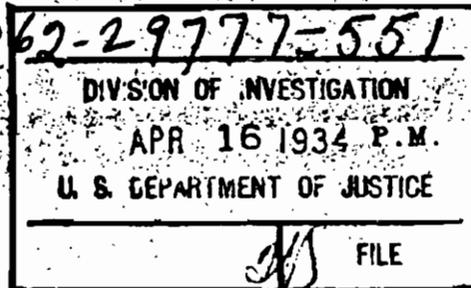
Very truly yours,

Director.

CC Cincinnati
Detroit



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April 14, 1934

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

RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1217; JOHN HAMILTON
with alias, I. O. #1220; HOMER VAN
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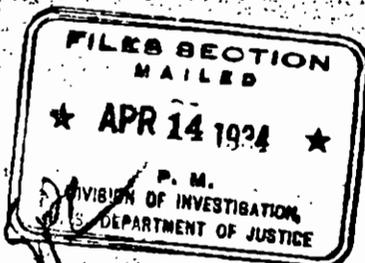
Please give attention to Division letter dated March
27, 1934, requesting that Dr. R. L. Heines, 435 Drayton Street,
Savannah, Georgia, be interviewed for information concerning
Subject Dillinger.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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625 Lafayette Building
Detroit, Michigan
April 14, 1934



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

Re: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases
et al.
National Motor Vehicle Theft

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Dear Sir:

Confirming my telephone conversation had with your office last night, please be advised that on Wednesday evening, April 12, a Chrysler sedan, color black, about a 1933 or 1934 model, bearing Indiana license #253684, appeared at the residence of Mrs. Mae Clark, 531 Chandler Street, Detroit. This is the home of Russell Clark, an associate of Dillinger who is now confined in the Ohio State Penitentiary following his conviction at Lima, Ohio. This house it will be noted in previous reports is being kept under twenty-four hour surveillance. Hence this automobile was watched closely.

On the following morning, April 12, three men and one woman were seen to enter this car. These persons were unknown to the Agents. There were also placed in the Chrysler car three good sized suit cases or traveling bags, color black. Special Agent D. E. Hall of this office was instructed to follow this car which proceeded east out of Detroit to Toledo and into Fort Wayne, Indiana. Upon arrival at Fort Wayne the driver of the car seemed to make inquiries at gas stations and finally drove up in front of 604 Third Street, Fort Wayne, which is a dark gray wooden house, quite large. The woman and the other two men stayed in the car while the driver entered the house where he remained for a period of about five or ten minutes; then returned to the car and drove to Selma, Indiana, a suburb of Muncie, where the car made a quick turn and was lost.

It may be stated here that it was necessary for Agent Hall to remain a good distance behind the car in order to avoid detection. The Agent attempted to find the car again and finally proceeded to Muncie. Upon telephonically contacting this office he was instructed to communicate with the Secretary of State's Office in Indianapolis to determine to whom the license plates were issued. Also the matter was called to his attention that on April 6 a Western Union telegram was received by one Jesse Horton at 531 Chandler Street from Muncie, Indiana, signed "Claude". This telegram read: "Florence will be after you Wednesday."

It will be noted in my report of March 28 that Jesse Horton married a daughter of Mrs. Clark and resides at 531 Chandler, and it appeared that the trip to Detroit was in accordance with the wire quoted above. It was subsequently determined by the Agent that the license of the Chrysler Sedan was issued to Claude Horton, Selma, Indiana. There is also an indication to the effect that he receives mail at 120 Granville Street, Muncie. The Agent determined that Claude Horton is connected with the Smith Alcop Muncie Paint Company; that Selma, Indiana, is located six miles from Muncie, and that Horton resides in Selma in a residence known as the Stark Estate, which is well known there. The Agent was unable to determine the identity of the persons in the car, being unable to get close enough to the car for this purpose, but from all indications the driver of the car was perhaps Claude Horton and evidently is a brother of Jesse Horton in Detroit.

As noted in my letter of the 15th instant the informant whom I contacted in Detroit departed from this city at noon of that day for Muncie where he is going to contact an individual well known to the Dillinger crowd. In view of this and to avoid any interference with the work being done by the informant, I instructed Agent Hall to make no further inquiries at Muncie.

When the matter was explained to me by the Agent that the driver of the car had stopped at a house in Fort Wayne, it was recalled by me that in a report submitted by Agent Klein of the Cincinnati Office, [redacted] upon being interviewed at Dayton, Ohio, stated that in July of 1933, accompanied by Dillinger and Mary Longacre, she went to the Fair at Chicago in Dillinger's Chevrolet car, and that upon their return, Dillinger stopped at a dark gray house in Fort Wayne, where he remained for a short period, Longacre and [redacted] remaining in the car. The [redacted] woman explained as best she could to the Agent at Dayton the location of this house in Fort Wayne, which seemed to correspond with the information furnished by Agent Hall of the house where Horton had stopped on his trip to Selma.

In view of this Agent Hall was instructed to contact the postal authorities at Fort Wayne and secure information concerning this particular house. He was advised not to confer with the police there regarding the matter. Upon his return to this office yesterday afternoon he informed me that he talked to Superintendent of Mails J. J. Gladbag at Fort Wayne, and also Mail Carrier Number 28, R. A. Triss, and ascertained that a Mabel Haynes, who is believed to be a widow, lives in this house and receives mail there; that also one Kirby Davis, who is alleged to be an ex-convict out of Leavenworth is living at this house, together with a Mr. and Mrs. George Lowe. The Post Office Officials also advised that recently a letter was received for that address directed to a June Willard. The carrier informed Agent Hall that he was of the impression that this man Kirby Davis

was alleged to at one time have been connected with Gerald Chapman and Ruth Anderson, adding that the house looked "hot."

In order to secure some additional information regarding this place Agent Hall made discreet inquiries of a Mrs. Fred Babus who lives two houses away and whose address is 536 Third Street. She advised that she has observed some wild parties at this particular place and also has seen cars with foreign license plates stop at that address. Recently a Wisconsin car was observed there.

This house appears quite significant in view of the strong possibility that it is the same place that Dillinger visited upon his return to Dayton, Ohio, from Chicago in July 1933. In this connection reference is made to the report of Special Agent Klein, Cincinnati, dated 4/10/34, and particularly to the last paragraph on Page 9 concerning the interview had with [REDACTED]. Also a significant point which has occurred to me is that Warsaw, Indiana, where it is alleged Dillinger and his associates robbed a police station yesterday morning, is only a distance of approximately 45 miles from Fort Wayne. It was suggested in my telephone communication that a surveillance be immediately placed on this house.

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Very truly yours,

Wm. Larson
Special Agent in Charge

W.L.vas
cc Division
St. Paul
Cincinnati

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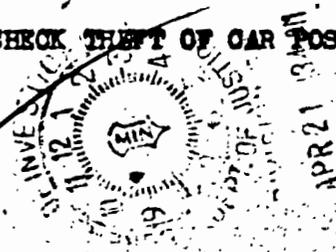
Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

CINCINNATI, OHIO APRIL 19, 1934

R. A. ALT
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
412 U S COURT HOUSE & POST OFFICE BLDG.,
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

JOHN DILLINGER WA FUGITIVE IO TWELVE SEVENTEEN PERSON IDENTIFIED AS HOMER VANMETER
ENDEAVORED TO SELL ESSEX CAR GRAY GREEN IN COLOR ENGINE FIVE SIX NAUGHT NAUGHT FOUR
GEORGIA LICENSE THREE NINE ONE FIVE THREE D TO JOHNSON EVANS MOTOR COMPANY LOUISVILLE
KENTUCKY ON APRIL EIGHTEEN CAR REPORTED STOLEN FROM PANJUAN MOTOR COMPANY DAYTONA
BEECH FLORIDA CHECK THEFT OF CAR POSSIBLY CONNECT SUBJECTS WITH SAME

NEK:MCR
CC DIVISION
11:30 AM



KLEIN ACTING

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**M. H. PURVIS
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Hurley-Wright Building,
Washington, D. C.

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

Dear Sirs

Your attention is invited to Division letter dated
March 30, 1934, requesting that Mr. Willie L. Dougherty,
Nickelsville, Virginia, be interviewed in connection with the
above case.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 11, 1934.

SPC:DSS

MR. NATHAN	.....
MR. TOLSON	.....
MR. CLEGG	.....
MR. COWLEY	.....
MR. EDWARDS	.....
MR. Egan	.....
MR. QUINN	.....
MR. LESTER	.....
CHIEF CLERK	.....
MR. ROEP	.....

26-*Stephens*

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Hanson called from Birmingham and advised that last night Agent Towler received word that a woman secured a license tag at Murfreesboro, Tennessee; that the tag number was 176003; that it was for a Ford Sedan; that she gave her address as the Polk Hotel in Murfreesboro; that at the time she secured the tag Agent Towler was called; that the Sheriff and the Deputy United States Marshal at Murfreesboro were also notified; that the Marshal investigated at the Polk Hotel and found that the woman, Mrs. Thomas L. Psgood, was not registered at said hotel; that the motor number of the car is 18-694580; that it is a Ford V-8, 1934 model; that Agent Towler gave the information to the local authorities in Nashville; that two detectives in Nashville stopped the car on the street on the highway to Memphis; that they started to investigate the car and the men in it pulled a machine gun and told them to get back in their car; that they got back in the car and the men drove away in the direction of Memphis; that the Memphis authorities were notified. Mr. Hanson stated that this matter was being covered at Memphis. He was instructed to call Agent in Charge Connelley and give him this information. This information was likewise given to Mr. Clegg at St. Paul.

Respectfully,

S. P. Cowley
S. P. Cowley.

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April 12, 1934.

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

W. S. Cowley

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Agent in Charge Whitley called from New Orleans and advised that he had just talked to Deputy United States Marshal Hollingsworth at Jackson, Mississippi; that he advised that about two thirty this afternoon while he was en route between Leesville and Brookhaven, Mississippi, on Highway #22, with a negro prisoner, he observed a Ford Deluxe Sedan ahead of him with a Minnesota license covered with mud; that it contained two men and two women; that he started after it and chased them through Brookhaven but lost them; that the letter on the tag was B and the first three numbers were 420 but he could not see any more of the numbers because of the mud on the tag; that he thinks they ducked off ahead of him out of Brookhaven on the Old River Road which leads to Fayette, Mississippi; that he went to Hazelhurst and advised the Chief of Police and then called him, Mr. Whitley; that Marshal Hollingsworth stated that if they got back to Fayette, Mississippi, they can go through Natchez, Mississippi, to Louisiana or come back to Baton Rouge, Louisiana, through Natchez or Vicksburg and can cross the river at Vicksburg to Louisiana or go up north Mississippi to Natchez.

Mr. Whitley advised that all towns on the highways in the vicinity are being notified. He also stated that the information is being broadcast over two broadcasting stations. Mr. Whitley advised that he was having Agent Blake come down to Hazelhurst to meet the Deputy Marshal and Chief of Police there, and that the matter is well covered in Louisiana.

Respectfully,

S. P. Cowley
S. P. Cowley

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April 14, 1934.

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APPREHENSION ORDER
No. 1221-302

Dear Sir:

In Re: MARY EVELYN FRECHETTE, with aliases,
ANN MARTIN, EVELYN SPARK, EVELYN
FASCHETTI, EVELYN FRISBETTE,
GRACE EDWARDS, MRS. JOHN DILLINGER,
"BILLIE".

Identification Order No. 1221 on the above named
subject is hereby cancelled, inasmuch as she was apprehended
at Chicago, Illinois on April 9, 1934.

RECORDED Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover,

Director.

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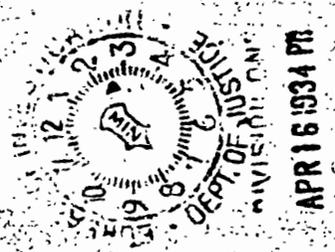
New Orleans, La., April 13, 1934.
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J. H. HANSON
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THREE MEN IN V EIGHT FORD SEDAN OR COACH BEARING MINNESOTA LICENSE PLATES ATTEMPTED TO CONTACT NEGRO DOCTOR IN MERIDIAN MISSISSIPPI LAST NIGHT ABOUT TEN OCLOCK WERE SEEN PASSING THROUGH HATTIESBURG MISSISSIPPI ABOUT TWO THIRTY OR THREE OCLOCK THIS MORNING AND TOOK HIGHWAY ELEVEN OUT OF HATTIESBURG GOING WEST ONE IS DESCRIBED AS A SMALL MAN WEIGHING ABOUT HUNDRED FORTY FIVE POUNDS AND ANOTHER IS LARGE ABOUT SIX FEET WEIGHING ABOUT HUNDRED NINETY POUNDS HAD CAP PULLED OVER HIS FACE AND WAS CARRYING MACHINE GUN ADVISE LOCAL OFFICIALS

WHITLEY



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April 10, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. COWLEY

Agent in Charge Purvis telephoned from Chicago, in connection with the Wrigley matter. He stated that Sullivan, the head of the State Bureau, called at the Chicago Office, accompanied by Saunders. They have been contacting Mr. Purvis' informant, [redacted] and were given the name of [redacted] who is supposed to be a crippled man, age about 50, who was supposed to have arrived in St. Paul this morning to join this outfit. Mr. Purvis stated that Sullivan advances the idea that since Mr. Wrigley has left town, these fellows should all be picked up, although he did not want to swear to a warrant himself and had no suggestion as to what disposition would be made if the parties were arrested. Mr. Purvis stated that [redacted] is not wanted anywhere, as well as several of the others, and that in fact the only man in the crowd who is known to be wanted is [redacted] real name supposed to be [redacted], supposed to be wanted somewhere in New Jersey for murder. They have no definite information as to this. Mr. Purvis further stated that the following aliases have been given for [redacted]

[redacted] I told Mr. Purvis I would have this checked in our Identification Unit. Mr. Purvis mentioned the fact that this is the same individual to whom he recently paid \$25 to work on the Dillinger case, although he is not being used now. I told Mr. Purvis that of course if it could be definitely ascertained that [redacted] is wanted for murder, he could be taken in for murder, and his associates could also be questioned. Mr. Purvis stated he felt everything had been done from the Federal angle, and I suggested that he just turn the matter over to the State authorities.

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Very truly yours,

Director.

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APRIL 12th, 1934

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Serial 45

DILLINGER REPORTED TRAVELING IN FORD DELUXE SEDAN MOTOR SEVEN FIVE SIXTEN SEVEN THREE POSSIBLY BEARING CURRENT INDIANA LICENSE EIGHT SIX THREE EIGHT NINE OR CURRENT MINNESOTA LICENSE B FOUR TWO NAUGHT NINE THIRTY WITH NORMAN HANCOCK TWENTY FOUR YEARS FIVE FEET SIX INCHES ONE THIRTY POUNDS THIN FACE AUBURN HAIR ALSO ANOTHER MAN NAME UNKNOWN THIRTY EIGHT SIX FEET ONE NINETY POUNDS BLACK HAIR WEARING LIGHT GREY SUMMER WEIGHT SUIT ALSO PATRICIA YOUNG ALIASES ANNA JACKSON ANN MARTIN THIRTY YEARS FIVE FEET THREE HUNDRED TWENTY POUNDS BLACK HAIR LOOKS LIKE INDIAN STOP IF CAR SHOWS UP YOUR JURISDICTION HOLD ALL OCCUPANTS AND SUBMIT ALL INFORMATION COLLECT TELEGRAPH OR TELEPHONE TO DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION US DEPARTMENT JUSTICE SIX SEVENTEEN FEDERAL BUILDING MUTUAL TWO TWO NAUGHT

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ARIZONA HIGHWAY PATROL,
PHOENIX ARIZONA

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- EL CENTRO CALIFORNIA
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- SAN YSIDRO "

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- DOUGLAS ARIZONA
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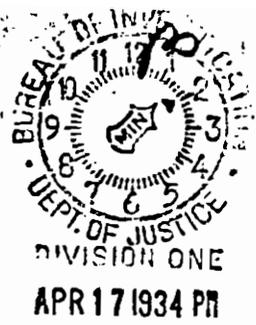
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DEPUTY COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS at:

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- ANDRADE CALIFORNIA
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- SAN YSIDRO "
- TECATE "
- DOUGLAS ARIZONA



Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

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

**HDH:CE
26-3988**

April 15, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

**RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER with
aliases-FUGITIVE I.O. 1217;
JOHN HAMILTON with alias I.O.
1220; HOMER VAN METER with alias
I.O. 1222; et al
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE.**

Warden Preston E. Thomas, Ohio Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio, and his daughter, Miss Amanda Thomas, have informed Special Agent H. D. Harris that they have heard rumors to the effect that Dillinger and his associates may possibly attempt to kidnap the warden or his daughter in an effort to effect the release from the Ohio Penitentiary of Harry Pierpont, Charles Makley, and Russell Clark, Dillinger associates now confined there, the first two under death sentences, and the third under a life sentence. While placing little credence in these rumors, they are nevertheless taking precautions and both are armed at all times. It should be stated that Miss Amanda Thomas is an officer of the institution, in charge of the mail room, and enjoys the confidence of her father in all matters relating to the penitentiary.

Miss Thomas has advised that she will be visiting in Washington, D.C. arriving Monday morning, April 16, 1934, and remaining through Friday April 20, 1934; that she will be at the Army and Navy Hotel, Connecticut Ave., and will contact the Division in Washington if she should discover that any of the Dillinger outfit have become aware of her presence there. She has requested that the Division be advised of her plans in case she should find it necessary to make contact with the Division.

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Very truly,
yours,

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N. B. KLEIN, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Acting Special Agent in Charge
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W. B. KLEIN

It is being done by Tom of the Ohio Penitentiary

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From Laboratory and
Single Fingerprint Unit

4/11 1934.

- To: Director
 Mr. Nathan
 Mr. Tolson
 Mr. Edwards
 Mr. Appel
 Mr. Hince
 Mr. Pickering
 Mr. Renneberger
 Mr. Schilder
 Chief, Unit
 Chief Clerk
 Files
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 Mr. *Stapleton*

*Dillinger +
a kidnaping
threat. Will
you handle?*

E. P. Coffey
E. P. Coffey

Mr Coffey

This was
sent by Friedman
to me

W.P.

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HEADQUARTERS FIFTH CORPS AREA
Office of the Corps Area Commander
Fort Hayes, Columbus, Ohio

April 9, 1934.

Major S. B. Akin, Signal Corps,
Office, Chief Signal Officer,
Washington,
D.C.

My dear Akin:-

Your letter concerning the code addressed to Harry Pierpont and intercepted at Lima during the trial of some of the Dillinger gang, came to me a few days ago, but due to preparations for an Army Day celebration scheduled of the 6th instant, I have been unable prior to now to thank you and your assistants for your trouble in connection with the solution of the code.

The Penitentiary Authorities here feel very grateful to you for your efforts in their behalf. They have a hard bunch of rats to contend with, and are apprehensive of an attempt to release the members of the Dillinger gang now in the penitentiary awaiting execution. I am told that many of the prisoners are so expert at sending codes that they send them all the time by tapping on the metal parts of their cells.

Since the code you just returned was sent to you a package insured for \$25,000.00 was received at the penitentiary here. Inside was a small paper cap pistol with scattered words in prison parlance presumed to be a code. The package was sent to one of the Dillinger gang, and was postmarked Jacksonville, Florida, with a woman's return address supposed to be that of Dillinger's Indiana wife. Other letters intercepted since the receipt of the package indicate that Dillinger's wife sent it and that there may be a large sum of money cached somewhere in Florida.

The Department of Justice might be interested to learn that Miss Amanda Thomas, daughter of the Warden of Ohio State Penitentiary in Columbus, and who reviews all the mail that comes in to the Dillinger gang, will be in Washington, D.C. next week for the D.A.R. convention. She told me this morning that she is leaving here Saturday the 14th and that she will stop at the Army and Navy Hotel while in Washington. She is keeping her trip a secret as a plan has been uncovered to kidnap her and hold her as a ransom for the release of the Dillinger gang now in the penitentiary. It occurred to me that the Department of Justice might be interested in talking with her on matters of correspondence concerning the Dillinger bunch and other matters that have come to her attention recently.

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IN REPLY
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER
WASHINGTON

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April 10, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Appel, Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice.

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter from
Major H. M. Pool, Fifth Corps Area, Columbus, Ohio, which
may be of interest to you.

William F. Friedman
William F. Friedman.

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Again thanking you for the troubles you have undertaken for the Ohio State Penitentiary Authorities in solving some of the codes that fall into his hands, and who appreciates your efforts very deeply, I am

Sincerely yours,

(signed) H. M. POOL

H. M. Pool,
Major, G.S.C.

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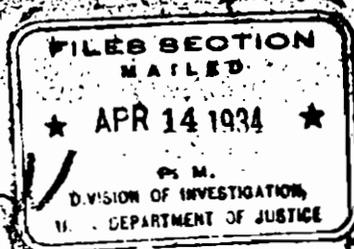
Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Hurley-Bright Building,
Washington, D. C.

APR 17 1934

Dear Sir:

Re: John Herbert Dillinger, with aliases,
Fugitive, Identification Order 1217;
John Hamilton, with aliases,
Identification Order 1220;
Homer Van Meter, with aliases,
Identification Order 1222, et al;
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act;
Obstruction of Justice.

In connection with the above matter, there are attached copies of a memorandum and enclosure addressed to Mr. Appel of the Division dated April 10, 1934 by Mr. William F. Friedman, Office of the Chief Signal Officer, Intelligence Unit, War Department, Washington, D. C., and your attention is particularly invited to the enclosure, a copy of a letter addressed to Major S. B. Akin, Signal Corps, Office, Chief Signal Officer, Washington, D. C., dated April 9, 1934 by Major S. M. Pool, Headquarters Fifth Corps Area, Office of the Corps Area Commander, Fort Hayes, Columbus, Ohio, wherein reference is made to the fact that Miss Amanda Thomas, daughter of the Warden of the Ohio State Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio, plans to visit Washington, D. C. during the coming week, where she will stop at the Army and Navy Hotel; also, to the alleged plan which has been uncovered whereby the subjects in this case intend to kidnap and hold Miss Thomas for ransom for the release of Subject Dillinger's associates, who are now confined in the penitentiary.



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It is desired that you make arrangements to contact Miss Thomas upon her arrival in Washington and obtain from her the details concerning this alleged plan as well as any other information which might be of value to the investigation now being conducted in the above case.

Inasmuch as Miss Thomas plans to keep secret her visit to Washington, this matter should be treated confidentially and handled in a discreet manner. It should be given preferred attention over the other investigations now pending in your office.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Enclosure 685691

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Mr. William F. Friedman,
Office of the Chief Signal Officer,
Intelligence Unit,
War Department,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Friedman:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your memorandum dated April 10, 1934, addressed to Mr. Appel of this Division enclosing a copy of a letter received from Major H. M. Pool, Headquarters Fifth Corps Area, Office of the Corps Area Commander, Fort Hayes, Columbus, Ohio, for which I desire to express my thanks.

I had already received the information concerning the small toy pistol which was mailed from Jacksonville, Florida to Harry Pierpont in the County Jail, Lima, Ohio, and the field offices of this Division have this matter under investigation at the present time.

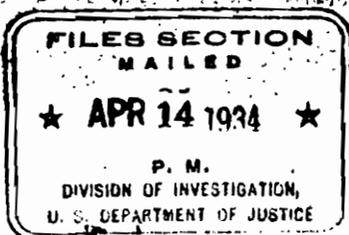
I have noted with much interest the proposed visit of Miss Amanda Thomas, the daughter of the Warden of Ohio State Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio, to Washington, D. C. during the coming week and the reference to the plan which it is alleged has been uncovered to kidnap and hold her for ransom for the release of the Dillinger gang, now in the penitentiary. In this connection, I am making arrangements to have Miss Thomas interviewed upon her arrival here.

Again thanking you for your interest and cooperation in this matter and assuring you of this Division's desire to be of assistance to your Department at any time, I am,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.



JEM:ECB

April 13, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

In regard to the attached clipping which is a short editorial appearing in a Louisville, Kentucky paper, I would like to have had a letter written, expressing our appreciation of the confidence conveyed in this editorial, but the name of the paper does not appear, nor does the date of publication. I do not know whether we can trace this clipping or find out from what office it was sent. If we can, I would like to have a cordial letter written to the Editor of the paper.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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to Mr. Tolson
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Louisville, Ky. paper.

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Edgar Hoover, of the Department of Justice, says that within the twenty-one years of the existence of his division nobody has shot at any of its agents and got away with it.

The question, as to Dillinger, is only a question of when and how he will be taken, dead or alive, unless he kills himself.

The public looks on, confident that the Federal Government will deprive Dillinger of his liberty, or his life, soon.

If he loses his life that will end the case, satisfactorily.

If he is taken alive the courts will settle the case satisfactorily.

The capacity of the Federal Government is the capacity of the American people.

The difference between these post-rape

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 14, 1934.

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

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

SAC Larson called at 5:15PM from Detroit and stated that Mr. Purvis had just called him ~~for~~ South-Bend, Indiana. Mr. Purvis, with a number of agents, is waiting on information from Mr. Larson and Mr. Larson is going to call Mr. Purvis just as soon as this information is received from his confidential informant regarding Dillinger.

Mr. Purvis can be reached at South Bend, Indiana, over telephone number 44493.

Mr. Cowley has been advised of the above.

Respectfully,

R. Moore
R. Moore.

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John Cowley

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
DIVISION ONE
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April 9, 1934.

MEMORANDUM TO A. A. S. WENNER EARLE

RE: ROBERT ROBBERY OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK
MASON CITY, IOWA.

On April 5, 1934 agent made inquiry at Mason City, Iowa, with reference to the recent robbery of the First National Bank at that place. General inquiry of Mr. Ray Oelham at the Identification Division, Police Department, revealed that LESTER GILLIS, alias GEORGE NELSON, had been identified by six persons as having been in on that robbery. These six people included Mrs. Todd Panson and daughter, and Bob Leewright, 838 - 34th Street S.W., Mason City, Iowa.

