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**SUBJECT: JOHN DILLINGER GANG**

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May 4, 1934.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

I called Mr. Sackett last night and requested that he and the Agent who is going to be Acting Agent in Charge during his absence on subpoena, contact immediately Mr. Carl Laemle, of Universal City, Hollywood, California. I advised Mr. Sackett that it had been indicated that Mr. Laemle was fearful of being kidnaped and that they should contact him personally and give to him the office telephone number as well as that of the Acting Agent in Charge and explain to Mr. Laemle that if anything unusual should happen indicating that he might be kidnaped he should immediately communicate with the Acting Agent in Charge regardless of the hour. I told Mr. Sackett also to determine whether Mr. Laemle had received any kidnaping threats or had any particular reason to believe that he might be kidnaped. E. J. Geehan will be acting in charge in Mr. Sackett's absence.

Respectfully,

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

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Manitowish, Wisconsin.

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May 3, 1934.

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

Re: John Dillinger, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE - et al.  
Nat'l Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Dear Sir:-

Special Agent John L. Madala reported to me that during the course of a conversation he had with Mrs. Emil Wankatka, wife of the proprietor of "Little Bohemia", she made a remark which indicated that Dillinger and his mob, or part of his mob, had at one time lived at Louis's Place in Fox River Grove, Illinois. In this connection Mrs. Wankatka remarked that Marie Costella, girl friend of Homer Van Meter, had told her while ~~she~~ she was doing some ironing in the kitchen of "Little Bohemia", that Mrs. Louis Cernecky did not like for them to fool around in her kitchen. Nothing further was said in this respect.

The above was furnished the Chicago Division Office by Inspector Rorer on April 30, 1934 by telephone.

Very truly yours,

W. A. Rorer,  
Inspector.

CC Division  
St. Paul

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625 Lafayette Building,  
Detroit, Michigan.

May 3, 1934.

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

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

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to your communication dated April  
25, 1934, in which you furnished two telephone numbers at Lima, Ohio,  
to which numbers long distance telephone calls have been made by  
Louis P. Piquett, an attorney at Chicago, who has offices at 222 N.  
LaSalle Street, and which individual, it is understood, at the present  
time is representing Evelyn Frechette. It is noted that Francis  
Durbin is the person whom Piquett called at Lima.

In accordance with your request to determine the identity  
of Durbin I communicated with the Prosecuting Attorney at Lima, Mr.  
Ernest M. Botkin, and I am today in receipt of reply in which he ad-  
vices that Durbin is a local attorney who represented Piquett in the  
Lima Municipal Court in March, at the time that Piquett was arrested  
in that city on a charge of attempted bribery.

It is my understanding that Piquett appeared at Lima  
just a few days prior to the trial of Russell Clark in March, and  
that he had with him at that time a woman whom he represented as his  
wife. It later developed that she was not married to him. At the  
time he was taken into custody he attempted to bribe the officers and  
this was the basis of the charge against him. Mr. Botkin informs that  
at the time of Piquett's arrest he was in an intoxicated condition.  
We are also advised that Durbin is the son of W. W. Durbin, who is the  
present Registrar of the United States Treasury.

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Mr. Botkin states that he is of the opinion that Durbin's communications with Piquett concern Piquett's case in Municipal Court, undoubtedly, and it is doubtful that he, Durbin, would be involved in the Dillinger affair.

Very truly yours,

W. LARSON,  
Special Agent in Charge

WL-ICM  
cc Division  
St. Paul  
Cincinnati

REM:ED

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May 2, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR UNIT FOUR  
EQUIPMENT SECTION

Re: JOHN HAMILTON, with alias,  
John Campbell

There are transmitted herewith data for Identification Order No. 1229 to be issued relative to the above subject.

Kindly verify the fingerprint classification, and use the best available photograph appearing in the files of the Identification Unit.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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IDENTIFICATION  
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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WANTED:

JOHN HAMILTON, with alias,  
John Campbell

MURDER - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

PLACE FINGERPRINTS HERE

DESCRIPTION

Age, 28 years (1927) (place photograph here)  
Height, 5 feet, 2 inches (date of photo here?)  
Weight, 155 pounds (place signature here)  
Build, medium stout  
Hair, brown  
Eyes, blue  
Complexion, fair  
Occupation, carpenter  
Marks and scars - long irregular vertical  
scar center forehead; right index and  
middle fingers amputated.  
Tattoo - heart and banner with initials  
"J.H." on left forearm, outer.

CRIMINAL RECORD

As John Hamilton, #251, arrested  
Police Department, South Bend,  
Indiana, March 15, 1927; charge,  
auto banditry (bank robbery);  
sentence, 25 years.  
As John Hamilton, #16944, re-  
ceived Indiana State Reform-  
atory, Pendleton, Indiana,  
March 19, 1927; crime, auto  
banditry; sentence, 25 years;  
ESCAPED September 23, 1928,  
from Indiana State Prison,  
Michigan City, Indiana.

RELATIVES

Mrs. Sarah Hamilton, mother,  
1700 Fourteenth Street,  
Sault Sainte Marie, Michigan.  
J. Sylvester Hamilton, brother,  
East Cary, Indiana.  
Faye Hamilton, brother,  
1705 Chestnut Street,  
Sault Sainte Marie, Michigan.  
W. G. Hamilton, brother,  
2209 South Douglas Street,  
South Bend, Indiana.  
Claude M. Hamilton, brother,  
Wester, Ohio.  
Orville Hamilton, son,  
267 East 271st Street,  
Cleveland, Ohio.  
Mrs. Isaac Steve, sister,  
1700 Fourteenth Street,  
Sault Sainte Marie, Michigan.  
Mrs. Esther Powers, sister,  
1006 East Bancroft Street,  
Toledo, Ohio.  
Mrs. C. V. Martin, sister,  
113 Louise Court,  
Barberton, Ohio.

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John Hamilton is wanted by the United States Marshal, St. Paul, Minnesota, on charges of harboring a fugitive, and ~~obstruction of justice~~ incident to the escape of John Dillinger at St. Paul, March 31, 1934.

Hamilton is also wanted by the Sheriff, Lima, Ohio, on charge of murdering Sheriff Jesse Barber at Lima, Ohio, October 12, 1933.

Law enforcement agencies kindly transmit any additional information or criminal record to the nearest office of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

If apprehended, please notify the Director, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., or the Special Agent in Charge of the office of the Division of Investigation listed on the back hereof which is nearest your city.

Issued by:

Director.

(OVER)

May 3, 1934.

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

There is transmitted herewith vouchers in the amount of \$146.25, in favor of Northwest Airways, Inc., for an airplane chartered on April 22, 1934.

In explanation of this expenditure you are advised that this means of transportation was necessitated by the investigation in connection with the search for John Dillinger, Federal Fugitive. The exigencies of that case made it imperative that several Special Agents assigned to the St. Paul office of the Division proceed to Rhinelander, Wisconsin, at the earliest possible moment, and that they utilize the fastest means of transportation available.

The route traveled by this plane was not served by regularly scheduled planes. Furthermore, it was necessary that these Special Agents have a plane at their disposal for travel to any locality if occasion should arise. For this reason it was necessary that the plane and the pilot be detained for one night.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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735 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg.,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

April 30, 1934.

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

Personal

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of April 25, 1934, concerning cartoon appearing in the April 24th 1934 edition of the Philadelphia Evening Ledger relative to the Dillinger case.

On this date I conferred with Mr. John J. McLaughlin, Managing Editor of the Evening Ledger, who obtained from Cartoonist C.H. Sykes, the original of this cartoon, which is being transmitted under separate cover.

I was informed that the pencil notations used for developing this original cartoon will rub off if handled. Mr. McLaughlin suggested that the best way to preserve the original is to have same framed.

Very truly yours,

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

RGH:AG.

*ack. Letters McLaughlin + Sykes 5-3-34*

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1934. G. Harvey,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
735 Philadelphia Saving Fund Building,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Mr. Harvey:

I received your letter of April 30, 1934, and also the cartoon appearing in the issue of the Philadelphia Evening Ledger for April 24, 1934. I want you to know that I appreciate your kindness in arranging to obtain this original for me. I am writing Mr. McLaughlin, as well as Mr. Sykes, a personal letter of thanks for their kindness in sending to me the original. Many thanks for your help in obtaining it.

Sincerely,

S. J. E. /

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JH:SCB

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Mr. John J. McLaughlin,  
Managing Editor,  
Philadelphia Evening Ledger,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Mr. McLaughlin:

Mr. Harvey, my Special Agent in Charge at Philadelphia, has advised me of his talk with you and of your kindness in making it possible for me to obtain the original of the cartoon appearing in the Philadelphia Evening Ledger for April 26, 1934. I want you to know that I appreciate your kindness and hope that I may be able at some time to reciprocate.

With best regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

C. H. [Handwritten initials]

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Mr. C. E. Sykes,  
The Philadelphia Evening Ledger,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Mr. Sykes:

I want to thank you for the kindness and courtesy which you have shown in making available the original of your cartoon which appeared in the Philadelphia Evening Ledger for April 24, 1934. We have been endeavoring to collect a small group of cartoons which have been more outstanding in presenting the crime problem, and when I notified the Evening Ledger for April 24th, I was particularly impressed with your cartoon appearing therein, and am very glad indeed to have the original. I want you to know that I am appreciative of your kindness.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

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DILLINGER CASE

U S ATTY HERE TODAY IN ARGUING FOR HIGH BOND FOR FRECHETTE STATED THAT SHE WAS THE WIFE OF A MAN WHO WAS NOT JOHN DILLINGER. THIS WAS BASED ON DIVORCE PAPERS SENT BY YOUR OFFICE SHOWING SUIT FOR DIVORCE INSTITUTED BY EVELYN SPARKS WHAT INFORMATION HAVE YOU RECD THAT SPARKS IS IDENTICAL WITH FRECHETTE U S ATTY IS ANXIOUS TO KNOW IN VIEW OF HIS STATEMENTS TODAY IN OPEN COURT

HAS HER LAWYER MADE THE IDENTIFICATION FROM SIGHT OF FRECHETTE OF EXAMINATION OF PHOTO OF FRECHETTE IF ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE NOW PLEASE SEND BY TELETYPE AT ONCE OTHERWISE PLEASE ASCERTAIN AT ONCE AND ADVISE SUMMARY ONFXXX INFORMATION RECEIVED TRIAL SCHEDULED SOON AND IT WAS INDICATED THAT HER BEING WIFE OF DILLINGER MIGHT BE DEFENSE

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**U. S. Bureau of Investigation**

Department of Justice  
1900 Bankers Building,  
Chicago, Illinois.

MR. NATHAN	_____
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*WHS*

SPECIAL DELIVERY

May 3, 1934.

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
United States Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

There are attached, hereto, two copies each  
of two Editorials which appeared in The Milwaukee Journal on  
April 26, 1934.

Very truly yours,

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

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*Letter Editor of Milwaukee Journal  
memo Atty Gen  
New Stanley  
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*Letter Editor of Milwaukee Journal  
memo Atty Gen  
New Stanley  
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# On Wisconsin

## Dillinger Criticism

Northern residents complain about the failure of the recent Dillinger trap, as sprung by federal agents.

The outlaws escaped. Promiscuous shooting left death in its wake. Innocent victims suffered and Dillinger and his gang made a get-away.

It is natural enough to criticize and, perhaps, not without some justification. Perhaps the Dillinger round-up was bungled.

But it will be well for Wisconsin and other states to consider their own resources, their own accomplishments and failures, and then ask themselves:

"Isn't it well that the federal department of justice is actively and vigorously trailing gangsters who move freely from state to state, escaping the local authorities again and again?"

There can be but one answer to that question. It is well; it is necessary; it appears to be our only hope of consistently following and, perhaps, ultimately catching up with interstate criminals.

In the Wisconsin chase after Dillinger, the federal agents had a harder problem than appears on its face. They had to assemble in sufficient force in some haste. They had to gather around a woodland resort in a hurry, and attempt to surround it. Northern men say:

"Well, why didn't they call on us for help? Why didn't they gather a force of our straight-shooting deer hunters and others? Why didn't they let us close the trap, since we knew the country and its avenues of escape?"

These are good, logical questions, but there are good, logical answers for them.

To telephone around, in a woodland country, gathering up a local posse is to pass the word of a coming raid pretty generally to everybody.

To try and function, quickly and effectively, through our various county sheriff's departments, is to rely on scattered and unknit forces, not really trained in police technique.

It is logical that federal agents should prefer to work quietly and without local help in such a situation as they faced near Rhineland.

If Wisconsin had an adequately equipped and trained state police force, that would be different; not having it, we may be glad that federal agents function as best they can.

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# THE MILWAUKEE JOURNAL

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L. W. NIEMAN, President and Editor

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## Dillinger—and Other Pirates

A mirror held up to our faces by another nation is not always agreeable, but it may be helpful. Europe is interested in the spectacle of the United States concentrating its efforts to catch one bold gangster, Dillinger. The London Express sees a relation between the Dillinger episode and the revelations of our high-riding finance in the epoch that culminated in 1929.

"You learn about the life of a country," says the London commentator, "by studying its crime sheet. When a community lets a pack of man-eating tigers dwell in its midst, it is easy for a lone wolf like Dillinger to slip under the fold gate."

Then the Express quotes the query of Secretary Hull the other day, when, denying any wish of the government for "public regimentation," he asked: "Would not the government have been justly pilloried if it had not exposed and called for reforms of the outrageous financial manipulations of stock markets and security flotations which stripped millions of individuals of their life savings and left finance not worthy of public confidence?"

After such a carnival of piracy on a billion-dollar scale, a new administration came in. It found, with the depression, an era of banditry, gunmen, wolf packs robbing, kidnaping, murdering. Immediately it opened the banks to meet the depression. And it went after the criminals, the kidnapers and the gunman. Loud applause for both. Continued applause when the administration made it clear that it opposed the well known racket of politicians seeking favors for clients from an administration of their own party.

Not until it came to the greater wolf pack, not until it came to regulating the issue of "securities" so that there might be something secure about them; above all, when it was proposed to impose a control on the gambling machinery known as security markets, did the howl go up. "Brain trust," "regimentation," "un-American"—these are the least of the words parroted and shouted daily. If a school man in a steel town has a nightmare, that is enough to prove that the principles of Washington and Jefferson and Lincoln are being flouted.

In quiet answer, Secretary Hull asks if a government would not have been "justly pilloried," had it stopped at feeding the hungry and hunting down the Dillingers. And a foreign critic reminds us that a Dillinger

## Pass the Federal Crime Laws

The escape of Dillinger and his gang from a Wisconsin resort will be of some value to the country if it focuses attention on Attorney Gen. Cummings' 12-point legislative program for the suppression of crime. The various Dillinger exploits give force to the argument that major crime today is largely an interstate matter, requiring the co-operation of federal law and federal agents if it is to be combatted. The Cummings proposals, which have the earnest support of the president, would give federal agents authority to enter many cases from which they are now barred and would give the federal government power to punish for crimes which are now covered only by state laws if at all.

One of the proposed statutes would make it a federal offense to steal from member banks of the federal reserve system. Another would make it illegal for a person to flee from one state to another to avoid prosecution or the giving of testimony. A third would strengthen the present kidnaping law. A fourth would apply the interstate commerce law to the transportation of stolen property. Most of the others would simplify procedure to make conviction easier.

All the proposals have merit. There is no sound reason why they should not be adopted by congress at once. If crime is to be controlled in this country, there is every reason why they should be enacted now. The bills are ready. Congress is in session. Why further deny?

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

For your information and as of possible interest to you there is attached a photostatic copy of an editorial from the Milwaukee, Wisconsin Journal under date of April 28, 1934, entitled "On, Wisconsin - Dillinger Criticism".

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

Enclosure #554374

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J.M.H.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

In regard to the attached letter from Mr. Purvis dated May 3, 1934, I think we might well address a letter of appreciation to the Editor of the Milwaukee Journal for the editorial appearing in that paper under date of April 26, 1934. I think it would also be desirable to send a copy of the editorial to the Attorney General for his information.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

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MAY 26 1934

Mr. L. W. Nienan,  
President and Editor,  
The Milwaukee Journal,  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Dear Mr. Nienan:

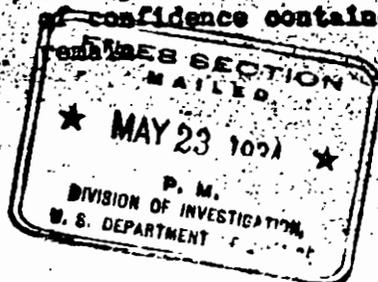
I have received and read with interest a copy of the editorial contained in The Milwaukee Journal for April 28, 1934, entitled "On Wisconsin - Dillinger Criticism".

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

As of possible interest to you I am taking the liberty of enclosing the following bulletins and memoranda dealing with the work and activities of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, looking toward the suppression of crime in this country:

Uniform Crime Reports, - Fourth Quarterly Bulletin, 1933  
Uniform Crime Reports, - First Quarterly Bulletin, 1934  
The Division of Investigation  
Training of Personnel  
The Establishment of a Technical Laboratory in the  
Division of Investigation

Expressing the hope that the above bulletins and memoranda will prove of interest to you and thanking you for the expression of confidence contained in the above mentioned editorial, I beg to



Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover  
Director.

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
*W. H. D. G.*

Enclosure #554376

Post Office Drawer 1407  
St. Louis, Missouri.

May 2nd, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

With reference to your telegram of Apr. 30th, 1934 in regard to Chevrolet Coach bearing current Illinois license 184949 seen near Higginsville, Missouri with suspicious persons, investigation was made and disclosed that this car is property of W. H. Heady, 151 East 2nd St., Edwardsville, Ill.

An effort was made to interview Mr. Heady today and he was not in Edwardsville. Mr. E. L. Butler, the Chevrolet dealer of Edwardsville stated that Mr. Heady left Edwardsville Monday, April 30th, 1934, for Kansas City in the Chevrolet Coach with license number 184949 and had not returned. The motor number of car on which these license plates were issued was checked with the Automobile Department of the Secretary of State, and the numbers corresponded. Mr. Butler stated that he sold this car to Mr. Heady in December, 1933.

The Police Department of Edwardsville was contacted and they stated that they had no report of the theft of this car, and both the Police Department and Mr. Butler of the Chevrolet company stated that Mr. Heady was an upright man of excellent standing in his community.

Very truly yours,  
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D. M. LADD

Special Agent in Charge.

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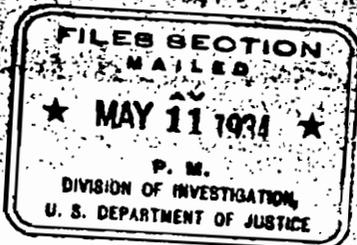
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I am attaching hereto a copy of a letter addressed to Mr. Larson under date of May 3, 1934, by Mr. Glander, Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety of the State of Michigan. I would like to have you examine this correspondence most carefully, and note particularly the references made by the various Officers of the Michigan State Police concerning not only the Dillinger case at Sault Sainte Marie, but also at Little Bohemia. After you have reviewed these papers carefully I will want you to call upon the Chicago Office, or any other office of the service for a full and detailed answer to the same. I want to definitely determine what the facts are in this matter. If our men were in any respect in error, we should know it, and take the necessary administrative action. On the other hand, if Mr. Glander has been misinformed concerning the matter by his own subordinates, I want to advise him of the same, so that the record may be entirely clear.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover  
Director

Incl.



1216 Smith Young Tower  
San Antonio, Texas  
May 2, 1934.

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Mr. W. E. Glass,  
Inspector,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
P. O. Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minn.