GILLIS is known to the Chicago police, and his photograph was obtained from that department under group photograph No. 2833. The only description available of GILLIS is: Age: 22 years; height: 5 ft. 4 1/2 in. A photograph of GILLIS was secured from Mr. Oelham.

With reference to the Buick automobile that was used in the robbery and found abandoned about seven miles Southeast of Mason City, Mr. Oelham supplied the following information:

This car is a Buick Sedan, black color, Motor S. 616, 821. The owner being CHARLES WILLIAMS, 6801 Congress Street, Chicago, Illinois. This car was stolen in a robbery in Chicago October 14, 1933, this information being reported to the Mason City Police by William Schoemaker, Chief of Detectives, Chicago, Illinois, Police Department.

A wire from Chief of Police Dahill of St. Paul states that this car was stolen in Indiana in October 1933, and had Indiana license plates No. 988-844 for 1933. The car was recovered by the Associates Investment Company of Illinois. It appears that this car was stolen out of a garage at 541 West Harrison Street in Chicago.

According to the information available, the bandits drove it on State Street in Mason City, and the first information Mr. Oelham had of the bank robbery was when he heard the lieutenant yelling out that the bank was being held. Oelham took a machine gun to a room in the Pine Building, overlooking the bank, but was unable to make use of this equipment.

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due to a number of people thereabout. The car, in leaving, took an apparently well planned course about the city, then South and East, where it was abandoned near Dameron, Iowa. A party named MILLER, who has a farm near where the car was abandoned, stated that it stopped there, met two other cars in which the people all got, and left. MILLER did not get close enough to see any of these party's faces.

At the Sheriff's Office, Deputy Sheriff Max Studer stated that his investigation in this matter has led to the naming of one JOHN GRELICH, St. Paul Police # 23701, dated December 28, 1932, as one of the suspects. This party has been identified by two persons as being in on the robbery. Harry Fisher picked this photograph immediately of the man who came to his place just the evening before this robbery and was seen by Mrs. Fisher to be looking through the window. He wrapped on the door then and asked for Mr. Fisher, and when Fisher came to the door merely asked for a certain address up the street. He was seen to turn in the opposite direction from the address which he had inquired about when he left the house. The next afternoon, which was the afternoon of the bank robbery, this same man, who was identified as GRELICH from his photograph, upon entering the bank came to Fisher's window, which is now the farthest away from the vault, but which two weeks before the robbery was next to the vault, and forced Fisher to go back through the bank and enter the vault and hand out the money. Fisher slammed the door closed behind him and delayed the obtaining of this money for some time by hauling it out through the wire surrounding the vault.

It was stated further by Mr. Studer that some parties undertook to identify JERRY CARROLL as one of the robbers from an old photograph, but could not identify him from the present photograph.

Carl Parker, Vice-President of the bank, was interviewed and he stated that three of the bandits came in the bank and that two of them held the employees at bay while one man went in and got the money. One of the bandits could be seen outside of the bank walking back and forth, and Mr. Parker learned later that he was trying to get a shot at Police Officer Buchanan, who had a sawed off shot gun and was behind a rock in the city park across the street. Mr. Parker stated that the man guarding him made him face in such a manner that he could not get a look at the man's face, who was outside on the sidewalk. He stated that he can positively identify the party

who held him at bay should he see him again. The robbery started at sixteen minutes to three in the afternoon, and Mr. Parker observed that at four minutes to three the bandits had just started away in their car, and he believes that they were probably in the bank twelve minutes at least. He was shown the photograph of ALVIN KARPIS, DOC BARKER, FRED BARKER, HARRY CAMPBELL, VOLNEY DAVIS, and TOMMY CARROLL, but could not identify any of them as parties whom he had seen.

LYDIA CROSBY, an employee of the bank who was forced to ride on the fender of the bandits' car when it left town, was unable to identify any of the above parties from photographs shown to her. She, however, can positively identify one man whom she described as being 34 or 35 years of age; the eyes; very wavy blonde hair; slender build, and very pleasant, this being the one she got out of the car on one or two occasions and used a high-powered rifle in shooting at the police in the car which was following.

HEBERT RYAN and FRANCIS DE SART stated that it was difficult to get a look at any of the bandits as they kept their faces turned away, but feel sure that they will be able to identify one or two of them should they see them again. Both of these parties were compelled to ride in the bandits' car when it left town.

RALPH WILEY, another employee of the bank who was forced to ride on the car, states he will also be able to identify possibly two of the bandits. WILEY and DE SART both feel positive of the identification of GILLIS, alias GEORGE NELSON. They both picked the photograph of DOC BARKER as resembling the party who stood in the front of the bank and held others at bay, but they were sure this man was of medium height and not short. They were unable to identify others. All three of these men felt sure that one of the men in the front of the bank resembled DILLINGER very closely, and the more they think of it the more they are becoming convinced that DILLINGER was one of the gang.

G. D. MULEAHY, a druggist across the street from the bank, stated that one man remained in the car and two were on State Street in addition to the one who was in the front of the bank on Federal Avenue and the three who entered the bank. The two parties on State Street kept shooting almost continuously. One of them entered the drugstore and compelled MULEAHY to go to the Buick car and ride out of town with them. This same party, whom MULEAHY described as

six feet or over, dark complexioned, very white teeth, and had a scar on his face. Also got out of the car when it was out in the country and used a rifle to shoot at the police car. These two parties on State Street shot at at least two cars which drove up during the robbery, and shot one man in the leg when he did not hear their command to halt. MURPHY feels certain that he can identify the party who came into his place and also the driver of the car, whom he looked at very closely. He described this driver as about thirty years of age; 5 feet, 11 inches; 190 pounds; dark hair, and dark eyes, and he also stated that another party, whom he described as being light complexioned or blonde, and about 5 feet, 6 inches, in height, very tough acting, was the other party on this street, and he thinks he will be able to identify him. MURPHY, as the others, could not identify any of the photographs which were shown to him.

Numerous photographs were obtained at Mason City, among them being one TOLLY O'LAUGHLIN, no police number, whom Deputy Sheriff Max Studer has identified as being in the Sioux Falls, S. D., bank robbery; LESTER GILLIS, above mentioned; HARRY LEWIS, Chicago Police Group Photograph No. 2533; age 25; height: 5 feet, 7 3/4 inches, who has also been identified as resembling or being one of the bank robbers, and others about whom no definite information has been obtained.

Respectfully submitted,

R. T. MOORE, Special Agent.

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From

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

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April 2, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

I have been advised by the Special Agents of this Division working at St. Paul that Mrs. Coffey, the manager of the Lincoln Court Apartments, located at 95 South Lexington Street, in St. Paul, Minnesota, reported to certain Federal officials in that city that there were individuals occupying one of the apartments in the building which she managed whose activities were of a suspicious character. This information was made known to the United States Attorney at St. Paul, who advised the Special Agents of this Division located at St. Paul of the information which had been received. The information was rather general in character and indicated that, although the apartment was rented in the name of Mrs. Carl T. Hellman, for occupancy by herself and her husband, the apartment was, in fact, being occupied by three men and two women, and the shades were kept drawn at all hours.

Special Agents were assigned to make investigations at this address for the purpose of determining if the occupants of this apartment were individuals whose apprehension might be desired by this Division. Photographs of members of the Barker-Karpis gang, who were being sought for the Bremer kidnaping, were shown to the manager of the apartment house, and she stated that they were not identical with the occupants of the apartment. At the same time, due to the intense interest of Special Agents of the Division to locate and cause the apprehension of John Dillinger, photographs of John Dillinger were exhibited to the manager of the apartment house and she stated that Dillinger was not one of the occupants of the apartment house. There was no information available, in fact, indicating that those who occupied the apartment were desperate characters. Information had been received, as shown, that the premises were not occupied by Dillinger or the gang of kidnapers being sought for the Bremer kidnaping.

The Special Agents decided it would be advisable to determine the identity of the occupants of the premises, whereupon two Special Agents, accompanied by a police officer, went to the apartment, and knocked on the door, but were refused admittance. In fact, a woman

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whose identity was not known to them opened the door and, upon observing the Special Agent and the peace officer, she shut the door in their faces. The Special Agent proceeded immediately to a telephone to call his office to advise of this action so that additional men could be sent to the premises. While additional Agents were en route to this apartment house, an individual whose identity was at the time unknown came into the hallway and asked for the apartment of Mr. Johnson. The Special Agent asked him his business and he stated that he was a soap salesman. Inquiry was then made as to where his samples might be, and he stated they were downstairs in his car. The individual started leaving the hallway and proceeded down the stairs, and was followed by a Special Agent of this Division, who continued to question him. When they had reached the second landing on the staircase the alleged soap salesman suddenly stated, "You asked for it, so I will now give it to you", whereupon he quickly drew a revolver and started shooting at the Special Agent, who, not having his gun drawn at the time, retreated to an alcove forming a portion of a doorway, and there he drew his gun and returned the fire of his assailant. The alleged soap salesman then returned to the interior of the apartment building, while the Special Agent proceeded to the outside of the building for the purpose of covering that entrance.

When the shooting began, the door of the apartment occupied by the mysterious individuals was opened slightly and one of the occupants began directing machine-gun fire down the hallway. The police officer, who had been in the hallway, sought safety immediately.

The second Special Agent of this Division was at the time engaged in checking the nearby garages for automobiles which might be identified as belonging to individuals whose apprehension was being sought by the Division. It was during his absence from the building that the alleged soap salesman entered the hallway, and this was followed by the gun-fire heretofore described. Under cover of the machine-gun fire the other occupants of the apartment made an exit out of the rear door of the building and proceeded to a garage where it appears they had an automobile awaiting them, and in this car they made their escape, after being joined by the soap salesman. The car which had been parked by the alleged salesman in front of the building had been observed by the Special Agent who was checking all the automobiles in that vicinity, and one of the tires of this automobile was punctured, after the gun-firing started, so that it would not be available for their escape.

Attorney General.

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It appears that the unfortunate situation which arose in this connection was occasioned largely by the fact that the alleged salesman, who is now believed to have been John Dillinger, made an unexpected appearance during the course of the investigation and prior to the arrival of a force of Special Agents from the St. Paul Office.

I have issued instructions that the matter involving the location of John Dillinger should be given preferred attention and I am directing the activities of all the field offices of this Division to this end. At the present time we have under constant surveillance the small daughter of one of the lady friends of Dillinger, who may be identical with one of the individuals occupying the apartment. The man who was occupying the apartment at the time of this occurrence is believed to have been John Hamilton, who had previously escaped from an Indiana jail with Dillinger. We are taking definite action toward establishing his identity and effecting the location of Hamilton on a charge of harboring a fugitive from justice, and a similar charge will likewise be investigated relative to all of the other occupants of this apartment.

The apartment was subsequently searched and it was found to contain a Thompson submachine-gun, two automatic rifles, one .38 caliber Super-Colt automatic revolver, with 20 shot magazine clips, and two bullet-proof vests.

I will advise you promptly of any further important developments.

Respectfully,


Director.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. McDermott *JJMCD/UB*

DATE: 6-23-75

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

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

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

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

A report has been submitted by Special Agent D. L. Nicholson of the Saint Paul Office covering the investigation made to determine the identities of the persons residing at the Lincoln Court Apartments, 93-95 Lexington Avenue, Saint Paul, Minnesota, from which John Dillinger fled after shooting at Division agents with a machine gun, in which there are incorporated memoranda submitted by Special Agents R. L. Nalls and R. C. Coulter concerning their activities with respect thereto.

On March 30, 1934, Mrs. Coffey, the manager of the Lincoln Court Apartments, reported to Special Agent in Charge Hanni that she had rented an apartment to Mrs. Carl T. Hellman on March 19, 1934, who stated that the apartment was desired for herself and her husband and paid sixty dollars cash in advance. Mrs. Coffey discovered that two women and three men, whose actions appeared suspicious, were occupying the apartment.

Mr. Hanni submitted this data by memorandum to Inspector Rorer suggesting that photographs of the suspects in the Bremer case be shown Mrs. Coffey and her husband. Inspector Rorer assigned Agents Nalls and Coulter to this matter, who exhibited to Mrs. Coffey and the caretaker of the apartment building photographs of the Barker-Karpis gang and other suspects in the Bremer kidnaping case, but neither was able to identify them as being a likeness of any of the tenants. (The report does not reflect that photographs of Dillinger were exhibited, although the Saint Paul Office had previously received information that Dillinger had contacts in Saint Paul and might appear in that city.)

Mrs. Coffey based her suspicions of these tenants on the fact that they remained indoors, used the rear entrance, lowered their shades just after dusk each evening and kept them lowered until about 10:20 each morning and the occupants had refused to

allow the caretaker to enter the apartment on one occasion to replace a bathroom fixture, the caretaker being informed that Mr. Hellman would do the work himself.

Mrs. Coffey pointed out a new Hudson Sedan which these tenants were driving, which carried 1934 Minnesota license plates B-420-930. Agents Nalls and Coulter ascertained that this license was issued March 29, 1934 to Carl T. Hellman, R. F. D. #1, North Saint Paul, Minnesota, and that the car was purchased new on the same date. It was ascertained that Carl T. Hellman was unknown to the postmaster at North Saint Paul, Minnesota and that the records of his office failed to disclose that such a person was receiving mail on R. F. D. #1. The rural carrier covering this route could not recall such a person receiving mail.

The apartment was kept under surveillance by Agents Nalls and Coulter on the night of March 30, 1934 and, according to the report, failed to observe any unusual circumstances or happenings. The shades were observed to be lowered within about three inches of the bottom. However, the shades in other apartments were likewise lowered, which appeared necessary if any degree of privacy was desired.

On March 31, 1934 shortly after nine o'clock, Inspector Rorer requested these agents to make further investigation "for the purpose of clearing up the car matter so as to gain admittance to look over the occupants". Agent Nalls states in his memorandum that neither he nor Agent Coulter had the least reason to suspect that the occupants were in any way connected with the Barker-Karpis gang or the Dillinger mob; that although the license had been issued to Hellman at a North Saint Paul address and the caretaker had been refused admittance to make a slight repair, these things were not so unusual, since Hellman might well have had a house located on R. F. D. #1, possibly a summer cottage, without knowledge of the postmaster or rural carrier since he might have been a new arrival and had not as yet become known to these two persons. Also, it may have been that the woman had some legitimate excuse for not permitting the caretaker to enter at the particular time.

Upon leaving the office, Agent Coulter suggested that Agent Nalls immediately proceed to the apartment and keep it under surveillance while Agent Coulter proceeded to police headquarters.

to get officers. According to Agent Nails, he arrived here, circled the block around the apartment without observing the Hudson Sedan. He then parked his car on Lincoln Avenue about twenty-five yards in back of the apartment building, which afforded a view of the back entrance. About ten minutes later two women turned the corner, coming from Lexington Avenue on to Lincoln Avenue and at the same time a Ford Sedan turned off of Lexington Avenue on to Lincoln Avenue, proceeding on the wrong side of the street. The women stopped near the car which continued east on Lincoln Avenue. It appeared to Agent Nails that the women may have come from the apartment through the front entrance. The car was bearing 1934 Maine State License B-419-75. Agent Nails was able to furnish some description of the two women and the driver of the car and, although he was never very close to them, he believes that he may be able to recognize them.

Following this occurrence, Agent Nails moved his car to Lexington Avenue where he could observe the front and side entrance leading to the rear of the building. At about 10:10 A. M. he observed Agent Coulter and Officer Cummings drive up in front of the apartment building and enter. Agent Nails then circled the block to ascertain whether any suspicious cars were around and returned to his car.

At approximately 10:20 A. M. he observed a green-colored Ford V-8 Coupe coming west on Lincoln Avenue which stopped directly opposite a paved walk which leads to the rear entrance of the apartment building. The driver walked hurriedly and entered the apartment, Agent Nails being unable to obtain a good description of him.

At approximately 10:30 A. M. Agent Nails observed Agent Coulter "cutting" across the front lot of the apartment building, moving hastily in a northeasterly direction toward the intersection of Lexington and Lincoln Avenues. He was exchanging revolver shots with someone and in a moment I caught a glance of a man I recognized as being the person I had just previously seen leaving the green Ford Coupe on Lincoln Avenue. The form of this man appeared for just a second and then he disappeared in back of the wing of the building. I did not see him again. I jumped out of my car and ran towards Coulter pointing out to him the Ford Coupe on Lincoln Avenue and yelled to him that the man was shooting at him. He came in the car and Coulter, who was then in direct line of the car,

aimed a shot which took effect in the left rear tire and disabled the car for getaway purposes. All the while I could hear reports of machine gun fire, but could not place just where it was coming from. Seeing that Coulter was uninjured and had the car covered and sensing the need of surrounding the neighborhood with police squad cars, I ran to the drug store at the corner of Grand and Lexington, nearby, and telephoned the police to immediately send all available squad cars to Lexington and Lincoln. I also tried to reach the Saint Paul Office for assistance but both lines were busy. I immediately returned to the car which Coulter guarded during my absence and kept watch over the car until it was towed to the police garage for a check on latent prints."

According to the memorandum submitted by Agent Coulter, Inspector Rorer instructed him on the morning of March 31, 1934 to have Agent Walls watch the apartment house and he, Coulter, to contact Chief of Police Thomas Dahill, confidentially explain the circumstances, ask for officers, and interview the occupants of the apartment. It was agreed between Agents Coulter and Walls that Walls was to immediately proceed to the motor sales company, which sold the Hudson Sedan to Hellman and interview the salesman there when Agent Coulter and the officers arrived at the apartment.

The full facts were given to Chief Dahill and his assistance solicited. Chief Dahill replied, "I will see who I have here. I have found that I can not trust all my men." Chief Dahill then located Detective Henry Cummings, who proceeded with Agent Coulter to the apartment where they knocked on the door. After a proximately one minute a woman opened the door about two inches and put her face at the opening so she could see outside with one eye. Detective Cummings informed her that he desired to talk to Carl Hellman, whereupon the woman replied, "He has just left and won't be back until this afternoon. Come back then." Upon being asked, she advised she was Mrs. Hellman, whereupon Detective Cummings stated, "We will talk to you." She replied, "I am not dressed. Come back this afternoon." Agent Coulter then stated, "We will wait until you dress. I see no reason for our waiting until this afternoon to talk with you." The woman stated that she would dress, whereupon she closed the door and was heard to lock it with a night latch.

After waiting about three minutes, Agent Coulter became apprehensive and called Inspector Rorer from the superintendent's office in the apartment. He then divided his time between the front door and the third floor stairs landing to make sure that

No one escaped by the windows. Approximately nine minutes after returning to the third floor, a man came up the back stairs, passed Detective Cummings and proceeded to the front steps landing where he stopped and asked Agent Coulter whether his name was Johnson. After receiving a negative reply he proceeded to the midlanding of the stairs on the third floor. Agent Coulter then asked him what his name was and he replied that he was a soap salesman. When asked where his samples were, he stated, "Down in my car." He was then asked whether he had anything to identify himself and he stated, "No, but I have down in my car." This man proceeded down the stairs and about fifteen or twenty seconds later Agent Coulter followed with the intention of ascertaining whether he was telling the truth.

After reaching the ground floor, Agent Coulter proceeded to the front door and on reaching the lobby, which is approximately six feet square, he looked into the stairs leading to the basement and saw the individual with whom he had talked on the third floor with a dark automatic pistol. The stranger stated, "You see, - s -, you want this. Here it is." at the same time taking aim on Coulter. Agent Coulter, not having his pistol in his hand, jumped backward through the door which was approximately two feet from where he was standing. The man followed Coulter closely and on reaching the corner of the building, which was approximately twenty feet away, Coulter glanced over his shoulder and observed that the man was close on to him. Approximately twenty feet past the corner Coulter had succeeded in getting his pistol out and he stopped, turned and fired on the man.

Prior to this time, according to Coulter, he heard some shooting and had seen the snow fly up around him. He was later informed by Mrs. Coffey that the man on the third floor had been firing at him with a machine gun.

When Agent Coulter started shooting at the man chasing him, this man jumped back to the corner and disappeared in the building. At this time Agent Coulter observed Agent Walls across the street, proceeded towards Walls and instructed him to call the police immediately. Walls then pointed out the Ford Coupe in which this man who had been shooting at Coulter arrived and Coulter fired several shots, puncturing one of the tires, disabling the car.

Agent Coulter states that he has no personal knowledge of what else took place and that all of the shooting occurred in approximately thirty seconds.

Upon receiving the call from Agent Malls, Inspector Rorer attempted to communicate with Chief of Police Dahill and being unable to reach him, immediately dispatched two agents to the police station to obtain the aid of additional officers. Inspector Rorer and the remaining agents at the office proceeded to the Lincoln Court Apartments immediately.

It appears from the report that the whole affair took place so quickly that Agent Malls did not have an opportunity to assist Coulter, that is, after the shooting started. It also appears that Agent Coulter was on the outside when the shooting started and that immediately thereafter he instructed Agent Malls to proceed to the nearest phone to call the police.

The report does not clearly set forth the activities of Agents Coulter and Malls subsequent to the shooting and pending the arrival of the police.

Respectfully,

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Director,
Division of Investigation,
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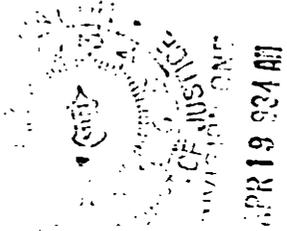
Dear Sir:

Will you please furnish this office with one-hundred
additional I.O. #1222 entitled "Homer Van Meter with aliases"

Very truly yours,



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



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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CLEGG.

H. Clegg

Reference is made to the letter dated April 16, 1934 from Honorable Virgil Chapman, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., containing information which might be of value in effecting the apprehension of John Dillinger.

Immediately upon receiving this correspondence, I conferred with Mr. Cowley and suggested to him that in view of Dillinger's past connections in Daytona Beach, Florida, this information be given to Special Agent in Charge Alt by telephone.

With Mr. Cowley's consent, I called Special Agent in Charge Alt at Jacksonville, gave him the information and requested that he make efforts to establish the identity of Mrs. George T. Williams and to obtain a copy of the message which she received from Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

Respectfully,

T. N. Stapleton

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

COMMITTEE ON
INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN COMMERCE
Washington, D.C.

April 16, 1934



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

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I am enclosing a letter which I have received from Judge Charles T. Corn, Judge Mercer County Court, Harrodsburg, Kentucky, together with fingerprint classification, and which is self-explanatory. I am transmitting this information to you for whatever disposition you may wish to make of it. It will be appreciated if you will return Judge Corn's letter to me when it has served your purpose.

Assuring you of my best personal wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Virgil Chapman

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CHARLES T. CORN

Attorney at Law

Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

April 13, 1934.

Hon. Virgil Chapman, M.C.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Chapman:

Had it not been for your quick and splendid service in getting the three most competent divers here, one of the foulest murders ever committed in this County would have in all probability never been solved.

On behalf of the citizens and personally I want to thank you for this great aid you rendered and I assure you it is not going to be forgotten by our people.

We have some other information which might be of some service to the Department of Justice, and if you think best you can give it to them.

John Dillinger has spent a good deal of his time in the past around here and adjoining counties and went some of the time under the name of Charley Hare or Arthur Hare, and it is reported that about ten years ago, along with Jake or Earl Roney, he enlisted in the Navy, under the name of Charley or Arthur Hare, and if that is true the Navy has their finger prints, which could be compared with the ones I inclose you. He has quite a good many relatives also living in this and adjoining counties.

Some several days ago, a message was sent from here by a party who strongly resembled Dillinger, to Mrs. George T. Williams, 300 Main Street, Daytona Beach, Florida, and while there may be nothing of importance to this, we thought possibly the agents of the Department of Justice, should be notified of these facts.

Again thanking you for your highly appreciated and valued services to us and my kindest personal regards,

I remain,

Very truly yours,

(S) CHAS. T. CORN,

Judge Mercer County Court.

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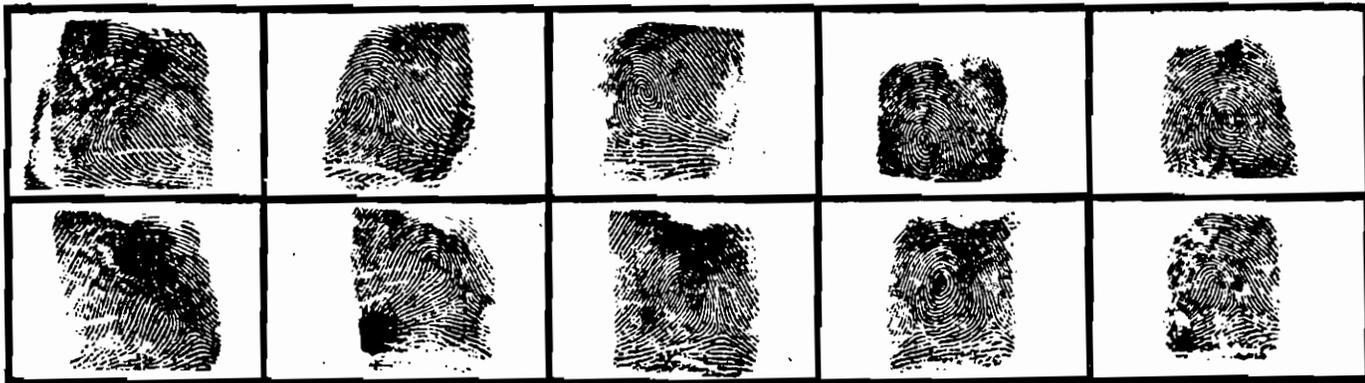
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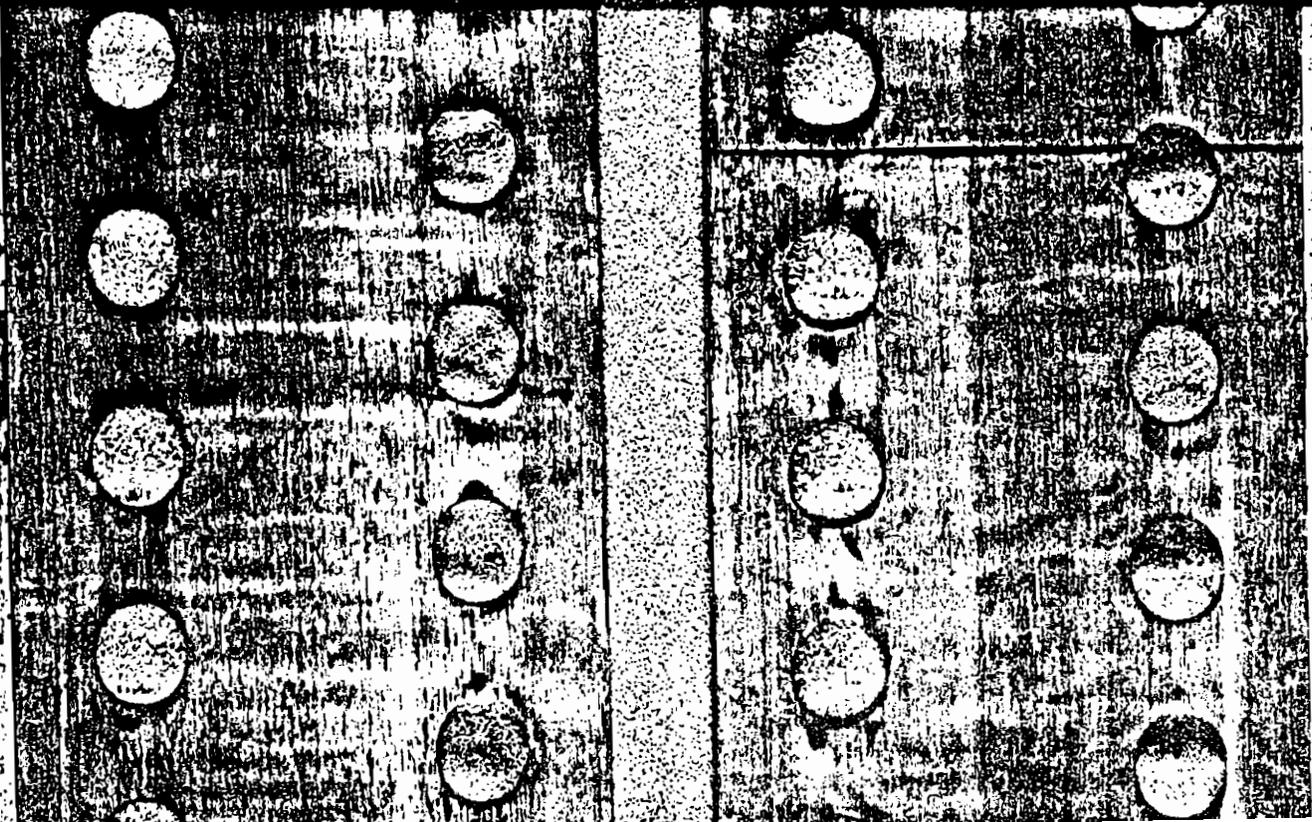
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April 18, 1934.

Honorable Charles T. Cox,
Judge, Mercer County Court,
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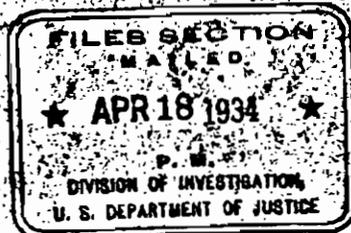
My dear Judge Cox:

Honorable Virgil Chapman, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., has referred to this Division a copy of a letter dated April 13, 1934, received by him from you which contains information that may be of value in effecting the apprehension of John Dillinger.

For your confidential information, this Division has already learned of Dillinger's past service in the Navy. However, I am very much interested in the information furnished by you concerning the message which was sent from Harrodsburg, Kentucky by a party who resembled Dillinger and I have taken the liberty of forwarding a copy of your letter to Mr. E. J. Connelley, Special Agent in Charge, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Post Office Box 766, Cincinnati, Ohio, in order that he may have a representative from his office contact you for further information in this connection.

Pending the arrival of such representative, should you receive any additional information, it will be appreciated if you will communicate directly with Mr. Connelley.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover
Director.



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April 18, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

There are attached to this of a letter dated April 13, 1934, addressed to Honorable Virgil Chapman, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., by Honorable Charles T. Corn, Judge, Harrodsburg County Court, Harrodsburg, Kentucky, which was referred to this Division by Congressman Chapman.

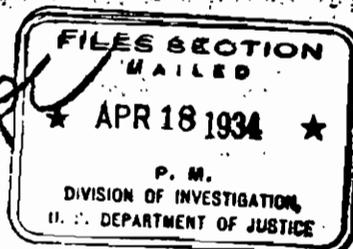
The Division has already established Subject Billinger's past service in the Navy. However, it does not appear that the name of Mrs. George T. Williams, 300 Main Street, Daytona Beach, Florida, has previously appeared in the files. Since Billinger and his associates resided in Daytona Beach, Florida prior to their arrest at Tucson, Arizona, January 25th, it appears that this information would warrant attention. Therefore, it is desired that Judge Corn be immediately interviewed for such information as he may be in a position to offer.

This information has already been furnished the Jacksonville Office with the request that efforts be made to determine the identity of Mrs. George T. Williams, 300 Main Street, Daytona Beach, Florida.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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Honorable Virgil Chapman,
House of Representatives,
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My dear Congressman:

Please accept my sincere thanks for your letter dated April 16, 1934, enclosing a copy of a letter addressed to you by Honorable Charles T. Corn, Judge, Mercer County Court, Reynoldsburg, Kentucky, which contains information which it appears may be of assistance in effecting the apprehension of John Dillinger, a fugitive from justice.

Your interest in promptly referring Judge Corn's letter to this Division is much appreciated and I wish to advise that I am communicating directly with Judge Corn and will also have him interviewed by a representative of this Division for such information as he may be in a position to offer.

Copies of Judge Corn's letter have been made for our files and, as requested by you, the original is returned herewith.

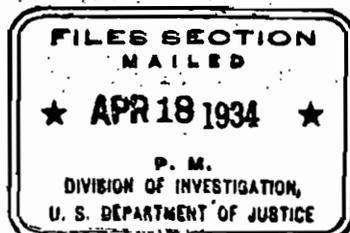
With expressions of my highest esteem and best personal wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
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Washington, D. C.

April 11, 1934.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Hanson called from Birmingham at about 8:30 P. M. and advised that men had been seen in a Ford Sedan at Carbonhill, Alabama, at about 2:30 P. M., that the car bore Tennessee license plates Number 176003 and motor Number 18694580. Mr. Rorer advised that this car was sold to Homer Van Meter at Mankato, Minnesota on April 2, 1934. The Tennessee plates were obtained by a female who gave her name as Mrs. Harmon L. Osgood at Murfreesboro, Tennessee on April 9; the two men in the car attempted to get Dr. L. T. Carey to treat one of them; the ailment was not indicated.

I talked with Mr. Clegg in St. Paul who stated that he had the information and that it appeared to be Dillinger and Van Meter. Mr. Clegg was requested to release the men at St. Paul attached to the Dallas and Birmingham offices. No Agents are there from New Orleans or Oklahoma City. Agent E. J. Dowd is there from Dallas and Agent R. E. Peterson is there from Birmingham, both assigned to the Dillinger case.

I talked to Mr. Purvis who advised that Agents Kitchin and Austin were there from Birmingham and Agents Magee and McKee from New Orleans. The work there was divided up into shifts and he would like to keep the men there until 5:00 A. M. I told Mr. Purvis this would be alright. He said Mr. Ladd would return to St. Louis the first thing in the morning. He suggested that Mr. Deadrick from Oklahoma City remain in Chicago for the time being in that the Frechette woman was more friendly towards him than anyone else. I told Mr. Purvis that that was satisfactory.

I called Agents in Charge Brantley, Blake, Alt, and Whitley, all of whom had the information and advised every effort would be made to cover their territories. Mr. Whitley advised that he could have the description of the car broadcast over station W.S.M.B. with the request that any information concerning same be sent to the New Orleans Office. I authorized this procedure. Mr. Alt advised that the cottage in which Dillinger et al lived in Daytona Beach, Florida last December had been located and that Agent Shivers had a number of confidential informants in Daytona Beach and would keep in close touch with the situation there.

Mr. Kline called from Cincinnati and stated that Kinder had visited Pierpont in the Penitentiary and that authorities had attempted to overhear her conversation; that she had been

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requested to contact an O'Connell in St. Louis and get some machine guns and had indicated that Dillinger was returning to Tucson, Arizona. Mr. Kline stated that the St. Louis and Los Angeles offices had been notified but that St. Louis had been unable to identify O'Connell.

Mr. Hanson called about 12:25 A. M. and stated that he had been unable to date to get any definite information that the men had called at the offices of Drs. L. T. Terry and C. E. Gilder. Mr. Hanson stated he had not yet located anyone who could identify the car. He stated that he was stopping at the Wheeler Hotel, Carbonhill, Alabama.

Respectfully,

S. P. Cowley.

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April 14, 1934.

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

Dear Mr. Clegg:-

With further reference to your inquiry concerning the payment of the hospital expenses of Eugene Green, you are advised that the Division sees no reason why the Federal Government should, under any circumstances, pay for the care of such persons. It is felt that any person shot while engaged in lawless activities certainly cannot be considered as a patient of the Government.

Please be governed accordingly.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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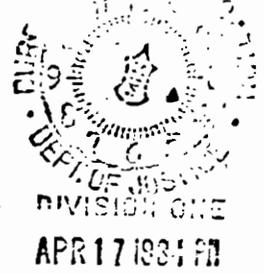
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April 13, 1934.

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Dear Sir:

RE: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases
I.O. # 1217, et al.
H.M.V.T.A. and HARBORING.

ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,
KIDNAPING.

BESSIE SKINNER, alias Mrs. T. J. Randall, alias Mrs. Eddie Green, alias Mrs. Eugene Green, alias Mrs. Ray Moore, alias Mrs. Bob Walsh, who until recently resided at 3300 Fremont Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota, was interviewed on various occasions during the period from April 5, 1934 to April 12, 1934, at the St. Paul office of the Division. She has advised that she desires her real identity kept strictly confidential in view of the fact that she is the mother of LEONARD SKINNER, and she does not desire any publicity which would in any way reflect unfavorably upon him or which would enable this son to identify her.

She stated that she was born in Linton, North Dakota, and her maiden name was BESSIE HINDS. She was married on June 13, 1914 at Swift Current, Saskatchewan, Canada, to an individual by the name of SKINNER and she was subsequently divorced in St. Paul, Minnesota, the date of which she does not recall. During the course of time since her divorce she has lived with BOB WALSH, RAY MOORE, and T. J. RANDALL, alias EDDIE GREEN, alias EUGENE GREEN, without having been married to any of them.

During the initial interviews with BESSIE SKINNER she furnished information to the effect that on the evening of Saturday, March 31, 1934 there called at the home of EDDIE GREEN'S mother in St. Paul an individual whom she described as small, with reddish hair, who inquired for EDDIE GREEN. This individual, who was unknown to her, was advised by EDDIE GREEN'S mother that EDDIE was not at home, whereupon he requested that just as soon as EDDIE returned he should be informed that he was wanted at the boat house just as quickly as he could get there. EDDIE did not arrive home in the meantime, and about one half hour later a big fellow, who had the appearance of a prizefighter, and wore a thick, heavy sweater

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with a turtle neck, called at MRS. GREEN'S residence and he, too, inquired for EDDIE, who was absent. He left a similar message, that EDDIE should immediately come over to the boat house. BESSIE SKINNER stated that she did not know but she would assume that there was a likelihood that if EDDIE were a friend of, or associated with, JOHN DILLINGER, that DILLINGER was at that time at the boat house or a contact would have been there who would put EDDIE in touch with DILLINGER.

As has been previously reported, the identity of a boat house believed to be identical with the one referred to, was established through TOM FILBEN of the Federal Acceptance Corporation, St. Paul, as being the first boat house to the right of the Wabasha Street bridge in St. Paul. This boat house was placed under observation, as heretofore reported, and after a period of twenty-four hours continuous observation this place was raided, but DILLINGER was not found there and no information was received indicating that he had been there.

BESSIE SKINNER advised that were she endeavoring to locate JOHN DILLINGER she believes that she would get in touch with a man and woman by the name of GOLDIE and IDA, IDA being GOLDIE'S wife, as they both worked for HARRY SAWYER in the Twin Cities, and if HARRY SAWYER had anything to do with arranging a hide-out for DILLINGER he would probably turn to GOLDIE and IDA to effect such an arrangement. Further, that IDA'S mother was supposed to either own or manage an apartment in South Minneapolis, and it would be her guess that DILLINGER might be located in such an apartment house. Investigation by Special Agent T. J. Dodd disclosed the identity of GOLDIE and IDA, and this information has been previously reported; and it was determined that IDA'S mother, MRS. BISHOP, was suffering from cancer and was at the time in the hospital. Agent Dodd is making an effort to determine if she has been managing or operating an apartment house.

BESSIE SKINNER expressed her opinion that following the shooting episode on March 31st, DILLINGER would remain in the Twin Cities, or at least nearby; that information of value concerning the location of hoodlums in the Twin Cities could usually be obtained by making contacts at VICKS' place, which was a well known establishment in the Twin Cities.

It has been previously reported that a woman believed identical with MRS. BESSIE SKINNER negotiated an exchange of automobiles, whereby she came into possession of a 1934 Model Terraplane which was obtained from the O'Donnell Motor Company in Minneapolis, and the financial arrangements for the difference in value between the cars was handled by the Federal Acceptance Corporation, of which TOM FILBEN is head.

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Concerning this transaction BESSIE SKINNER advises that in accordance with arrangements which evidently had previously been made by EDDIE GREEN, she was instructed to proceed in the 1933 Terraplane which she and EDDIE were using, to the Federal Acceptance Corporation, and she would be accompanied by a representative of that organization to the O'Donnell Motor Company offices where she would turn in the 1933 car and receive the 1934 in lieu thereof. Her attention was called to the fact that there were four automobiles at least involved in the same general transaction, one of them being a Ford and two were Hudsons. She then stated that a young man from the Federal Acceptance Corporation by the name of GLEEMAN (?) accompanied her from the finance company to the O'Donnell Motor Sales organization, and there was delivered to the O'Donnell Motor Company a Plymouth automobile bearing a California license tag, and in exchange for this Plymouth GLEEMAN received a Hudson automobile. The Hudson was driven out of O'Donnell's place of business directly in front of BESSIE SKINNER as she drove the 1934 Terraplane out of the same offices. I inquired as to whom this Hudson automobile was delivered or for whom it was purchased, and she denied all knowledge. She stated that there was a heavy man with a mustache who was parked in an automobile nearby, and this might have been for him. BESSIE SKINNER explained that the Terraplane automobile which she received from the O'Donnell Motor Company was the same as the car in which she and EDDIE GREEN were riding on the afternoon when GREEN was shot, near 778 Rondo Street, St. Paul.

BESSIE SKINNER suggested that if she desired to obtain information as to the possible whereabouts of JOHN DILLINGER or any of the bunch of hoodlums in his organization, she would locate a boy by the name of PAT. The next day she confirmed the information which had been received that this individual was PAT RILEY. PAT RILEY is a young man, rather small of stature, she stated, who was formerly bat boy for the St. Paul baseball team, and he would be well known in the Twin Cities. He is called HARRY SAWYER'S man "Friday", and SAWYER undoubtedly confides a great deal in PAT RILEY, who eventually becomes involved in practically all of SAWYER'S transactions.

BESSIE SKINNER described the following as members of JOHN DILLINGER'S Twin City mob: JOHN DILLINGER; TOMMY CARROLL; an individual by the name of VAN (later she identified him as VAN METER); an individual by the name of JIMMIE, who was described as being small, of light complexion, and "just a kid about twenty four". Also another individual by the name of BILL. She has subsequently identified the photograph of WILLIAM WEAVER as the one she referred to as BILL.

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She stated that HOMER VAN METER had called at the apartment occupied by herself and EDDIE GREEN at 3300 Fremont Avenue in Minneapolis

on Saturday night, March 31, 1934, the day on which the shooting occurred at Lexington Avenue. VAN METER stated that when the shooting occurred JOHN DILLINGER had been in the Lexington Avenue apartment with a "dark girl" by the name of "BILLIE". At this point BESSIE SKINNER identified the photograph of EVELYN FRECHETTE as the girl "BILLIE" to whom she referred, and she stated that the description was accurate because "BILLIE'S" face was pock-marked and her complexion very bad. She stated that VAN METER had informed her that DILLINGER had been shot in the leg, but before VAN METER had furnished this information BILLIE FRECHETTE had called at her apartment, at a time she estimates to be from fifteen to forty-five minutes after the shooting on Lexington Avenue. BILLIE explained that they had been ousted from their apartment; that JOHN DILLINGER had been shot in the leg, although the wound was not serious, and she wanted EDDIE GREEN to accompany her. BESSIE expressed her opinion that at that time JOHN DILLINGER was probably not very far away because BILLIE had entered the apartment building walking and she expects that DILLINGER was in a car nearby. EDDIE GREEN did not have his trousers on at the time, so he completed dressing and went out with BILLIE.

Concerning the apartment on Marshall Avenue where the negro woman LUCY JACKSON called to obtain whatever could be found in the apartment, in accordance with instructions received from EDDIE GREEN, BESSIE SKINNER stated that VAN METER had been living at this apartment for a period of slightly longer than two weeks. She estimates this time by the fact that VAN'S wife, or girl friend, MICKEY, was forced to go to a hospital at a time about two weeks prior to the shooting, and EDDIE GREEN, who had been intending to move to Marshall Avenue with BESSIE, had stated that they would continue in their apartment in Minneapolis and let VAN METER occupy the Marshall Avenue apartment in St. Paul on account of the illness of MICKEY. BESSIE claims she does not know where MICKEY was treated or the nature of the operation.

Concerning the machine gun and other ammunition found in the apartment occupied by EDDIE GREEN and BESSIE SKINNER at 3300 Fremont Avenue, she stated that she positively did not know that any of this ammunition was in the apartment; that if it were found there she would guess that VAN METER had brought this equipment to the apartment on the evening before GREEN was shot, although she claimed to have been out of the apartment a portion of the time while VAN METER was there, and she was firm in her statements that she did not see VAN METER bring anything into the apartment.

Concerning the kidnaping of EDWARD G. BREMER, BESSIE SKINNER advised that from what she had learned from her various conversations with her associates, it was generally believed in the Twin Cities that MR. BREMER

was kidnaped by the BARKER-KARPIS gang, she stating that she would include in this gang two BARKER boys as well as a tall, skinny, dark complexioned individual who wore a little light cap. She claimed that she was unable to identify him at the time of this conversation. She stated that she had previously met ARTHUR and FRED BARKER and ALVIN KARPIS, whom she called RAY, about two years ago when HARRY SAWYER brought them to a night club which she was running called the Alamo. She was shown photographs of the BARKER-KARPIS gang and immediately called off the first names of FRED, DOC and RAY. She stated that she had seen them as recently as the fall of 1933 while they were visiting the apartment of MYRTLE EATON at 565 Portland Avenue in St. Paul. She claimed that she had heard of VOLNEY DAVIS but that she had never seen the individual by the name of CAMPBELL whose photograph was shown to her.

BESSIE SKINNER stated that she became acquainted with VERNE MILLER in September or October 1932 when HARRY SAWYER, in company with VERNE MILLER, came to the place which she operated called the Alamo. She further stated that she had seen the two BARKER boys with the woman whom they called Mother, and known to her as KATE BARKER, on several occasions in the late fall of 1932.

During the course of a subsequent interview with BESSIE SKINNER on April 11, 1934, she stated that JOHN DILLINGER was crazy about motion pictures and shows of all types; that she had heard him boast of accompanying BILLIE FRECHETTE to a theatre in St. Paul, and one of the pictures which he boasted of having seen was entitled "Joe Palooka"; that on Friday night before the shooting on Lexington Avenue on March 31st, 1934, she and EDDIE GREEN called at the apartment of DILLINGER and the FRECHETTE woman, in the building located at 93-95 Lexington Avenue, and DILLINGER and BILLIE were boasting of the fact that earlier that same night they had seen the motion picture "Fashions of 1933" at a Minneapolis theatre. She stated that DILLINGER remarked that GREEN should not take his girl friend to see this picture because from the fashions that were shown it would put bad ideas into the head of BESSIE.

She stated that evidently on the occasion when DILLINGER first came to St. Paul, the time of which she claims she does not know, he contacted HOMER VAN METER. She expressed the opinion that HARRY SAWYER had put DILLINGER in touch with VAN METER; at least VAN METER had told EDDIE in her presence that this was true. EDDIE GREEN had met DILLINGER through VAN METER in downtown St. Paul, although she does not recall how long ago it was that this first meeting took place. She was definite in her statements that neither she nor GREEN, with whom she was living, were acquainted with DILLINGER prior to his escape from the Crown Point, Indiana, jail.

According to information she received from HOMER VAN METER on the day of the shooting at Lexington Avenue, and about ten or fifteen minutes before the shooting, an individual by the name of "RED", identified by photograph as JOHN HAMILTON, together with two girls known to BESSIE SKINNER as PAT and OPAL, and identified subsequently as PAT CHERRINGTON and OPAL LONG, had departed from the DILLINGER apartment and had gotten into an automobile and driven away, expecting to be gone for but a short time. She described PAT CHERRINGTON as having dark hair which, however, had been bleached into almost all colors, while OPAL LONG was fairly heavy and had fiery red hair. She also advised that JOHN HAMILTON and these two girls subsequently returned to within about one block of the apartment; that they saw there was some excitement about the building and did not come back to the apartment building but left. VAN METER advised that HAMILTON and the girls then drove down to St. Paul to PAT HILLEY'S home but he was absent. They then drove to McCormick's restaurant, and from there someone took them away in a Ford sedan. They may have changed their license plates in the meantime. She claims that she had heard that HARRY SAWYER was in the restaurant at the time and that he had furnished the car, or had instructed someone to procure a car for this getaway; that HAMILTON and the two girls then drove to "Someone's place in the country" which HARRY SAWYER knew about, and she believes that this place was SAWYER'S farm, although prior to a raid which she understands was conducted Saturday night at SAWYER'S farm, an individual by the name of McMULLEN with the St. Paul Police Department, tipped off HARRY SAWYER that the raid was about to be conducted and he escaped the trap and word was sent out to HAMILTON and the two girls in sufficient time for them to make a getaway. This farm is out near a lake but is fairly near town.

VAN METER furnished this information when he called at BESSIE'S apartment late Saturday night after the shooting had occurred. She claims that when she entered her home after returning from the store Saturday night, she saw VAN METER parked in his car near the entrance to an alley close to the apartment building in which she lived. VAN METER then came to her apartment and she and VAN had a row because of the fact that VAN METER was "hot", and his car parked near their apartment would bring the officers in on the GREENS. She expressed herself very vigorously and VAN took exception to this, and she finally left EDDIE GREEN and VAN METER and closed herself in her bedroom and told VAN METER that he was never to return to their house again. She claimed that VAN METER was a nut; that he must be everywhere, and that he had lied to her on several occasions about the distance which he had parked his car from the apartment building in which BESSIE lived and she felt that he was bringing the heat on the GREENS, and this was the occasion for the row.

She claims that BILLIE FRECHETTE told her during the time immediately after the shooting when BILLIE called at her house, that JOHN HAMILTON, OPAL LONG, and PAT CERRINGTON had left the Lexington Avenue apartment of DILLINGER about ten minutes before a knock was heard at the door. HAMILTON and the two girls were expected back in a few minutes and BILLIE and JOHN DILLINGER had not yet gotten out of bed, and BILLIE answered the door when the knock came expecting it to be HAMILTON, but she asked who was there. She was informed that it was a peace officer. She told the peace officer that she was not dressed, slammed the door quickly, and attached the chain latch. She then dressed hurriedly and JOHN DILLINGER began dressing hurriedly, and they then began picking up as much as they possibly could to take with them. They were, according to BILLIE, stalling for time as they were expecting HAMILTON most any minute. BILLIE stated that they were in the apartment about a half hour before they got out; that after the first rap at the door they were able to pack one suitcase, and when the shooting started outside they were able to go out the back way while DILLINGER was using his machine gun. BILLIE went downstairs first and got the car out of the garage and it was ready when DILLINGER arrived. BILLIE stated that she then drove with DILLINGER toward 3300 Fremont Avenue where the GREENS lived, and BILLIE walked up to BESSIE'S apartment and then, according to BESSIE'S actual knowledge, BILLIE stated that they had "Been jumped out of their apartment"; that JOHN DILLINGER had been shot but it was not serious, but she did not know in fact how badly hurt he was, as he had evidently lost quite a lot of blood and she did not know whether he could walk.

EDDIE GREEN, in accordance with BILLIE'S request, went out with her, and he was gone for a period of from one to one and one half hours. EDDIE returned at the end of this time and she and EDDIE dressed and were getting their car in order to leave the apartment when VAN METER drove up. She and EDDIE returned with VAN METER to the apartment.

She stated that the general opinion which she had gained from discussions with VAN METER and EDDIE GREEN was that OPAL LONG was trailed into Chicago, although OPAL claims that she gave the officers the "Shake" in Chicago before she came here. The opinion was that OPAL had been followed and this was the occasion for the raid on the Lexington Avenue apartment. It was her opinion, based on information which she had overheard during various conversations, that OPAL had come to St. Paul to contact DILLINGER in order to get some money to go back and do some fixing in connection with the status of PIERPONT and CLARK, who were in jail in Indiana. She also is of the opinion that before DILLINGER and BILLIE came to St. Paul, OPAL LONG and PAT CERRINGTON had been in St. Paul making arrangements for DILLINGER to come here; that according to BILLIE FRECHETTE, she and DILLINGER came from Chicago

to St. Paul, and BILLIE described to her the apartment which they occupied in Chicago. She said it was a beautiful apartment with six rooms, completely furnished with a large amount of cut glass, all sorts of linens, beautiful dishes, and a complete silver service which would have been sufficient to use at any sort of formal dinner, and that they obtained the use of this apartment on a sub-lease for \$90.00 per month. They occupied this apartment for the entire period for which it was leased except for two or three days, BILLIE stating that this was one of the few places where they had been able to keep from losing quite a bit of their rent money by being scared out of the apartment in expectation of a raid; that on this occasion they had been tipped off by some officer in Chicago that a raid was to be expected at their apartment and they departed from Chicago at that time.