L. S. LOHMAN  
Possession of Firearms, Prop.  
JAMES HILLIGER ET AL.  
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Dear Sir:

Concerning our telephone conversation of last night and my telegram to you, you are advised that a check of the Railway Express Company here reflects the following shipments from L. S. Lohman, 211 South Flores Street, San Antonio, Texas, to Joseph Bennett, 2222 Sixteenth Avenue, Minneapolis, Minn:

Shipment #1.

October 12, 1933, One Box Machine Parts, Weight 4 1/2 lbs, value \$55.00, charges collect.

Shipment #2.

October 16, 1933, One Box containing Rifle, no weight given, value \$100.00, charges collect.

Shipment #3.

October 16, 1933, One Package Parts, no weight given, value \$60.00, charges collect.

Shipment #4.

October 27, 1933, One Package Hardware, no weight given, value \$30.00, charges collect.

Shipment #5.

October 27, 1933, One Box Hardware, no weight given, value \$47.50, charges collect.

It is quite possible that Lohman deliberately undervalued these shipments as, according to his own statement, he shipped during the month of October at least five Thompson sub-machine guns.

It is suggested that the Express Company records in Minneapolis for the month of October, 1933, be checked, in order to verify these shipments.

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Mr. H. E. Clegg, JR

May 2, 1934.

and possibly obtain some additional information concerning them.

The records above quoted are all of the records maintained by the Express Company here.

The State District Attorney here who has instituted proceedings against Lehman under the Texas State Statute for possession of the machine gun he found in his possession, is very anxious to place other machine guns in his possession prior to October 24, 1933, the date the present State Machine Gun Law went into effect.

Our check at the Express Company here as far as only went for the month of October in an endeavor to verify his statement. We are now checking the Express records from the month of June, 1933, up to the date of Lehman's arrest on April 29, 1934, and will advise you by telephone if any other shipments are found to points in the St. Paul District.

Very truly yours,

cc to:  
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Geo. T. J. Jones,  
Special Agent in Charge.

# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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

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TITLE <b>JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1217; JOHN HAMILTON, with alias - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1220; EVELYN FRECHETTE, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1221;</b>	CHARACTER OF CASE <b>STOLEN MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT AND HARBORING FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE.</b>
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**HOMER VAN METER, with aliases, I.O. 1222, et al.**

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

1934 Hudson Sedan, Motor No. 500-44, Serial No. 253-304, bearing 1934 Minnesota license plates No. B 122-336, recovered at Mankato, Minnesota, on April 8, 1934 and removed to St. Paul Police Department garage. EDWARD GREEN died at Ancker Hospital at 12:53 P.M., April 11, 1934. Safety deposit boxes of BESSIE SKINNER at the Midway National Bank and Liberty State Bank, St. Paul, opened and revealed \$3,644.00 contained therein. Long distance telephone calls of suspects in this case obtained from telephone company at St. Paul and Minneapolis. EDWARD GREEN identified as being a member of the gang that robbed the Security National Bank at Sioux Falls, South Dakota on March 6, 1934.

**REFERENCE:** Report of Special Agent E. M. Hotesteen, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated April 12, 1934.

**DETAILS:**

This is a joint report of the various agents who were specially assigned to this case at St. Paul, Minnesota.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	RECORDED AND INDEXED <b>MAY 5 1934</b>
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Upon the admittance of EDWARD GHEEN to the Ancker Hospital on April 3, 1934, it was ascertained he had in his possession \$83.00, consisting of one \$20.00 bill, twelve \$5.00 bills, and three \$1.00 bills. The serial numbers of the \$20.00 and \$5.00 bills are as follows:

U.S. Currency No. 100,047,922 A

**Five Dollar Bills:**

Federal Reserve Note	106,987,652 A
U. S. Note	048,245,668 A
Federal Reserve Note	105,731,876 A
National Currency	100,090,135 A
Federal Reserve Note	018,233,149 A
U. S. Note	000,098,837 A
U. S. Note	044,501,848 A
Federal Reserve Note	017,435,605 A
Federal Reserve Note	033,273,470 A
U. S. Note	045,810,829 A
National Currency	
Fed. Res. Bank of Chicago	001,633,903 A
U. S. Note	078,988,028 A

The numbers of the above notes have been checked against the ransom money in the BREMER, HAM, BOHN, and LINDBERGH cases, with negative results.

It was ascertained by interviews on the part of Inspector Glegg with BESSIE SKINNER, that she had rented two safety deposit boxes, one at the Midway National Bank, St. Paul, Minnesota, and the other at the Liberty State Bank, St. Paul, Minnesota. In connection with these boxes the following is submitted by Special Agents Fortanberry and Hurley:

The following investigation was made by Special Agents George Hurley and S. L. Fortenberry regarding information received by Inspector Glegg from MRS. BESSIE SKINNER alias MRS. EDWARD GREEN to the effect that she had a safety deposit box in the Liberty State Bank located at Selby and Snelling in the name of HESTER HINDS.

Inspector Glegg in company with Agents Hurley and Fortenberry went to the Liberty State Bank and made arrangement with the President, MR. L. A. LAMPERT, to have this safety deposit box opened on written orders given by MRS. BESSIE SKINNER. Agents Fortenberry and Hurley went to the County Jail and there were given an order voluntarily from MRS. BESSIE SKINNER to be admitted to the safety deposit box No. 172 at the Liberty State Bank.

Agents Hurley and Fortenberry, in the presence of MR. W. H. SKOGLUND, Cashier of the bank, and MR. L. A. LAMPERT, President of the bank, had the lock pulled on safety deposit box No. 172 and found therein four packages containing \$4,544.00 in \$1.00, \$2.00, \$5.00, \$10.00 and \$20.00 bills. In the presence of the officials of the bank, agents took the serial numbers of all the bills and these serial numbers are now being compared with the serial numbers of the ransom money paid in the BREMER, HAMM, BOHN, URSCHEL, and the LINDBERGH kidnaping cases. The money was placed back in safety deposit box No. 172 and the keys, along with the written authorization from BESSIE SKINNER, were placed in an envelope and sealed and left in the custody of MR. L. A. LAMPERT.

It should be noted that at the time BESSIE SKINNER hired this safety deposit box, she gave the address of 54 West Summit Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota. This box was hired on March 9, 1934, and it was also noted that on March 16, 1934, MRS. SKINNER visited the safety deposit box.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents  
S. L. Fortenberry and G. F. Hurley.

On April 9, 1934, Inspector J. H. Glegg made arrangements  
with the officials of the Midway National Bank, St. Paul, Minnesota, to have  
safety deposit box No. 765 opened and the contents inspected. This safety  
deposit box had been rented by Mrs. Bessie Skinner alias Mrs. Eddie Green  
on March 16, 1934. Prior written authority was obtained from Mrs. Skinner  
to have this safety deposit box opened.

In the presence of Mr. Herbert H. Sigelow, Chairman of the  
Midway National Bank, Mr. Albert L. Ritt, President of the bank and Mr.  
Martin F. Ernst, Vice President of the bank, the safety deposit box in  
question was opened and inspected by agents. There were found therein four  
envelopes containing \$4,000.00 in five, ten and twenty dollar bills. The  
serial numbers of these bills were copied by agents and they are now being  
checked at the St. Paul Division office against the numbers of the ransom  
money paid in the Lindbergh, Bremer, Hanna, Bohn and Urschel kidnaping cases.  
The four envelopes have been forwarded to the Division to be submitted to  
the criminal laboratory for the latent fingerprint test.

After the money had been inspected, it was replaced in safety  
deposit box No. 762. The keys to this vault were placed in an envelope  
and the envelope was sealed in the presence of agents and the above mentioned  
officers of the bank.

*Negative results from Money Check*

The results of the check of the money found in the safety deposit boxes with the ransom money that has been paid in Kansas cases will be reported at a later date.

Under date of April 14, 1934 Special Agent R. C. Coulter, who at that time was in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, telephoned the St. Paul Division Office and advised that EDWARD GREEN had been definitely identified by three employees of the Security National Bank, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, as the leader of the robbery of that bank on March 6, 1934. Agent Coulter further advised that numerous employees of the bank identified the photograph of HOMER VAN METER, and that MR. G. R. CLARK was of the opinion that DILLINGER also participated in this robbery and was inside of the bank. MR. CLARK at first definitely identified DILLINGER'S photograph, but later modified his statement.

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St. Paul File No. 26-9434

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents L. Whitson and John V. Anderson on April 4, 1934:

On April 4, 1934 Special Agent L. Whitson and John V. Anderson were directed to proceed to Mankato, Minnesota, in connection with a 1934 Hudson Sedan seen at the 93 Lexington Avenue address in St. Paul in connection with instant matter. Information had come to the St. Paul Police Department that this car was left in a garage at Mankato, Minnesota. The above mentioned agents, with Charles Tierney, Inspector of Detectives; Pat Lannon; Joe Manion; Arthur Courtney, and Tom Shanley, all detectives of the St. Paul Police Department, proceeded to Mankato.

PAT HENRY, Chief of Police, Mankato, advised he had received information from the Clements Automobile Company, Mankato, Minnesota, that a 1934 Hudson Sedan, bearing 1934 Minnesota license plates 122-536, had been left in their garage. Information had previously been secured by the St. Paul Division Office that this automobile had been purchased through the Federal Finance Company, 210 Baltimore Building, St. Paul, Minnesota, and that this was one of the cars used by DILLINGER and his confederates while at the 93 Lexington Avenue address. HENRY advised that on the previous evening; namely, April 3, 1934, one J. D. KOOSER, a local character who had served a sentence in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, had come to him and advised him that TOMMY CARROLL had been in town on March 31st and April 2nd and 3rd, 1934.

RAY REED, garage foreman at the Clements Auto Company, Mankato, Minnesota, advised that between three and four p.m. on April 2, 1934 a man drove in to the garage with a 1934 Hudson Sedan; namely, instant car. He advised that he is quite positive that there were Minnesota license plates on the car but he is not absolutely sure of this fact; that the individual, who gave his name as HOLMES, said that he wanted to get some hub caps on the car as there were no hub caps on the Hudson when same was brought into the garage; that he, REED, told him that he did not have any Hudson hub caps but that he could probably get some Studebaker hub caps to fit the car, whereupon the man known as HOLMES agreed that this would be all right. This individual also requested that a tail light lens be put in the tail light, as same was missing. A request was also made to tighten the floor boards, adjust the tappets, and grease and oil the car. He stated that HOLMES requested that the work be done immediately so that he could get the car that night, and that if he did not come and get the car that

night he would undoubtedly be around the following evening for it; that HOLMES stated that in any event he wanted the car ready as soon as possible so that he could have same immediately if he wanted it. REED advised that he drove the car up to the third floor of the garage that evening, where it remained; that the following morning he found Minnesota license plates for 1934, No. 122-336, on the floor of the front seat; that he subsequently had Studebaker hub caps placed on the car, and a Chevrolet tail light lens. REED also recalls that the individual known as HOLMES also requested that wing nuts be placed on the license plates. (It will be noted here that wing nuts are used so that license plates can be easily taken off or changed). REED also advised that when he drove the car up to the third floor there were ignition keys in the ignition lock. The following day he could not find same at first, but stated that they were finally located in the ash tray in the car; however, they did not seem to fit the car and a locksmith was employed to make a new key.

REED advised that he first saw the Hudson Sedan and the driver to the rear of the garage on April 2nd, and he could not be absolutely positive that there were no other individuals with him, as there could have been others who stayed at the front end of the garage. He described the man who delivered the Hudson at his garage and who gave his name as HOLMES, as follows:

Height:	6 feet
Weight:	165 pounds
Build:	Medium
Age:	Approximately 30 yrs.
Complexion:	Medium
Color of Hair:	Unknown
Dress:	Wore dark overcoat with smooth finish, dark felt hat. Appeared to be very well, neatly dressed.

Photograph of TOMMY CARROLL and other individuals in connection with this case were exhibited to REED, and he could not definitely state that any of them was the individual who appeared at the garage with the above Hudson Sedan. He advised that the photograph of TOMMY CARROLL bore the closest resemblance to the man who came into the garage.

H. J. QUIMBY, Chief of Police, North Mankato, advised that he had received information from a confidential informant that TOMMY CARROLL

had been at Mankato visiting at the Circle Inn Tavern at North Mankato, Saturday night, March 31st, and also on April 2 and 3, 1934. MR. QUINBY'S informant, [REDACTED] was interviewed, and he advised that he knew [REDACTED] CARROLL.

[REDACTED] CARROLL appeared at the Circle Inn in North Mankato, Saturday night, March 31st; that there was another individual with him in a car outside the tavern; that he could not describe the other individual or the car. He advised that a 1934 Ford Sedan was purchased by CARROLL from a salesman by the name of JOHNSON at Mankato. [REDACTED] further stated that CARROLL appeared at the Circle Inn on April 2nd, and also was seen in North Mankato on the afternoon of April 3rd.

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ments and information secured from the above individuals were taken at that time, and the information secured from them is not being set out here as same would be a repetition.

Special Agent L. Whitson and this agent, with the above mentioned officers from the St. Paul Police Department, with the exception of Charles Tierney, and one Jim Cook, also a detective from the St. Paul Police Department, and several officers of the Mankato Police Department, maintained a surveillance of the Clements Auto Company, where the above Hudson Sedan was stored, from the evening of April 4th until 8:00 P.M. on April 8th and no one appeared or claimed the above Hudson Sedan, and no information was secured from the surveillance maintained.

The above car was examined by agent and same is a 1934 Hudson Sedan, black color, with green strips; motor No. 35544; Serial No. 253-304; 1934 Minnesota license plates No. 122-336; speedometer reading showed 2860 miles. The car has six green wire wheels, two contained in weld fenders. This is the same car that appeared at the 93 Lexington Avenue

address at about 2:00 P.M. on March 31, 1934. This car was driven to St. Paul, Minnesota, and is now in the St. Paul Police Garage at this point.

The spotlight, Hudson hub caps, found in the baggage carrier in the rear of the car, and several tools, were taken to St. Paul by Charles Tierney, Inspector of Detectives, St. Paul Police Department, for examination of latent fingerprints. The car itself had been moved around, worked on, and examined by a number of individuals, and it is not believed that any latent prints of any material value could be secured.

All the above investigation was conducted jointly by Special Agent Whitson and the writer.

JVA:AGF

The 1934 Hudson Sedan, Motor No. B 85-44, Serial No. 253-304, 1934 Minnesota License No. B 122-356, referred to by Agent Anderson, is the Hudson Sedan that was purchased from the O'Donnell Hudson Agency, Minneapolis, Minnesota, on March 15, 1934, at the same time a Terraplane Sedan, which was in the possession of GREEN when he was shot, was purchased.

On March 6, 1934, at the office of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, St. Paul, Minnesota, [redacted] submitted the following question and answer statement. The questions being by Charles W. Pirney, Inspector of Detectives, St. Paul Police Department. Special Agent W. J. Gross of the Division of Investigation was also present at this questioning.

Q. What is your name?

A. John [redacted]

Q. Where do you live?

A. Mankato, Minnesota. Saul Faugh Hotel.

Q. How old are you?

A. 40.

Q. Are you married or single?

A. Married.

Q. Have you a family?

A. Two boys.

Q. What are their ages?

A. 21 and 18.

Q. What is your occupation?

A. Cigar store and restaurant located at Mankato, Minnesota.

Q. Are you acquainted with Thomas Carroll?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. When and where did you become acquainted with him?

A. I met him in the penitentiary at Leavenworth.

Q. When was that?

A. In 1929, I guess it was.

Q. Have you had any acquaintance with him since leaving the penitentiary?

A. Yes. He worked for me in Mankato about six weeks in February and March, 1932.

Q. When is the next time you saw Carroll since 1932?

A. Last Saturday night.

Q. Where did you see him?

A. At Hankato at the Saml Paugh Hotel.

Q. Who was with him?

A. A lady was with him who he claimed was his wife and a man he called Wayne.

Q. Will you give me a description of the woman he called his wife?

A. She was a woman I would say about 5 feet 2 in height and real light blonde hair, brown eyes, and freckled.

Q. How much would you say she weighed?

A. I would say 105 pounds.

Q. Was she slender?

A. I did not see her out of the car but I would say that she is kind of plump.

Q. Give me a description of the man?

A. The man was tall and dark complected. He had a long slim face and round shoulders, possibly 28 years old. He might have been 50, I do not know.

Q. How was he dressed?

A. He wore a hat, dark overcoat. This is the man called Wayne. Carroll wore a gray hat and a dark coat.

Q. Did either of the two men wear glasses?

A. Carroll wore glasses.

Q. What conversation did you have with Carroll and Wayne on Saturday night?

A. The only conversation on Saturday night, they wanted to know if there was any place they could buy an automobile. They wanted to buy a Ford and they wanted to know if they could get one that night. They said they had had some trouble up in the Cities and this man Wayne had been in a shooting scrape in an apartment house and walked up the stairs and there was two men at the door of this apartment and one fellow asked him who he was and he told him he was a soap salesman. He asked him where his samples were and he said they were down in the car. About that time I guess they started shooting. I do not know whether he fired first or whether the officers did. I don't know how he said that.

Q. Did he tell you how Wayne effected his escape?

A. No. There was nothing said about that. He told me that Hamilton and the woman left the apartment that morning and the police came there.

Q. Did he mention the names of the women or say who they were?

A. No. He did not, and he told me that he drove back there in the afternoon and not knowing that anything had happened there that he drove up and parked his car about three or four blocks from the apartment house, got out of the car. He heard some boys say that that looked like the car and he said he walked into a residence, turned around, came out and got in his car. He drove away to a stop sign and stopped for the stop sign and looked out through his vision mirror on the car and there were some men standing on the corner but they did not seem to notice him. When he drove away he saw them carrying some luggage and baggage out of the apartment house.

Q. He told you who was in the apartment?

A. He said he thought the newspapers have got it mixed up considerably about who was in the apartment, and he said, "No, that was Dillinger that was in there." I asked him how he had connected with Hamilton and Dillinger so quickly and he said some people brought them up from Chicago.

Q. Did he tell you who the people were who brought Hamilton?

A. No. He did not. He just said some people brought Hamilton and Dillinger up from Chicago.

Q. Did you form any opinion of your own as to who these people might be?

A. No. I did not. I don't know anyone in Chicago. He said Dillinger and Hamilton were short of money so they went out on the Sioux Falls bank robbery.

Q. What details did he give you regarding the Sioux Falls Bank robbery?

A. I said something to him about the picture that was taken while the bank was being robbed, and I said, "Did you see that in the paper", and he said, "Yes, that was me on the corner with the machine gun." He said that he was catching the police as they came in.

Q. What did he tell you regarding the Mason City bank robbery?

A. He said that one of the men on the Mason City robbery did not do what he was supposed to and that they missed \$150,000.00. He said he got \$7,500.00 for his part of it and should have got \$40,000.00. I asked him how many there was and he said there was six of them.

Q. Did he mention any of the names to you?

A. Well, no, he did not, I figured that it was Hamilton, Dillinger, Carroll, and this Wayne. I asked him if they were six handed and he said no, they were only four handed but they could always get someone to fill in.

Q. Did he say anything regarding the bank robbery at Brainerd, Minnesota?

A. He told me they lost most of the money that he got out of the Brainerd bank robbery in Minneapolis in his escape from the officers there.

Q. Was there any other crime that Carroll has been mixed up in that he told you about?

A. No. He told me he got in trouble down in Texas. He said, "I suppose you have heard about that." I said no. He said, "I killed an officer down in Texas." He said he was trying to be kind of careful up to that time but he said that he thought there was not any use after he done that.

Q. Going back to Saturday night in Mankato at the Saul Paugh Hotel when you first met Carroll. What arrangements did you make about purchasing an automobile for Carroll?

A. Well, I told him there was no use trying to get an automobile on Saturday night; that he could not do it; that I did not know any of the salesman.

Q. What did Carroll tell you about the automobile that he came to Mankato in?

A. On Saturday night. Well, he said something about he did not know where he was going to stay all night; did not like to leave the car. He said it was "hot".

Q. What kind of car was that?

A. It was a Hudson Eight, 1934, I think. It looked like a new car.

Q. Do I understand you correctly, that Carroll and Wayne and this blonde woman left Mankato Saturday night and they stopped over at the Circle Inn at North Mankato?

A. I heard it but I did not see them there, but Monday he told me they stopped Saturday night at New Ulm at the hotel.

Q. Did they take the Hudson car with them?

A. As far as I know, they did.

Q. On Monday afternoon, did they have the Hudson car?

A. I did not see the Hudson car but I am positive that they brought it to Mankato, but they were driving a Chevrolet when I saw them.

Q. Whose Chevrolet was it?

A. I think it belonged to the garage where they took the Hudson.

Q. What gives you that thought?

A. Well, just from what I heard them talking; that he was going to leave the Hudson; that he would like to have the wheels painted.

Q. Did he make any statement as to any other changes that were going to be made on the car?

A. No. I understood in Mankato that they changed hub caps on the car but he never mentioned it to me.

Q. Where did you see them Monday afternoon?

A. At the Circle Inn.

Q. What transpired at the Circle Inn?

A. I sat in a booth with Carroll and talking with him and this man Wayne went down to the Ford Garage and made arrangements to buy a Ford and the man delivered it at the Circle Inn.

Q. Was the car paid for at the Circle Inn?

A. Yes.

Q. Who paid for the car?

A. This man Wayne.

Q. Do you know how the car was paid for?

A. I am positive it was paid for in cash although I did not see him pay the man although I saw he and Carroll counting the money.

Q. Do you know the license number of that automobile?

A. No, I don't.

Q. Who secured the license for him?

A. The dealer he bought the car from, he brought it over to the Circle Inn with the license and everything complete. If I remember right, the first three numbers of it was 198 but I would not be positive about that. I did not pay much attention to it. I think it was those three numbers.

Q. Do you know what name that car was registered in?  
A. I heard him say he was going to get a name out of the telephone book. He wrote it down on a piece of paper and he wrote Herman H. Goebel or Goebels, I don't know just how he did spell his last name.

Q. Do you know the address he gave?  
A. No. I don't.

Q. You visited with Carroll and Wayne the greater part of Monday afternoon?  
A. I talked to Carroll. I did not talk to Wayne.

Q. Did you leave the place together at all on Monday?  
A. No. They were still there when I left.

Q. What conversation did you have with Carroll on Monday regarding the shooting at the apartment in St. Paul?  
A. Well, that is what he told me, that Dillinger was there and that Wayne ----

What I mean to get at is what he told you about the wound?  
He told me that Dillinger was shot and he told me they took him some place and gave the lady \$100 to take care of him and he said that they got a doctor and the doctor cost him \$500. He asked me if I had any connections in Iowa. He said that he had connections all over the country but they did not have any in Iowa. They said it was nice to have connections where they could get a right doctor when they wanted one. They did not know when they needed one.

Q. Did he tell you what part of the body that Dillinger was shot?  
A. No. He did not.

Q. Was there any further conversation Monday that you can recall?  
A. I don't think there was. Monday, I think that was about all.

Q. When did you next see Carroll and Wayne?

A. I next saw him Tuesday afternoon. I was driving out in the country and they drove up behind me in the car. I drove out about four miles. I stopped and talked to them. They wanted to know if their Hudson car could be got out of the garage. When I stopped to talk to them, Carroll put on his bullet proof vest, took his rifle out of the case. He said he would drive to Gaylord and for me to call the garage and have someone drive the car over to Gaylord. I have not seen him any more. He called up the next day from Rosemont but I did not talk to him. Paige talked to him. He told me he called from Rosemont and that

Q. He was trying to find out about the car, and he said that if the car could be moved, to drive it to Gaylord. Paige told him he did not know so he said he would call back in about an hour. He called back in about an hour and a half. I do not know whether he called from Rosemont then or not. Paige told him he did not know anything about the car. He said he would call at eight o'clock that night. He called about 9:15 that evening from St. Paul. I told him that I did not think the car could be moved; that I would notify the garage not to move it. I told him to call back in three or four days and possibly find out more about it. I think that is about all the conversation I had with him.

Q. How did they come to pick that particular garage in Mankato to put the Hudson in?

A. I don't know. It is a garage where Paige and I always done business. I kept my car there this winter and Paige kept his car there, and in fact they were both bought there.

Q. Did you ask you where to put the car?

A. No. He did not. I was not there when they put the car in and when he came in with the car. The first I saw him was when he had the Chevrolet.

Q. Did you discuss the seriousness of Dillinger's wound?

A. No. I don't believe he did.

Q. Did he say anything to you about how long he thought Dillinger would be laid up?

A. No. He did not.

Q. This woman that was with Carroll; did you hear her name?

A. No. I did not.

Q. Do you know any of Carroll's former wives?

A. I know the woman he brought up from St. Louis with him when he came to work for me.

Q. What was her name?

A. Viola.

Q. Did they say they were going to pick up Dillinger again?

A. Yes. I believed they were.

- Q. Did they say how far they had driven to get to this woman who took care of Dillinger?
- A. No. He did not. They were in Mankato Saturday evening somewhere after nine o'clock.
- Q. They had let Dillinger off before that?
- A. I imagine they had but he did not say anything about Dillinger on Saturday evening. It was Monday when they mentioned Dillinger.
- Q. Where did he say that they let Dillinger off?
- A. I have no way of knowing, but I imagine it was in the Twin Cities. Carroll also told me that he had lived in Rochester off and on at different times since he had been back up here and he thought Rochester was a good town to live in on account of there being so many transients there all the time that he would not be noticed there.
- Q. Did he tell you where he lived in Rochester?
- A. No. He did not.
- Q. Do you know where he lived in Rochester?
- A. No. I do not.
- Q. You and Carroll had a lunch room?
- A. No. It was a liquor store.
- Q. What did Tommy Carroll tell you about a cottage at Lake Minnetonka?
- A. He said that he had had that cottage at Lake Minnetonka for two or three years but he did not say whether he would occupy it.
- Q. Did he tell you where on Lake Minnetonka the cottage was located?
- A. No. He did not.
- Q. Did he give you any details at all?
- A. No. He said he had a basement garage and that it was handy. He said there was some young lad in the Twin Cities, or I imagine he was in the Twin Cities, who wanted him to set <sup>him</sup> up in a summer resort up north some place. He said he might do it in order to have a place to stay.

Q. Did he tell you who this young fellow was and what his occupation was?

A. No. He did not. He wanted to know if I knew of any place up north at the lake that was quite out of the way. I told him that I knew of a place where I hunted the last two years, northwest of Bemidji. The party that owns it lives in Mankato. He has five cottages there. He said he might take the boys up there and rent all of them and keep everybody else out.

Q. Who owns these cottages?

A. A man by the name of CHARLIE JACKSON. He sells candy on the road for Johnston; stops at the Ben Pay Hotel, Mankato. The name of his resort is Balsam Beach.

Q. (By Gross)

Did he discuss Dillinger's escape from Crown Point, Indiana?

A. No, sir. He did not.

Q. (By Tierney)

The only mention he made of Dillinger from Crown Point was to the effect that he was brought up here?

A. He was brought up here by someone from Chicago. The way he said it was that they brought him up here to us from Chicago.

Q. Did not mention any names to indicate that it might have been a lawyer or someone?

A. No. He did not.

Q. (By Gross)

Did he make any mention of any lawyer that used

A. No lawyer's name mentioned at all.

Q. (By Tierney)

What did Tom Carroll tell you regarding Wayne's automobile?

A. He told me that he lost his automobile at the apartment in St. Paul last Saturday.

Q. Did he tell you what kind of a car that was?

A. I don't know whether he mentioned it was a Ford or not, but I rather think he did. I don't know as he mentioned the model. I understood it was a Ford anyhow.

Q. Did he tell you where Wayne was living?

A. No. He did not.

Q. Did he mention any other names to you other than Dillinger, Hamilton,

A. No. Not outside of Wayne. That was the only names he mentioned.

Q. Did you ever hear mentioned anything about a man by the name of GREEN or Randall?

A. No.

Q. On Tuesday when he talked to you, did he discuss anything with you regarding a shooting that happened in St. Paul on Monday night.

A. No. He did not say anything about it.

Q. Is there anything further that you can add to this statement regarding either your conversation with Carroll and Wayne or the shooting at the apartment house here on Saturday?

A. No, sir. There isn't.

Q. This is a true statement of facts?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. As you can recall him?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. After this statement is typed, you will read it over if you find it to be the truth as you have stated it, are you willing to sign it?

A. Yes, sir.

John Kooser

Witnesses:

The above statement was never signed by JOHN KOOSER.

St. Paul File No. 26-2434

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent  
R. L. Halls on April 9, 1934:

Contact was had with the Tri-State Telephone Company, St. Paul,  
Minnesota, for the purpose of checking toll calls on numbers listed below:

CEDAR 12877

Supposedly unlisted phone number of HARRY SAWYER. Records of  
the Telephone Company show this number listed to W. A. GRAY, R.F.D., Dayton  
Bluff Station.

<u>Date</u>	<u>To</u>
March 10, 1934	Atlantic 1572
" 10 "	" "
" 19 "	" "
" 23 "	Locust 9948
" 24 "	Main 2391
" 17 "	White Bear 366
" 21 "	Locust 9948
" 26 "	Atlantic 1672
February 22, 1934	Locust 9948
" 20 "	John Mitchell, Telephone 406 - Mandan, N. D.
" 16 "	Atlantic 1672
" 9 "	" "
" 7 "	" "
" 2 "	Locust 9948
" 1 "	" "
January 29, 1934	John Mitchell, Telephone 406 - Mandan, N. D.
" 27 "	Locust 9948
" 25 "	" "
" 23 "	" "
" 19 "	" "
" 12 "	John Mitchell, Telephone 406 - Mandan, N. D.
" 12 "	Locust 9948
" 11, " (2 calls)	John Mitchell, Telephone 406 - Mandan, N. D.
" 11, "	Locust 9948
" 3, "	White Bear 348
" 3, "	White Bear 57

<u>Date</u>	<u>To:</u>
December 16, 1933	Telephone 15 - Clayton, Wis.
" 7 "	" " " " " "
" 8 "	Geneva 6000
November 29, 1933	Drexel 4074

DALE 2519

Phone of MYRTLE RATCH, Apartment 104, 565 Portland Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota. Phone was ordered temporarily disconnected by a MRS. GOODMAN on March 30, 1934.

<u>Date</u>	<u>To:</u>	<u>From:</u>
January 12, 1934	Locust 9948	
December 25, 1933	Locust 7750	
December 24, 1933	Sportman's Club, Des Moines, Ia.	
	Telephone 37505	
November 29, 1933		Hubbard - Des Moines Telephone 4-3310, calling MISS RATCH
November 21, 1933	Regent 6635	
November 21, 1933	Main 8710	

MRS. GOODMAN is probably MRS. LEONIA GOODMAN, colored, at whose home on Rondo Street, St. Paul, EDWARD GREEN was shot by Division agents.

DALE 7685

<u>Date</u>	<u>To:</u>
April 2, 1934	Regent 8971
February 25, 1934	Locust 7550
April 2, 1934	Regent 8971
February 4, 1934	Highland 5811

ELKHURST 2732

Phone of MRS. LUCY JACKSON, colored, 291 North St. Albans, St. Paul, Minnesota.

<u>Date</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Charge</u>
March 2, 1934	Telegram to Marietta, Minnesota, Signed - ERY GARDNER	50
No toll calls.		

Apartment 106 - 2814 Marshall Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.  
Apartment occupied under name D. A. STEVENS. No phone listed.

The above toll calls cover period from November 21, 1933 to date. All phone numbers and addresses set forth are for Minneapolis numbers, unless otherwise specifically indicated. Following is a summary of Minneapolis numbers called, showing subscribers' names and addresses:

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|---------------|---|---|
| Highland 5511 | • | W. WOLK, 1101 Russell, North.               |
| Locust 7750   | • | CLIN P. WELLS, 5441 E. Ave. South.          |
| Regent 6633   | • | J. WORTZ, 2025 Garfield Avenue.             |
| Main 3710     | • | WORTZ LUMBER COMPANY, 605 Lumber Exchange.  |
| Regent 8971   | • | A. W. COAD, 1315 West 26th Street.          |
| Locust 7550   | • | ED. STOHL, 6102 3rd Avenue South.           |
| Atlantic 1672 | • | PAUL CONRAD, 601 South 9th.                 |
| Geneva 6000   | • | A. M. GUNN, 214 Baker Building              |
| Main 2391     | • | MISS VALLEY, 1011 Lumber Exchange Building. |

WHITE BEAR numbers called, showing subscribers' names and addresses:

- |         |   |   |
|---------|---|---|
| No. 542 | • | L. A. THAUWALD, 618 - 4th St. (Bake Shop)     |
| No. 57  | • | CONWAYS MEAT MARKET, 611 - 4th St. (Meat Mkt) |
| No. 366 | • | REV. J. FAHEY, Catholic Church.               |

Contact was had with MR. J. P. MASON, Bell Telephone Company, Minneapolis, Minnesota, who advised that the following listed persons had no telephones during period November 21, 1933 to date:

- JOHN L. OBER, Apartment 201 - 3310 Fremont Ave. South, Minneapolis, Minn.
- T. J. RANDALL, (EDWARD GREEN) 3300 Fremont Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minn.

This investigation was conducted by Special Agent T. J. Dodd.

On April 11, 1934, I was assigned to duty of watching EDITH GREEN at the Anchor Hospital and in drawing GREEN into conversation he asked me, "Doc, do you know 'Doc' May?" I answered, "Yes". Green said, "Where do you see him?" I answered, "At a spot". "That's right, he isn't in his office, is he?" "Do you think I paid him too much for that job?" "How much?" "\$90.00".

This information was given to Inspector Clegg on that day by the writer and subsequently I contacted confidential informant in St. Paul and questioned her concerning DOCTOR MAY. She advised that DOCTOR MAY is a known abortionist, dope peddler and one who treats hoodlums. She further advised that the girl in his office is known to be very cute and will size up anyone who attempts to get any information about MAY.

Acting on information received from her, it was learned that one [redacted] of Minneapolis, who is bearing a grudge against MAY at this time, might be induced to put the finger on him. It is noted at this point that Agent Hall and myself spent the greater part of two nights looking for MAY at various haunts in Minneapolis; furthermore, some of this information has already been outlined in the personal and confidential memorandum given to MR. CLEGG.

It is suggested that if DOCTOR MAY is now being sought, it might be wise to contact [redacted] for the purpose of having him locate DOCTOR MAY.

TJD:IM

The DR. MAY referred to in memorandum of Special Agent Dodd is being sought by the agents of the St. Paul Division Office and further developments along this line will be reported at a later date.

On the person of EDDIE GREEN at the time he was shot on April 3, 1934, there were found seven keys, one of which was a key for Apartment 207 - 3300 Fremont Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and also a key which opened the Gladstone bag found in this apartment which contained a machine gun, 45 calibre automatic pistol, a high-powered rifle, and a bullet proof vest.

The keys above referred to are being retained in the St. Paul Division Office, and if it is deemed advisable efforts will be made to ascertain the identity and the purpose for which the remaining keys were used.

Special Agent T. G. Melvin reports the following statements made by Eddie Green on the night of April 8, 1934, at the Ancker Hospital, St. Paul, Minnesota:

Green was asked by Dr. Jonas W. Plankers (Dr. J. W. Plankers) took care of Jack's (Dillinger's) leg at his home. Green replied, "Yes."

To his mother Green said, "Did you see Tommy?" Answer by mother: No.

"Did you see where he (probably Tommy) picked up a lot of money?" Answer by mother: No. Green then said, "Neither did I." Also said, "I've got my own garage, haven't I?"

To his brother, Frank Green, he said, "Did you take the 'sheenie' home last night?" Answer by Frank - Yes. Also mumbled that someone, name could not be understood, had a "lot of cranes", and then later said something about three cranes. His conversation relative to the cranes could not be further understood.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent S. W. Hardy at the Ancker Hospital on April 9, 1934, it being the object to ascertain from Edward Green where Dillinger was treated for wounds after the shooting at 93 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, March 31, 1934.

Green stated that Dillinger was treated in the apartment of a party by the name of Callahan, and first stated that the address was 1835 Pleasant Avenue, Minneapolis, the right rear apartment on the ground floor; then he stated the address was 3835 Park Avenue, the 15th downstairs front apartment in Minneapolis; then he stated it was 1835 Park Avenue, the right rear apartment. These addresses will be checked in the near future.

The following statements were made by EDDIE GREEN on April 10, 1934, to Special Agent T. G. Melvin:

"Find out if Sawyer will take three thousand dollars and get me a place for the Summer somewhere up North. Doesn't need to be on a paved road as the County roads are all right. Pay the man whose car I shot at last night ten dollars for the damage. It was near the bridge and I thought it was the Sheriff's car as he had strong headlights. Get my '32' out of the dresser drawer so I can put it in my pocket. John Johnson would be a good man to do business with. He got all the land from my mother and father. Put the bank robbers guarding the banks in Wassau. Plankers (Dr. Plankers) and Leon (Gleckman) are together. Harry, I'll get the guys to chip in \$500.00 each, that will make \$3,500.00. I saw Thieber Johnson (phonetically spelled), Deputy Sheriff of Ramsey County, call Wayne's girl."

In response to the writer's question as to who held the Thompson Sub-Machine Gun at the Mason City bank robbery, Green stated, "I did". The writer then asked him if he had a clip or a cylinder in the gun and he stated a cylinder with fifty rounds in it. In response to further questioning by the writer he stated he got \$7,100.00 from the Mason City bank robbery which had been split seven ways. He stated that at Mason City he was afraid the guard might cause trouble but did not. As to who participated with him in the robbery of the Mason City Bank he would only mention the names of Tommy and Wayne, stating that Tommy accepted up the money. He stated also, in response to agent's questions, that he held the Thompson Sub-Machine Gun in the Sioux Falls Bank robbery and his share of the loot was \$7,550.00, which was also split seven ways. In connection with the commission of this robbery he would mention only the names of Tommy and Wayne as participants therein, stating that Tommy drove the car. Relative to the Sioux Falls Bank robbery Eddie Green also stated that he, Green, purchased a keg of nails which were strewn on the road after the bank had been robbed to facilitate their getaway; that this keg of nails had been purchased in Minneapolis several days before. He stated also that during the robbery of the Sioux Falls Bank he had two one hundred shot cylinders for the machine gun.

Agent then brought up the names of the Barker boys and Alvin Karpis, and he stated that about a year ago he planned the robbery of a bank at Kenosha, Wisconsin, with the Barker boys and Karpis, but that it did not materialize because they failed to keep an appointment;

that Sawyer got rid of the money in the Hamm case for Karpis and the Barker boys, and that Hamm was held probably somewhere in Wisconsin. Green stated that the money was taken East to be exchanged, and when agent mentioned the names of New York and Chicago, he stated probably Chicago.