Although HESSIE claimed not to know just when DILLINGER came to the Twin Cities, her first knowledge of him being here was when DILLINGER and BILLIE were occupying an apartment on the corner of 33rd and Girard Streets in Minneapolis. This was one block to the rear of the building in which HESSIE and EDDIE had their apartment. On many occasions, she stated, she had driven EDDIE GREEN to the front of the building in which BILLIE and DILLINGER were living, although she denies that she knew all along that they lived there. Yet she did state that she and EDDIE had talked the matter over and that EDDIE was of the opinion that DILLINGER was bringing too much "heat" to the vicinity, as he lived too nearby, and therefore they would rent an apartment in St. Paul. They did come to St. Paul and rented an apartment on Marshall Avenue, but evidently DILLINGER moved, because GREEN stated to her that they had been living on Fremont Avenue for such a long time that they would not move to Marshall Avenue but would let VAN METER have the Marshall Avenue apartment. HESSIE said she was informed by EDDIE GREEN that from the apartment at 33rd and Girard, DILLINGER returned from Minneapolis to Chicago. He was accompanied by VAN METER and the individual she had previously called JIMMIE. She identified the photograph of GEORGE "BABY FACE" NELSON as the JIMMIE with whom DILLINGER had gone to Chicago, in company with VAN METER.

GEORGE NELSON, she advises, has a wife and two children. She is personally acquainted with NELSON and is likewise acquainted with his wife and youngsters. His wife is named HELEN, and her people, probably a brother or a sister, in Chicago, take care of the baby most of the time. NELSON'S mother travels with him, and is either Polish or Bohemian. NELSON'S wife is very funny looking, acts very queer, and it is now believed that GEORGE NELSON, together with his wife HELEN, mother, and son, 4 years of age by the name of DONALD, have gone to California, the place she does not know.

Concerning the trip of DILLINGER, VAN METER, and NELSON to Chicago, she claims that EDDIE GREEN had told her that they had stopped at a place forty-five miles North of Chicago, called LOUIE'S Place. While there they had drinks and steak dinners, and also two pints of liquor, for which LOUIE charged them \$20.00 each. They were griping about this overcharge, but she recalls distinctly hearing EDDIE GREEN state to DILLINGER that LOUIE was evidently trying to drive them out by making such a charge for a dinner and liquor. She claims that LOUIE is a Bohemian; that the place would be an ideal contact place or a hideout, and she would not be surprised if DILLINGER were not in this place at this moment. She stated that a few years ago anyone desiring to contact any of the mob in Chicago would make a contact at LOUIE'S Place, where all of them would call from time to time.

She claims that EDDIE GREEN had not known VAN METER so very long, and to her knowledge had met him since January 1, 1934, HARRY SAWYER having put VAN METER in touch with EDDIE GREEN.

Concerning the arrest of DILLINGER in Arizona, BESSIE stated that prior to the DILLINGER bunch going to Arizona they had been in Florida; that BILLIE FRECHETTE had described the place where they lived in Florida. It was a mansion on a beach, with a round beautiful living room which contained four fireplaces. The whole group lived in this mansion. The girls would ride in their bathing suits on horseback on the beach, and she subsequently stated that she recalled that the four fireplaces were all grouped together in the center of the room, evidently with one chimney being used for all of these fireplaces. She stated that she did not recall the exact town, although the name Jacksonville stood out in her mind. The next day she was asked if this place could be Daytona Beach, and she now feels certain that this is the place where the DILLINGER gang were living.

While they were there the girls who were with the group loafed and played most of the time, none of them working, and their meals were all sent in. OPAL LONG, BESSIE said, was rather industrious and ambitious and will cook and fuss around in the kitchen, but OPAL had told BESSIE that while they were in Florida she had laid the law down to the boys and told them that she too was on vacation, and all of their meals were sent in because she wouldn't cook.

With reference to the jail break at Crown Point, Indiana, BESSIE stated that she had seen the little wooden pistol with which DILLINGER is alleged to have effected his escape. She stated that when she and EDDIE called at DILLINGER'S apartment on Lexington Avenue on the night of March 30, 1934, she saw on the table in the living room some photographs of DILLINGER

when he was a boy, and on this same table was the toy pistol, which was no bigger around than her little finger and was very short, although there has been carved out on this toy pistol the words: "Souvenir of 1934" and also some other cute saying which had appeared in the newspaper. Evidently some sort of chalk or white ink had been used to fill up the letters which were carved on the toy pistol. BESSIE expressed the opinion, however, that the escape was the result of a "fix", and that DILLINGER desired to exploit the toy pistol incident to his credit.

Again referring to the escape of DILLINGER from the Lexington Avenue apartment, BESSIE stated that DILLINGER went out, of course, with the machine gun, and she was of the opinion that most of the equipment in the bag which BILLIE took out with her was likewise ammunition of some sort, as BILLIE had told her that the bag was so heavy that she could hardly carry it down the stairs. She believes that the ammunition, bullet proof vest, and other ammunition left in the apartment belonged to JOHN HAMILTON, known to her as "RED".

BESSIE stated that BILLIE had evidently been out of town quite recently, and probably down to Indiana, as she had brought back with her the pictures which were found by the Special Agents in the apartment, and which BESSIE had seen the night before the raid took place. BILLIE would tell her nothing definite, however, as to where she had obtained the pictures.

When EDDIE GREEN returned to his home after he had gone out with BILLIE shortly after the shooting on Saturday morning, he stated that DILLINGER had been shot in the fleshy part of the leg and that he had obtained medical aid. She states firmly that she does not know who treated DILLINGER'S wound. The names of several physicians and surgeons were mentioned, and she feels quite certain that DR. PLANKERS was not the one who treated DILLINGER. PLANKERS, she stated, had been one of HARRY SAWYER'S doctors up until about a year ago, but the relationship between SAWYERS and DR. PLANKERS were now strained. DR. PLANKERS' brother, she has heard, is one of the head doctors of the Mayo Institute, and PLANKERS or his brother have treated or examined BESSIE on more than one occasion, and she admitted that she was very friendly disposed toward DR. PLANKERS.

She claims that since DILLINGER'S escape from Crown Point, and prior to the shooting on March 31st in St. Paul, DILLINGER had been hurt, and VAN METER had come to her apartment and instructed EDDIE GREEN to get in touch with PAT RILEY to get a doctor; that PAT RILEY had, according to EDDIE GREEN, gotten DR. MORTENSON, who had treated DILLINGER for a "shot". Later

during the same interview with BESSIE, she stated that the treatment might have been for something besides a wound, and she apparently was trying to hedge on this point.

As to the time when VAN METER called at her apartment on Saturday night after the shooting, she stated that she would fix the time definitely as prior to ten o'clock, because she went to a store in the neighborhood and when she came back VAN METER was there, and she recalls that upon her return she heard the Myrt and Harge and Amos & Andy programs, which would fix her return before ten o'clock. It was on this occasion that she and VAN METER had the fuss heretofore described.

On Monday night, April 2, 1934, VAN METER likewise came to her apartment and stated that he, VAN, was trying to make arrangements so that the whole gang could leave town. At that time VAN METER requested EDDIE to make arrangements to have the apartment on Marshall Avenue, originally rented by EDDIE and subsequently occupied by VAN METER, cleaned out. EDDIE asked him if there was anything in the apartment which could get anyone in trouble. VAN METER stated that there was nothing there but clothing and perhaps some silver dollars, but there was definitely nothing that could get anyone in bad. The next morning, April 3, 1934, in accordance with the request of VAN METER, made the night before, she and EDDIE got in their Terreplane automobile and proceeded to the home of LEONIA GOODMAN at 778 Rondo Street in St. Paul. They both went in to LEONIA GOODMAN'S house and there found that LEONIA was ill. EDDIE GREEN explained that he desired LEONIA to go to the apartment on Marshall Avenue and there pick up what could be found, and that included among the things which would be found were dirty clothing, a top coat, and some silver which could be found in a suitcase, and LEONIA was informed that she could keep \$10.00 of this silver money for herself for her services. She stated that soon afterwards LEONIA'S sister, LUCY, came, and she and EDDIE departed with the understanding that they would call back later that day to obtain the clothing of VAN METER.

Further concerning the BREMER kidnaping case, BESSIE stated that Christmas, 1933, FRED BARKER was "at outs" with DOC BARKER. FRED and his mother departed from the Twin Cities and went to Chicago and remained in Chicago through Christmas, while DOC remained in the Twin Cities. On Christmas day "the mob" had dinner with HARRY SAWYER out at SAWYER'S farm. Included among those present were DOC BARKER, BILL WEAVER, MYRTLE EATON, PAULA HARMON, VOLNEY DAVIS, and his girl GRACE. GRACE was described as a platinum blonde who was short and husky, who had been DAVIS' sweetheart for a long time. EDDIE GREEN had stated that VOLNEY DAVIS and GRACE had occupied an apartment on the corner of Lexington Avenue and Osceola Street for some time.

Concerning the actual kidnaping of BREMER, BESSIE SKINNER stated that from rumors she had heard she would not be surprised if HARRY SAWYER had not planned this matter. However, FRED BARKER and RAY KARPIS were the brains in making the actual snatch; that she also is of the opinion that DOC BARKER, VOLNEY DAVIS, and HARRY CAMPBELL, the latter whom she has never seen, as well as BILL WEAVER, were in on this actual kidnaping and holding of BREMER. She claimed that BILL WEAVER was from the South, perhaps Arkansas, from the Ozark Mountain region; that he was slow, easy going, has light blue eyes, fair complexion, not much hair, has a high forehead, and weighs nearly 300 pounds. It was judged from her description that his height would be five feet, eleven inches, or taller; that his hair is a light brown, and he has been around the Twin Cities quite a bit. His girl friend is MYRTLE EATON, who for a number of years has had an apartment at 565 Portland Avenue in St. Paul. She stated that MYRTLE disliked BILL very much, but that BILL would on occasions kidnap her or force her to accompany him on trips at the point of a gun. She stated that he had even held her up in her bathroom at the point of a gun and had wrapped her in clothing and carried her away, and she believes that MYRTLE EATON would welcome BILL WEAVER'S apprehension because she is desperately in fear of him.

On April 12, 1934, during an interview with BESSIE SKINNER, she advised that VOLNEY DAVIS and BILL WEAVER had stopped at the apartment occupied by herself and EDDIE GREEN on one night, and that she was better acquainted with both of them than she had previously admitted. She stated that HARRY CAMPBELL has never been seen by her, although she does know HARRY'S girl, who is a Cherokee Indian girl about 18 or 19 years of age and her name is WINONA or NACMI, or some similar name. She has straight black hair, which she does not believe is bobbed.

She stated that FRED BARKER'S girl was PAULA HARMON, who was funny looking, her face being somewhat flattened. She is rather dark; has a long bob; dark brown hair; age, 25 to 28; rather small, weighing less than 100 pounds, and wears a size 12 dress. She has been "with" FRED since last summer. She claims that she has never seen DOC BARKER with a girl, although she understands that DOC'S girl is the daughter of a banker in Reno, Nevada, and this girl is a widow.

BESSIE SKINNER stated that RAY KARPIS' girl is in Chicago. Her name is DOLORES. She is about 18 years of age, and is "a poor, dumb little thing". She is further described as: Complexion - light; hair - light brown; eyes - brown; a long bob; real tiny; uses quite a bit of makeup. BESSIE saw her in Chicago in the Spring of 1932, and she is informed that KARPIS keeps this girl in Chicago at all times, where she maintains an apartment. She has never been to this apartment; does not know in which section of town it is

located, but on the occasion when she met DOLORES she and EDDIE accompanied KARPIS and his girl to dinner; that they had dinner in Maywood, Illinois, and stated that after proceeding out Washington Boulevard, going North, they entered Maywood and turned to the left in Maywood on North Avenue, to a vicinity where there were several eating places; that during the summer time one of these places has arrangements for eating outside, and it was at this place where they had their meal. She stated that KARPIS claimed that he had eaten there on several occasions.

Concerning BILL WEAVER, BESSIE stated that he would eventually be located in company with MYRTLE EATON. MYRTLE'S home is originally Des Moines, Iowa. Her sister-in-law, the wife of DOC EATON, runs a chicken joint or lunch stand, of some kind in Des Moines and has five girls working for her. None of the family like BILL, including MYRTLE.

BESSIE stated that KATE BARKER, the mother of FRED and DOC, was now in Chicago with her sisters from California, although she denied knowing anything at all about the place where they live.

She subsequently advised that last Spring KATE BARKER was domiciled in an apartment in Oak Park, Chicago, located on Holmes Avenue close to the "L". The apartment was in an old type building of a tan or cream color. The apartment was rented furnished, and the particular apartment in which the BARKERS were located was on the third floor front. She stated that when leaving the apartment one turned to the left and went "under the tracks"; that it was close to where the theatres and stores were located.

BESSIE stated that she, in the Spring of 1932, lived with EDDIE GREEN in Chicago; that they proceeded from St. Paul to Chicago by automobile, and lived at 271 South Kedzie Street.

She further observed that JOHN DILLINGER, according to VAN MATKER, was planning to get money together to do things with, and that probably he planned to get out of the United States.

With reference to the possible location of HARRY SAWYER, she stated that HARRY SAWYER knows of a place in Wisconsin, which is something in the nature of a hospital; that when the "heat" is on SAWYER usually gets sick and goes to this hospital, or sanitarium, just outside of Hudson or Taylors Falls, Wisconsin, she does not remember which, but believes it is near Hudson. This place has the appearance of a private residence and is privately owned. It is used quite a bit for mental cases, and SAWYER uses it not only as a place to cool off, but likewise as a place to scheme.

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From the kidding which she had heard the boys give SAWYER she believed that some of the windows of this building had iron bars over them. She believed this would be for the purpose of keeping secure the insane patients who might go there.

Again referring to the BREMER kidnaping case, she stated that she was in Topeka, Kansas, when she read in the papers that BREMER had been kidnaped. There is an apartment building consisting of three wings, and the building is owned by Senator Capper, and the three wings are known as The Capper, The Curtis, and The Senate Apartments. She and EDDIE occupied an apartment in The Senate wing for a period of about two weeks.

From information which EDDIE GREEN had picked up in conversation with the boys, the BARKER-KARPIS group had been in Reno, Nevada, prior to the latter part of November 1932. One of the BARKER boys is supposed to have lost quite a bit of money at The Bank Club in Reno. They drove from Reno to the Twin Cities by automobile, and enroute to the Twin Cities, while passing through the mountains, VOLNEY DAVIS' car turned over three times; his girl was injured, and when she arrived here her eyes were black, and she was also injured in the hip. It was about the latter part of November or the first of December when they returned here. The girls have told BESSIE from time to time that they spent most of their daylight hours in the Bank Club in Reno, and BESSIE describes them as women who drank heavily and liked the wild excitement of night life.

According to the rumors which came to her from EDDIE GREEN, the \$200,000 that was paid as a ransom for the return of MR. BREMER will not be available for the BARKER-KARPIS gang for a period of ninety days from the date they received it. This money, according to her understanding, was, of course, "hot". They had to turn it over to someone to exchange it for clean money. It is her understanding, based on comments made by EDDIE GREEN, that JACK PPKIFFER and HARRY SAWYER received this money from the gang and they are going to negotiate the exchange of the money for a cut in the total amount, and it is quite likely, in her opinion, that the GLECKMANS will handle the transaction for them, but the exchange will probably not take place in St. Paul or Minneapolis as the towns are too small and the amount would excite comment. She thinks Chicago would be a much better bet than the Twin Cities, but she actually believes that the exchange will be made in New York. She claimed to have nothing to base this on except the talk of EDDIE GREEN. She stated that if the trail of this group could be picked up and it was found that they were pretty well in hiding and leading a quiet life, that it was quite likely that they were still about broke, because if they have money they spend it freely in gambling and night life.

Following the filing of a complaint charging BESSIE SKINNER, under the name of BETH GREEN, and EDDIE GREEN, with conspiracy to harbor and conceal JOHN DILLINGER, a fugitive from justice, BESSIE SKINNER was arraigned before the United States Commissioner and agreed to waive hearing. The Commissioner read the complaint to her and she interposed a statement that it was not quite right, because she had not talked with DILLINGER in his apartment at Lexington Avenue, and indicated that she did not see him there. However, on April 12, 1934, while questioning her about whether DILLINGER wore a bullet proof vest, she stated that DILLINGER wore a suit which was about half-way between blue and grey when he called at her apartment on Wednesday or Thursday before the shooting Saturday at Lexington Avenue, and that the next night, Thursday or Friday, when she was at DILLINGER'S apartment, she knows that he was not wearing a bullet proof vest because he was in his shirt sleeves.

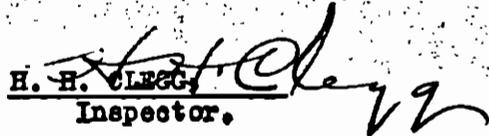
With further regard to the BARKER-KARPIS crowd, she states that this crowd has, according to her information, rented a house at Grayslake, Illinois. They were living in this house some time during the years 1932 and 1933. She further stated that the BARKER-KARPIS outfit know, and have been associated at various times with DOC STACKY (STECCHI) of Chicago, and JOE BERGYL of Cicero, Illinois.

With regard to the Reno, Nevada, situation she says that this outfit is closely associated with the political boss there, who arranges for their accommodations upon their arrival at Reno.

VOLNEY DAVIS, she states, in the latter part of 1933, either moved his two sisters to a farm which he had purchased in Supulpa, Oklahoma, or he had been living in Supulpa and moved his two sisters to some other place.

EDDIE GREEN at the hospital before his death, advised that BESSIE had approximately \$9,000 in two safety deposit boxes. BESSIE GREEN gave a written order to the Midway National Bank and the Liberty State Bank for Special Agents to make an examination of the contents of these boxes, and there is being reported the results of this examination, including the numbers of the bills found, which, when compared with ransom notes, failed to result in an identification of the money.

Very truly yours,


H. H. CLEGG,
Inspector.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

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

April 13, 1934.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

While talking with Mr. Clegg at St. Paul on another matter he advised that he had called Agent in Charge Connelley relative to the plant in St. Louis whereby two women were to go to an apartment house in St. Louis and get a key and go to an apartment where machine guns are hidden and then go to a hide-out before making a prison break attempt, during which time they were to be kept under surveillance by Division Agents. Mr. Clegg stated that he called Agent Yearsley at St. Louis last night and instructed him not to let the women get away with the machine guns; that the women should be traced from where they get the key to where they get the machine guns and then the guns should be taken from them instead of letting them travel with the guns; that it would be silly to try to follow them in one car and if several cars were used they would immediately become suspicious, and furthermore the chance should not be taken of letting them get away with the guns.

John S. Edwards

Respectfully,

T. F. Baughman

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April 16, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Harley-Wright Building,
Washington, D. C.

RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases,
Fugitive, Identification Order #1217,
et al, National Motor Vehicle Theft
Act - Obstruction of Justice

Dear Sir:

Your attention is invited to Division letter dated
April 8, 1934, requesting that an effort be made to locate
Raymond Wilcox at Roanoke, Virginia, and that he be interviewed
for information concerning the above case.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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

Re: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases,
Identification Order #1217, Fugitive,
et al - National Motor Vehicle Theft Act;
Obstruction of Justice.

Dear Sirs:

Your attention is invited to Division letter dated
March 21, 1934, requesting that Miss Genevieve Bledsoe,
Box 252, Kissimmee, Florida be interviewed for information
concerning the above case.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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**1806 First National Bank Building
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April 18, 1934

Director
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U. S. Department of Justice
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Dear Sir: RE: ⁰JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases -
FUGITIVE, et al
Nat'l Motor Vehicle Theft Act

Reference is made to your telegram of April 12, 1934, in which you instructed that stop notices be immediately placed with border officials and steamship and airplane companies against all subjects so as to prevent their leaving the United States.

The Identification Orders supplied this office on these subjects have been distributed in accordance with your previous instructions. Upon receipt of your telegram above referred to, I immediately communicated with the officials of the Charlotte and Greensboro, North Carolina, airports, and have been promised full cooperation by those in charge. A sufficient quantity of Identification Orders is on hand at those places.

There are only two ports within the jurisdiction of this office, where ocean-going and coast-wise ships put in, namely, Wilmington, North Carolina, and Charleston, South Carolina. At my request the Police Departments in those cities have furnished copies of the Identification Orders to the steamship officials in those ports, and have transmitted to them complete information.

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Very truly yours,

L. B. Reed

L. B. REED, Acting

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April 16, 1934

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

Attention: Mr. E. E. Clegg

Dear Sir:

Re: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1217; JOHN HAMILTON,
with alias, I. O. #1220; HOMER VAN METER,
with aliases, I. O. #1222, et al.;
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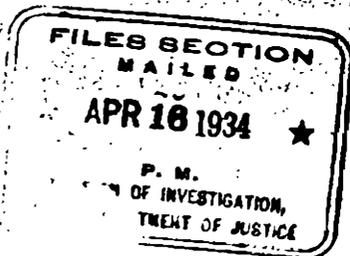
For your assistance in conducting investigation
in the above case, there are attached five photographs each
of Mary Kinder and Bernice Thompson, alias Opal Long. These
individuals were accompanying subject Dillinger and his as-
sociates at the time of their arrest in Tucson, Arizona, on
January 25, 1934.

Very truly yours,

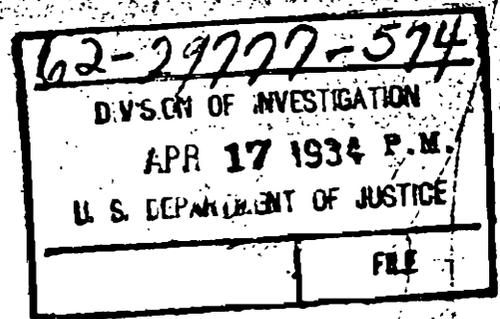
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NAME Bernice Thompson, alias
Opal Long
Age 28
Height 5'6"
Weight 160 lbs
Build Stocky
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Eyes Blue

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MR. RORER.....

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

I wish to call your attention to the attached copy of an anonymous letter addressed to "all newspapers and the Associated Press", dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, April 13, 1934, concerning John Dillinger, forwarded to the Division by the Secret Service Division, Treasury Department, which I thought you would appreciate in view of the occurrence at Louisville, Kentucky on April 17, 1934, when an effort was made to apprehend this fugitive at a doctor's office in Louisville, upon what appeared to be reliable information.

Respectfully,

T. N. Stapleton
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Treasury Department
SECRET SERVICE DIVISION
OFFICE OF CHIEF

Washington, D.C., April 16 1934

Respectfully referred to the Director,
Division of Investigation, Department
of Justice.

Copy of a
satire bearing name
"Dillinger" at bottom
dealing with the
advantages claimed for
Dillinger by newspaper
publicity given his
activities.

In a footnote, the author
(anonymous) indicates that
it was written for Dillinger
in conservation of his time.

The envelope, which is attached,
is addressed to U. S. Bureau of
Secret Service, Washington, D.C.

D. J. Moran
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John Dillinger

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ANONYMOUS COMMUNICATION
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Indianapolis
April 12



To All Newspapers and the Associated Press.

Gentlemen;

Want to thank you for the splendid assistance you have given me in all my heroic enterprises, including my most recent one in Warsaw.

By printing in your papers that I was down South, it naturally threw them off their guard up North and gave me the opportunity I wanted.

I see in today's paper they are guarding the Chrysler Corporation payroll (Newcastle, Ind.) very carefully, as well as other particular points you were kind enough to mention. Although, of course, I will not attempt these jobs just now while there are so many guards around, nevertheless I will take your cue and probably do these jobs a little later when the paymaster is a little more careless. I had no knowledge the Chrysler payroll was so large-- and the other details you mention give me information that will save me a lot of time and trouble as I am usually in a big hurry.

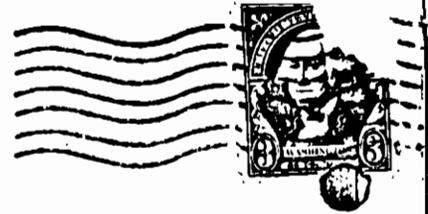
The Police Departments are giving me so many bullet-proof vests now (they haven't caught on to the fact that these could be concealed) that I can have a dress-up Sunday vest as well as one for each day of the week.

Hope you will continue to give me big headlines on the front page as I am a glutton for publicity; also hope you will continue to glorify me as it helps my standing so much with my "Molls" and I am very anxious to have all young Americans follow in my footsteps and perpetuate that proud and glorious name of

DILLINGER.

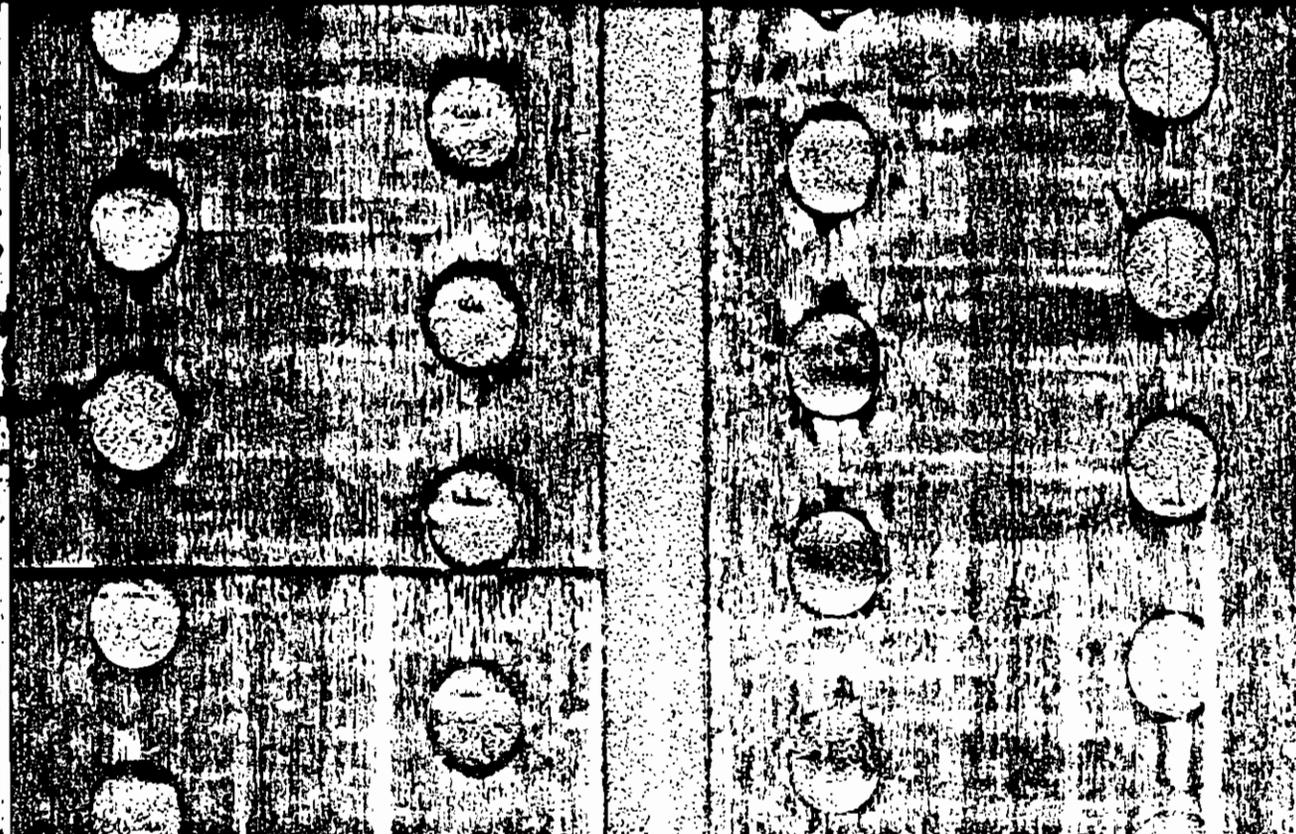
Note: Knowing that Dillinger does not have time just now to acknowledge all the favors that have been shown him, I have taken it upon myself to write this. A Citizen.

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U.S. Bureau of Secret Service

Washington, D.C.



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Mr. W. H. Moran, Chief,
Secret Service Division,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

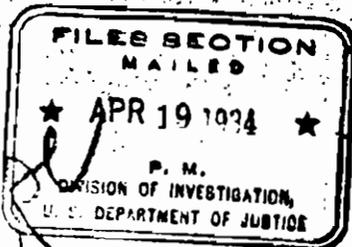
Dear Sir:

Please accept my thanks for your letter of April 16, 1934, transmitting a copy of an anonymous communication addressed to "all newspapers and the Associated Press", dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, April 13, 1934, concerning John Dillinger.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director



TNS:TAM

April 16, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 214,
Birmingham, Alabama.

ALL FIELD OFFICES

Dear Sir:

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

For your assistance in conducting investigation
in the above case, there are attached five photographs each
of Mary Kinder and Bernice Thompson, alias Opal Long. These
individuals were accompanying subject Dillinger and his as-
sociates at the time of their arrest in Tucson, Arizona, on
January 25, 1934.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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April 16, 1934

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

Attention: Mr. E. A. Rowe

Dear Sir:

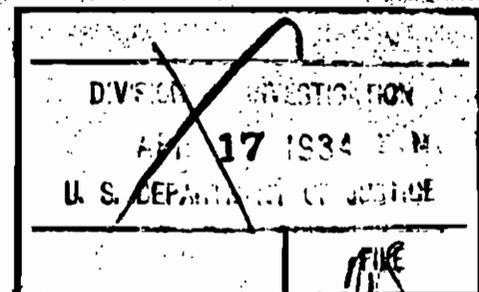
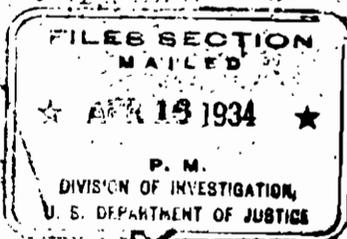
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January 25, 1934.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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Division of Investigation,
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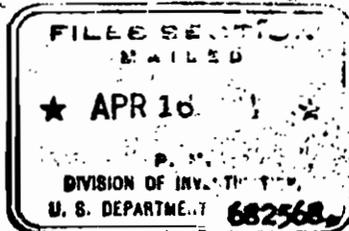
Attention: Mr. Quinn

Dear Sir:

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FUGITIVE, I. O. #1217; JOHN HAMILTON,
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National Motor Vehicle Theft Act;
Obstruction of Justice.

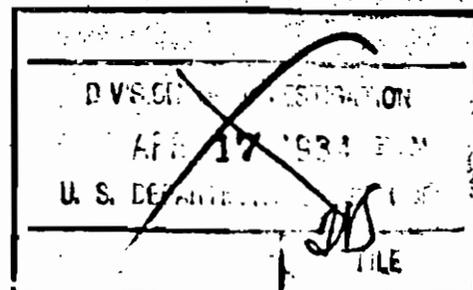
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January 25, 1934.

Very truly yours,



Director.

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

Attention: Mr. Egan

Dear Sir:

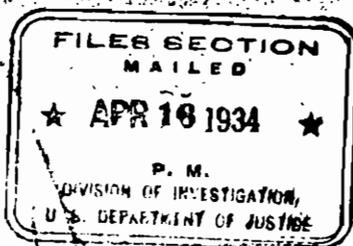
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sociates at the time of their arrest in Tucson, Arizona, on
January 25, 1934.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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

Attention: Mr. J. H. Keith

Dear Sir:

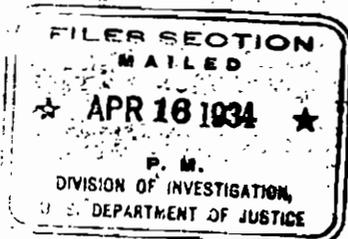
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sociates at the time of their arrest in Tucson, Arizona, on
January 25, 1934.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Enclosure # 682565.



TNS:RD

April 16, 1934

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

Attention: Mr. Nathan

Dear Sir:

Re: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1217; JOHN HAMILTON,
with alias, I. O. #1220; HOMER VAN METER,
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Obstruction of Justice.

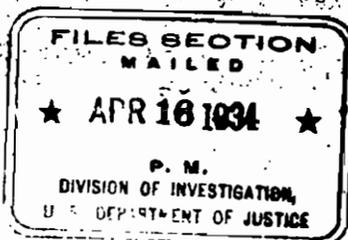
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January 25, 1934.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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April 16, 1934

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

Attention: Mr. Tolson

Dear Sir:

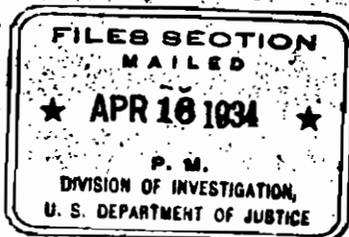
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sociates at the time of their arrest in Tucson, Arizona, on
January 25, 1934.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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April 16, 1934

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

Attention: Mr. Edwards

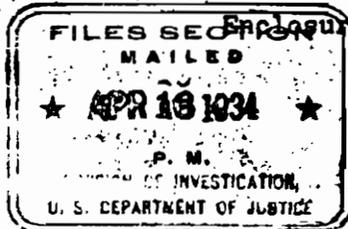
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National Motor Vehicle Theft Act;
Obstruction of Justice.

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sociates at the time of their arrest in Tucson, Arizona, on
January 25, 1934.

Very truly yours,

Director.



U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

1900 Bankers Bldg.,
Chicago, Illinois
April 16, 1934



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

Dear Sir:-

RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with
aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O.#1217;
JOHN HAMILTON, with aliases,
I.O.#1220; et al.
NAT. MOT. VEHICLE THEFT ACT.
HARBORING FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE

There is enclosed, Chicago Police Department Photograph of one WILLIAM DAVIS, Number C-8099, an alleged contact man of the Dillinger Mob.

It is desired that fifteen additional copies of this photograph be made and forwarded to this office, at the earliest opportunity, and it is further requested that the enclosed copy be returned when forwarding the additional pictures.

Very truly yours,

M. H. Purvis
M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge

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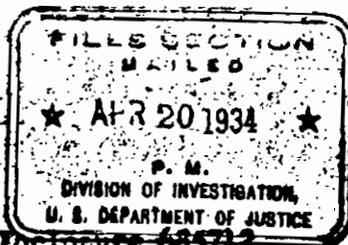
April 20, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: John Herbert Dillinger, with aliases,
Fugitive, Identification Order 1217;
John Hamilton, with aliases, Identifica-
tion Order 1220; Homer Van Meter, with
aliases, Identification Order 1221, et al;
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act;
Harboring Fugitive from Justice.

Replying to your letter dated April 16, 1934 in the
above matter, there are returned, herewith, the original and
fifteen copies of the photograph of William Davis, Chicago
Police Department C-8099, who is alleged to be a contact man
of the Dillinger gang.



Very truly yours,

Director.

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This is a full-rate Telegram or Cablegram unless its deferred character is indicated by a suitable sign above or preceding the address.

R. B. WHITE
PRESIDENT

NEWCOMB CARLTON
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

J. G. WILLEVER
FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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RETEL JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER WA 10 TWELVE SEVENTEEN
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- MR. MORRIS _____

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Find out why the agent who was at Tucson didn't get copies of all prints & why the supervision at Wash. didn't check on it at that time. Let me know about this.

J. C. H.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 3, 1934

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MR. NATHAN
MR. TOLSON
MR. CLEGG
MR. COWLEY
MR. EMMETT
MR. GANN
MR. HENRY
MR. LESTER
MR. LOCKE
MR. ROBER

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Reference is made to the case entitled JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER with aliases, Identification Order #1217, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, and more particularly to the telegram received from Special Agent in Charge Dunn at Los Angeles on April 2, 1934, advising that the fingerprints of Evelyn Frechette alias Ann Martin were taken by the police department at Tucson, Arizona when she was arrested with subject Dillinger and his associates in that City on January 25, 1934 and were not forwarded the Division.

There is attached a letter dated January 27, 1934 received from Mark L. Robbins, Superintendent, Bureau of Investigation, Department of Police, Tucson, Arizona, taken from the files of the Identification Unit, in which he advised that the fingerprints of John Dillinger, Charles Makley, Russell Clark, Harry Pierpont, Berniece Thompson, Ruth Pierpont, and Anna Martin were forwarded the Division on January 26, 1934. A copy of the Division's reply is also attached, dated March 7, 1934, advising the Tucson Police Department that the fingerprints of Berniece Thompson, Ruth Pierpont, and Anna Martin were not received in the Identification Unit of the Division and that the Division would be glad to receive said fingerprints for the completion of its files.

The Division File #62-29777 reflects that on January 25, 1934 Special Agent in Charge Dunn called the Division by telephone and advised that John Dillinger and his associates had been taken into custody at Tucson, Arizona. This was confirmed by telegram on the same date. On January 27, 1934 the Los Angeles Office submitted a memorandum prepared by Special Agent C. J. Endres, containing briefly the details of the apprehension of these individuals, and stated that at the time of the preparation of the memorandum the women companions of the subjects had not been fingerprinted and no effort had been made to identify them. The letter from the Los Angeles Office also advised that the Division would be notified of any additional developments.

On January 27, 1934 Mr. Cowley called Special Agent in Charge Dunn at Los Angeles and requested him to have Agent Endres interview the parties in custody and obtain any information possible. Following this, telegrams were received from the Los Angeles Office on January 28, 1934 furnishing additional information from which it was apparently assumed a report would follow incorporating all of this information and the full details surrounding the arrest in Tucson. However, it appears now that the only report

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submitted by the Los Angeles Office was the report of Special Agent C. J. Endres dated February 8, 1934 in which it was briefly stated that the subjects were apprehended, together with women companions Bernice Thompson, Ann Martin, and Mary Kinder, there being found in their possession machine guns, pistols, et cetera, and three automobiles; that they were all held by the Justice of the Peace on charges of being fugitives from justice; their bonds being set at \$1,000 each. Further, that Dillinger was removed to Crown Point, Indiana on January 29, 1934 and that subjects Clark, Makley, and Pierpont were removed to the State Penitentiary, Michigan City, Indiana, on January 30, 1934, together with Mary Kinder; that Bernice Thompson and Ann Martin were released the same date - January 30, 1934.

The report contains a brief statement to the effect that some of the money which was found in the possession of the subjects had been identified as being stolen from the First National Bank of East Chicago, Indiana. This report which referred the case upon completion to the office of origin from the Los Angeles Office did not incorporate the information which had previously been furnished by telegrams and made no reference to the fact that any of the individuals in custody were interviewed. However, the telegram which was received on January 28, 1934 states that all subjects were interviewed with negative results.

The neglect in handling and reporting this case by the Los Angeles Office was apparently not called to its attention inasmuch as the subjects were removed to the State of Indiana on murder charges for which they were expected to receive life or death sentences and the fact that the Division had no known charges against Ann Martin and the other women.

The attached letter has been prepared for transmittal to the Los Angeles Office in the event it meets with your approval.

Respectfully,



T. N. Stapleton.

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April 9, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON
MR. COOLEY

RECORDED 62-29777-578

APR 18 1934

With reference to the attached memorandum of April 3, 1934, prepared by Mr. F. H. Stapleton, concerning the handling of the angle of the Dillinger case which arose in Arizona, I do want some steps to be taken to more diligently follow up these matters at Washington headquarters. It is true that the Los Angeles Office did not pursue the matter as vigorously as it should have, and for that it should be censured, but it is also obvious that Washington headquarters did not properly supervise the matter, for otherwise it would have checked up upon the Los Angeles Office.

One angle of this matter which impresses me is the fact that the letter written by the Division, presumably the Identification Unit, to the Chief of Police at Tucson, Arizona, under date of March 7, 1934, was not followed up. It would seem to me that the records of these three women were obviously important and when we did not receive a reply to our letter of March 7, 1934, some sort of a follow-up letter should have been sent. Our failure to have these photographs and records in our files have proved embarrassing and have caused some unnecessary delay in the handling of the Dillinger case. Will you please look into this matter and find out what system is being followed in the Identification Unit towards following up such communications.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

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P. M.
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION,
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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

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April 9, 1934

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

Dear Sirs:

The Division desires to call your attention to the case entitled JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER with aliases, Identification Order #1217, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, and the lack of attention which it received when subject Dillinger and his associates were arrested at Tucson, Arizona on January 23, 1934.

Under date of January 27, 1934 you submitted a memorandum prepared by Special Agent C. J. Endres furnishing briefly the details surrounding the arrest of Dillinger and his associates which it was assumed would be followed by a report incorporating full details.

You were requested in telephone conversation with Mr. Cowley of the Division on January 27, 1934 to interview the parties arrested and obtain any information possible. On January 28, 1934 you advised the Division by wire that all subjects were interviewed with negative results. Following this, the report of Special Agent C. J. Endres, dated at Los Angeles, February 8, 1934, was received which makes no reference to the fact that the subjects were interviewed and very briefly advises of the arrests and dispositions.

The Division, in order to make sure that its file is complete, desires that you submit a report setting forth in detail the investigation conducted at Tucson with results obtained, and under separate cover an explanation for the careless and neglectful manner in which it was handled.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
Director.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

From: UNIT #1

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- To: _____ Director
_____ Mr. Nathan
_____ Mr. Tolson
_____ Mr. Edwards
_____ Unit Two
_____ Unit Four
_____ Files Section
_____ Personnel Files Section
_____ Equipment Section
_____ Chief Clerk's Office
_____ Unit Five
_____ Identification Unit
_____ Statistical Section
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_____ Mr. Deaderick
_____ Mr. Joseph
_____ Mr. Listerman
_____ Mr. Lott
_____ Mr. Lowdon
_____ Mr. McKee
_____ Mr. Newby
_____ Mr. Richmond
_____ Mr. Smith
_____ Miss Gandy
_____ Mrs. Kelley
_____ Washington Field Office
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Suite L
Federal Building
Kansas City, Missouri.
April 16, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

Please refer to letter from this office dated April 13, 1934, in the case of John Herbert Dillinger, with aliases, Fugitive, I O #1217, et al, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, relative to the identification of a machine-gun bullet from one of the weapons of John Dillinger with a similar exhibit found after the bank robbery at Mason City, Iowa, on March 13, 1934.

For the Division's file, there are transmitted the following additional microphotographs of exploded shell cases:

Thompson sub-machine gun case found after the murder of a police officer at South St. Paul, Minnesota, August 30, 1933, which occurred as a result of a pay-roll robbery.

Thompson sub-machine gun case found at the scene of a bank robbery at North Kansas City, Missouri, during January 1933.

.45 calibre Colt automatic shell case recovered from the Ford car abandoned by Clyde Barrow near Ottawa, Kansas, April 8, 1934.

Thompson sub-machine gun shell case found at the scene of the robbery of the bank at Atchison, Kansas, March 12, 1934.

Photographs of two shell cases fired from different Thompson sub-machine guns found at the scene of the bank robbery at Fairbury, Nebraska, April 4, 1933.

351 calibre rifle shell case found at the scene of the bank robbery at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, March 6, 1934.

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Thompson sub-machine gun shell case found at the scene of the mail truck robbery at Chicago, Illinois, September 21, 1933, at which time Police Officer Cunningham was slain.

Appropriate notations are made on each of these photographs to indicate their identities.

It is noted that the 351 rifle shell cases found at Mason City, Iowa, and Sioux Falls, South Dakota, are said by the Ballistician to have apparently been fired from the same weapon.

It is also stated by the Ballistician that the machine-gun used in the slaying of Officer Cunningham at Chicago is the same as that used in the murder of the police officer at St. Paul, Minnesota, mentioned herein.

All of the above photographs were made by Merle A. Gill, Forensic Ballistician at Kansas City, Missouri, who performed the analysis. A further report will be made when Mr. Gill has completed all of these comparisons, at which time, any identifications made by him will be set out in detail.

Very truly yours,


E. E. CONROY
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Chicago, Ill.**

K.O. FILE NO. **26-4759**

REPORT MADE AT: Kansas City, Mo.	DATE WHEN MADE: 4-10-34	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 4-8 to 4-10-34	REPORT MADE BY: R. H. SIMONS
TITLE: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases - FUGITIVE I. O. #1217, ET AL		CHARACTER OF CASE: NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

All Peace Officers being kept informed of possible whereabouts of Dillinger and being supplied with license numbers and description of automobiles he may be using. Identification orders on subjects in this case distributed. Information concerning Dillinger broadcasted over Middle Western area. Little Cox in regard to whom inquiry was received from Chicago, disclosed to be reputable as far as Kansas City connections concerned.



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Immediately upon receipt of telegram from Inspector Clegg dated April 7, 1934 in regard to the desired apprehension of occupants of Ford Deluxe Sedan, Motor #40-684515, license #B-420-213, Agent O. C. Dewey at Des Moines was telephonically advised and instructed to call Agent J. L. Flood at Omaha. The Kansas City office also communicated this information to the Topeka, Kansas and Kansas City, Missouri Police Departments. The Missouri State Patrol was also advised of the above information in an attempt to take this car and occupants into custody.

In regard to the present connection of Evelyn Frachetti with Welton Sparks, there is submitted herewith memorandum of Special Agent R. C. Suran dated April 9, 1934.

With regard to the telegraphic advice from Special Agent in Charge Connelley, Agent O. C. Dewey at Des Moines was instructed telephonically to take steps to locate Ford V-8ight Sedan bearing motor

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number 751673, with Indiana license #863819 which it was believed Dillinger might be using. Stop orders were placed in the automobile files of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles at Topeka, Kansas, the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles at Jefferson City, Missouri, and the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles at Des Moines, Iowa, as well as the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles at Lincoln, Nebraska. It is believed that in this manner any attempt to register the automobile in another state will be communicated to this office at once.

The Kansas City office has distributed Identification Orders on John Dillinger and John Hamilton to all airport officials, pilots and stewards of commercial transport airplanes, conductors of Pullman trains, bus line officials and drivers and steamship line officials and ticket agencies. This has also been done in Omaha and Des Moines. Some of the Identification Orders on Evelyn Frechette had been distributed but further distribution was withheld upon instructions from the Division. In this connection there is attached hereto memorandum of R. G. Suran dated April 7, 1934.

The Salt Lake City office telegraphically advised that a Ford Sedan, carrying four men and bearing Minnesota License #420-217, which corresponds with the license on the automobile bearing Dillinger in all except the last number, was seen at Ogden, Utah on April 10, 1934 and suggested that Agent at Omaha, Nebraska advise law enforcement officials in that vicinity of that fact. This information was immediately dispatched to Agent J. L. Flood at Omaha. Agent Flood notified Chief of Police Condit at Lincoln, Nebraska, who immediately had it broadcast over the Lincoln Police Radio which reaches all Peace Officers in Nebraska and the states adjoining Nebraska to the west. Flood also gave this information to State Sheriff Fred Benton, State Capitol Building at Lincoln who was advised to be on the look-out for this car. Agent Flood also made arrangements with Inspector A. G. Anderson, Omaha Police Department, to advise all policemen and detectives and to broadcast the information over the Police Radio (KGPI) which is also heard in several adjoining states. Special squads of detectives and Police Cars from the Omaha Police Department are also covering all roads leading into Omaha in view of this information and in compliance with the request of the Salt Lake City Office and the Division will be immediately notified upon the happening of any events in this connection.

The Toll Tenders at the bridge which connects Omaha, Nebraska and Council Bluffs, Iowa were given the license number and other pertinent information and were requested to watch for this automobile by Agent Flood.

George L. Bennett, Chief of Police at Council Bluffs, Iowa instructed all his men to be on the watch for Dillinger's car.

Two announcements were broadcast over Radio Station WDW by Mr. John J. Gillin, Jr., Commercial Program Director, thus getting this information out over a very large area.

At 8:45 A. M. April 9, 1934 Capt. Reed at Topeka, Kansas telephoned and advised that a Ford Deluxe Sedan, 1931 Model, bearing Minnesota License #B-420-213, stopped and purchased nine gallons of gasoline and a gallon of oil at a filling station at 10th & Topeka Streets at 5:00 A. M. that morning. He stated that there were four or five persons in the car, two of them being women. The descriptions given were that one of the woman was small, weighing probably one hundred pounds; one of the men wore a grey suit, was well dressed and weighed probably one hundred and fifty pounds. The driver of this car inquired as to the direction of Junction City and headed out of the city in that direction on Highway #40.

A telephone call was received from Agent in Charge Purvis at Chicago on April 9, 1934 requesting the investigation of parties residing at #127 Chestnut, Kansas City, Missouri and the connection of one Lottie Cox at that address who checked out of the Curtis Hotel at Minneapolis that morning and was taken to the airport in an automobile bearing Illinois license #661-459. The description given by Agent in Charge Purvis was as follows:

Name	Lottie Cox
Age	28 years
Weight	125 to 130 lbs.
Build	Medium
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
	Thick Lips
	Wearing heavy rimless glasses
	Black hat and coat, also black
	pumps with black bow.

Male Escort

Age	35 years
Height	6'
Weight	185 lbs.
Hair	Light Brown
Eyes	Blue

b7E A discreet inquiry at 412 1/2 Chestnut in Kansas City, Missouri disclosed that Letty Cox was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Cox at that address. Mr. Cox is Manager of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company in Kansas City. Mrs. Cox was interviewed under the [redacted] Fashion Company and advised that her daughter was connected with the Butterick Company during the summer of 1933 for an operation. Mrs. Cox appeared to be most reputable and reliable and apparently had no information concerning the presence of her daughter in Minneapolis at this time. She stated that her daughter, Letty, had been connected with the Butterick Company for some time in Kansas City and that upon the closing of the business here she had gone to Chicago where she had been for five years.

Inspector Clegg telephonically advised on April 9, 1934 that one of Dillinger's present associates might be one Homer Van Meter, alias "Ober", alias "Mickey" who is described as being Italian in appearance and frail looking.

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SUITE 1 - FEDERAL BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
APRIL 9, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE:

RE: JOHN DILLINGER, et al.
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT
FILE NO. KANSAS CITY 26-4759

Immediately upon receipt of reference telegram dated April 2, 1934, Special Agent R. C. Suran interviewed R. V. Farrell, Airport Manager, Municipal Airport, Kansas City, Missouri and furnished him with a description of John Hamilton and Evelyn Frchetti, together with an identification order issued for subject Dillinger. Mr. Farrell stated that he would be glad to assist in this matter in every way possible, and instructed C. A. Brooks, Ticket Agent, to also be observant for persons who appeared in the air station at Kansas City, Missouri and to immediately call the Kansas City office if anyone resembling subject Dillinger, or the other persons named appeared at that place. Mr. Brooks was also furnished a copy of identification order for subject Dillinger and placed same where it would be before him at all times and yet not open to public view.

Stewart Slayton, Passenger Agent for United Air Lines was also furnished with a description of Hamilton and Evelyn Frchetti and furnished with an identification order of subject Dillinger. Mr. Slayton and his assistant meet all United Airline Planes which arrive at the airport. Mr. Slayton stated that he would be glad to cooperate in this matter and was furnished the telephone number of the Kansas City Division office, and should he obtain any information or observe anyone at the airport answering the description of persons desired, he would immediately communicate with the Kansas City office.