Agent then brought up the robbery of the bank at Shawano, Wisconsin, and Green stated he got three thousand dollars out of this job, which was also split seven ways; that the total loot from this bank was \$23,000.00 but that three thousand dollars was allotted for expenses.

St. Paul File No. 24-2434

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent E. J. Dowd on April 10th, while on duty at the Ancker Hospital, St. Paul, from 9:30 A.M. to midnight.

EDWARD GREEN was interviewed by agent from time to time, who was present in his room when seen by his (GREEN'S) mother and brother. The following pertinent information was received from GREEN:

GREEN continuously asked that a MR. MAY see him. He also stated that he had given BESSIE about \$35,000.00 which he had planted somewhere; that the gang had four automobiles; viz: A Ford V-8, Buick, Cadillac, and Marmon car, all of which had been purchased through one named MARTIN, who could be located on Fairmont and Grand Avenues, St. Paul, no definite address being given.

GREEN rambled on about his marriage to BESSIE on July 14th, stating that they had a good time and enjoyed drinking four cases of beer, and that the mayor, no name mentioned, and JOHNNIE were present.

When asked about bank hold-ups he stated that he was in on five or six jobs, but no definite information could be obtained from him as to the name of the bank or places where the alleged hold-ups had taken place.

After repeated requests to see BESSIE, agent arranged with one of the nurses to talk to GREEN. The nurse told him that she was in trouble, having been arrested on account of being with him and JOHN (DELLINGER); that she needed his help and assistance. He told her to get in touch with PIERPONT or HAMILTON, who could be located at Apartment 63 (or 263) Marshall Avenue, or 103 Lake Street, both located in Minneapolis. He also stated that JOHN (DELLINGER) could be located through one of these addresses or at a place which sounded like Scranton, Indiana. When asked how to locate the place GREEN requested a map, but it was useless to show him a map on account of his weak condition and temporary loss of sight.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent E. J. Dowd on April 11, 1934:

Agent was on duty at the Ancker Hospital, St. Paul, from 10:00 am., to 4:00 pm.

EDDIE GREEN, who is known on the records of the hospital as HARRY EUGENE GREEN, was unconscious from ten o'clock the night before and died at 12:55 p.m., April 11, 1934. Immediately thereafter, agent, by telephone, notified Inspector Clegg of GREEN'S death.

During the morning, GREEN was visited by two relatives: HARRY GREEN, brother; and MRS. F. J. HYLAND, a first cousin of GREEN, who stated that she resided at 3061 Stevens Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

In accordance with instructions received by this agent from Inspector Clegg, arrangements were made to permit BESSIE SKINNER to visit with EDDIE GREEN without the knowledge or presence of any of GREEN'S relatives. BESSIE GREEN was brought to the Ancker Hospital by agents of the Division and a Deputy Marshal.

Upon the death of EDDIE GREEN, the hospital authorities stated that in accordance with instructions they received from Deputy Coroner LEONARD, they intended to hold a post mortem, which was required by law in accident, homicide, and suicide cases, but that before doing so they desired an official release of GREEN'S body by the Government. This matter was taken up with Inspector Rorer and the United States Attorney at St. Paul. The latter authorized such release, stating that no request was to be made as to a post mortem. A letter was directed to the Ancker Hospital to the effect that as far as the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, was concerned, GREEN'S body could be released to a duly appointed undertaker.

A post mortem was held at the hospital, and the findings indicate that the primary underlying cause of GREEN'S death was "accidental--injury from firearms--gunshot wound of head and right shoulder--fracture of skull--laceration of brain. Contributory cause, purulent meningitis."

A copy of the death certificate was secured from the hospital and is being retained in the St. Paul Division office file.

At 4:00 p.m., April 11, 1934, the body of EDDIE GREEN was turned over for burial to J. A. WILLWERSCHIED & SON, funeral directors, 49 West 9th Street, St. Paul, Minnesota. MR. JEAN WILLWERSCHIED informed agent that the body would be taken to the funeral parlors at 49 West 9th Street where it will be kept for a day. The burial probably will take place on Thursday afternoon, April 12, or Friday morning, April 13, 1934; the cemetery designated being located at Mendota, Minnesota. MRS. MARGARET GREEN, 1388 N. Snelling Ave., St. Paul, mother of the deceased, claimed the body and made arrangements with the above named funeral directors for the burial.

EJD:HVS

During part of the day and night GREEN'S mother and brother FRANK visited him. Just about midnight, before agent departed from the hospital, one of the doctors advised that GREEN failed to respond when talked to; that he was in a coma, his temperature being 104.6, and other conditions indicated that his death might be expected at any time.

The addresses referred to in this memorandum are being checked at the present time and a further report covering same will be submitted at a later date.

EJD:ACF

Re: St. Paul File 26,3434.

The following investigation was performed by Special Agent H.H. Reinecke:

BESSIE SKINNER, alleged wife of EDDIE GREEN, told Inspector H.H. Clegg, during one of his numerous interviews with her, that, on the night following the shooting at the Lexington Avenue Apartment, namely, Saturday night, March 31, 1934, there called at the home of EDDIE GREEN's mother, a short fellow with reddish hair, and said to tell EDDIE to get to the boathouse right away; shortly afterwards, approximately thirty minutes, a man resembling a prize fighter in proportions and dress, with a roll-neck sweater, appeared and also said that EDDIE should get to the boathouse right away. BESSIE SKINNER did not divulge in what manner she secured this information and whether or not she was at the home of GREEN's mother at the time these two individuals called, although she intimated that she was at the home of GREEN's mother.

Tom FILBEN, who was also held as a witness in this case, was casually questioned, following this, about where the boathouse was and he said, "You mean 'that boathouse' ", and said that it was the first boathouse to the right after crossing the Wabasha Street Bridge.

Special Agents G.F. Hurley and H.H. Reinecke made investigation in the vicinity of the Wabasha Street Bridge in St. Paul and, with further information supplied by Special Agent C.G. Hall, determined that this was what is known as the Sexton Boathouse, which is on the bank of the Mississippi River near the foot of Eagle Street in St. Paul, directly across the river from what is known as Mulberry Island. Special Agents Hurley and Reinecke on the evening of April 6, 1934, went to Mulberry Island and observed this boathouse through field glasses, the river at this point being approximately one hundred yards wide. It was noted that the boathouse was entirely lighted and that one car, which had been parked near it in the dark, lighted up and drove away.

On April 7, 1934, Special Agents Costello, DiLillo, and McCarthy observed this boathouse from inside the St. Paul Motor Boat Club, which is on Mulberry Island, and noticed a considerable amount of activity there with the arriving up and departing of numerous automobiles. Inquiry developed that this boathouse is a gambling and beer joint and frequented by persons of shady reputation and, perhaps, have a connection on the "is" in St. Paul with the underworld.

On the evening of Saturday, April 7, 1934, this boathouse was raided by Special Agents of the Division and completely searched for the presence of any of the subjects of this investigation, firearms, or other suspicious individuals, or circumstances. Nothing was found of interest other than the three suspicious individuals were brought to the St. Paul Division Office, but upon their satisfactorily establishing their identities, they were released.

St. Paul File No. 26-2434

Based on confidential information conveyed to Inspector Clegg, Special Agents D. DiLillo, J. P. McCarthy, and George Costello, kept under surveillance between the hours of 6:30 A.M. and 7:30 P.M., a certain houseboat located on the West bank of the Mississippi River, it being the first South of the Wabasha Street bridge. The said houseboat was covered from the St. Paul Boat Club on the East bank of the Mississippi River through a telescope.

During the surveillance it was noted that some fifteen men visited the said houseboat, it being further observed that certain automobiles bearing certain Minnesota 1934 license plates stopped in the vicinity thereof. The license plates are hereinafter given, together with the make of cars upon which they were attached and the names of the persons to whom they were issued, the information having been obtained by telephone from the Automobile Registration Division of the State of Minnesota:

- License # 807-55 - Chevrolet 1933 Sedan, Mtr. # 3,794,906 -  
STANLEY ROEDMAN, 1049 Hague Ave., St. Paul, Minn.
- # 404,686 - Chevrolet 1932 Coach, Mtr. # 2,974,962 -  
SIDNEY ROEDMAN, 1049 Hague Ave., St. Paul, Minn.
- # 413,040 - Chevrolet 1932 Coupe, Mtr. # 3,205,692 -  
JOHN CLARKIN, 197 West 5th St., St. Paul, Minn.
- # 63,591 - Chevrolet 1929 Sedan, Mtr. # 1,232,780 -  
JOHN HANQUIST, 745 Denny St., St. Paul, Minn.
- # 81,729 - Willys-Knight 1935 Sedan, Mtr. # 149,504 -  
R. W. GINNATT, 684 Summit Ave., St. Paul, Minn.

DDL:ACF

Re: St. Paul File 76-843

At about 8:00 P.M., April 7, 1934, the Agents of the St. Paul Division Office proceeded to the boathouse at the foot of Eagle Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, on information that TOMMY CARROLL some times frequented this place. The boathouse is a speakeasy. In the boathouse was found ROGER HART, an employee of the L.C. Smith Typewriter Company, who was somewhat intoxicated. He was taken to the St. Paul Division Office, questioned and released. He gave nothing of value and advised he had seen no hoodlums, as far as he knew, in the boathouse at any time.

While the raid was in progress, CHARLES SCHWARTZBAUER, 855 Gardenburg Street, St. Paul, drove near the boathouse in his car. He was stopped and questioned briefly, and as he was being questioned, PHIL CLAUGHERTY, one of HARRY SAWYER'S associates who had spent the previous week in jail as the result of a raid on McCormick's Restaurant, attempted to slip away in the darkness. He was taken to the St. Paul Division Office, questioned regarding his knowledge of TOMMY CARROLL and other hoodlums frequenting the boathouse, and since he supplied no information of value, he was released.

Fingerprints of CHARLES SCHWARTZBAUER were taken and have been forwarded to the Division. The Division already has the fingerprints of PHIL CLAUGHERTY.

SCHWARTZBAUER and PHIL CLAUGHERTY are brothers-in-law. Both stated that TOMMY CARROLL, local police character, slipped away in the dark upon seeing the group of men about the boathouse.

OCH:TC

On April 8, 1934, Mr. Proctor, care of Paine-Webber & Co., Minneapolis, called Assistant Director H. E. Clegg via telephone and advised there is a residence at 44th Avenue and 36th Street, South, which is occupied by persons of suspicious character. He advised that the neighbors are watching the place.

Mr. R. W. Proctor, care of Paine-Webber & Co., Rand Tower Building, when contacted referred agent R. C. Coulter to Mr. Stanley Phillips, another employee of Paine-Webber & Co. Mr. Phillips stated he has friends residing at the Northwest corner of 44th Avenue, South, and 36th Street, by the name of Canfield; that he frequently visits there and Mr. Canfield told him that the residents diagonally across the street from his home had been there about three months, and they always kept their curtains and shades down. He stated a considerable number of large cars come and leave at night, and on one occasion he observed several men in front of the house about a week ago, and while two of them appeared to be about 35 years old, and of Jewish extraction, he doubts whether he could recognize them as he did not get a very good look at them. Further, that his father was walking one night and in passing the house in question saw a man and woman walking toward the house. When they were in front the woman walked in, but did not turn on a light; that the man walked down the street, stopped to permit Mr. Phillips to pass, then went to the back door, and after knocking was admitted.

A physical inspection of the house disclosed it is located at 3601 - 44th Avenue, South. The house faces West, is a grey stucco one story small house, and has a rear entrance. There is a garage in the rear facing North on 36th Street, South. As reported, all of the curtains were drawn, except the rear windows, which were half drawn. There was an automobile in the garage, and the door of the garage was locked.

Postal Carrier Kuehn, #729, Minnehaha Sub-Station, was contacted and stated the occupants of 3601 - 44th Avenue, South, have lived there about three months; that they get a few letters and magazines. One letter was delivered to that address recently, but was returned to the writer. He stated he did not recall the name of the person to whom the letter was addressed. Mr. Kuehn stated he had never seen the occupants of the above mentioned address, and had often wondered about them. He stated he recalled that a driver's license was received by the occupants on April 7, 1934.

Mr. Kuehn was later contacted, via telephone, but could find no record of the names of the occupants. He will make notations of their names when mail is received in the future.

Agents R. B. Donaldson and H. H. McKee were assigned to make inquiries regarding an anonymous note received at the St. Paul Division Office April 6, 1934, and postmarked at St. Paul, April 5, 1934, 9:30 p.m. The note was in an envelope addressed to J. H. Clegg, U.S. Department of Justice, and it reads as follows:

Check up in a very secretive manner on J. J. McGlogan, 536 Fairview Ave. So. and see if he is interested in finding hideouts in St. Paul for gangsters and racketeers. It is known he at one time hid Umbrella Mike Boyle of Chicago when he was being sought after. This McGlogan is very smart and his hooked with numerous "Politicans" and "Newspaperboys". It will take a smart one to catch him. Dont care to give my name at this time.

ST. PAUL, MINN.

The above note is printed on a portion of a Christmas greeting card.

The current City Directory shows that Cornelius J. McGlogan, and wife, Edna C., reside at 536 South Fairview and it is further indicated that Mr. McGlogan is the owner of this property. He is shown to be vice-president of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and has an office at 520 Bremer Arcade. Agents passed through the neighborhood in which this address is located and made a cursory inspection thereof. It is in one of the newer developments in the city and appears to be a highly respectable neighborhood and the home is a two story stucco dwelling of modern architectural design with a two car garage in the rear.

Other general inquiries regarding this man reflect that he is seemingly a respectable citizen and in the past has been City Clerk of the City of St. Paul and also Commissioner of Finance. In the absence of any specific complaint regarding Mr. McGlogan and in the further absence of the identity of the author of this note it does not appear that further attention is warranted in connection therewith for the present at least.

With further respect to the shooting which occurred at 93 South Lexington Avenue, Agent R. B. Donaldson, accompanied by Agent George P. Costello, made inquiry regarding a garage said to have been rented prior to the shooting by occupants of the apartment in which the shooting occurred. Mr. H. W. Halbert, 1123 Goodrich Avenue, was ascertained to be the renter of said garage and he was interviewed at his residence on April 8, 1934. He advised that on the morning of March 20, 1934, an unknown individual appeared at his door stating

he desired to rent the garage, which was advertised, at the rear of the premises, and asked as to the rate for rental. Without any question as to the rate the man agreed to take the garage and pay \$8.55 in cash as rent for same up to and including May 1st, 1934. He stated that his name and address was H. V. Hamilton, 23 South Lexington, but did not give any indication as to the nature of his business. Some time during the day a car was placed in the garage and it is Mr. Halbert's belief that same was not removed at any time until the day the shooting occurred, or at least if it was removed it must have been late at night and returned to the garage before 7 a.m. in the morning. The garage has no windows in it and Mr. Halbert states that he made no attempt to inspect the car through any cracks in the door. He has no idea what kind of a car was kept in the garage nor does he know anything regarding the license plates thereon. He described the man who rented the garage as being about 35 years of age, rather small, possibly 5'9" tall, having dark brown hair and grey eyes.

Since the shooting of Eddie Green and the publishing of his photograph in the local papers, which Mr. Halbert has inspected, he is inclined to believe that the renter generally appeared like Green but he thinks that it was not Green. One of the things that he recalls regarding this man is that he has rather droopy eyes and he only saw him on one occasion. A number of photographs of Dillinger and his associates, including Homer Van Meter, and also Eddie Green, Thomas Carroll, and Evelyn Frechette, were presented for Mr. Halbert's inspection, and after carefully looking same over he stated that none of these was the person who rented the garage.

There is some little doubt in agents' minds about the willingness of Mr. Halbert to make any positive identification. However, he seemed very frank and fair in his discussion of the matter. He was not present on the day that the car was hastily removed and knows nothing of the circumstances except what he has heard. He did, however, on that afternoon observe several drops of blood on the concrete at the entrance of the garage. Mr. Halbert says that on one occasion he saw a man in the alley near this garage and is now inclined to think that this man was John Hamilton, basing his statement on his memory as to this individual and the examination of Hamilton's photograph.

A phone call was received from an undisclosed source at the St. Paul Office, advising that a woman was in the act of either placing her car in the garage or removing it therefrom in this same

alley where Mr. Halbert's garage is located at the time the Billinger car was removed on the morning of March 31, 1934, at approximately 10:30 a.m. Inquiry in this neighborhood did not produce the name of anyone who might have been in the alley in connection with taking the car from a garage near this spot at this particular time.

George Scroth, who resides at 100 South Lexington Avenue and who witnessed the removal of the car from Mr. Halbert's garage at 10:30 a.m. says that he is positive that no one was in the alley at this particular time as he had a good view of the alley with the exception of some delivery man believed to be from a meat company. Independent inquiry and interview will be had with this delivery man and report submitted thereon. He is believed to be an employee of the Eismenger Meat Company. Scroth has made a written statement of his knowledge of this matter which is now in the possession of the St. Paul Office to be incorporated in a report.

No. St. Paul File 26-2434

On April 8, 1934, Special Agent H. B. Donaldson interviewed GEORGE SCROTH, who resides at 105 Lexington Avenue South, and whose telephone is Dale 8679. This young man was at home on the morning of March 31, 1934, and heard the shooting which occurred in the apartment house next door at 93 South Lexington Avenue. SCROTH, on the day of the shooting, also made a statement at police headquarters of the St. Paul Police Department. He is, at this time, very reluctant about giving further information and is being greatly influenced by his mother in this respect. His story, however, is that he was in the back yard when he heard the first shots and ran around to the front of his home and started to go across the front of the apartments when MRS. COFFKY, who conducts the apartments at 93 South Lexington Avenue, opened the window and motioned for him to go back. He went back to his home and told the family that there was some shooting going on outside and, then, proceeded to look out the window. He states he saw a woman, dressed in black. He believes she had on a fur coat but could not swear to that. She was carrying a large black suitcase and when he first saw her, she was running from the rear entrance of the apartment and came towards the alley. He believes she stumbled and the first time he stated, he thought it was from a wound that might have been inflicted during the shooting, but, upon reflection, now believes that possibly it was due to the excessive weight of a grip she was carrying. Behind the woman was a man whom he had not seen before and he states this man was carrying two guns which looked to him like machine guns. Both of these persons proceeded in a westerly direction up the alley towards a garage, several hundred feet from where he was observing them, and the woman backed the car from the garage and, upon getting it in the alley, headed it west and the man got in with her and they drove away. SCROTH states he does not know the make of this car nor could he see the license numbers but is inclined to believe that it is a brand new car from its appearance. The police began to arrive about that time and he joined one of the squad cars and indicated to them which way the fugitives had fled and the squad car pursued them for several blocks when the trail was lost. SCROTH states that he, then, returned with the officers to the apartment house when they were convinced that it would be impossible to get track of this car and that he was present when the various officers came into the apartment and inspected the premises and removed clothing, et cetera, therefrom. He further says that he observed no one in the alley at the time these people departed hastily except, possibly, a delivery truck which was entering the alley from the next street, one block distant. During the day, he made some examination of the alley in the vicinity of the garage from which the car was removed and saw some blood spots in front of this garage on the concrete walk. SCROTH advised that he was not able

to give any description of the woman; that he was not close enough to observe her features and further, perhaps, because of the fact that things were happening so fast that his mind was not on details. As to the man, he is very vague as to a description of the man but believes he had on a light gray coat. He has no idea as to the man's age or other physical appearances. He was asked if he had ever seen these people in this vicinity before and he stated that he had not, as far as he knew. He also claims that he is unable to identify any photographs of the various suspects in this case, which have been presented to him for inspection.