Mr. C. H. Mutchler, Assistant Vice-President, TWA, was furnished with an identification order of subject Dillinger together with descriptions of John Hamilton and Evelyn Frchetti. He stated that he would instruct his dispatcher who meets all of the TWA planes arriving at the airport to be on a lookout for persons answering the description of Dillinger, Hamilton and Frchetti. Mr. Mutchler stated that he would cooperate to the fullest extent, and should any information be obtained he would communicate immediately with the Kansas City Division office.

Respectively submitted,
R. C. Suran, Spl. Agt.

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SUITE L - FEDERAL BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI,
APRIL 7, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE:

RE: JOHN DILLINGER, et al.
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.
FILE NO. KANSAS CITY 26-4755

With reference to the report of Special Agent D. W. McGee, New Orleans, Louisiana dated 3-18-34, Special Agent R. C. Suran interviewed Mr. Eckholtz, second to the warden of U. S. Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas and ascertained that there was nothing in the file of Welton Sparks, inmate No. 42165, concerning the reported divorce proceedings by Evelyn Frachetti against Welton Sparks. Welton Sparks was interviewed and advised that Evelyn Frachetti, whom he married twenty months ago while both were confined in the Cook County jail at Chicago, Illinois just prior to his being sent to the U. S. Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, had filed suit for divorce. That several weeks ago he received a notice that Evelyn Frachetti had filed suit for divorce against him at Chicago, Cook County, Illinois, and that she was represented by a lawyer by the name of Bieber located on Randolph Street in Chicago, Illinois. He stated that he had no additional information concerning the divorce proceedings and did not know that Evelyn Frachetti had in fact secured a divorce. He stated that he did not now have in his possession the papers that were served on him and could not furnish anymore detailed information concerning this matter.

Respectively submitted,
R. C. Suran, Spl. Agt.



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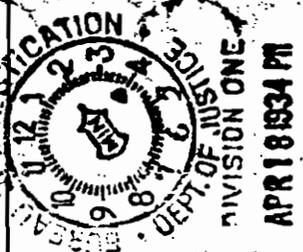
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.**

FILE NO. **26-4514**

REPORT MADE AT: Birmingham, Ala.	DATE WHEN MADE: 4/16/34	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 4/8-14/34	REPORT MADE BY: B. F. Fitzsimons
TITLE: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases; FUGITIVE, I.O. 1217; JOHN HAMILTON, with alias, I.O. 1220; et al		CHARACTER OF CASE: NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT AND HARBORING A FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE	

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

1933 Tennessee tag 172-354 issued to Robert L. Buttner, Murfreesboro, Tenn., 12-19-33 for an Essex Sedan. Buttner's identity unknown. Ford V-8 Deluxe Sedan, Motor No. 517244 purchased by Art Morton on 12-16-33 from Hippodrome Motor Company, Nashville, Tennessee, being registered in that State under 1933 Tennessee tag 127-038. Morton's identity unknown; believed to have left Nashville, Tennessee 12-17-33, accompanied by two women. Tennessee tag 176003 issued at Murfreesboro, Tenn. on 4-9-34 for a Ford Deluxe Sedan bearing motor No. 12-694590 which is the automobile purchased by Herman Goebel at Mankato, Minnesota, on 4-9-34. Occupants of this car on the night of 4-10-34, when approached by Nashville Police Officers, by threats of a machine gun compelled the officers to get into their own automobile and drive away. Photographs of George Nelson, alias Baby Face, and Ludwig Schmidt identified as being seen with this car in Nashville on 4-6-34 and 4-9-34. Efforts to date unsuccessful in locating hideout of these persons at Nashville and Murfreesboro, Tenn. Persons reported being in Carbon Hill, Alabama, on 4-11-34 in this latter automobile when seeking services of a physician identified as being Bryant Kelley and H. R. Jarrimore of Eldridge, Ala.

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REFERENCE:

Telegram from St. Paul Office, dated April 2, 1934.

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AT NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE:

upon receipt of the telegram of reference advising that Dillinger

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was believed to have escaped in a 1934 Ford sedan, motor number 517244, which had been registered on December 16, 1933, under the name of Art Morton, Hermitage Hotel, Nashville, Tennessee, interview was had with Terry Wills, Assistant Manager of the Hermitage Hotel, who permitted Agent to examine all registrations from October 1, 1933, to the present date, April 1, 1934. However, no one by the name of Art Morton was registered at the Hermitage during that period. On December 4, 1933, one Mrs. B. A. Morton was registered from Knoxville, Tennessee, and departed on December 7, 1933. Mr. Wills was questioned concerning this particular registration and stated that Mrs. B. A. Morton is well known to officials of the Hermitage Hotel. She is of reputable character and operates Knoxville's leading hotel. The name of Morton did not appear on the register of the Hermitage Hotel on any other date.

Photographs of Dillinger and others believed to be associates of his were exhibited to Mr. Wills; the desk-clerks; telephone operators and bell-hops of the Hermitage Hotel. However, they could not identify any of the photographs as likenesses of any one known to have been registered or frequenting the Hermitage Hotel at any time. Mr. Wills agreed to offer every assistance possible in this matter and stated that he would immediately communicate with Agent in the event he should receive any information that may be of value.

Upon learning that Art Morton was not registered at the Hermitage Hotel and that he is unknown to officials and employees of the hotel, Agent interviewed Mrs. Pearl Kirkpatrick, clerk in the office of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, Nashville, Tennessee, relative to the registration of the above described Ford sedan on or about December 16, 1933. Mrs. Kirkpatrick, after having searched her records, advised Agent that the car had not been registered at Nashville. Agent insisted that there must be some error inasmuch as the car must have been registered at Nashville on or about that date. However, Mrs. Kirkpatrick advised that she had made a thorough search and was positive that no such car had been registered.

In an effort to determine whether Morton was known to the police at Nashville, Agent interviewed Joe Dixon, Identification Bureau, Nashville Police Department, who stated that on March 31, 1934, the police at St. Paul, Minnesota, had made inquiry concerning the same individual and the Ford sedan said to have been purchased at Nashville on or about December 16, 1933. In this connection Mr. Dixon stated that on December 16, 1933, while police were investigating a pay-roll robbery that had occurred on that date, they had been informed by Floyd Adkisson, a salesman for the Hippodrome Motor Company, Nashville, that he had sold a new Ford sedan to one Art Morton for \$760.00 cash; that the car was paid for in cash, mostly fifty-dollar bills, the purchaser having given his address as the Hermitage Hotel to which hotel the car was to have been delivered that evening. However, later that afternoon the purchaser called for the car in person, stating that he desired to

leave Nashville early the following morning. Mr. Dixon stated that they examined the money to determine if it might have been any part of the money obtained in the hold-up, but it proved not to be. Subsequent investigation developed that Art Morton was not registered at the Hermitage Hotel, but had registered at the Andrew Jackson Hotel. Mr. Dixon further stated that his office so informed the St. Paul police on March 31, 1934, by telegram.

Upon receipt of the above information Special Agent J. M. Towler immediately contacted Floyd Adkisson, salesman, Hippodrome Motor Company, 1212 Broad Street, Nashville, Tennessee, who stated that about noon on Saturday, December 16, 1933, a man described as about six feet tall; weighing one hundred and eighty five to one hundred ninety pounds; about thirty to thirty five years of age; dark hair and wearing a dark blue suit, came to the Hippodrome Motor Company and stated that he desired to purchase a Ford sedan. Mr. Adkisson showed him several cars in their sales-room and he picked a Ford V-8, de-luxe 1934 model, with a black body; red pin-stripe and red wire wheels. The prospect stated that he would take the car if they would replace the red wheels with black wire wheels, which the company agreed to do. The man then gave his name as Art Morton and stated that he was then registered at the Hermitage Hotel; that he would like to have the car delivered to him at the Hermitage on the following morning about eight o'clock. Mr. Adkisson stated that he agreed to purchase the license and deliver the car to the Hermitage on the following morning as suggested. Morton then signed a retail buyer's order and gave a hundred dollar cash deposit on the car, agreeing to pay the balance of the purchase price when the car was delivered.

On this occasion, according to Mr. Adkisson, Morton was accompanied by a woman described as about twenty five to thirty years of age; five feet three inches in height; weighing about one hundred twenty five to one hundred thirty pounds and having platinum blonde hair which was so noticeable that Adkisson believes it might have been a wig. He further stated that the woman made no comment whatever; merely looked around the salesroom and remained in the background throughout the transaction. However, he claims that her hair, having such a peculiar look, caused him to glance at her frequently. Mr. Adkisson further stated that Morton was a very pleasant talker and gave every evidence of having been educated above the average; that the woman, while strikingly noticeable because of her hair, gave no other evidence to arouse any suspicion. After the deal was made for the purchase of the car, Morton and the woman departed in a taxicab.

About six o'clock that same evening, Adkisson stated, Morton called by telephone and stated that he was the man who had purchased the Ford de luxe sedan that afternoon; that since he had

left the Hippodrome Motor Company he decided that he would like to have the car that same evening; that if it was ready he would call for it personally. When informed by Mr. Adkisson that he could have the car at any time, Morton stated that he would call for it within the hour, and about six-thirty that evening, Morton, accompanied by the same woman who had been with him when he purchased the car, and a man described as about thirty years of age, weighing about one hundred eighty pounds, about five feet ten inches in height and dark hair, drove to the Hippodrome Motor Company in a Jelly Cab. The woman and other man stood at some distance while Morton completed the transaction and took possession of the car after which they drove away and Adkisson saw nothing of them again. He stated that on the following Monday, December 18, 1933, the police talked to him concerning the transaction in an effort to identify Morton as connected with a pay-roll robbery that occurred on December 16, 1933, and he gave the officers complete information relative to the transaction. Subsequently they located a man answering Morton's description as having been registered at the Andrew Jackson Hotel, Nashville, on December 16, 1933, and having checked out on the morning of December 17, 1933.

Mr. Adkisson was shown photographs of Dillinger and his associates, together with other criminals appearing on Chicago Police Department Bulletin. However, Adkisson was unable to identify any of the photographs as likenesses of Morton and the woman who had accompanied him on the occasion of the above mentioned transaction. Adkisson did state, however, that the photograph of John Hamilton bore some resemblance to Morton, but he would not express himself as positive that Hamilton and Morton are identical. He stated that he believes he would recognize Morton again should he see him. Adkisson further stated that Morton, to his knowledge, did not have any fingers missing from either hand; that his appearance generally was refined and he did not observe any distinguishing marks or scars about Morton's person. Adkisson stated that he believes he would readily recognize the woman who had accompanied Morton, particularly by her hair.

L. L. Murrell, Manager, Andrew Jackson Hotel, Nashville, Tennessee, permitted Special Agent Towler to examine registrations on December 16, 1933, from which it was ascertained that at about 4:45 on the afternoon of December 16, 1933, a man and two women registered and were assigned to rooms 720 and 722, which adjoin. The registration, according to Mr. Murrell, was made by one of the women, a "decided platinum blonde", who signed the register as "Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Long and sister, Kansas City, Missouri". None of the other persons registered. Subsequently Agent procured a tracing of the registration which is being transmitted, with copies of this report, to the St. Paul office for comparison with handwriting specimens on file.

W. S. Mallory, porter, Andrew Jackson Hotel, stated that he had observed a man and two women at the hotel, shortly after their

arrival on the afternoon of December 16, 1933; that his attention was particularly drawn to the women, one of whom was a platinum blonde; that her hair gave every evidence of being false. The other woman, who was red-headed, had a large white gauze patch over her right eye. Mr. Mallory further stated that he had observed the man and two women passing through the lobby on several occasions during that same evening at which times they were accompanied by another man. On the following morning, about seven-thirty, Mallory stated that he was sent to room 720 to remove luggage for a party that was checking out. On his arrival at the room, Mallory stated that he observed the same two women heretofore mentioned and one man who requested that Mallory carry their baggage out to their car; they had two ordinary suitcases and one long and narrow black bag, all of good material. When Mallory attempted to lift the large black bag, which he stated was extraordinarily heavy, the man in the party advised him not to carry that bag; that he would take care of it himself. Mallory stated that he thought it rather queer at the time that he should be called to assist with the luggage and then be given the lightest bags to carry. However, he claims that he carried the luggage to the doorman to whom it was relinquished and he returned to the hotel.

J. H. Crocker, doorman, Andrew Jackson Hotel, stated that he was on duty on the afternoon of Saturday, December 16, 1933, about four-thirty, when a man and two women drove to the hotel in a dark colored sedan which he believes was a Buick, although he was not positive of the make of the car, nor did he observe the license of the car. When they emerged from the car, Crocker claims that he began to remove the baggage consisting of two ordinary suitcases and one large and narrow black bag. However, when he attempted to lift the large black bag the man of the party advised him not to lift that bag; that he would personally take care of that bag. When asked if he desired that Crocker arrange to have his car placed in the Hotel garage the man replied that he did not; that he was going to park the car on the street. Crocker stated that he observed the two women particularly; one of whom was a decided platinum blonde. The other woman had red hair and was particularly noticeable, because of a large white gauze patch which covered her right eye. Shortly after they had entered the hotel, Crocker claims that the man and the platinum blonde woman emerged from the hotel and he assisted them into a cab. Shortly thereafter they returned in another cab and later the two women went out in a cab. They had been gone but a short time when they returned and the man and the platinum blonde woman again came out and drove away in a cab. Crocker stated that he recalls distinctly having remarked to a man standing at the door of the hotel that those people were using "lots of cabs". However, he presumed that since it was raining they preferred to use cabs rather than their own car. Crocker further stated that they came and went frequently

in cabs; that he did not know where they went and that they seemed not to be gone for any length of time.

On Sunday morning, December 17, 1933, Crocker stated that the man drove up to the entrance of the hotel in a new Ford V-8 sedan and parked, advising Crocker that he would be leaving in a few moments. Shortly thereafter the man, accompanied by the platinum blonde, the red-headed woman and another man emerged with their baggage. The porter was carrying two suitcases which he gave to Crocker; the driver of the car carried the large black bag. After having placed the baggage into the car Crocker claims that the man who had driven the car to the hotel got into the driver's seat and the two women sat alongside him; the other man did not get into the car, but stood by talking to them for about twenty minutes. Just before their departure, Crocker stated that the driver of the car asked for directions to Chattanooga, Tennessee, after Crocker advised him he claims that the man on the outside of the car said: "Good-bye, you'll hear from me on Tuesday", after which the party drove away and the other man walked in an opposite direction. Questioned as to whether he had observed the other man enter another car, Crocker stated that he did not; that he became engaged in other duties and does not know whether the man continued in a car or on foot. When questioned as to whether he had taken particular notice that the party had changed cars, Crocker replied that he had, but gave the matter no thought. Crocker denied that he had seen the car in which the party had originally driven to the hotel after they had left it. In this connection it may be stated that Crocker was of the opinion that the car in which they originally came to the hotel was a Buick, although not positive. He was, therefore, questioned as to whether it might have been an Essex or Terraplane. He replied that it could have been; that he would not express himself definitely as to the make of the car since he did not scrutinize the car closely, although he was definite in his statement that the car in which they left was a Ford V-8 sedan which looked like a new car.

Photographs of Dillinger and his associates, together with other criminals appearing on Chicago Police Department Bulletin were shown to Mr. Murrell, Mr. Mallory and Mr. Crocker, Andrew Jackson Hotel. However, they were unable to identify any of them as likenesses of the parties above-mentioned. The following descriptions were obtained from questioning of Murrell, Mallory and Crocker for the persons they had observed at the Andrew Jackson Hotel on December 16 and 17, 1933.

Number 1

Name:	Art Morton alias B. J. Long
Age:	30
Height:	6 ft.
Weight:	165-170

Build: Medium
Color of hair: Dark
Complexion: Fair
Wore dark suit and light cap; talked in moderate pleasant tone with a Northern accent.

Number 2

Name: Unknown
Age: 28
Height: 5' 9"
Weight: 175-180
Build: Medium-stout
Complexion: Dark
Color of Hair: Dark
Wore dark suit and gray hat.

Number 3

Name: Mrs. B. J. Long
Age: 25-27
Height: 5' 6"
Weight: 130-135
Build: Heavy
Complexion: Fair
Color of Hair: Platinum blonde (apparently a wig)
Wore a green suit of knit texture; black hat; refined looking; pleasant talker; Northern accent.

Number 4

Name: Unknown
Age: 25-27
Height: 5' 6"
Weight: 140 to 145
Build: Heavy
Complexion: Ruddy; freckled
Color of hair: Light red
Wore large white gauze patch over right eye
Dressed in medium brown colored suit; attractive.

In the telegram of reference it was noted that inquiry should be made at Nashville, through Joe Moser and Company relative to a blue shirt; size 15 $\frac{1}{2}$. In this connection it may be stated that in all of the aforementioned interviews attempt was made to ascertain whether any of the men wore a blue shirt. However, none of the persons interviewed could recall that part of the dress of the

Individuals above referred to.

There is no Joe Morse and Company at Nashville. However, interview was had with Joe Morse, President of Joe Morse and Company, 619 Church Street, Nashville, Tennessee, who stated that it would be impossible to identify the purchaser of such shirt inasmuch as the size is the popular size; that no record is kept of the names of purchasers in cash sales such as was probably the case in this instance. Photographs of Dillinger and his associates, together with other criminals appearing on Chicago Police Bulletin were exhibited to Mr. Morse and several clerks on duty in his store. However, they were unable to identify any of them as likenesses of any one upon whom they had waited. Mr. Morse stated that if the shirt in question had been purchased on or about December 16, 1933, it would be even more difficult to recall the purchaser inasmuch as their business was materially increased at that particular time due to Christmas shopping.

Through inquiry of Elizabeth Johnson, bookkeeper, Nashville Automobile Club, Hermitage, Tennessee, it was ascertained that 1933 Tennessee license number 127-038, was issued through that office, which is authorized to issue licenses, on the afternoon of December 16, 1933, for Ford sedan, motor number 517244, under the name of Art Morton. Miss Johnson further stated that the license was procured by Floyd Adkisson, salesman for the Hippodrome Motor Company, Nashville, for Art Morton; that such procedure is often followed, especially by automobile dealers who register cars and procure the licenses as a courtesy to their customers. It was further ascertained that it is not necessary for the owner of a car to personally appear for a license and a bill of sale is not a pre-requisite to the issuance of a license. Although the Tennessee law requires that a purchaser of license plates sign the application therefor, the provision in that respect is not followed strictly, especially at the time of year when new license plates are being sold, as was the case in this instance, and it frequently occurs that the purchaser of licenses is not requested to sign the application. It may be further stated that the records of the Motor Vehicle Commission at Nashville are apparently not kept in good order since, as above stated, the clerk in that office advised that no record of the above described car was on file. It, therefore, became necessary to verify the issuance of the license through the Nashville Automobile Club.

On April 3, 1934, at the request of the St. Paul Office, the Birmingham Office ascertained that 1933 Tennessee license number 172-554 had been issued to one Robert L. Huttner, salesman, whose address appeared as the James K. Polk Hotel, Murfreesboro, Tennessee; that said license had been issued for a 1933 Essex sedan, motor number 27683.

In company with Special Agent J. M. Towler, agent interviewed F. F. Tillman, manager of the James K. Polk Hotel, Murfreesboro, Tennessee, who stated that no one by the name of Robert L. Huttner had ever been a guest of the Polk Hotel. Mr. R. T. McHenry, Clerk, Polk Hotel, who was present during the interview, likewise denied that the name of Huttner appears on the hotel register. Together with Mr. Tillman and Mr. McHenry agents searched the registration cards from November 1, 1933, to the present date and the name of Huttner did not appear on those records. Both Mr. Tillman and Mr. McHenry, after having viewed photographs of Dillinger and other individuals involved stated that they did not see any resemblance to any one who stayed at the Polk Hotel or who might have frequented the hotel. The photographs were likewise exhibited to the bell-hops; the manager of the Coffee Shop and waiters. However, none of them could identify the photographs as likenesses of any persons they had observed about the premises of the Polk Hotel.

The Polk Hotel is the leading hotel at Murfreesboro. However, similar inquiry to that conducted at the Polk Hotel was made through H. B. Crockett, manager of the Haynes Hotel at Murfreesboro. No one by the name of Huttner has been registered there and a check of the registrations from November 1, 1933, to the present date did not disclose the name of Huttner or any similar name. Mr. Crockett was likewise unable to identify the photographs exhibited to him as likenesses of any persons known to have been guests or frequenters of the Haynes Hotel. There are no other employees at the Haynes Hotel.

P. J. Leathers, Rutherford County Clerk, Murfreesboro, Tennessee, when interviewed stated that he did not recall the issuance of the license, above referred to; that it was in all probability issued by his deputy clerk, Mrs. C. J. Abernathy. He further stated that he is positive that there is no individual in that vicinity named Huttner, but quite possible that the license was procured by the person who gave his occupation as a salesman inasmuch as salesmen frequently procure their licenses at Murfreesboro and other smaller towns when traveling.

Mrs. C. J. Abernathy, deputy clerk, Rutherford County Court House, Murfreesboro, Tennessee, stated that she recalls having issued the license in question on December 19, 1933. However, she was unable to recall the details or to furnish any further information helpful to this investigation, since, she claims, at that time there was a rush to procure licenses and she gave no particular heed to any one applying for licenses. When questioned concerning the regulation requiring the purchaser of a license to sign the application, Mrs. Abernathy replied that, although it is a regulation, it is not followed and particularly during the rush season. Neither Mr. Leathers nor Mrs. Abernathy could identify the

photographs exhibited to them as likenesses of any one observed by them to have made application for a license. Mrs. Abernathy was questioned at length in an effort to refresh her recollection and particularly to ascertain whether Huttner might have been accompanied by a woman. However, she claimed that she could not recall any of the details concerned with the issuance of the license beyond the recorded information disclosing that the license was issued by her.

On April 10, 1934, Special Agent J. M. Towler learned from Mrs. J. O. Abernathy, Deputy County Court Clerk, Murfreesboro, Tenn., that on the morning of April 9, 1934, a lady applied to her for a license for a Ford DeLuxe Sedan, 1934 model, motor No. 18-604588 the woman giving the name of Mrs. Harman L. Osgood, residence James K. Polk Hotel, Murfreesboro, Tennessee; that Mrs. Abernathy questioned the woman and was told that the woman's husband had secured this automobile through a trade, and, further, that Tennessee tag No. 176003 was issued to this woman. Mrs. Abernathy, it was subsequently learned, became suspicious of the woman in view of the recent inquiry from Special Agent Towler in connection with the Tennessee tag issued on December 19, 1933, being 1933 Tennessee tag No. 172-554 which was issued to Robert L. Huttner, as mentioned above, concerning which tag Special Agent Towler had made inquiry; that Mrs. Abernathy called the Sheriff after this lady departed but he did not call on her for several hours later. She also got in touch with Mr. U. C. Woods, Deputy U. S. Marshal who resides in Murfreesboro, who did not inform Special Agent of this fact until the morning of April 10, 1934. When Mrs. Abernathy was interviewed by Special Agent Towler she described the woman who secured the license plates as being -

About Age 30 to 35
Height: 5' 5 1/2"
Weight: 140 lbs.

having red hair which appeared to have been dyed, possibly having been blonde heretofore. This woman, according to Mrs. Abernathy, was alone; she had no bill of sale for the automobile, nor did Mrs. Abernathy see the car. The certificate signed by this woman was obtained by Special Agent Towler and in view of the fact that this woman was using the name of Harman, it was thought possible that this might be the Paula Harmon mentioned in the case of Alvin Karpis, with aliases, et al; Edward G. Bremer, Victim; Kidnaping, for which reason this application with the Osgood woman's signature was forwarded to the Division on April 11, 1934, for comparison with the specimen of the handwriting of Paula Harmon.

Inquiry at the James K. Polk Hotel of Walter Bolton, colored, waiter, resulted in learning that on the morning of

April 9, 1934, two men and two women came into the dining room for breakfast at about 9:10 A.M.; that Bolton saw these people come through the front entrance of the Hotel; that they did not go to the desk to register, going instead direct to the Cafe; further, that Bolton noticed this party particularly because he thought that he had seen one of the women at sometime in the past. This woman was described by Bolton as being about thirty years of age, height 5 ft. 8 in., weight 135 lb., red hair, hard features. The other woman appeared to be about 25 years of age, being smaller in stature. The men were about 30 years of age, height 5' 10" to 6 ft., both weighing 165 to 180 lbs., having dark hair which was long and combed back. These persons all had northern accent, according to Bolton. Bolton was unable to identify these persons from photographs of any of the suspects in this case or in the case entitled Alvin Karpis, with aliases, et al; Edward G. Bremer, Victim, Kidnaping.

Mr. J. F. Tillman, Manager of the James K. Polk Hotel, after checking his register, stated that no one by the name of Mrs. Harman Osgood was registered at the Hotel on the morning of the 9th. He also recalled the above incident as described by the negro Bolton but could add nothing to it.

Inquiry of Mr. J. P. Leathers, County Court Clerk, James Jetton, U. S. Marshal, C. C. Woods, Deputy U. S. Marshal, all of whom have lived in Murfreesboro and Rutherford County, in which Murfreesboro is located, for years, stated that they had never before heard of the name of Osgood in that locality.

Inquiry was also made of the Ford dealers in Murfreesboro concerning a Ford De Luxe Sedan bearing motor No. 18-694580, but it was ascertained that this car had not been sold in Murfreesboro nor had it been seen there.

A check was also made of filling stations and service garages, but it could not be learned that the license tag purchased for this car had been applied at any such place in that town.

Information concerning Tennessee tag No. 176003 was furnished to the State Highway Patrol at Nashville, Tennessee, as well as to the Police Department in the City of Nashville. The information is also being conveyed to all Peace Officers in the Middle District of Tennessee through the means of the State Highway Patrol. As a result of this, on the night of April 10, 1934, two members of the Nashville, Tenn. Police Department located the above described automobile on the streets in Nashville, Tenn., and on getting out of their automobile to make an investigation of this car, the Officers were confronted with a machine gun held by one of the occupants

of a Ford Sedan bearing Tennessee tag 176003, the Officers being told to get back into their automobile, which they did. One of the officers partially identified the photograph of John Hamilton as that of the man in this automobile who threatened them with the machine gun. A complete and detailed report as to this investigation will be submitted by the Birmingham Office in the immediate future. The Ford bearing these Tennessee tags immediately departed from Nashville, proceeding on the Memphis Highway. The Memphis, Tenn. Authorities were notified of this as well as all of the surrounding Peace Officers. This information was also conveyed telephonically to Mr. Cowley of the Division on the morning of April 11, as well as to the Cincinnati Office.