The statement, as given by this informant, in question and answer form, is being contained in the St. Paul File on this matter.

HRB:RU

Special Agent R. B. Donaldson made inquiry regarding a telegram dated La Crosse, Wisconsin April 3, 1934, which was received from the Sheriff of that place and reads as follows:

Two Ford Coach or Sedan bearing 1934 Minn. Plates B 87-825 and B-187-811 passed through here. Two men and two women. One man tall and slender 35 years old 150 pounds medium complexion very nervous and alert accompanied by good looking blonde medium size age 23 second car had man who looked like Dillinger only face more drawn and eyes sunken looked like dope fiend out of dope women in front seat with him short 25 years old bright red hair expensive black hat and expensive light cream colored coat and stockings cheap pink and white apron and wore no under garments was good looking man in back seat kept face covered with newspaper about 5 feet 10 or 11 inches 30 or 35 years old gray hat and gray overcoat we called all available points to stop cars they evidently took side road from town their conversation indicated they were going into North or Northeast part of State informant is a college graduate and is positive about license numbers but thinks they are changed from some other number the eight in numbers looked larger than they should be this for your information

A check was made of the plate numbers as reflected in the wire and both numbers were checked on the theory that the figure eight may originally have been a three; also that the figure seven may have been changed from the figure one. Therefore, the following combinations of numbers were checked:

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|------|----------|------|-----------------------|
| 1934 | B 87-825 | 1934 | B 187-811             |
|      | B 87-325 |      | B 187-311             |
|      | B 37-825 |      | B 137-811             |
|      | B 37-325 |      | B 137-311             |
|      | B 81-825 |      | B 181-811             |
|      | B 81-325 |      | B 181-311             |
|      | B 31-825 |      | B 131-811             |
|      | B 31-325 |      | B 131-311             |
|      |          |      | B 181-311) not issued |

B 87-825 (1934), issued to E. Peterson, 1651 Thomas Avenue, North Minneapolis, for a 1931 model Ford coach, motor No. A-5723563.

B 87-325 (1934), issued to Selvin Olson, 3610 Bryant Avenue, North Minneapolis, for a 1930 model A Ford, motor No. 3499325.

B 57-825 (1934), issued to Minnie C. Carlson, 1174 Payne Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, for model 1926-533 Packard Sedan, motor No. 70593, serial No. 69219.

B 57-825 (1934), issued to John M. Kinn, 327 N. Concord Street, St. Paul, for a 1931 Chevrolet Coach, motor No. 2894225, serial No. 21A77769.

B 57-825 (1934), issued to George L. Mikacevich, 2020 St. Clary Street, St. Paul, for a 1930 model Studebaker, motor No. 15562, serial No. 1473112.

B 81-825 (1934), issued to Otto P. Beng, 1008 Aurora Avenue, St. Paul, for a 1927 Oldsmobile Sedan, motor No. 2-5904, serial No. 23400.

B 81-825 (1934), issued to Thorvald Peterson, 4000 Harriet Avenue, St. Paul, 1928 Buick Sedan, motor No. 2797935, serial No. 264601A.

B 81-825 (1934), issued to W. G. Miller, 3749 Grand Ave., South Minneapolis, for 1932 Plymouth Coach, motor No. PA92713, serial No. 1657795.

B 187-811 (1934), issued to Robert Lessard, 219 Central Laundry, Hibbing, Minnesota, for a 1930 model Graham Paige Coupe, motor No. 900641, serial No. 894583.

B 187-811 (1934), issued to Eli Yovetich, Box 191, Washburn, Minnesota, for 1930 Ford Sedan, motor No. 2657598.

B 157-811 (1934), issued to James A. Mullins, 1658 Bayard Avenue, St. Paul, Minn. for a 1933 Chevrolet Coach, motor No. 5916801, serial No. 1CA0971570.

B 157-811 (1934), issued to Henry W. Klinkhamer, 2366 Sherburne Ave., St. Paul, Minn. for a 1924 Hupmobile Touring, motor No. 149345, serial No. 147340.

B 181-811 (1934), issued to Arthur Howland, B.4, Rothsay, Minn. for 1929 Ford Coach, motor No. A2129422.

B 181-811 (1934), issued to Edwin Kentrud, Rothsay, Minn., for a 1929 Ford Coach, motor No. A2049842.

B 151-811 (1934), issued to Henry G. Henderson, 1156 - 6th Street, N.E. Minneapolis, for 1933 Chevrolet Coach, motor No. 3691798, serial No. 1CA0641643 (special number issued to same man for several years)

There is no report on file showing the loss of any of these plates by the owner.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents  
S. L. Fortenberry and S. E. Smiley.

The St. Paul Division office was advised by Chief of Detectives  
Charles Tierney that a pair of Indiana license plates, 1931, No. 37258, had  
been found in a garage located at 251 Marshall Place by Paul Prebley of the  
St. Paul Daily News. Mr. Tierney turned these plates over to Special Agent  
in Charge Hanni.

At 251 Marshall Place agents interviewed Mrs. Manteuffel,  
who stated that just before Christmas, 1933, she rented one of her garages  
to a man who was driving a dark green sedan. Mrs. Manteuffel did not know  
the name of this party but stated that he was living at the Nelson Apartments  
on Marshall Street. The license plates in question were found in the garage  
which had been rented by this unknown party. Mrs. Manteuffel stated that this  
man was not working and was apparently a retired veteran. She stated that she  
had been advised by him that he was drawing a pension from the Veterans  
Bureau. She stated this man was married, and that his wife was working in  
a department store in St. Paul. The garage in question was given up by this  
unknown party shortly after April 1, 1934, and Mrs. Manteuffel was advised  
that this man and his wife were moving out of town. In regard to the Indiana  
license plates, Mrs. Manteuffel could give no definite information other than  
that they were found there by a newspaper reporter attached to the St. Paul  
Daily News.

Mrs. Manteuffel described the man in question as follows:

Age, 40; height, 5'8"; weight, 160 lb.; complexion, pale;  
peculiarities, always coughing.

Agents ascertained from U. J. Brown, Manager of the Nelson  
Apartments located in the 200 block of Marshall Street, that a Mr. and Mrs.  
L. Heaton were the parties who kept their car at 251 Marshall Place. Mr.  
Brown advised that Mr. and Mrs. Heaton had been tenants in his apartment house  
for the past two years. Mrs. Heaton is employed in a department store in  
St. Paul, either the Golden Rule Department Store or Bannock's Department Store.

Mr. Brown further stated that Mr. Heaton had always been quite  
ill since his discharge from the service, and that he was unable to work.  
According to Mr. Brown, the Heaton's never had any visitors, with the possible  
exception of his own parents, who live fairly close to St. Paul. Mr. Brown  
also stated that Heaton had been in California and Denver, Colorado for his  
health.

According to Mr. Brown, the Heaton's are very quiet people and enjoy a good reputation in the apartment house. Mr. Brown described Mr. Heaton as follows:

Age, 35; height, 5'6"; weight, 155 lb.; eyes, blue; hair, light brown.

Description of Mrs. Heaton as obtained from Mr. Brown:

Age, 33; height, 5'6"; weight, 125 lb.; hair, dark.

Mr. Brown advised that the Heaton's still retain their apartment and as far as he knows, they still have possession of their car. He stated that he has never seen an Indiana license on his car and has no information in his possession that the Heaton's ever had associates from Indiana or had ever been in Indiana themselves.

An anonymous letter was received at the St. Paul Division office to the effect that at the Alamo Club, which is located on Highway No. 1, between St. Paul and White Bear Lake, Minnesota, approximately one mile beyond the Keller Golf Club house, to the effect that there were two criminals at the Alamo Club, one being concealed from the public at all times and another remaining inside the club the majority of the time and that when he was in sight, he was heavily armed at all times.

Agent Fortenberry in company with Agent B. Dilillo on the morning of April 9, 1934, went to the Alamo Club and found no one at home. In the evening of the same day, Agent Fortenberry, in company with Agents G. Hurlay, R. W. Austin, and E. C. Coulter returned to the Alamo and parked the car in front, Agents Fortenberry and Hurlay going inside, and found that MRS. HARKNESS operates the Alamo Club. She was informed as to the business of agents and she willingly allowed them to go all through the club and through her living quarters in the rear. There was no one in the club at that time with the exception of three women and one man, who were drinking beer in the front. There was no one downstairs at the bar or in the living quarters. MRS. HARKNESS stated that no one was being kept at the club and that the morning when Agents Fortenberry and Dilillo called, she was at that time attending court. She informed Agents that EVA RICHARDS formerly worked for her at the Alamo Club and that on one occasion an individual entering the Alamo Club when EVA RICHARDS was there alone had drawn a pistol through fun and had excited EVA RICHARDS and that she had run from the place dressed in a night robe to the home of MR. COOK.

Agents then went to the home of MR. COOK and was informed that EVA RICHARDS may be found at a tourist camp approximately one mile beyond the Alamo Club toward White Bear Lake on highway No. 1. EVA RICHARDS was located at this tourist camp and questioned concerning the operation of the Alamo Club and she stated that on March 12th, as near as she could remember, she was at the Alamo Club alone and that one ART MILLER, who had been staying at the Alamo Club for four or five days prior to that time, entered the night club while she was there alone and pulled a pistol and ordered her about the place. She stated that later he went to sleep and that she left the night club and went to the home of MR. COOK. When questioned as to the identity of ART MILLER, she stated that ART MILLER had come to the Alamo Club four or five days prior to March 12th and had talked to MRS. HARKNESS for a while and after that time, he had stayed at the Alamo Club at night. However, he was out in the daytime and was not in hiding from the public there.

She also informed agents that a person known as JOE RUSSELL had frequented the Alamo Club and that when she left the Alamo Club on the night of March 15th, as near as she remembers, she returned two days later to get her personal effects and was informed by an individual who operates a garage nearby that MRS. HARKNESS and JOE RUSSELL had gone to Canada. She was not positive as to how long this visit to Canada lasted, but as near as she remembers, it was approximately two weeks. She later got her personal effects by getting the janitor to let her into the club.

She informed agents that as far as she knows, MILLER and RUSSELL had been in the alcohol racket for the past few years. This information she received from MRS. HARKNESS. However, she was not positive of her own knowledge as to their operation in this particular racket and did not know the present whereabouts of MILLER and RUSSELL, nor did she know their business connections.

She further stated that she had frequented the Alamo Club recently on several occasions in an attempt to collect money owed her by MRS. HARKNESS and she had not observed anyone in hiding at the Alamo Club at that time.

It should be noted at this point that the Alamo Club was formerly operated by MRS. BESSIE SKINNER alias MRS. EDWARD GREEN.

SLF:HVS

St. Paul File 26-2434.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents M.C. Falkner and R.C. Suran:

Information was obtained from EDDIE GREEN that he was in company with one, MIKE BOZEMAN, about two weeks ago, that MIKE BOZEMAN was located at 560 Wabasha Street. An effort was made to locate MIKE BOZEMAN to ascertain what connection he might have with the instant gang. It was noted that the address of 560 Wabasha Street was occupied in lower floors by GEORGE'S RESTAURANT. Inquiry at this place revealed that no information could be obtained concerning MIKE BOZEMAN, persons denying that they knew of anyone by that name. There are two upper floors in this building and the entrance to the upper floors is made through the address of 558 Wabasha Street. A ~~GEORGE WEINTZEL~~ was interviewed in one of the rooms in this building and denied that he knew of anyone by the name of MIKE BOZEMAN.

A CHARLES BURNHART and a MR. BRECHNER were also interviewed without results. A woman, who refused to give her name, stated that she knew of no one by the name of MIKE BOZEMAN. The other rooms in the building appeared to be locked, or unoccupied, but it was noted that the place was disreputable, the persons residing there being of low character.

Investigation on South Wabasha Street revealed that there was no five hundred block. This information was supplied to Special Agent T.J. Dodd with the request that, if possible, additional information be obtained from EDDIE GREEN concerning MIKE BOZEMAN but, due to the physical condition of EDDIE GREEN, Agent Dodd was unable to secure additional information.

Special Agent Falkner and Agent Suran, following out the information that a barber who operated a shop at the corner of Lexington and Grand Avenues, St. Paul, Minnesota, had made the remark that DILLINGER had been in his shop and had been shaved by him, but that he would not furnish this information to the police officers. It was determined that the barber, in question, was A.J. COURTEMANCHE, 1085 1/2 Grand Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota. MR. COURTEMANCHE stated that the day subsequent to the shooting at the apartment house on Lexington Avenue, he observed the photograph of members of this gang in one of the local newspapers and remarked that he believed that he had seen one of the members of the gang in his barber shop, or across the street where beer is sold. He stated he did not know the name appearing under the photograph to which he referred and upon observing the photograph of DILLINGER and JOHN HAMILTON, together with the photographs of the BARKER-KARPIS GANG, stated that none of these individuals were the ones to whom he referred. He stated he had no additional information concerning this matter and had never made the remark that if he did obtain information he would not furnish

the same to the police officers, or this Division, but was willing to cooperate in every respect in this matter. The barber shop referred to is within close proximity of the apartment house wherein the shooting took place.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Lish Whitson:

Chief of Police Alwin Harmening of New Ulm, Minnesota, positively identified TOM CARROLL, from the photograph and personal description, as having been at OTTO SCHLOIDER'S place in New Ulm, Minnesota, on Wednesday, April 4, 1934. Chief Harmening stated that SCHLOIDER had a beer tavern and rooming house adjoining the Eagle Mills in New Ulm. The apartments, eight in number, of the rooming house, were believed to be used as a hideout by criminals, HOWARD GIMBLE, MAX PFEIFER, and a man by the name of GROVE, who have been intimately associated with TOMMY CARROLL in the past, have been living in New Ulm for some time and associating at SCHLOIDER'S place. Chief Harmening also stated that one, JOE STEVENS, a former inmate of Leavenworth Penitentiary, had a home just outside New Ulm, at the junction of Minnesota Route 7, and Route 15. This place is believed to be used as a hideout for criminals. The chief's positive identification of CARROLL was clinched when Detective James Cook of the St. Paul Police Department told the chief that TOMMY CARROLL had a bald spot, the size of a quarter, at the base of his skull on the right side. The chief noticed such a spot on the man whom he believed to be CARROLL.

Special Agent R.B. Donaldson has made some investigation regarding a memorandum prepared in connection with certain information supplied the St. Paul Division office on April 4, 1923 by a MR. SEARLS, former Prohibition Agent in South Dakota. This information is as follows:

On the evening of April 3, 1934, about 7:00 P.M., as Mr. Searls came out of the Hamm Building and went south, he overheard two men talking about GREEN, who was shot; that they seemed to know a lot about him and he followed them about five or six blocks after which they got into either a new Terraplane, or Plymouth, car, bearing license, Minnesota, 1934, #410-760.

Mr. Searls described these men as follows:

- #1 23 or 24 years of age
- 5'10"
- Dark trousers with suede jacket; light hat
- Dark complexioned

(DESCRIPTION OF MAN #1, CONTD.):

135 pounds  
Slender build  
Did the talking and drove car (apparently his).

#2: 5'6" or 7"  
Heavy set  
Dark complexioned  
Dark overcoat; light hat.

Informant advised that he would again call at the St. Paul Office and inform Mr. Hanni, Special Agent in Charge, of any subsequent data, or information he may receive in connection with the above.

Inquiry of the automobile license division at the State Capitol indicated that 1934 plates B410760 were issued to PAUL KAHLIS, 719 Blair Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, for use on a 1934 Chevrolet Sedan.

With regard to the address, 719 Blair Street, the city directory indicates that HERBERT W. KOHLS lives here and is the owner of the premises. It also shows that he is a laborer and, in addition to himself, Mrs. Annie Kohls, widow, and Paul E. Kohls, an iron worker, live here. In view of this circumstance, they have undoubtedly resided here for some time.

Before dictating this memorandum the writer conferred with Special Agent in Charge Werner Hanni and he informed that no additional information of value had been received from Mr. Searls and, from the tone of informant's conversation, he undoubtedly overheard two men repeating information, or data, which they had observed in the local newspapers regarding the shooting of EDDIE GREEN, which has been given wide publicity hereabouts. In the absence of something of a more definite, or specific, nature warranting inquiry, this matter will be held in abeyance for the present.

RBD:TC

The following investigation was performed by Special Agent R.E. Peterson:

When keeping watch at Ancker Hospital at the room of EDDIE GREEN on the evening of April 9, 1934, EDDIE GREEN was questioned by a police officer of the St. Paul Police Department, in Agent's presence. During this questioning, GREEN did not have his eyes open and, apparently, was under the impression that the police officer was a doctor and, when advised that there were no police officers, or Agents of the Department of Justice, present, he stated that after

the shooting at the Lexington Avenue Apartment, he and JOHN DILLINGER went to Minneapolis and on arrival there they went to see a doctor about DILLINGER; that DILLINGER had been shot in the leg, above the knee, receiving a flesh wound. He stated that this doctor's name was C.R. MAY, located at Seventh and Hennepin; that he then brought DILLINGER back to St. Paul to another place, which he had rented. GREEN talked very slowly and was in rather a hazy state. It was impossible to get definite location as to the place in St. Paul to which he claimed to have brought DILLINGER. The best information that could be obtained was that this place was a house located about two blocks from 93 Lexington Avenue. He stated that he did not remember the name of the street but would be able to find it. He also stated that BESSIE knew where the place was. At this time, GREEN was under the impression that his nurse was BESSIE and suggested that we ask her.

In GREEN'S conversation with the police officer, he asked the police officer whether he could do plastic surgery, stating that DILLINGER ought to have the dimple removed from his chin in order that he could not be so easily identified. He also asked whether DILLINGER'S fingerprints could be removed, or changed. The police officer told GREEN that he could do these things but said that he would have to get in touch with DILLINGER and did not know where to find him. GREEN then stated that he would take him to DILLINGER the next day. GREEN stated that DILLINGER is staying in during the daytime and coming out at night. At this point, GREEN lapsed into a coma again.

The following investigation was made by Special Agents J.F. McLaughlin, K. Deaderick, E.J. Dowd, W.F. Wood, and E.N. Notesteen, at 296 Rondo Street, at the residence of ADA LONG, and at 225 St. Anthony at the residence of Maude and Paul Turner.

Information was received from the Chicago Office to the effect that letters had been mailed by OPAL WHITE to ADA LONG and ARTHUR GRIGSBY in St. Paul.

At the residence of ADA LONG, 296 Rondo Street, ADA LONG was interviewed and advised that she has resided at the above address for four years; that her husband, MR. GEORGE LONG, is a waiter employed by the Great Northern Railroad Company on the dining car service from St. Paul to Chicago and Seattle.

MRS. LONG further advised that she has known OPAL WHITE intimately for the past ten years; that OPAL is, at present, visiting in Chicago, and when in St. Paul lives at 225 St. Anthony Street; that OPAL has been employed from time to time as a cook at the Owl Inn on Little Canada Road, which establishment is operated by the NADREAU sisters.

MRS. LONG further advised that OPAL WHITE left St. Paul early in March, for a visit with her relatives in Chicago and is expected back some time this week; that she, MRS. LONG, has received one letter from OPAL WHITE, about a week ago; that this letter has been destroyed but that there was nothing in the letter except reference to OPAL WHITE'S visiting with relatives in Chicago and the clothing which she had purchased.

Further, it appears from the statement of ADA LONG that OPAL resides with a brother at 225 St. Anthony; that this brother's name is PAUL TURNER and is employed on C.W.A. work at the present time.

MRS. LONG further advised that she had no information as to any establishment in the neighborhood which was a meeting place for colored people and which sells liquor or "entertainment".