On the forenoon of April 11, 1934, Inspector W. A. Rorer at St. Paul, Minnesota, telephonically communicated with the Birmingham Office, advising that a Ford V-8 sedan, de luxe model, bearing motor number 18-694580 had been purchased possibly by Tommy Carroll and Homer VanMeter, the purchaser using the name of Herman Goebel, the car having been purchased in Mankato, Minn. Complete details of the information furnished by Mr. Rorer are not being incorporated in this report. When this information was secured, telephonic communication was immediately had with Sheriffs and Police Departments on all of the leading highways in Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi and Georgia, the information also being conveyed telephonically to the New Orleans and Oklahoma City Offices.

At 4:30 P.M. on April 11, 1934, Mr. George L. Byars, Chief of Police, Jasper, Alabama, telephonically advised the Birmingham Office that he had just learned that a Ford Sedan bearing Tennessee tag 176003 had been seen in Carbon Hill, Alabama, at 2:30 P.M. that day when one of the occupants of this car attempted to secure the services of a local physician to treat his partner for a foot injury, the partner being in the automobile. According to Mr. Byars, the physician refused to do this with the result that the automobile drove away from Carbon Hill and was believed to have gone either South or West. Telephonic communication was then had with Peace Officers in the towns surrounding Carbon Hill, Alabama, and it was learned from the Chief of Police at Columbus, Mississippi, that he understood that the persons in this automobile had secured the services of a physician at Fayette, Alabama. This information had just been received on case when Inspector Rorer telephonically communicated with the Birmingham Office and he was advised of it, as was Mr. S. Cowley of the Division.

Subsequently telephonic conversation was had with Mr. Joe McConnell, Sheriff at Fayette, Alabama, who stated that he was on the watch for this automobile, and at Agent's request

he contacted the various physicians at Fayette, Alabama; subsequently advised that no physician in that town had treated anyone for a foot injury on that afternoon, the Sheriff saying it was his understanding these persons had actually received treatment at Carbon Hill; further, that he had not been able to ascertain that they had even been in Fayette, Alabama.

DETAILS AT CARBON HILL, ALABAMA:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents J. D. Reynolds, R. L. Morgan, C. O. Lawrence and J. H. Hanson:

On the night of April 11th and the forenoon of April 12, 1934, Mr. C. M. Hienaly, Police Officer, who is one of two police officers at Carbon Hill, stated that about 2:30 on April 11, 1934, Dr. L. L. Terry informed him that about an hour prior to that time two men had driven up to his office in a new Ford Sedan bearing Tennessee tags which he believed were tags 176003; that one of the men came into his office, requested him to go out to the automobile to treat a man in the bar for an injury to his leg. According to Mr. Hienaly, Dr. Terry was of the opinion that these men were Dillinger and one of his pals; further, that he understood that these same persons had made inquiry for Dr. C. E. Gilder, who they also endeavored to secure to treat the man with the bad leg but that they were unable to contact Dr. Gilder either. Hienaly stated that as a result of this investigation he made additional inquiries and believing that this automobile had left Carbon Hill immediately after the inquiry was made of Dr. Terry since he was unable to locate the car in Carbon Hill which is only a small town having a population of 2600 people, he telephoned the Chief of Police and Sheriff at Jasper, Alabama, and also the neighboring towns, to be on the lookout for this car. Mr. Hienaly stated that he, himself, did not see the car nor the occupants of it.

Dr. L. L. Terry stated that about 1:00 P.M. he was in the patient's room of his office treating Mrs. Ed Turpin for a heart attack when he was called to the front of his office by a man who requested him to come out to his automobile to look at a man's foot. The Doctor said that he told the man to bring the patient into his office, saying he would not go to the automobile, the Doctor adding he had "a feeling" he should not go out to the car. The Doctor stated the man who came into his office was between 20 and 30 years of age, 5 ft. 6 in., weight 150 lb., dark hair, and was wearing neither a coat nor a hat. He also said that while he could not describe the man in the automobile he noticed the man was wearing a dark suit. He also said he did not notice any baggage in the car and that he could not describe the car inasmuch as he did not pay much attention to it, except to say that it was a comparatively new automobile, also that it bore Tennessee tags and he is positive that he noticed on these tags the digits 17, also a 0, some place in the series of digits. The Doctor stated

that Mrs. Jim Moore was seated in the waiting room of his office and that she told him that when this man left the office he cursed, apparently being indignant because the Doctor would not go out to the automobile. The Doctor stated that shortly after these people left he read in the Birmingham papers where the officers were looking for a Ford Sedan bearing Tennessee tags 1V6803, and thinking that this was the automobile and possibly the occupants of the car that were being sought, he made inquiry of another physician in town, namely, Dr. C. B. Gilder, with the result that he learned that these two same individuals had called at Dr. Gilder's office but were unable to find Dr. Gilder in and that they left that office without waiting for the Doctor to return. He also stated that he immediately notified Police Officer Hienaly about the incident, telling him that he believed that the car that had called at his office was the one being sought by the officers. Dr. L. L. Terry was shown the photographs of the various persons involved in this case as well as the case entitled Alvin Karpis, with aliases, Fugitive, et al; Edward S. Bremer, Victim, Kidnaping, but was unable to identify any of them as that of the person who had called at his office.

Dr. C. B. Gilder stated that he had not seen the two men but that his office girl, Miss Lucile Townley, had information concerning them.

Miss Lucile Townley stated that between one and two P. M. on April 11, 1934, a black Ford Sedan, which did not appear to be a new automobile, the license tags on which car she did not notice, drove in front of the Doctor's office, one of the men getting out and coming into the office asking if the Doctor was in. She stated she did not pay any particular attention to this man and since the Doctor was out she simply informed the man of that, stating the Doctor was expected back any minute. She stated the car then drove off and returned in about fifteen minutes, when inquiry was then made for the Doctor, and when the Doctor was not there the two men again drove off. Miss Townley was shown photographs of all of the suspects in this case as well as in the Bremer case and she stated that the man who called at Doctor Gilder's office somewhat resembled the photograph of Tommy Carroll. She was unable to furnish any physical description of this man except to say that she believed he was about 5 ft. 6 in. tall, weighing 130 lb. and had dark hair. She also mentioned that he did not have a coat or a hat. She said that she did not see individual in the automobile driven by this man. She also mentioned that a Mrs. Floyd Heinzy and Mrs. Ed Lacey were in the Doctor's office waiting at the time this man called at the office.

Mrs. Ed Lacey stated she paid no attention whatsoever to this individual except she remembers that a man called at the

office while she was waiting there shortly after one o'clock on April 11th but that she would not be able to identify him at all.

Mrs. Floyd Keinly, who lives in a community known as Kansas, three miles from Carbon Hill, recalled the above mentioned incident and while she described the man who called at the Doctor's office as being about 50 years of age, 5 ft. 10 in. in height, weighing 150 lbs., saying that he did not wear a hat or a coat, she was unable to identify him from any of the photographs of the suspects in this as well as in the Bremer kidnaping case. She also mentioned that this man wore glasses. She further stated she noticed the man waiting in the rear of the automobile, saying that he resembled somewhat the photograph of Dillinger, picking out the second photograph from the right on the bottom row of the photograph giving nine characteristic close-ups of Dillinger as was furnished by the Division. She also mentioned that she noticed that this man had a pair of scratches with him in the rear of the automobile in which he was riding. She claimed that the automobile in which these men were riding was an old car, saying that she could not estimate the model of it, nor could she tell the make of the car, but she knew it was not a new automobile.

Mrs. El Turpin, who was the patient in Dr. Terry's office at the time these persons called there, stated that she did not see them but that a neighbor, Mrs. Jim Moore, who had accompanied her to the Doctor's office, did see these persons. Mrs. Jim Moore described the incident mentioned in the interview of Dr. Terry above but she was unable to identify the photographs of any of the suspects in this case or in the Bremer file as being those of the two men that she saw at the Doctor's office. She claimed she did not get a good look at the man in the rear of the automobile but that she did see the man who came into the Doctor's office and she described this man as being about 5 ft. 8 in. tall, weighing 140 lbs., having medium colored hair, wearing glasses with heavy lenses, saying also that while he did not have a coat when he was in the Doctor's office he was wearing a cap. She said she did not know what kind of an automobile he was driving but it was not a new automobile and she did not notice the license tags on it.

Inquiry was also made by Agents to determine if these persons had called at the offices of any of the other Doctors in Carbon Hill, these Doctors being Doctors McCullar, Whitney and Maddox; inquiry also being made of Doctors Shores and Shepherd who are located at Townley, Alabama, which is six miles East of Jasper, Alabama.

Inquiry was also made of the filling stations and garages in Carbon Hill concerning these persons and particularly the automobile bearing Tennessee license tag 176003 with the result that no information was secured except from Mr. J. Whittiker

who operated a Standard Oil filling station across the Street from Dr. Terry's office, who stated that on the afternoon of April 11, 1934, shortly after noon, he talked to two acquaintances of his, namely, H. B. Larrimore and Bryant Kelley who live at Eldridge, Alabama, which is located six miles West of Carbon Hill; that these men were waiting to see Dr. Terry, having driven up to the Doctor's office shortly before the Doctor returned from lunch; that he learned from them that Kelley had fallen down that day and suffered an injury to his ankle. Whittiker stated that Kelley operates a filling station at Eldridge, Alabama, and that Larrimore is originally from Memphis, Tenn., but has been staying with Kelley for several months. Whittiker also stated that Larrimore was driving a 1929 Ford Sedan which bears Tennessee license plates. Whittiker has a full view of Dr. Terry's office, as well as the street in front of it, states he did not observe any other automobile in that vicinity on the afternoon of April 11th bearing Tennessee license

Upon interviewing Messrs. H. B. Larrimore and Bryant Kelley at Eldridge, Ala., it was learned that Kelley, on the forenoon of April 11, 1934, had fallen down, suffering an injury to his ankle which he thought possibly was a broken ankle or a severe sprain which required medical attention; that Larrimore drove him to Carbon Hill, Alabama, in Larrimore's 1929 Ford Sedan bearing Tennessee license plates; that they called first at the office of Dr. Terry where he refused to go to the automobile to treat Kelly, Larrimore then drove Kelley to the office of Dr. C. B. Gilder where inquiry was made on two occasions for Dr. Gilder, and when they were unable to locate him Kelley decided his injuries were not as serious as he first thought. Kelly, at the office of Dr. Terry, did not get out of the automobile because his ankle hurt him so much at that time that he thought the Doctor should have been willing to go to the car. Kelley and Larrimore stated that they then decided to return to Eldridge and should they need a Doctor they could call a physician from Winfield, Alabama, which is the next town West of Eldridge. It might be mentioned that during the interview with Larrimore it was noticed he wears spectacles having very thick lenses which are unusually noticeable.

Subsequent to ascertaining the above information Dr. L. L. [redacted] and Miss Lucile Townley were interviewed and they both stated they did not know either Bryant Kelley or H. B. Larrimore, although they had heard of Kelley.

Mr. C. M. Hiensly, Police Officer at Carbon Hill, stated that he knows Bryant Kelley who operates the filling station at Eldridge, Alabama; that Kelley is a reputable man and that he understands that for the past several months a man named Larrimore has been living with Kelley, helping him at his filling station.

Hienaly stated he is not personally acquainted with Harrison.

The results of the above investigation at Carbon Hill, Alabama, were conveyed telephonically to Mr. S. Cowley of the Division.

AT NASHVILLE AND MURFREESBORO, TENNESSEE:

Further inquiry in connection with this case is being conducted by Special Agents. To date it has been ascertained that at the Walker Brake Service Company in Nashville, Tennessee, that a Ford Sedan bearing Tennessee tags 176003 was serviced at that place on April 9 and 10, 1934; further, that it was serviced at the Cole Motor Company on April 9 and 10. The person driving this automobile at that time has been identified by four persons at the Walker Brake Service Company and by one man at the Cole Motor Company as being George Nelson, alias Baby Face, No. 5437 (police department unknown) whose photograph appears on the Police Department Bulletin issued by the City of Chicago along with Dillinger and other persons whose apprehension are being sought. One employee at the Walker Brake Service Company, a negro, has identified the photograph of Ludwig Schmidt as being that of a person who was walking up and down on the sidewalk across from the Brake Service station at the time that Nelson was getting this automobile serviced at that place.

The Agents are making inquiries at all of the tourist camps in the vicinity of Nashville and Murfreesboro, and with the assistance of the Post Office Authorities in Nashville are endeavoring to have a census taken of the various apartment houses in an effort to ascertain if the persons who obtained Tennessee tag 176003 can be positively identified as members of Dillinger's gang. A detailed report as to this investigation will be submitted immediately, as well as of the investigation made at the Walker Brake Service and the Cole Motor Company, mentioned above.

Attached to the copy of this report going to the St. Paul Office is the tracing of the registration card at the Andrew Jackson Hotel for Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Long and Sister, which registration took place on December 16, 1933, as is mentioned in the details of this report. There is also attached hereto Retail Buyer's Order dated Nashville, Tennessee, December 16, 1933, issued by the Hippodrome Motor Company as signed by Art Morton, Hermitage Hotel, who purchased Ford V-8 Sedan de luxe, motor No. 517244. These tracings and order of the original signature of Art Morton are being forwarded to the St. Paul Office for any assistance that this writing may be in comparing with writing specimens of the various suspects in this case.

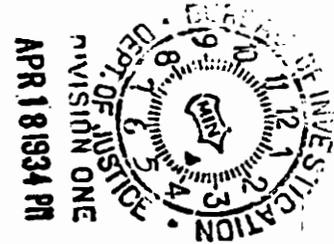
The Birmingham Office has contacted the airports in the larger cities in this territory furnishing the Attendants and pilots with copies of the Identification Orders on Dillinger and Hamilton, and has also distributed these orders to all Railroad and Bus Companies in this territory. Arrangements have been made whereby should any of these persons secure information concerning Dillinger or Hamilton they will immediately communicate with the Birmingham Office. Stop orders have also been placed with the Automobile Registration Bureaus in Alabama, Tennessee and Georgia for the various automobiles known to have been used by the subjects and suspects in this case, and the various Peace Officers throughout this district have been notified to be on the lookout for the automobiles known to have been used by these persons.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

311 Hurley-Wright Building,
Washington, D. C.



April 18, 1934.

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

Re: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases,
I. O. #1217 - FUGITIVE, et al.
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter dated March 30, 1934 in the above entitled case, with which was transmitted a copy of a letter from Willie L. Dougherty, Nickelville, Virginia, requesting that he be furnished with the fingerprint classification and description of John Herbert Dillinger, this is to advise you that Agent Schoales interviewed Willie L. Dougherty, age 24, who works on his father's farm in a very remote mountainous section, and who stated that he had been reading about Dillinger in the newspapers and that he decided he would like to have Dillinger's fingerprints and photograph, because one never can tell when he might see Dillinger. He admitted that he knew nothing about fingerprints, stating that at one time he had a desire to study fingerprinting but has never been able to do so.

Willie L. Dougherty had no information as to the whereabouts of Dillinger.

Very truly yours,

L. R. Pennington

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

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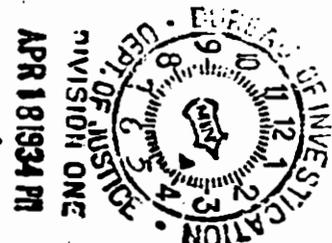
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U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

April 16, 1934.



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

Re: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases,
I.O. #1217, et al.
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT
ACT. St. Paul File 26-2434.

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith please find fingerprints of Opal Milligan, who was arrested by the St. Paul Police Department on April 14, 1934, for investigation. This woman admits living in apartment 106 - 2214 Marshall Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, being apartment used and occupied by Edward Green and Homer Van Meter.

Please advise if any identification is made of these prints. They should be compared with latent prints furnished the Division taken at the various places known to have been in use by Dillinger and his associates.

Very truly yours,

H. H. CLEGG,
Inspector.

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April 23, 1934

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

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
DIVISION ONE
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Dear Sir:

Please refer to your letter of April 16, 1934, relative to the case of John Dillinger, with aliases, et al, wherein you transmit fingerprints of Opal Milligan.

While you will observe from recent correspondence that these fingerprints have been given the usual attention by the Division's Identification and Single Fingerprint Units, it is suggested that if possible an additional card containing more legible impressions of this individual's fingerprints be procured and forwarded for the files. It is observed that all of the impressions forwarded by you were blurred and that in some instances the deltas did not show. The result is that it is difficult for the Division to attain an accurate classification in this case. Further, unless the entire pattern area is readily apparent, comparison with latent fingerprints may be regarded as ineffectual.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Very truly yours,

Director.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 15, 1934.

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MEMORANDUM

Mr. Hoover talked to Mr. Purvis this afternoon at South Bend, Indiana. Mr. Purvis stated that Dillinger, according to a local newspaper, was reported as being seen last night in a drug store in South Bend, Indiana, and shortly afterwards the Police raided a house in that vicinity. It was also stated that the Police were following a large black LaSalle sedan which was supposed to have Dillinger and Van Meter in it. Dillinger is wearing a light grey top coat and has dyed his hair a flaming red.

Mr. Purvis stated that they are under cover at South Bend, and Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Purvis to lay low for awhile.

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April 17, 1934

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

Dear Sir:

Receipt of your letter of April 10, re-
turning the key sent you for investigation, is acknowledged.
A copy of your letter together with the key will be forwarded
to the proper authorities at Lima, Ohio, for their informa-
tion.

I wish to thank you very much for your coopera-
tion.

Very truly yours,

William F. Friedman
William F. Friedman.

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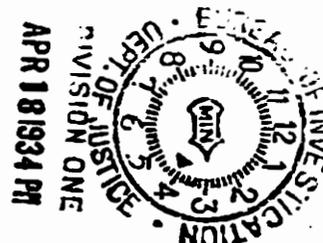
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311 Hurley-Wright Building,
Washington, D. C.

April 16, 1934.



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

Re: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER with aliases
FUGITIVE - I. O. #1217, et al.
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

Dear Sir:

-In reply to your letter dated April 10, 1934 with reference to a letter received by the Division from Miss Miriam Sheffey, Marion, Virginia, requesting information as to the whereabouts of John Herbert Dillinger with aliases, Fugitive, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act in June 1933, please be advised that Special Agent J. E. Schoales of this Office interviewed Miss Sheffey at Marion, Virginia, she stating to him that in the latter part of June 1933, two strange men came to her house late in the evening and finding her at home asked for something to eat which she was unable to furnish them at the time; that they were very peculiar in their actions and frightened her at the time; that recently she saw the picture of Dillinger in the newspapers and is convinced that he is one of the two men who called at her home last June.

Miss Sheffey further stated that at present she is writing her life history for the Liberty Magazine and desired to include the incident relative to the call at her house by the two strangers mentioned above if she could prove that one of them was Dillinger, because it would make the story more interesting reading, and that this is the reason she made inquiry of the Division as to the whereabouts of Dillinger in June of 1933.

Miss Sheffey is a maiden lady of sixty years of age at present practically an invalid, and according to information received from local postal officials at Marion, Virginia, is a woman of excellent reputation.

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Very truly yours,

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

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Post Office Box 514,
Birmingham, Alabama.

April 16, 1934.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 514,
St. Paul, Minn.

RE: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases; FUGITIVE, I.O. 1219;
JOHN HAMILTON, with alias, I.O. 1220; et al.
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act
Harboring a fugitive from Justice

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that one Bill Riley residing at 1101 South 41st Street, Birmingham, Alabama, telephone 7-5456, recently called at the Birmingham Office stating that he formerly lived in St. Paul, Minn., where he attended St. Thomas College there; in 1932 and first part of 1933 he was employed in a gambling concession operated by Ab Stone, alias Ab Duvall, alias Ab Colton, at the Osawameo Boulevard Tavern, located off of Rice Street in St. Paul, Minn., during which time he became acquainted with a number of questionable characters in St. Paul. Riley stated that he, himself, was arrested in May 1933 when he called at the Court House Apartments located near the State Capitol, at which time he was looking for Red Hart who is known by the St. Paul Police. Riley stated when he called at the Apartment the police officers arrested him along with Tommy Carroll and several other persons. Riley claims he was released shortly after this arrest. He stated that on one or two occasions he has been with Ab Stone at a lodge located on the same lake that Captain Billy Nucetti's lodge is located, which place is near Pequot, Minn. Riley was unable to give any directions to this place but stated that the camp he went to up there with Stone consists of a group of four cabins, one of which is a log house; further, that one bald-headed man, age about 45 years old, from Kansas City is operating this place. He mentioned that there generally are several men hanging around this place and there is usually a taxicab there from Minneapolis. He claims to have visited this place, as stated above, with Stone, also with Bill Waldon, Frank, alias Curly Bennett, and Red Hart, all of whom were arrested at the same time he was on the occasion mentioned above.

Riley was requested to endeavor to recollect more definite information concerning this particular camp, as well as

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concerning any other places where Tommy Carroll might be located, and he again called back at the Birmingham Office saying that it was possible that Carroll could be located at the Continental Hotel, Kansas City, Mo. Riley states he knows that Tommy Carroll and Bill Walden have stopped at this hotel, which he describes as a cheap place. He also said that one Johnnie Lamy is a contact man for these men in Kansas City. He also claims that Carroll and his friends frequently visit at Stevens Point, Wisconsin, and that he understands their contact man there is a saloon keeper, although he does not know who he is.

Riley stated he has never seen Carroll at Stevens Point but he secured his information from a Paul Gornish, who, he stated, he met in gambling houses around St. Paul. Gornish, according to Riley, is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, his father being a contractor at Scranton, Pa. According to Riley, Gornish is supposed to be a good friend of Tommy Carroll, as well as Harry Sawyer of St. Paul. Sawyer, according to Riley, is known as the fixer in St. Paul and is supposed to be very close to the police there.

Riley also mentioned that he intended to return to St. Paul, Minn. very shortly and that should he secure any information concerning the location of Carroll he will communicate with you. He was also furnished with Inspector W. A. Horer's name and said that he would endeavor to communicate with him if he were unsuccessful in reaching you.

Very truly yours,

B. O. SMITH, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

cc: Division
cc: Kansas City
Chicago
Philadelphia



P. O. Box 7708,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

April 18, 1934

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

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

Dear Sir:

For your information in connection with the above entitled matter, there are enclosed herewith two copies of memorandum concerning activities of Division Agents in the Cincinnati district, and copies of same are being furnished to interested offices.

Very truly yours,

M. B. KLEIN,
Acting Special Agent in Charge

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P. O. Box #784,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

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April 16, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE:

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

Special Agent Peter J. Nolan reports as follows:

AT DAYTON, OHIO

On 4-11-34 at approximately 8:00 P.M., an unknown man between 35 and 45 years old, 5' 8" in height, 150 to 165 lbs., ruddy complexion, wearing a white pull-over sweater, dirty gray hat, and brown trousers, called at the Stricker Hotel, 224 West First St., Dayton, asking Mrs. Lucille Stricker, the present address of Claude Constable, who he alleged was a friend of his. Mrs. Stricker did not obtain the make of car or license number of this car.

The above information was immediately telephoned to Agents Roberts and Treadwell at their room on Jones and Clay Streets, Dayton, with instructions to watch for the appearance of the above individual. Agent Fletcher and this Agent made an attempt to get to the 214 Clay Street address prior to the above individual, but without success. However, on contacting Agents Roberts and Treadwell by telephone, it was determined that shortly after this Agent called by telephone relaying the above information, they saw an Essex Coach, bearing Ohio 1934 license #B 49-556, drive up to the apartment at 214 Clay Street, and a man answering the description of the man in the white sweater, who had contacted Mrs. Stricker, got out of the car and ran into the apartment of Mary Longaker, where Agent Treadwell could see them conversing. The man stayed two or three minutes and ran out to the car and immediately drove off. According to Agent Treadwell, Agent Roberts who had gone to the Division car, proceeded to trail the aforementioned car, but lost it, due to the speed of the other car. Agent Roberts advised there were five men, whose descriptions he was unable to determine, in said car.

Agents Fletcher and Nolan then kept a surveillance in the neighborhood of 214 Clay St., keeping periodically in touch with the Stricker Hotel, until 1:00 A.M., when activity in that neighborhood appeared to abate somewhat.

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A check of the above Ohio license number by this agent disclosed the following information;

A 49-534 license was issued to Raymond Troy, 4526 Dayview Ave., Dayton, Ohio, (date of purchase not recorded) on an Essex Coach motor #358387, serial #283859, model six, which had been purchased on 11-18-32 as a used car. The certificate of title number on above car is 2-19396. Irvin Fanta, drug store proprietor, 3rd and Williams Sts., Dayton, notarized the above license registration.

If possible, more information concerning Raymond Troy will be ascertained, unknown to Police Department. The City Directory discloses his wife's name is Irene and that he is an electrician.

Agents Treadwell and Roberts advised the following two cars are seen frequently driving past the 214 Clay St. address and slow down but do not stop. (This agent ascertained to whom the Ohio licenses were issued).

Ohio 1934 license #A57-476 was issued to Bessie Payne, 50 Mead St., Dayton, Ohio, on 1-6-34, on a Ford Sedan, motor #A 1630446, purchased 5-20-29, certificate of title #68266.

Ohio 1934 license #A 34-474 was issued on 12-6-33 to Claude Thompson, 1110 Noble Ave., Dayton, Ohio, on a Willys Sedan, motor #74128, serial #70305, model 70A, purchased as a used car on 9-14-33, certificate of title 535430.