MAUDE TURNER, wife of PAUL TURNER, was interviewed at 225 St. Anthony and advised that she was a sister-in-law of OPAL WHITE; that OPAL WHITE wrote to her on two occasions, the last letter being dated at Chicago and bearing the date March 21, 1934, and the return address of 5846 Michigan Avenue, Apartment 1. MAUDE TURNER further stated that OPAL is expected back any day this week and that she will undoubtedly resume her occupation as a cook at the Owl Inn, which is run by the NADREAU sisters on Little Canada Road. It further appears from the statement of MRS. TURNER that OPAL WHITE has been absent since March 4, 1934, and that she is visiting MRS. PAUL TURNER, a sister of SUSIE TURNER, in Chicago, who resides at the above address on Michigan Avenue.

Both of the letters received by MRS. TURNER from OPAL WHITE were examined and contained nothing except discussion concerning the baking of pies and clothing purchased by OPAL WHITE. It may be noted, however, that the last letter includes the statement that SUSIE TURNER had left Chicago on March 10, 1934, for Hot Springs, Arkansas, to be gone for a period of eighteen days.

Concerning SUSIE TURNER, ADA LONG indicated that SUSIE TURNER formerly resided in Minneapolis, up until about five years ago, where she operated a hairdressing establishment which catered exclusively to white trade; that she has resided in Chicago and is still following her occupation as a hair dresser.

MRS. TURNER further stated that OPAL WHITE also corresponds with ARTHUR GRIGSBY, who resides with the TURNERS at 225 St. Anthony Street in St. Paul. ARTHUR GRIGSBY is reported to be employed on S.W.A. Work and neither ARTHUR GRIGSBY, nor PAUL TURNER, were present at the TURNER residence at the time of Agent's visit. MRS. TURNER was questioned at some length concerning the possible information as to the reasons for SUSIE LONG'S trip to Hot Springs and no information in this connection could be obtained other than the conclusion of MRS. TURNER that SUSIE was either going to Hot Springs to take the baths, or was accompanying some white woman to that place.

It may be noted that no recent letters have been received either by ADA LONG, or MRS. TURNER, from OPAL WHITE, at the time of this investigation.

ENN:TC

St. Paul File No. 25-2434

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent John V. Anderson on April 8, 1934; also Special Agent Dave Magee:

On April 8, 1934 an anonymous telephone call was received at the St. Paul Division Office by Miss Morrissey, Typist, stating: "Tip on DILLINGER. Try BILLY MISKE'S cottage, Lake Josephine"

Special Agents Dave Magee and John V. Anderson were dispatched by Inspector Rorer to ascertain any information in connection with the above cottage. It will be noted here that BILLY MISKE was a prominent heavy-weight prize fighter who died several years ago in St. Paul, Minnesota. It will also be noted that MRS. MISKE operates a cigar stand in the Public Safety Building at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Agents communicated with Major Shuttleworth of the Sheriff's Office, St. Paul, and he advised that he was familiar with the territory around Lake Josephine and Lake Johanna, about ten miles North of St. Paul, Minnesota, and that the MISKE cottage is located on Lake Johanna and not Josephine.

HAROLD RICHARDSON, a deputy sheriff, St. Paul, Minnesota, was interviewed by agents and he advised that he has lived in the vicinity of Lake Johanna, and that MRS. WILLIAM MISKE owns two cottages in close proximity on Lake Johanna; that at the present time they are both closed. Agents, accompanied by the above two police officers, proceeded to the vicinity of Lake Johanna.

MRS. ERNEST SANDKEN, New Brighton Road, near Lake Johanna, was interviewed. She advised that she is acquainted with MRS. MISKE and that she has two cottages about a quarter of a mile from her place. She stated that BILLY MISKE, JR., a young boy, appeared at her home on Saturday, April 7th; that he told her that he was going to the cottages and clean them up as they had rented same. She, however, advised that on Friday, April 6th, some time between 2 and 4 P.M., two men appeared at her home and requested information as to where they could rent a cottage for a couple of days. She advised that she told them about the MISKE cottage. She stated that she gave them information as to other cottages in the vicinity, in particular one MRS. O. W. JOHNSON who owns a cottage and lives at 1130 Jefferson Street N.E., Minneapolis, and whose telephone number is Geneva 2192; that one of the men called this number, and there-

upon, after talking to MRS. JOHNSON, handed the phone to MRS. SANDREN and told her to say that they, the two men, looked all right. She described one of the men as being between 30 and 35 years of age; 5 feet, 8 or 9 inches tall; weighing 130 pounds; slight build; dark complexion. Scar: birthmark on ear and left side of neck. Peculiarities: Large nose, wore small mustache. She advised that she did not observe the second man very closely as he remained in the cab that the two men came in. She stated that he was heavyset and fleshy. This is the only information she could give. She described the cab as being a black and white cab. It will be noted here that there are no black and white cabs in St. Paul but that there are blue and white cabs in St. Paul. Several photographs were exhibited to MRS. SANDREN but she was unable to identify any of these photographs. She did state, however, that the first man described resembled somewhat the photograph of TOBBY CARROLL.

NICK GANZER, New Brighton Road and County Road B, near Lake Johanna, advised that on Friday afternoon, April 6th, about 2:00 P.M. two men appeared at his farm requesting information as to the rental of a cottage; that they said they wanted to rent a cottage for two days; that they came to his place in an automobile, make or model unknown. He advised that he only observed one man, and described him as being about 40 years of age; 5 feet, 7 inches tall; weight - 155 to 170 pounds; complexion - dark; some kind of a scar on ear; wearing a hat, color unknown, and coat, possibly brown. He advised he did not observe the second man as he remained in the car.

CARL LANGER, who resides about a half a block from the MISKE cottages, and whose address is Route 5 Como Station, St. Paul, Minnesota, advised that he saw two men Sunday, April 8th, on the road in the vicinity of the MISKE cottages; that one man was just getting in the car and the other was seated in the car, which he believed to be an Essex automobile. He stated that they requested information as to the rental of a cottage. He advised that the first man was about 35 years of age, tall, well dressed. He described the second man as between 35 and 40 years of age; dark complexioned; husky build. He advised also that VIRGIL CHRISTENSEN, his wife's brother, as well as VIRGIL CHRISTENSEN'S wife, a couple about fifty years of age, and who reside at the Hurd Apartments in St. Paul, had rented the smaller MISKE cottage on Saturday, April 7th, and that they had not as yet been occupied, that the CHRISTENSENS were renting the cottage for the season. He advised that VIRGIL CHRISTENSEN is head welder at Williams Packing Plant in St. Paul.

MISS ANNA WITKIN, 255 open space grocery store about a half mile from the MISKE cottages, and whose address is Route 5, Como Station, St. Paul, Minnesota, advised that a taxicab, which she was quite positive was a Liberty, drove up to her store on Friday afternoon, April 7th, between 3:00 and 3:30 P.M.; that the driver of the cab stayed in the cab, as well as one of the passengers, whom she did not observe very closely, or close enough to give any description; that one of the men came into the store and made inquiries as to the rental of a cottage. She described him as follows: Age - 40 years; height - 5 feet, 7 or 8 inches; build - chunky; complexion - fairly dark; weight - 165 to 175 pounds. She advised that she noticed in particular that he pulled his mouth to the side when talking; that he wore his hat in a very slouchy manner; that he had a round face and held his head down; that he looked very tough, and that he seemed to be in a hurry, and she was suspicious of him. A number of photographs were exhibited to MRS. WITKIN and she advised that she could not definitely identify any of these as the individual who appeared at her store. She stated that there appeared to be some resemblance between the man and the photograph of TOMMY CARROLL.

MRS. WILLIAM MISKE, St. Eagle Apartments, 75 North Oxford Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, was interviewed and she advised that she had rented the smaller of her cottages to MR. and MRS. VIRGIL CHRISTENSEN at 658 East Central Park Place on April 7th, and that she knew nothing about the individuals except that they were relatives of the LANGERS, who reside about a half a block from her cottages on Lake Johanna. She stated that they are an elderly couple, and rented the cottage for the season. No further information was secured from MRS. MISKE.

Special Agent Magee proceeded to the Hurd Apartments at 408 East Central Park Place, and there noticed that H. CHRISTENSEN occupied Apartment 202. L. KOESTNER, Apartment 103, and caretaker of the above apartment building, was interviewed and advised that CHRISTENSEN is between 50 and 55 years of age and is a welder at Williams Packing Plant, St. Paul, Minnesota.

M. L. PLUMB, Manager of the Black & White Cab Company, 190 North Smith Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, was interviewed and advised that they have only one Liberty cab. Trip records for this cab, which is known as No. 15, were checked for April 6th but no record of any trip to the vicinity of Lake Johanna or New Brighton Road was found. Agents made a complete search of all the trip records for all Blue & White Cabs and no record of any trip to the vicinity of Lake Johanna or New Brighton Road was found.

JVA:ACF

The following investigation was made by Special Agent S. L. Fortenberry based on the memorandum by Inspector H. H. Clegg to the effect that DILLINGER was possibly hiding out at one of two Indian reservations near St. Paul, Minnesota.

Agent made appropriate investigation and determined that there are no Indian reservations near St. Paul, and the reference was probably made to two Indian camps owned by HARRY SAWYER. These camps, according to the information of this agent, have been investigated, with negative results.

SLF:HVS

The following investigation was made by Agent S. L. Fortenberry based on a memorandum by Special Agent G. C. Dewey dated February 2, 1934, at Kansas City, to the effect that Minnesota 1934 license No. B-45605 should be investigated.

Agent called the License Bureau at the State Capitol and ascertained the fact that the above license was issued for a 1933 Ford Coach owned by A. T. CURCIO, whose residence at that time was given as the Travelers Hotel in St. Paul.

At the Travelers Hotel, agent was unable to locate CURCIO but located his wife who informed agent that CURCIO was not there and that she was not expecting him soon.

It may be noted also that CURCIO is the

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SLF:ENS

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents J. Ryan and V. W. Peterson on April 9, 1934:

In response to a telephone call to the St. Paul Division office from ARTHUR KATZ, 1408 Osceola Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, agents proceeded to the home of MR. KATZ where MR. and MRS. THEODORE STENSINGER, who reside at 1224 Roland Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, were interviewed. They advised that the fourth house to the north of 1224 Roland Street, St. Paul, is owned by one MRS. SCHONBECK; that the address of this house is 1302 Roland Street. They stated that this house was rented about a year ago by a MR. and MRS. McKNIGHT; that MRS. McKNIGHT apparently stayed on the premises only about a week and that after that a tall, nice looking woman then lived at this house up until about a week ago when there was another woman living there. They said that MRS. McKNIGHT is known to MRS. PHIL HANSON who lives across the alley from 1302 Roland Street on Fulton Street and that according to MRS. HANSON, the McKNIGHTS lived on Wheelock Parkway before renting the house on Roland Street. They advised that during the past year, they have noticed quite a number of big, powerful cars, including Pierce-Arrows, Hudsons, and other large, heavy cars, drive up to the house late at night. These cars were usually occupied by men, and most of them bore foreign license plates. They could give no information as to what states any of these licenses were from. The cars were noticed to arrive at this house at all hours of the night and morning.

They stated that during the past fall, a man from Kennedy Bros., St. Paul, dealers in firearms, brought a gun to the home of MRS. HOWARD, who resides at 1296 Roland Street, which is next door to the house rented by the McKNIGHTS, and stated that this gun had been ordered by MR. McKNIGHT and that he wanted it positively that day and that the delivery man stated that he found no one home at the McKNIGHT residence and asked MRS. HOWARD to give this gun to MR. McKNIGHT when he arrived home; that MRS. HOWARD took the gun and that when she gave it to the lady at the McKNIGHT house the same evening, the lady did not even thank her for the gun and took it in a hurried fashion.

MR. STENSINGER stated that about the third Saturday in March of this year, which would be March 17, 1934, at about 11:30 p.m., he was putting his car into the garage in the rear of the house when he noticed a car coming down the alley towards him; that the car stopped before reaching his car and waited until he had placed his car into the garage before proceeding through the alley; that there was no reason why the car should have stopped as he left plenty of room for the car to proceed without stopping; that when he went into the house, he and his wife noticed that there was a number of large cars parked in front of

the McKNIGHT house and that this car that passed him in the alley made several trips through the alley and out to Roland Street as if it were patrolling the block, and that on one of its trips around the block it drove up rather close to the cars in front of the McKNIGHT house and appeared to be observing the cars rather closely.

MR. and MRS. STENSINGER advised that they had had an opportunity to observe only the woman at the house and two of the men. They described the woman as being about 30 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches, dark brown hair, dark complexion, large eyes, weight 155 to 160 pounds, medium build, very good dresser. One of the men, whom they stated they saw about the house most of the time, wore a derby hat and they described that man as being 30 to 35 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches, dark complexion, round face, 150 to 155 pounds, medium build, and black hair. They also described another man whom they stated they saw around the house for approximately ten days during June, 1933. This man wore a cap most of the time. They described him as follows: Age 40 years, 5 feet, heavy build, well built, weight 190 to 200 pounds, dark complexion, dark brown hair.

They further advised that the man with the derby hat seemed to make frequent trips to the grocery store of one KLOON located on the corner of Wheelock and Sulton Streets and that he thought that the people of this house dealt there most of the time. They also said that MRS. HOWARD on one occasion saw the people loading a number of guns into an automobile, at which time one of the men advised MRS. HOWARD that they were going on a hunting trip. They stated that RAY SALVERDA, a newspaper boy who delivers the St. Paul Dispatch, stated upon seeing VERNE SANKEY'S picture shortly after he had hanged himself that he thought SANKEY was one of the men who lived at 1308 Roland Street. SALVERDA lives on Deane Street in the vicinity of Roland Street.

The photographs of JOHN DILLINGER, HOMER VAN METER, JOHN HAMILTON, PIERPONT, EDWARD GEKKE, EVELYN FROCHETTE, MARY KINDER, PEARL ELLIOTT, and the KARPIS and BARKER groups were exhibited to MR. and MRS. STENSINGER who failed to make any positive identification of these parties as being any persons they had seen at the Roland Street address, MR. STENSINGER advising that the photograph of HARRY PIERPONT somewhat resembled the man they had seen there for a short time during June, 1933, but he could not state whether or not this was the same party. MR. STENSINGER further said that he had canvassed the neighborhood to obtain signatures for a ship-by-rail petition for the Great Northern Railroad, whose home address is 971 Como Boulevard, St. Paul. They advised that both MRS. HOWARD, who resides next door to the address in question, and MRS. PHIL HANSON could give further information as to parties occupying this house and possibly identify some of the parties who lived there. They added that according to MRS. HANSON, MR. McKNIGHT is supposed to be employed by the Northern States Power Company as a buyer. They also stated that they did not desire that their names be used in conducting any further investigation relative to the occupants of the Roland Street house.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent M. Peterson on April 11, 1934:

On April 11, 1934 ARTHUR KATZ, 1406 Cassola Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, contacted the St. Paul Division Office by telephone and advised that he had some further information with reference to a house located at 1302 Roland Street, St. Paul, Minnesota. He stated that this information was that a new automobile, thought to be a Nash, bearing Minnesota license tags No. B55-035, had been seen at this house.

Through the Motor Vehicle Department of the Secretary of State's office, agent ascertained that 1934 Minnesota license plates No. B55-035 were issued to C. A. McKNIGHT, 1302 Roland Street, for an eight cylinder 1933 Model Oldsmobile Sedan, Motor No. 8997.

It is noted that the City Directory for St. Paul lists a CLINTON A. McKNIGHT, salesman, living at 1302 Roland Street.

Agent conducted investigation in the vicinity of 1302 Roland Street, and ascertained that the house at this address is a stucco semi-bungalow, having a front and rear entrance, and had a one-car garage at the rear, the doors of which opened on an alley. No automobiles were observed at this address.

A MRS. HOWARD, who was mentioned by MR. and MRS. THEODORE STENSINGER, who lives at 1298 Roland Street, stated that a MR. McKNIGHT lives at 1302 Roland Street; that a woman, supposedly his wife, and a young man also live at this address; that the McKNIGHTS have been living at this place for a year or more; that she knows very little about them as the McKNIGHTS do not have anything to do with their neighbors. She stated that during the past year she has noticed quite a number of large cars parked in front of the house, and that quite a number of men have come to the house at all hours of the day and night. She stated that she had not seen any guns in the possession of McKNIGHT or any other parties who had been at 1302 Roland Street, except on one occasion and that this was a gun that MR. McKNIGHT used for hunting; that he is very fond of hunting and does a lot of it. MRS. HOWARD stated that she believed that McKNIGHT at one time worked for Montgomery-Ward & Company but does not know what he is doing at the present time; that he often leaves town and is gone for a week or two at a time and apparently is travelling for some concern. She stated that there has been a lot of talk among the neighbors about the McKNIGHTS but that she has no information indicating that they are connected with any gang of criminals.

MRS. PHIL HANSON, 1299 Polson Street, who lives across the alley from 1502 Roland Street, advised that she has been very suspicious of the McKNIGHTS; that she is under the impression that VERNIE SANKEY had a sister-in-law living on North Snelling whose name was McKNIGHT, and has been wondering whether this sister-in-law was related to the McKNIGHTS who live at 1502 Roland Street. She advised that she saw a man at the McKNIGHT home during the summer of 1933 whom she believes to have been VERNIE SANKEY; that during the past year she has noticed quite a number of automobiles around the place and a lot of strange men coming and going from the house; that there were several men at the McKNIGHT home just after the holidays in 1933. She advised that the McKNIGHTS seem to have quite a few liquor parties at their house; that they have nothing to do with their neighbors, and that their actions in general have caused the neighbors to wonder who they were and what they are doing. She stated that McKNIGHT at one time was reported to have been a salesman for Montgomery, Ward & Company; that the McKNIGHTS formerly lived on Wheelock Parkway and have lived at 1502 Roland Street for about two years. She stated that a young man had lived with the McKNIGHTS but that only MR. and MRS. McKNIGHT are now living there. She advised that McKNIGHT hunts a lot, and that during the hunting season there were quite a number of strange cars and men at his home. She suggested that agent contact a MRS. A. A. NELSON, 505 West Wheelock, whom she stated should be able to furnish more definite information as to MR. McKNIGHT'S identity.

MRS. A. A. NELSON, 505 West Wheelock, stated that she has known MR. and MRS. McKNIGHT for about four years; that the McKNIGHTS were her next door neighbors prior to moving to 1502 Roland Street, and that she knows them quite well. She stated that McKNIGHT is and has been employed by Montgomery, Ward & Company in the furniture department for several years; that he often has to make trips out of the city for this company, and that quite often men connected with this company come to his home. She advised that MRS. McKNIGHT is a St. Paul woman and that her parents still live in the city. She stated that a young man by the name of ROBERT MILLER lived with the McKNIGHTS for some time, but that he is now managing some furniture department in another city. She advised that during the time that she has known the McKNIGHTS she has found them to be very fine people; that they have quite often had visitors from out of the city and from other states, but that these visitors have always appeared to be a high class of people. MRS. NELSON stated that she was quite sure that MR. McKNIGHT was still employed by Montgomery, Ward & Company; that she had a piece of furniture which she wished to have repaired, and that she would call Montgomery,

Ward & Company and see if he was there, and in Agent's presence she con-  
tacted Mr. McKNIGHT and talked to him about having some of her furniture  
repaired.

MRS. HOWARD, MRS. HANSON, and MRS. NELSON all advised that  
McKNIGHT has a 1935 Model Oldsmobile which he has owned for about a year.

REP:AGF

Re: St. Paul File 28-2434

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R. Sinsel, on 4-9-34:

On the evening of April 7, 1934, Special Agent R.T. Noonan obtained information from EDDIE GREEN to the effect that he has a friend by the name of BAYLISS CUTLEY living in an apartment house located at Summit Avenue and Dale Street, St. Paul, Minnesota.

The writer conducted the following investigation in the neighborhood of Summit Avenue and Dale Street in an effort to locate CUTLEY.

MR. E. DAVIDSON, caretaker of the Minnesota Apartments, 616 West Summit Avenue, upon being interviewed, advised that he had acted in that capacity for the past two years; that he was well acquainted with all tenants in the building and had never heard of one, BAYLISS CUTLEY.

MRS. W. J. MCGUIRE, rental manager of the apartment house located at 612 West Summit Avenue, known as the New York Apartments, upon being interviewed, advised the writer that she had been manager of this apartment for the past ten years and was well acquainted with all occupants in the building. She stated that there was no tenant in this building by the name of BAYLISS CUTLEY.

CARL RICHARDS, caretaker of the apartment houses located at 614 Grand Avenue, and 62 Dale Street, St. Paul, upon being interviewed stated that he had six tenants located in each building, who had occupied apartments for the past year, or more. He stated that the name of BAYLISS CUTLEY was entirely unknown to him.

RS:TC

St. Paul File No. 25-2434

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent E. J. Dowd on April 8th and 9th.

Inspector Clegg received from the St. Paul Police Department a letter from J. M. ROBERTSON, Sheriff, Mason City, Iowa, dated April 8, 1934, attaching communication from one BERT H. GROEN of Meservey, Iowa, stating that on Sunday, April 1, 1934, a Hudson 8 Sedan, bearing Minnesota 1934 License Plates No. B-136-283, containing three hard-looking men, stopped at a local garage, one of the men asking for a mechanic to "peg up the car". According to GROEN, while he did not see any guns or ammunition in the car or in possession of the men, he suspected that the car might have contained DILLINGER and two of his associates.

It was ascertained through the State Automobile Registration Bureau at St. Paul that Minnesota license B-136-283, was issued for a Hudson 8 Sedan in the name of MRS. IRENE KAUFMAN, 504 St. Peter Street, St. Paul, Minnesota.

At the above address, which is known as the Morningside Apartments, agent interviewed E. COVEY, janitor, who stated that MRS. IRENE KAUFMAN, with her husband, had resided in Apartment 2 for about a year, and about a month ago were requested to move from the apartment inasmuch as it was suspected that they were using the premises for disorderly purposes. According to MR. COVEY, MR. and MRS. KAUFMAN moved from the apartment on April 6th to 204 1/2 West 4th Street, St. Paul, Minn.

Inasmuch as both Hudson cars alleged to have been used by JOHN DILLINGER and his associates have been accounted for, no further effort was made to locate and interview MR. and MRS. KAUFMAN.

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CONF. CALL FROM ST PAUL 5-4-34 12:40 AM

DIRECTOR AND PURVIS

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

Detroit FILE NO. **26-4755**

REPORT MADE AT <b>DETROIT, MICHIGAN</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>5/1/34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>4/29, 29; 5/1/34</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>W. LARSON</b>
TITLE <b>JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases, I.O. #117, et al.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Pat Cherrington, alias Ann Jackson, arrived in Detroit from Chicago May 1, 1934, and is at present residing at 75 Windemere Street, Highland Park, with Opal Long. This house under 24-hour surveillance. Letter received from Postmaster, Van Wert, Ohio, addressed to C. F. Jones, General Delivery, perhaps has connection with Dillinger mob. Cincinnati and Chicago requested to secure information concerning criminal records of [redacted] of Muncie, Indiana.

**REFERENCES:** Report of Special Agent Van Wagoner, Chicago, 4-21-34;  
Report of Special Agent Peterson, Chicago, 4-25-34;  
Memorandum of Special Agent in Charge Larson, Detroit, 4-20-34;  
Division communication dated 4-24-34.

**DETAILS:** Special Agent J. J. Waters of the Chicago Office telephonically communicated with Detroit on the evening of April 30, 1934, advising that Pat Cherrington, alias Ann Jackson, had arrived in Chicago from St. Paul that evening and it was determined that she was departing from Chicago at 10:00 P.M. over the Michigan Central for Detroit, where she would arrive at 3:42 A.M. The following description was furnished for identification purposes: Height: about 5 feet 4 inches, Weight: 135 to 140 pounds, fair complexion, dark red hair, wearing dark blue dress, dark blue coat with fur collar, blue hat with broad brim, carrying a light tan coat over her arm. This office was further advised that Special Agent Welles was accompanying this woman on the trip to Detroit.

In order to avoid all suspicion possible that she was being followed, immediately contacted Special Agent Murray who was located at the plant on [redacted]

APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>W. Larson</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	RECORDED AND INDEXED <b>62-29777-11465/5/34</b>
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Windemere Street, Highland Park, where a 24-hour surveillance is being maintained over the home of Andy Strachen where Opal Long and "Pat" Cherrington's daughter, June, are residing, instructing Agent Murphy not to follow the Ford V-8 Sedan which is being driven by Opal Long in the event she departed from the above house at an early morning hour. It was assumed that she would probably proceed to the station to meet "Pat". Opal Long, it will be noted in previous reports and communications, is a very elusive individual as is "Pat" Cherrington and as both of these individuals undoubtedly have a good knowledge of the whereabouts of Dillinger and his gang, it is felt that their movements in Detroit will be extremely valuable in the event the actions of these two persons can be observed without arousing their suspicions.

Special Agent Peters and myself met the train and it was found that Opal Long also arrived at the station to meet "Pat". She was accompanied by Dorothy Pierce, another sister of Russell Clark and also a sister of Mrs. Strachen at whose whom these women are residing. As it was assumed that they would proceed immediately to 75 Windemere, they were not followed and it was subsequently determined that the entire party arrived at the above address. Agent Welles returned on the next train to Chicago. An extremely concentrated effort will be put forth to cover the actions of Opal Long and "Pat" Cherrington.

The informant who was sent to Muncie, Indiana, by this office in an attempt to secure information regarding the whereabouts of Dillinger and his gang, has returned to Detroit and is at the present time contacting the family of Russell Clark, with whom he is acquainted, in an attempt to obtain information.

Before my departure from Muncie, Indiana, for Detroit, it was learned from Deputy Sheriff Leslie B. Corn of Muncie that during the period while the apprehension of Harry Pierpont was sought and during the early part of January, 1934, he received information from a rural mail carrier out of the Gaston, Indiana, Post Office that he, the mail carrier, had seen Harry Pierpont in company with Mary Kinder at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Orcutt, who reside on Bethel Road between Gaston and Muncie about eight miles from Muncie. It was ascertained by Mr. Corn that Mrs. Orcutt is a sister of Mr. Gilbert Pierpont, father of Harry, and from all appearances at that particular time, it appeared that the Pierponts were frequently visiting the Orcutts at the above address.

Mr. Corn stated that immediately upon receipt of this information, which was the latter part of December or the first part of January, he transmitted same to the Indiana State Police at Indianapolis, advising that evidently Harry Pierpont was making frequent visits to the Orcutt farm. He, however, received no reply to his communication and states that he gave the matter no further attention.

Recently, however, he contacted Mrs. Gilbert Bowers, who lives about one mile from the Orcutt farm toward Muncie on the Bethel Road; that Mrs. Bowers informed him that Fred Orcutt, age 20, a son of the above family, occasionally

visits her home and that he indicated to her that Harry Pierpont appeared at his house occasionally and in one instance stated that Pierpont had a peculiar looking gun, describing it as a machine gun.

Upon securing the above information, Special Agent Wood and myself proceeded with Deputy Sheriff Corn to the home of Mrs. Bowers and she advised that since the apprehension of Harry Pierpont at Tucson she has not seen much activity around the Orcutt home but believed that on one or two occasions she had seen the Auburn Sedan which is now in the possession of Mrs. Pierpont, Harry's mother, indicating that she perhaps visits the Orcutt farm once in a while. She stated that she would be on the lookout for any strange cars in that vicinity and report any suspicious actions immediately to Deputy Sheriff Corn who will keep in touch with Special Agent in Charge Connelly.

There is the possibility that perhaps Dillinger and other members of the mob visited the Orcutt farm with the Pierponts and, if this is so, they may in the future return there. In this connection, it is interesting to note that Tipton, Indiana, is about 20 or 25 miles from the Orcutt farm and it will be remembered that Dillinger and perhaps Hamilton and Van Meter wrecked their Hudson automobile on April 7th between Tipton and Noblesville, Indiana, which places them in the vicinity of the Orcutt home.

We also interviewed Mr. McCreary, the rural carrier who originally notified Corn regarding his observations around the Orcutt farm. He stated that he terminated his employment as a mail carrier under pension about six weeks ago; hence, he has not had an opportunity to see any actions around the Orcutt place but stated that he was positive that Harry Pierpont was there on at least one occasion either during the latter part of December or the first of January.

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[REDACTED]  
All of the above information was turned over to Special Agent in Charge Connelly and to Special Agent Wood in Muncie. Deputy Sheriff Corn appears to be a very cooperative individual and will immediately report any information of value which he might receive.

It will be noted in my memorandum of April 20 that the informant stated that John Hamilton is alleged to have stayed at the Pastime Club, which is located on Main Street, Muncie, and is operated by one Russell Shephard, who has served a term in the Michigan State Penitentiary and who is now alleged to be under an indictment at Indianapolis, on a counterfeiting violation.

Chief of Police Frank Massey of Muncie, who expressed himself as willing to cooperate in any way with this Division, stated that as far as he knew Hamilton, Dillinger and the other members of the mob who are out at the present time, are not well known in Muncie, having probably visited there only

on a few occasions. He further advised that Harry Copeland, a former member of the mob who is now incarcerated in the Indiana State Penitentiary was born and brought up in Muncie; that he, Copeland, undoubtedly has furnished Dillinger and his associates with the names of certain individuals whom he might contact in Muncie in the event they desired a hideout and through this medium they could make a connection there without much difficulty. He agreed to notify Agent in Charge Connolly of any information which he might be able to secure.

In Division communication dated April 24, 1934, which is in reply to my memorandum of April 20, it will be noted that the Division has been unable to locate in its Identification Unit any information relative to Dr. E. V. Smith and Gene Williams who are mentioned in my memorandum as being involved in the proposed kidnaping of George A. Ball at Muncie. In this connection, it will be observed that the informant stated that John Hamilton was in Muncie for the purpose of participating in this kidnaping. It will be further noted that from information secured at Muncie, Dr. Smith is alleged to have served a term in the Indiana State Penitentiary at Michigan City about 12 or 14 years ago on a manslaughter charge and that Williams is alleged to have served a term in the United States Penitentiary at either Atlanta or Leavenworth for the robbery of a Post Office and was convicted at Indianapolis.

Before my departure from Muncie I attempted to secure the criminal record of these two individuals but was informed by the Chief of Police that his records were not complete; hence, the records could not be found in his office. It is suggested that the Cincinnati Office consult the records in the office of the United States Clerk at Indianapolis in an effort to determine if Gene Williams, the attorney at Muncie, was convicted there. It is my understanding that he was disbarred following this particular conviction.

It is further suggested that the Chicago Office, when the opportunity presents itself, inquire at the Indiana State Penitentiary, Michigan City, to determine if there is a criminal record existing there against Dr. E. V. Smith. It will be noted in Division communication that this information is desired for the purpose of the establishment of an identification of these individuals.

It has been ascertained that the Ford V-8 Sedan bearing Michigan license Y-8030, Motor #529158, which allegedly was purchased by Russell Clark in Chicago on December 14, 1933, is still in the possession of Opal Long in Detroit. The registration for this car in Michigan, it was found, bore a fictitious name and address. However, we have now determined from the Secretary of State's Office at Lansing that on April 20, 1934, the title of this car was changed to Bernice Clark, 531 Chandler. Opal Long has sometimes gone under the name of Bernice Clark and also Russell Clark has a sister named Bernice.

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On April 26, 1934, John D. Manton, Assistant United States Attorney at Toledo, Ohio, telephoned this office stating that he had received some information regarding the Dillinger gang. He was interviewed by Special Agent Donaldson and advised that an old client of his who is now a coffee salesman related to him that while recently at Sherwood, Ohio, and calling on a merchant there he learned that Homer Van Meter was alleged to have visited Sherwood not long ago. Mr. Manton stated that the informant did not want to disclose his name but referred him to the Busybee Grocery Store at Sherwood.

Agent Donaldson proceeded to Sherwood, which is a town of 500 located about 12 miles west of Defiance, Ohio. Mr. E. H. Mohley, proprietor of the store in question, informed the agent that a few years ago the father and mother of Homer Van Meter resided there and that Mr. Zeno A. Miller, who resides on a farm two miles northwest of Sherwood, is an uncle of Homer Van Meter. Also, that he has a cousin named Walter Miller who lives at Sherwood. He stated that Homer Van Meter's mother and father are both deceased; that his mother was Julia Miller, a sister of Zeno Miller; that the Millers have resided in this little community for a great many years and are regarded as very fine citizens who have never been involved in any trouble. Mr. Mohley further advised that he had heard rumors to the effect that Homer Van Meter passed through Sherwood last summer but could furnish the name of no one who had seen him.

Agent Donaldson contacted Mr. A. L. Stailey, who is the City Marshal and formerly Sheriff of the county, with whom confidential arrangements were made to notify this office in the event he received any information of value regarding the presence of Van Meter or any of the other members of the gang in that vicinity.

Mrs. E. J. Blair, Postmaster at Sherwood, was also requested to be on the alert and to communicate with this office in the event she learned of Van Meter being there.

Mr. Zeno A. Miller and his son Walter above referred to were both into

viewed and, in an apparently sincere manner, stated that they had been living under fear that Van Meter and probably some of his associates might suddenly appear at Sherwood and want to stay at his home. They advised that they do not want to have anything to do with him and that in the event he does appear there this office will be immediately notified, in the event they can hurriedly do so without placing their lives in jeopardy. They stated they had not seen Van Meter for about ten years. However, late in June or early in July, 1933, Homer Van Meter and another man appeared at their farm one Sunday but there was no one at home and they later learned that these two individuals had driven to Defiance, Ohio, where Van Meter had visited with another cousin, Stuart Duerk. From the descriptions furnished, it was believed that the other man with Van Meter was probably Dillinger.

At Defiance, Ohio, Agent Donaldson interviewed the above referred to person, Stuart Duerk, a first cousin to Homer Van Meter. He stated that he, Duerk, one day last summer saw Homer Van Meter and another man, who came to his home in an Essex-Terraplane which looked like a new car. He did not observe the license plates. Homer introduced the other man as Jack Taylor, a friend. Duerk was not sure about this name Taylor. Both men were well dressed. Duerk further advised that he had not seen Van Meter for about 15 years and he was not recognized until he had introduced himself. He further advised that these two individuals stayed there about two hours and left. Nothing was said as to why they stopped there or as to where they were going, since which time no word has been heard from Homer Van Meter. Duerk stated that there was no reason to believe that he will again return but if he does he will notify the proper officials; that he, Duerk, as does his wife, believes that the other man with Van Meter was Dillinger, which opinion was reached through photographs in newspapers.

On April 28, a communication was received at this office from Postmaster Dunifon of Van Wert, Ohio, with which was transmitted a letter addressed to C. F. Jones, General Delivery, Ohio, care of General Delivery, postmarked Noblesville, Ohio, dated March 25th at 7:00 P.M. As the Post Office was unable to deliver this letter, it was marked as a dead letter and opened and, as the communication appears to be somewhat of a code, it was forwarded directly to this office. The letter reads as follows:

"Havn't much news - Called in to - 1 - 3 - on Business so I will be there all day 1-2- and will call at C.S. - 12:30 and see if you are there if not will go on my way - Can not come back any more untill 1 - 5 - C.S - 12:30  
Pal"

(on opposite side was the following)

"Order will come thrus 1 - 4 - C.S - Send out order to-morrow with a copy to --- C.F.J. Van Wert G.D. so may get it by Tuesday, state 1-3 or 1-4 which ever size you think will be best if you get information off here tomorrow may not be necessary to send other copy as I can handle  
Always"

Special Agent Donaldson interviewed the Postmaster and Assistant Postmaster C. C. Haller at Van Wert, Ohio. Mr. Haller, who was more familiar with this matter, stated that this communication, immediately upon its receipt at the office, was placed in the General Delivery box and in due time when no one had called for it, the clerk in the Post Office turned it over to city and rural carriers which is customary. When no information was forthcoming as to the identity of the addressee, the letter was opened. Agent Donaldson was advised that no one using the name of C. F. Jones has ever called for this or any other mail and there is no such person known in Van Wert. Necessary arrangements were made with these officials to forward any further information which they might receive in connection with this matter to this office.

It will be noted that Van Wert, Ohio, is only 30 miles from Lima and, as there has been some indication that perhaps Dillinger and other members of the mob have, during the past two or three months, been in the vicinity of Lima, there is the possibility that this mail was intended for one of that gang. In this connection, it will also be noted in previous reports that Dillinger wrecked his automobile on April 7th at Noblesville, Indiana, which is the town from which this letter in question was sent. The original letter is being forwarded to the Division for laboratory purposes. We have been informed, however, that same has been handled considerably by various officials at Van Wert, Ohio.

As indicated in previous communications from this office, it will be noted that Constable Thompson at Leipsic, Ohio, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pierpont, the parents of Harry, advised that these persons had moved from their farm located near Leipsic and their present whereabouts were unknown. In this connection, it will be noted in my telegram of April 29, 1934, to Special Agent in Charge Connelly, forwarded to Indianapolis, copies of which were sent to the Chicago and St. Paul Offices, that it has now been determined that Mr. and Mrs. Pierpont are now back in Leipsic but that Fred Pierpont, brother of Harry, is now alleged to be residing at Mishawaka, Indiana.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

The Chicago Office at MICHIGAN CITY is requested to make an examination of the records at the Indiana State Penitentiary for the purpose of determining if [redacted] of Muncie, Indiana, was ever incarcerated therein. It will be noted that this individual is alleged to have served a term in the above institution about 12 or 14 years ago on a manslaughter charge out of Muncie. The above is in connection with the request contained in Division communication dated April 24, 1934.

The Cincinnati Office at INDIANAPOLIS is requested to consult the records of the United States Court Clerk at Indianapolis to determine if the name [redacted] appears as ever having been prosecuted in the United States Court there. It will be noted in my memorandum of April 20 that he is alleged to have served term in either Atlanta or Leavenworth on an alleged robbery of a Post Office in Indiana. In the event no information is forthcoming at Indianapolis, it is sv

b7c that members of the Indiana Bar Association be contacted for such information as they might have concerning the disbarment of ██████████ at Muncie. It is alleged that the disbarment proceedings were based on the conviction at Indianapolis. The above request, it will be noted, is in compliance with instructions contained in Division communication dated April 24, 1934.

The Detroit Office at DETROIT, MICHIGAN. Investigation is now being conducted at 651 Navahoe Street, Detroit, in an attempt to locate Charles Vender with whom Otto McAbee communicated while incarcerated in the Indiana State Penitentiary as reflected in the report of Special Agent Van Wagoner dated April 21, 1934.