Unless the occupants of the above two automobiles actually make a contact with Claude Constable, or Mary Longaker, further efforts to determine the identity of above will not be made. It may be noted here that 214 Clay St. is in the midst of a questionable neighborhood.

It was ascertained that Mary Longaker and Claude Constable have been using a public telephone located in the grocery store of A. J. Wabler, 300 James St., corner of Clay, Dayton, Ohio. This telephone will be immediately checked to determine whether any long distance telephone calls have been sent over it or received by it.

Special Agents F. E. Hurley and A. G. Russell report, as follows:

GRAVEL SWITCH, KENTUCKY

Agents Russell and Hurley interviewed Messrs. R. O. Harmon and W. O. Isaacs and Leslie Lanham, Officers of the Peoples Bank, Gravel Switch, the bank that Dillinger is reported to have helped rob last July. Billinger is under indictment in Harlan County, Lebanon, Kentucky, as an accessory in the said robbery. The said gentlemen could give no definite information as to the whereabouts of Dillinger. He has not been seen by them. They report rumors to the effect that

Dillinger has been seen in the vicinity. The rumors so far as they are concerned are vague. Nothing of real value to this case was learned.

Agents made a survey of the country from Springfield, Ky., to Gravel Switch to Jones Fork, seven miles distant, and then on to Bradfordsville, Ky. The location of the Owan Morgenson home in Jones Fork was noted along with the spot where Frank and Hugh Mullins turn off the road towards their homes. The survey is of value in the event of any possible raid and also in the making of a sketch of the country for the file.

Acting on a prearranged plan, Agents did not contact Messrs. Alstatt and Gabehart, cooperators at Bradfordsville, this date. Was decided that our presence might be detected and that it would interfere with the plans of Alstatt and Gabehart.

AT SPRINGFIELD, KENTUCKY

Information was received that Dillinger and a woman accompanied by another man were seen in London, Ky., this date; (4-13-34); that they traveled on to Somerset, Ky., possibly heading for Stanford, Ky., and some unknown destination. Agents drove to Stanford, then to Crab Orchard, where Russell had an assignment, a violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, continued on to Mt. Vernon, contacted Judge Charles Carter, Mt. Vernon, learned of the above report emanating from the Sheriff at London, learned further that a posse of 100 or more men covered all roads, ascertained that the said crooks were operating a Ford V-8 Sedan, Tenn. 1934 license plates #176-003. The two men and the woman, reported to be red haired, were not seen by the posse. Agents then traveled on to London, Ky.

LONDON, KENTUCKY

Agent contacted Sheriff Mason and his deputies, and learned that a man whose description answered that of Dillinger, stopped at the City Restaurant about 8:30 A.M., 4-12-34, and was accompanied by a heavy set man, not identified, who was lame, nature of lameness not ascertained. The woman, about 35 years, dark hair, large build, coarse voice, hardened but naturally good looking, dressed in light clothes, black leather jacket, crossed the street and entered the Chrystal Restaurant and asked for beer. The man at the City Cafe had asked for whiskey. Suspensions were aroused because of the apparent reticence of the woman and the fact that they, she and her companion, entered two different restaurants, one across the street from the other. The car was headed toward the Danville or the Somerset Roads. They soon left town. It was learned that they went to Somerset. Same description of car, etc. The Sheriff at Somerset reports the same facts as the Sheriff at London. The trail was lost at Science Hill, Ky., 12 miles north of Somerset. They were believed to be heading for Mt. Vernon. They have not been seen since. No further reports on this phase of the case received more recently.

AT DANVILLE, KENTUCKY

Chief of Police R. J. Sale, Police Department, Danville, informed Agents that he has not seen the said car from Tennessee. A posse of about 80 men guarded the roads. They ran down many leads. None was of any value. All suspects have been eliminated. The Chief seems positive that Dillinger was one of the men seen at London 4-12-34 and later at Somerset. The Chief is very cooperative and is on the jump.

On 4-14-34 Special Agent in Charge William Larson, Detroit, Mich., called advising that a Secret Service Agent of Detroit has advised him that from confidential information received he had been advised that a Ford V-8 Sedan had been seen at 6:00 A.M., at Berea, Ky., the occupants being two men and a woman; that the car was bearing Iowa license plates and was very muddy. It appears that the Ford V-8 Sedan is the same car that has been seen in the vicinity of Mt. Vernon and Somerset, Ky., at a previous date and bearing Tennessee license plates, #176-003.

In this connection, the Sheriffs of Mt. Vernon, Richmond, Lancaster, Nicholasville, Sanford, Irvine, McKee, Paris, Mt. Sterling and Winchester, Kentucky, were advised to be on the lookout for this car.

Special Agent H. D. Harris, reports as follows:

AT COLUMBUS, OHIO

Warden Preston E. Thomas, Ohio Penitentiary, advised that in addition to visitors previously reported to inmates Pierpont, Makley and Clark, the latter had the following visitors on 4-11-34:

Minnie Clark, Mother
Bernice Clark, wife
Dorothy Pierce, Sister
Ed Clark, Brother

Warden Thomas also turned over to agent on 4-13-34 four letters received addressed to these prisoners, the letter to Clark being the only one which was to be passed to the prisoners, the other three being held by the Warden.

From these letters it is apparent that Mary Kinder did not go to St. Louis in accordance with Pierpont's instructions.

It also appears that the address of 108 E. Spring St., previously under investigation, is that of Mitchells Restaurant in Lima, Ohio, which was mentioned in memorandum of Agent Harris regarding information from Larry Van Skalk.

It also appears that Mary Kinder, Mrs. Pierpont, the Clark family, and Jessie Levy all met in Lima on the evening of 4-11-34.

The return address on Mary Kinder's letter postmarked 4-12-34 of 516 Laett St., Indianapolis, should also be noted, if this address has not previously been known.

Copies of the four letters mentioned above are as follows:

"Letter postmarked Indianapolis, Indiana, 4-12-34.
Addressed Mr. Harry Pierpont, Box 511, Columbus, Ohio.
Return address, 516 Laett (possibly Laeth) St., Indianapolis, Ind.
Letter on stationery of Hotel Waldo, Lima, Ohio.

Wed. Evening

Mr. Harry Pierpont,
68150.

Dear Darling,

Before going to bed thought I would write you. I stayed here tonight and I am going home tomorrow. I have the room next to Miss Levy. I have spent the eve. with the lawyers and went out to dinner with them. Had a real nice time but could of had better if you were here darling.

Honey about me going to St. Louis to spend the week end with Jean, I was just kidding with you to see you bliah. I seen her and had a talk with her and she wanted me to come and I was untill this other came up last week and I don't see any need of me going now but when you say so I will do that other for you, just let me know. I seen Bernice when we got back to Lima and I had a good talk with her and she is all right and in about a week she is going to move. She is tired where she is staying.

Gee honey it sure was good to see you darling, you look better every time I see you and gee how I wish you where here honey. Would you tell me the story about the 3 bears? I would listen like I always did. Honey about your mother, she and I get along alright but she tells me lies about different things which I know aren't true. We never have any fuss or anything like that, but she doesn't play fair with any of us. Look how she talked today. Honey she is your mother and I love her for that because anyone you love, I do also. She has such a wonderful son and do I love that man (Which son?),

I am glad to hear that Bud got a place and got settled. Hope he can make a go of it, but I bet he doesn't. He will have to do something. I haven't seen little Harry this week because I haven't want to your house, because I get the blues too bad. Gee I do get lonesome out there, it just seems like you ought to be out there if I am so I just don't go if I can help it.

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Honey talking about that stock, I understood it and I will see the lawyers carry out your plans. I will see that they take care of it right away. The sooner the better, I need it and very bad. You understand what for don't you. Need taken care of. It has been a long time nearly 3 months. Won't it be good when it does come to pass. Guess what kind of cigarettes I am smoking now? Well give up, your kind Kools. Wish you had one? I just got started on them and have kept it up. Remember I use to wouldn't smoke them but I like them now,

I am glad you think my new coat is nice looking. I like it. It is only thing I got new. Haven't got a new dress for along time. It only cost me \$25. I think it is nice for that. I am glad you like Hanna Louise because I am just nuts about her. Remember the dresses I use to buy her. Mildred is looking for another youngster next month. She hopes its a boy. I do too! Wish it was me. Well honey I guess I will say "Good Night darling" and sweet dreams about your only girl. Honey when I get home tomorrow I will answer your letters. I still love you more and more.

Love Mary.

Your mother said for you to write her at the farm address. She is staying there now. Love and Lots of Kisses."

"Letter postmarked Detroit, Mich. Apr. 12, 11 P.M.
Addressed to Russel Clark, Columbus, Ohio, Box 511, #68151.
Return address, Mrs. Bernice Clark, 851 Chandler St., Detroit, Mich.

Detroit, Mich.
April 12, 1934.

Dearest Russel,

I dont hardly know what to write about after just being down there yesterday but thought a few lines might help to break the monotony. Honey, you sure looked mighty good to me after not being able to see you fer so long. I like you much better without your mustache. Was terribly disappointed that I didnt even get to kiss you, but was more than glad just to see you and talk to you. We stopped in Lima on the way back and I talked to Jessie and Mary for a little while. The lawyers are very busy working on the appeal cases. Have been out riding with Andy and Boots today looking for a second hand car. Andy bought a 29 Chevie. I guess his sweetie has turned him down this time. He has to pay for it himself (Ha Ha). They expect to drive down to see you in two or three weeks but I guess Addy wont be able to get in as the Warden said that brother-in-laws couldn't visit. He is having a fit about that too. Mac and Harry seemed in very good spirits yesterday. I'm glad they are taking it like that. Tell them both helle for me. You know I always did think a lot of those kids, especially poor old Mac who was the youngest people there at the springs. I'll bet he misses his 3 - 3 minute eggs. But I guess he dont need

them now. They make him too frisky. I guess that isn't all settled about that money in Tucson. I read a letter from the lawyer down there and he said there was other suits against it that would take quite a little time to settle. Its going to seem like a long month before time to visit you again, but I guess I'll just have to get used to it. But there are a lot of things I'll have to get used too. I miss outtin-up with you, plenty. Life seems very dull now, but this is a dull day maybe thats it. Havent seen Addie for a few weeks. She went back to her husband and I dont know where they're at just now. Jess went to his brothers but Toots stayed here. I'm glad she did for it don't get so lonesome with her around. I think if you'll behave yourself down there that you'll get a fair break. Everybody says that they treat prisoners nice there. I hope that you'll be out of that death row soon, as it gives me the shivers to think of it. I'm afraid they might make a mistake and put you in the chair (Ha ha). Well I said I didn't know much to write but looks like I've done pretty good. Guess I better ring off before I get writers cramps. When you can, try to write just to me instead of the whole family and tell me a lot of nice lies. You know I'm just foolish enough to like to listen to them. Can't begin to tell you how much I love you so will close now.

Your loving wife,

Bernice."

"Letter postmarked Fort Wayne, Ind., April 10, 1934.
Addressed Mr. Charles Makley, Ohio State Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio

New Haven, Ind.
April 9, 1934.

Dear Nephew:

Am uncertain whether or not it is against the rules for you to receive this but am living in hopes that it will be passed.

I received a letter from your mother and she said she believed you were permitted to receive mail from relatives so that is what prompted me to write these few lines.

Of course, I expect you will have forgotten me but as you know I am one of your mothers or 'Eliza's' as well call her younger sisters. I dont get down there very often to visit with her but my mother lives with her and she writes weekly.

Don't suppose I would remember Mildred or Florence either but as for George and Fred remember them very well.

Now Charles don't get discouraged and if you are permitted to answer please drop me a few lines as I am always glad to receive mail and though I am neither a great writer or scholar I will answer to the best of my ability.

And on one thing I stress a point and that is answering all correspondences quickly so when you answer this you may expect a speedy return.

I have a fine family. A loving husband and four fine kiddies, 3 boys and a girl.

Well here's hoping this is not an infraction of the rules and I will longingly look for a letter.

Affectionately yours,
Your aunt,
Mrs. Howard Passwater
(Blanche)
R. R. #2,
New Haven, Ind.

Letter postmarked Indianapolis, Ind., March 30, 1934.
Addressed to Mr. Harry Pierpont, Columbus, Ohio, Box 511.
No return address.

Mrs. Harry Pierpont,
930 Daly St.,
Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Darling Husband,

Gee honey I sure was glad to get your letter today and hear that you are O. K. and still in love with me. Why are they going to be hard to write just tell me how much you love me and that is all that is necessary for awhile, How could I get tired of hearing that when I love the man that writes that.

Honey why worry over what my folks say, it matters only you and I, but they are all for you even Shirley Frank has moved to Detroit and working up there and we are talking about moving out to where he lived. I will let you know the first of the week if we do or not, You know where. I am going to do what you said in your letters for awhile I mean with your mother. Honey I kept all those messages and I read them over and over. I would rather have you say them to me though. Darling when I make a promise I keep it and honey that is one I am going to keep till we see how things come out. I went out to the dance about 3 times but I have never did anything I would be ashamed of or wouldn't want you to know. I have not been drinking hardly at all, Marg and I have been going to the shows lately and you should see how they watch me honey afraid I will meet some one.

I saw your mother Sunday and Tuesday. I took her out to Jennett's dad's & brother and she heard from them. She got a package from her. She never told me about it but she told Miss Levy. She acts some times like she doesn't

Trust me and God knows I never did anything to her and I am trying to do all I can for you kids. I get pretty poked at her some times. I don't know half the time what she is doing. But I suppose to come home this week. I would love to see little Harry.

I went to town today and got me a permanent wave and it looks real nice and honey talk about Red, you remember my red suit, well I got red shoes, red hat & purse to match, all dressed in red and it makes a nice looking outfit. I wish my honey was here to take me some where in it. Would you darling? See honey sure is swell you can write as much as you can instead of every 2 weeks. I can hear from my darling all the time now.

I was up to see the boys last Saturday and they let me in to talk to them but put an extra watch never had much to say only said tell you hello and best of luck. The old short man was there and spoke to me. Honey I lost your picture that you gave me, the only ones I have are the news papers. See if you can have pictures and I will have one taken and send you so you can kiss me good-night. Did you get that metal and get to keep it. I still have mine.

What about clothes honey write and let me know about them and what you need. I will send you and Mac the money tomorrow morning when the post office is opened and will send you some magazines. Anything you want write sweet and I will send (if possible). If you don't ask for impossible things.

Sunday is Easter and I am going to church for a change and see if that won't help. Your Uncle Harry was here to see me but I was down town, he said he would be back and bring your cousin but he never came. The address is 108 E. Spring St. just past Mitchells restaurant.

Well sweetheart I guess I will stop and I will write you over the week end so you can have it Monday. See if I can't write to Mac also. Tell him Hello and I still think about him and he is my next best friend but honey you are the only man in this world for me honey and do I worship my darling husband and how even though he can't say my name once in awhile (you know how). Mother Margaret and Kate said to tell you and Mac hello and they sent their love and best luck. (But not too much love to you (may be they will want to go to the cleaners again. Well sweet I will see Miss Levy and write to your mother and tell her. Well sweet write me real soon.

To my darling husband
From your wife

Love & Kisses and ? "

On 4-13-34 [redacted] who came to Columbus from Chicago, called on Agent Harris. He advised that he is now staying at the Hal-Edley Hotel, Room 408, but that he intends to find a rooming house almost immediately.

[redacted] informed agent that Dillinger has \$50,000, he is willing to expend in an effort to effect the release of Pierpont, Makley, and Clark from the Ohio Penitentiary, and that the plan is for a sufficient number of guards to be bought up to allow a fake raid; that it is his understanding that there is only one guard in the death-house at night, and no guards on the walls at night, and that it would be possible to "buy off" a very few guards and make such an effort possible. (Incidentally, [redacted] is wrong about the number of guards - there are three on duty at all times in the death house, and the walls are not unguarded at night, although Warden Thomas has indicated to me that he cannot guard the walls in a manner that he considers adequate).

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[redacted] indicated that his information had come from a woman known [redacted] and he states that she is intimately connected with the plan and will probably be used to contact some of the guards; that Dillinger and his gang will come to the vicinity of Columbus and make their headquarters at a farm about 25 miles distant; that he is here for the purpose of ascertaining where this spot is, and when Dillinger will be there, and will inform this agent immediately of any developments. He does not wish Agent to contact him unless unavoidable. He further advised that he suspected that some of our men might have been detailed to tail him, for his own protection, and stressed the point that he did not desire this, and that if it were being done to have it stopped.

It will be noted that the information from this informant is identical with that telephoned by Inspector Clegg to the Cincinnati Office on this date, with instructions that it be furnished confidentially to Warden Thomas. This has been done and it is believed that Warden Thomas will undoubtedly handle the situation discreetly. With respect to the possibility of calling out troops to assist in guarding the penitentiary, Warden Thomas advises that he has been under some pressure to have the Ohio National Guard detailed to special duty at the penitentiary, but that he is very much opposed to such a step inasmuch as this would simply place a number of strange men there with considerable doubt as to their trustworthiness. Consequently this agent does not believe that there is much possibility of this occurring. Thomas further advised that he is passing up all invitations and spending practically all his time on the job; that at present all rules and regulations of the penitentiary are being rigidly enforced, and that additional precautions have been taken as to guarding the penitentiary, two guards with machine guns covering the entrance at all times.

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Any additional information reported by [redacted] will be immediately forwarded to the Cincinnati Office.

On 4-14-34 Warden Preston E. Thomas, Ohio Penitentiary, Columbus, and his daughter, Miss Amanda Thomas, informed Agent Harris that on the evening of 4-13-34 an Officer Shields, Indiana State Police, came to the Penitentiary with a policewoman and the secretary to the Governor of Indiana, bringing with them Mary Kinder, for the purpose of trying to get from Pierpont a confession and story regarding the escape from the Indiana Penitentiary, Michigan City, Indiana; that Mary Kinder had been promised that her brother, now incarcerated in the Indiana Penitentiary, would be released if she could induce Pierpont to make a statement.

Miss Thomas advised that as soon as Mary Kinder saw Pierpont, in the presence of the others, she informed Pierpont that she was not there on her own initiative and stated in effect that he should not make any statement. Pierpont stated that if Mary's brother would first be turned loose he would consider making a statement.

The above people came to the Penitentiary in a Plymouth Sedan, with Indiana plates #16648.

b7D Informant [redacted] telephoned Agent Harris on 4-15-34 and advised that "The woman is in town", but had no other developments to report. He will telephone Agent Harris again on 4-16-34.

Special Agent Peter J. Nolan at Dayton, Ohio, advised by long distance telephone, as follows:

On 4-14-34 at 1:20 A.M., Barnes Hawkins, 12832 Brequinbra St., Detroit, Mich., an employee of the Chrysler Motor Corp., called the Police Headquarters at Dayton, Ohio, by long distance telephone advising that Dillinger was at 313 Elm St., Dayton, Ohio, with Homer Van Meter. At 2:00 A.M. on the same date Hawkins again called the Police Department advising that 313 Elm Street was wrong and that it should have been 313 Johnson Street, Dayton.

The Dayton Police investigated and found that 313 Johnson Street is a vacant house and indications showed that there had been no parties living there for some time.

Special Agent Nolan conducted an investigation at 313 Elm St., Dayton, and found that this is one house in which two families live, one in front and one in rear. In the rear apartment resides August Quedweit, laborer; Fred Quedweit, whose wife's name is Helen; Helena C. Quedweit, a telephone operator, Bell Telephone Company, Dayton, Ohio; Margaret L. Quedweit, typist at the National Cash Register Co., Dayton, and Albert, a student. In the front apartment resides Samuel J. Schiml and wife, whose first name is Mano. Samuel J. Schiml is a clerk at the Dayton Power & Light Co., 205 East First St., Dayton, Ohio.

Agent Nolan advised there was no activity around this place.

He suggested that the Cincinnati Office telephone the Detroit Office to get in touch with Hawkins and ascertain why he called as he gave no details in his previous telephone calls to the Dayton Police.

Hawkins, about ten years ago, was a resident of Dayton, Ohio, but the police cannot recall.

This information was telephoned to Special Agent in Charge Larson, Detroit, Michigan, requesting interview with Barnes Hawkins of Detroit.



H. B. KLEIN,
Acting Special Agent in Charge

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

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April 19, 1934.

Mr. S.T. Brown,
Special Agent (A),
c/o Berkshire Hotel,
Reading, Pennsylvania.

Dear Mr. Brown:

Re: JOHN HERBERT HILLINGER, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1217, et al.
NATL. MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT AND HARBORING,
St. Paul File No. 25-2454.

In conformity with arrangements made by telephone with Special Agent in Charge R.C. Harvey of the Philadelphia Office, there is enclosed herewith a key, #145023, manufactured by the Reading Hardware Corporation, Reading Pennsylvania, which is being forwarded to you to expedite the identification of the building for which this key was prepared. There is also enclosed a small, flat key which bears no mark of identification, which probably fits some mail box. You may be able to obtain information concerning the use of such a key at the Reading Hardware Corporation factory.

It is suggested that, after these keys have served their purpose, they be returned to the St. Paul Office.

The inquiry is made in connection with the above entitled case and the keys were forwarded here by the Chicago Office and were described as having been found in the purse belonging to EVELYN FRECHETTE, HILLINGER'S girl friend.

Very truly yours,

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Enc.
CC Division
CC Philadelphia

H.H. GLENN, INSPECTOR.

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Laboratory Report

April 13, 1934.

Case: John Dillinger with aliases, I.O. 1217,
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Number: 62-29777-358

Specimens: 10 exploded .45 caliber shells.

3 .45 caliber slugs.

Small piece of paper containing the names of articles of food.

Receipt dated March 5, 1934, to Mr. Irwin Olson.

Portion of a typewritten letter concerning Limo, Ohio, and
one Harry.

Small tablet containing a bank getaway chart written in ink.
Examination requested by:

St. Paul Office.

Date received: April 10, 1934.

Examination requested: Fingerprint and Laboratory.

Result of examination:

Examination by: C.A. Appel.

April 10. The bullets are the 230 grain, 45 caliber automatic Colt type and were apparently used in a Thompson sub-machine gun. The shells also were apparently fired from a Thompson sub-machine gun, probably the same gun. The marks on the cases of all of the shells are similar except one, and it is possible that this was fired in another weapon. It is more probable that this was in the same clip with the other shells and exploded at the same time in the same gun, but that it did not receive all of the marks. In view of the desire that the shells and slugs be compared with the specimens recovered at the Kansas City Massacre, a conclusive determination of this point was postponed until after the return of the specimens from Kansas City.

The typewritten letter paper has the watermark in which are visible the words "LIN BOND". This is probably Linen Bond which is the watermark of Cook-Vivian Company, Boston, Massachusetts. The letter was written with an Underwood typewriter equipped with Pica type of the style used on Underwood typewriters since 1902.

The printing on the receipt may be shown to printers or stationers in order to identify its source if this would be of any value. There is no watermark.

The handwriting on the food shopping list is not the same as that of Mrs. Lancaster. There is a watermark in this paper "Denway Linen" which is not in the index of watermarks maintained in the Laboratory and if

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this is desired the Boston Office may be requested for information as to the manufacturer. The handwriting on the getaway chart is not similar to that of the shopping list and a comparison could not be made of this with the cipher message sent to Harry Pierpont at the Lima, Ohio Jail. A comparison of this handwriting with the signature of John Dillinger was made in case he might have written it but the signature is not enough on which to base an identification.

A report on the fingerprints will be submitted separately.

THE ORIGINAL EVIDENCE WHICH WAS SUBMITTED IS BEING RETAINED IN THE LABORATORY FOR ANY SUBSEQUENT EXAMINATIONS WHICH MAY BE DESIRED. SHOULD YOUR OFFICE DESIRE THIS ORIGINAL EVIDENCE FOR USE IN ANY SUBSEQUENT PROCEEDINGS WHICH MAY DEVELOP THE DIVISION SHOULD BE NOTIFIED IN AMPLE TIME TO PERMIT TRANSMITTAL.

- 3 - Director.
- 2 - Inspector Rorer - St. Paul.
- 2 - Laboratory.

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

Re: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases,
IDENTIFICATION ORDER 1217,
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT

APR 20 1934

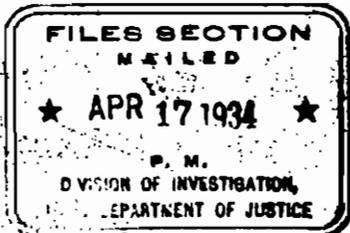
Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Division April 10, 1934.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

Director.



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Enclosure:

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April 16, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

I wanted to bring to your immediate attention the situation in Chicago affecting the case of Evelyn Frechette, who was taken into custody by Agents of this Division on last Monday. This woman, as you probably recall, is the woman who has been accompanying Dillinger around the country, and was with him at St. Paul two weeks ago, at which time Dillinger engaged in gun-fire battle with St. Paul police and Agents of this Division. This woman at the time was with Dillinger, and aided in his escape from the apartment in St. Paul. Diligent investigation of this Division resulted in her apprehension on last Monday. She was arraigned before the United States Commissioner later in the week, and while the Government requested that bond be fixed at \$200,000, the United States Commissioner at Chicago fixed it at \$60,000. There is to be held today a hearing at Chicago upon motion of this woman's attorneys, to obtain a reduction of bond, if possible, but I have received confidential information that her attorneys are prepared to give a \$60,000 bond. Our Chicago Office has strongly urged that the bond be raised rather than lowered, because there is no doubt that if she is released on bond, she will immediately rejoin Dillinger, and as we well know from our investigation of her, the Frechette woman and two other women rendered material assistance to Dillinger in not only procuring firearms, but in aiding his rapid movement about the country.

I thought I should bring this to your attention, as you might wish to communicate personally by telephone with the United States Attorney at Chicago to indicate your interest in this matter, in order that he might make possibly more vigorous representations before the United States Commissioner than he would otherwise. I am attaching herewith for your information a copy of our Identification Order which was issued for the Frechette woman.

Respectfully,
J. Edgar Hoover

Director,

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