Also, an attempt will be made to locate Charlie Brewer, 9447 Philip Street, Detroit, to determine his knowledge of McAbee. In this respect, it will be noted that Otto McAbee is a close associate of the Dillinger mob and may perhaps be in contact with them at the present time. It will be further observed that he is delinquent in his parole at the Indiana State Penitentiary; that in securing parole he furnished fictitious names and addresses at Louisville, Kentucky.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Laboratory Report

*see 1050951*

Case: John Herbert Dillinger, with aliases, et al. Number: 62-29777-1146.  
NMVTA and Fugitive. I.O. 1217.

Specimens: One original letter written in pencil on both sides of one-half sheet of white paper and beginning, "Havn't much news - Called in to - 1 - 2 - on business so I will be there, etc."  
One envelope in which above letter was mailed, postmarked Noblesville, Ind., Mar 25, 1934, -PM.

Examination requested by: Detroit Division Office.

Date received: May 7, 1934

Examination requested: General and Fingerprint.

Result of examination:

Examination by:

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May 10, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your report dated at Detroit, Michigan, May 1, 1934, transmitting an original letter beginning "Bay's Beach news --", and the accompanying envelope postmarked Hobbesville, Indiana, March 23, 1934, in connection with the case entitled John Dillinger, with aliases, I.O. #1217, et al; National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

The letter and envelope have been examined in the Division laboratory, but it has not been possible to develop any latent fingerprints of value upon them.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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cc: Chicago.  
Mr. Clegg.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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May 3, 1934.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. COWLEY

During telephonic conversation this evening, Mr. Clegg stated that he had been advised by a newspaper reporter that Dr. Mortenson is to be prosecuted, and that the Attorney General has issued a statement to that effect.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1  
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Chicago, Illinois**      **St. Paul, Minn.** File No. **25-2456**

REPORT MADE AT <b>St. Paul, Minn.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>4-20-34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>4/2 to 21/34</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>G. L. Nicholas</b>
TITLE <b>JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases-FUG., I.O. 1219; JOHN HAMILTON, with alias - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1220; EVELYN FRECHETTE, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1221; HOMER VAN METER, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1222; et al.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>NATL. MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT AND HARBORING FUG. FROM JUSTICE</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Statement of **TOM FILBEN** relative to furnishing automobiles to subjects involved in this investigation set out herein. **EVELYN FRECHETTE** identified as purchaser of lady's coat on March 29, 1934, from Young-Quinlan Company at Minneapolis, Minnesota. **JOHN DILLINGER** identified by newsboy as being occupant of apartment at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul. Details of raid at 1838 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, set out herein.

**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent **Karl Van Wagoner**, Chicago, Illinois, dated April 21, 1934.

**DETAILS:**

This report is a joint report of the various Special Agents assigned to this case at St. Paul, Minnesota. The statement of **TOM FILBEN**, who has furnished various automobiles to members of the **DILLINGER** mob and who was held in custody at St. Paul, Minnesota, from April 2, 1934, to April 8, 1934, is as follows:

St. Paul, Minnesota  
April 2, 1934.

"I, **Tom P. Filben**, do hereby make the following voluntary statement:

DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: 	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	<b>62-29777-1148</b>	RECORDED AND INDEXED: <b>MAY 7 1934</b>
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\*Memorandum to Mr. J. Edgar Hoover

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

him to buy is on this car a Chevrolet Coupe which the Federal Acceptance Corp. owned. Gleason, with my permission, closed a deal with the Fothoff Motor Co. on March 29, 1934, getting an allowance of \$375.00 on the Chevrolet Coupe and giving our checks in the total amount of \$375.00. The Fothoff Motor Co. delivered the Hudson Sedan in the rear of 216 1/2 Peter Street, about 2:00 p.m. March 29, 1934, then both Fothoff and Gleason came in and Gleason gave me the keys. I did not furnish the address of Holman or have anything to do with procuring the license. On or about 3:00 p.m. the woman called for the car, and I gave her a refund of \$20.00 and the keys to the car. I never saw her after that. I gave the woman my telephone number, but never did learn where she lived. She never did tell me who sent her to me. I do not know the identity of the man with whom she was associated. For my own benefit, I would not be inclined to tell who they were if I did know.

"Of the \$1,040.00 I received the last time, I made a loan to Sam Silver, who is opening a saloon on 5th Street. I believe he does business with the Commercial bank, and I believe he deposited this money there. I let Silver have the money on or about the same date I received it.

"It did in a way appear unusual to me that one woman would purchase three automobiles in less than three weeks. I would know the woman if I saw her again, but, of course, if the dealer identifies her, I would confirm it, but I wouldn't like to testify against her.

(Signed) THOMAS P. FILBEN

"I certify that I have made the foregoing statement freely and voluntarily, and that the facts above stated are true.

(Signed) THOMAS P. FILBEN

Witnessed:  
R. O. COULTER, Special Agent,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice.  
S. W. HARDY, Spec. Agt.  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Dept. of Justice.

Statement read to FILBEN who verified correctness but refused to sign.

R. O. COULTER, Sp. Agt.  
D. G. HALL, Sp. Agt.  
Agents of Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Dept. of Justice, Room 203,  
Post Office Bldg., St. Paul, Minn."

Acceptance Corp. owned. Fisher went across the street, and looked at the Plymouth, and offered to give an allowance of \$421.00, I think. I never did see the Terraplane which the woman said she had, and which was turned in, and an allowance of \$450.00 was made on this car, I think. The total, I am pretty sure, was \$1,077.00. It was agreed between Fisher and me that he would sell me a new Hudson Sedan and a new Terraplane. I don't know whether the Terraplane was a Coupe, Coach or a Sedan, for the above mentioned automobiles and a cash consideration of \$1,034.62. This I believe was on March 15, 1934.

"On that date the woman called at my office at night and gave me \$1,100 in cash. She took the money from the big purse above described, which consisted of two \$500 packages and a \$100 package. The two \$500 packages were either all five-dollar bills, ten-dollar bills, or half and half, and the \$100 package was in one-dollar bills. On or about March 16, 1934, Gleeman delivered the Plymouth and Essex Coupe, and the Hudson Sedan and the Terraplane was brought to the parking lot across from my place of business at 518 St. Peter Street. I couldn't say for sure both cars were brought over to my place, but I believe the keys to one of the cars were brought to my office and the woman called for them immediately after that. The delivery was made between 6:00 and 7:00 p.m. I do not know the names these cars were purchased under as this matter was taken care of either at the Federal Acceptance office or the O'Donnell Motor Co., in Minneapolis. I do not know why the owner of the Hudson Sedan gave his address as 210 Baltimore Building, which is the address of the Federal Acceptance Corporation.

"On the day the woman brought the Plymouth down, she left in a black coupe which appeared to be a Ford V-8. I noticed a man sitting in the car on the right side across the street from my place of business. I turned the \$1,100 which I received from the woman over to Irvin Gleeman, Manager of the Federal Acceptance Corporation, the morning following the evening which I received it.

"About a week after the delivery of the Hudson Sedan and the Terraplane, the woman came back to my office and told me she wanted to purchase a Hudson Sedan; she had written on a piece of paper the kind of car, the wheel base, and a super power dome, was a part of the specifications. The name of Hallman was written on the paper, but I don't remember the initials, and she said she wanted the car purchased in that name. This was a cheaper car than the first Hudson. She said the party who wanted the car was out of town. She apparently knew that such a car was not in stock in the Twin Cities. She left about \$1,040.00 in bills with me for the payment of this car. She did not ask for a receipt and I did not give her one. I asked Gleeman to go to the Hudson dealer up on the Bluff, see the boss, and see what he could do. I told

"I am 43 years old, and have been a resident of St. Paul all my life. I own the Federal Acceptance Corp., located at 210 Baltimore Building, and my brother and I own and operate the Patrick Novelty Co. at 518 St. Peter Street, which is a concern dealing in slot machines. We have been in the slot machine business about twelve years.

"On or about March 12, 1934, during the afternoon, a woman came into my office at 518 St. Peter Street, and asked for me. I had never seen this woman before. I am positive of this. This woman did not state her name. She was about thirty-five years old, I imagine; about 5' 7"; weight about 130 or 140 pounds; medium build; sandy hair; between medium and light complexion. This is all I can remember as to her description. As I recall she had on a dark cloth coat, with fur trimming. She was carrying a long purse, about fourteen inches long, and the purse was dark. There was nothing flashy about the woman. She appeared to be educated, there was no slur or slang to her. She was smart, and looked intelligent, and from her general appearance she may have been a nurse. She wanted to know if I could save her any money on a two-car deal; that is, she had two cars she wanted to turn in on two new cars. She said she had a Terraplane. I don't know whether it was a Coupe, Coach or a Sedan. She knew the code value of this car, and a Plymouth Coupe which she wanted to turn in. She said she had been over to the O'Donnell Motor Co. in Minneapolis. She said she wanted a Hudson Sedan, and a Terraplane Sedan, I believe. She had written on a piece of paper the kind of cars she wanted. I told her that I might be able to take the Plymouth in myself and trade one of my big cars off; that I would shop around and see what I could do. I suggested that she leave the Plymouth with me, and I would try to sell it. This Plymouth had 1934 California license plates on it, the number of which I don't remember. She left the Plymouth with me, together with the California certificate of title, which, as I recall was in the name of CHASE, or some similar name. I recall it was a short name anyway.

"After this I called IRVIN GLEEMAN, who has charge of my Federal Acceptance Corp., 210 Baltimore Building, and told him to see what he could get on a Chrysler '80' on a turn-in for a Hudson Sedan over at O'Donnells, I think I told him to call Fisher there. I think the next day, I ain't sure, Fisher came up to my place about 4:00 or 5:00 p.m. I suppose he had been down to the Twin City Garage on Sibley and 8th Street to look the Chrysler over. The Chrysler was a company car which I was trying to get rid of. GLEEMAN was present. Fisher wanted to allow me \$136.00 on the Chrysler, which I refused. He finally gave me an allowance of \$200.00 on an Essex Coupe, which the Federal

The original signed statement furnished by FILBEN is being retained in the St. Paul Division office.

In addition to the automobiles set out in the statement of FILBEN, it is to be noted that he also admitted selling 1934 Ford DeLuxe Sedan, motor No. 684,515, to an individual by the name of JOHN JOSEPH LAVALLE. Investigation in connection with this car was conducted by Special Agent E. N. Notesteen, and his memorandum is as follows:

JOHN DILLINGER

With reference to transactions by TOM FILBIN and the Federal Finance Company and more particularly the deal for a 1934 Ford Sedan, the following investigation was made by Special Agent W. M. Hetherington at the Ford Motor Sales, 117 University Avenue at the Automobile Registration Bureau for the State of Minnesota:

J. P. FOLEY, Manager of the Ford Motor Sales at the above address after an examination of his records advised that on February 23, 1934, a LaSalle Town Sedan carrying motor No. 210151 and license number 53-B-363420 was turned in to the Ford Motor Sales by MR. J. P. FILBIN for the account of the Federal Acceptance Company, 518 St. Peter Street.

MR. FOLEY advised that at the time of this transaction, there was some question as to whether or not the Federal Acceptance Company would take a Ford delivery truck or some other car; that on March 9, 1934, MR. GLEEMAN, representative of the Federal Finance Company, completed the deal for a Ford Deluxe Sedan, 1934, Motor No. 40-684515. The salesman for the Ford Motor Sales was V. H. Johnson. A balance in cash of \$570.80 was paid. MR. FOLEY advised that registration for this automobile was requested by GLEEMAN in the name of JOHN J. LaVALLE, 251 Marshall Place, St. Paul. MR. FOLEY further stated that MR. GLEEMAN was the only one who appeared at the Ford Motor Sales in connection with this transaction and that he had never seen anyone representing himself to be JOHN J. LaVALLE. According to MR. FOLEY, JOHN FILBIN drove the automobile from the service department of the Ford Motor Sales.

At the Automobile Registration Bureau, Secretary of State's office, it was ascertained that Ford Deluxe Sedan, motor No. 40-684515, was registered in the name of JOHN JOSEPH LaVALLE, 251 Marshall Place and that 1934 license plates B-420-213 were issued for the above automobile.

The JOHN FILBIN mentioned above is a brother of TOM FILBIN, and it is understood that both are associated in the Federal Finance Company.

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984 The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents George J. Gross and T. G. Melvin on April 9, 1934, and relates to page 13 of the report of Special Agent D. L. Nicholson dated April 2, 1934, at St. Paul, Minnesota, wherein it is stated that one GEORGE SHATTUCK, at the time of the registration of a Ford V-8 DeLuxe Sedan, motor No. V-18-517,244, Minnesota 1934 license B-419,975, issued to ART MORTON, 413-1/2 Wabasha Street, St. Paul, Minnesota (which is a fictitious address), was a temporary employee at the State Motor Vehicle Bureau, his permanent address being 2621 Third Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Agents called at this address and were advised that GEORGE SHATTUCK was on jury duty in State Court, Hennepin County, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

He was interviewed at the County Court House and photographs of HARRY PIERPONT, JOHN HAMILTON, JOHN DILLINGER, HOMER VAN METER, CHARLIE MAKLEY, and JOSEPH BURNS, whose photographs are listed on the Police Department Bulletin of the city of Chicago, but he was unable to identify any of the above named individuals. He volunteered to go to the State Motor Vehicle Bureau in St. Paul for the purpose of examining the original application in order that he might possibly refresh his memory. However, after examining the original application made by ART MORTON, he was still unable to furnish any identification. He stated, however, that he believed that he would know the individual using the name of ART MORTON in case he should ever see him again.

In connection with the 1934 Ford Sedan which was registered in the name of ZENO P. MILLER, 482 Burgess Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, which car was abandoned by subjects following their escape from 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, and which is now in the possession of the St. Paul Division office, the following investigation was conducted by Special Agent E. F. Wood:

Reference is made to the fact that a green Ford Coupe, Minnesota license B 44708, motor No. M1A-545,704, used during the escape of MILLER while at St. Paul, had certificate of title issued to a ZENO P. MILLER at 482 Burgess Street, St. Paul, and the records of the Secretary of State of Minnesota showed that the certificate of title was sent to the above address and no record was found showing that it had been returned.

TOM CALUGHERTY at 482 Burgess Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, advised that he had never received the above certificate of title, nor did he know of anyone else in the house who had; further, that he has lived here for over a year and that during this time, no one by the name of MILLER had ever lived there and that he never heard any of his other brothers or his father mention a MILLER.

TOM CALUGHERTY advised that he has another brother, PETER, and one PHILIP who was recently questioned along the same lines; that he has two married brothers, JOSEPH and LAURENCE, living in St. Paul, but claimed not to know their present address.

Records of the Post Office show that Carrier 169, MILTON HUNGERFORD, 852 Marshall Avenue, carries this route. Inquiry of MR. HUNGERFORD revealed that he has carried this route only for the past three weeks. MR. HUNGERFORD stated that Carrier 149, HENRY PINTZ, about a year and a half ago, carried this route. MR. PINTZ, upon interview, as well as MR. HUNGERFORD, both stated that they had never delivered any mail to the above address for a ZENO P. MILLER. MR. PINTZ advised that a TOM SHERRIN, carried this route from the first of the year 1934 up until the time that HUNGERFORD took it over.

Inquiry at the carriers' window and at the office of the Postmaster revealed that they had no address for TOM SHERRIN except that he lived out in the country with his sister. CLERK stationed at the carriers' window advised that SHERRIN had not been to work for nearly a week because of illness of some sort.

Inquiry was made of the following persons living near 482 Burgess Street, to-wit: P. CUSICK, 484 Burgess; G. FUHRMAN, 477 Burgess; and J. SCHLAGER, 471 Burgess, and neither of these persons were acquainted with a ZENO MILLER at 482 Burgess nor had they ever seen strangers living there with the CALUGHERTY family.

St. Paul, Minnesota.

April 18, 1934.

The following memorandum is submitted by Inspector E. H. Clegg, re additional interview with LEONIA GOODMAN.

LEONIA GOODMAN, colored, 778 Rondo Street, St. Paul, advised that she cleaned up an apartment in the Hillcrest Apartment Building, Wing B, Apartment No. 4, over one year ago; that this apartment was occupied by an individual known to her as MR. LUCAS but she identified the photograph of WILLIAM WEAVER as being identical with LUCAS.

She stated that about one month ago, she cleaned up an apartment at Avon and Selby Avenue in St. Paul, located over a barber shop and across the street from a tea or grocery store; that this apartment was supposed to be the apartment of MR. LUCAS and she left the key to the apartment with HARRY MILLER, who is something of a janitor or occupies a position similar to manager there. From this apartment, she obtained quite a number of articles, including some shirts which bore the initials "B.G.", as will be reported by Special Agent J. E. Brennan.

She claims that about one month ago, at the request of "MISS BESSIE" (MRS. BESSIE SKINNER alias BESSIE GREEN), she went to an apartment on the corner of 33rd and Girard Streets in Minneapolis and in accordance with the request of MISS BESSIE, she got the linen which was there. She put it all in a sheet and brought it to her house, together with a box of groceries and cooking utensils, which were found there. The next night, MISS BESSIE came to her bar and got the linen and told LEONIA she might have the groceries, which she in turn gave to her sister LUCY JACKSON.

On the morning of April 3, 1934, LEONIA stated, when MISS BESSIE came to her residence at 778 Rondo Street, MISS BESSIE stated she wanted LEONIA to go get her linen over at the apartment on Marshall Avenue as she was getting "tired of people using her linen." She advised that there was nothing in the Marshall Avenue apartment according to information furnished by the man who had occupied the apartment, but BESSIE stated that the man was an "awful big liar".

LUCY JACKSON, colored, 291 North 5<sup>th</sup>, Albans, St. Paul, Minnesota, advised that she cleaned up an apartment for MR. PHALEN, who was a rather dark fellow, and the apartment was located in the Knickerbocker Apartments on Summit Avenue.

She claims also that she cleaned up apartments at 1095 Osceola Street and that the occupants of this apartment were "VI" and "HUGH", that she now understands that this was MRS. VI MILLER and that "HUGH" was VERNE MILLER. The MILLERS lived downstairs, while upstairs lived a MR. and MRS. RYAN, MR. RYAN being called CHARLIE and MRS. RYAN being called PAULA. She understands that their identities are CHARLIE and PAULA HARRISON. While she cleaned up the Osceola apartment of the HARRISONS, she recalls, there was a suitcase under a bed and that it was very heavy. She also stated that she visited the apartment of PAULA and CHARLIE an individual whom she has identified as FRANK WASH.

LUCY JACKSON further stated that she cleaned up an apartment on Marshall Avenue near an alley, the exact address of which she does not remember but that MR. HARRY SAWYER gave her the key and asked her to clean the apartment up on two occasions. She will, when called upon, definitely point out the location of this apartment.

She further stated that about two years ago, she cleaned up three apartments in a building out on Grand Avenue, and she identified the photographs of VOLNEY DAVIS and FRED BARKER as two of those occupying these apartments. She does not recall the exact address but she can carry anyone there and identify it, she is sure.

She claims that she was likewise engaged for several years in cleaning up the bungalow of MR. and MRS. HARRY SAWYER at 1878 Jefferson. She stated that at this address, while she was there, she is positive that among the visitors were VERNE MILLER and MR. PHALEN.

She also stated that on many occasions, she has cleaned up the apartment at 565 Portland Avenue, which is the apartment of MYRTLE EATON. MYRTLE EATON, she stated, originally came from Des Moines. Her sister died some time ago, while another sister is now in the millinery business in Des Moines. She has seen an individual visiting at MYRTLE EATON'S address whom she identified from photographs as FRED BARKER.

LUCY JACKSON stated also that she had cleaned up an apartment near the corner of BRIMHALL and St. Clair. She does not know the address but feels that she can find it.

Likewise, she has done work for about five weeks at 1095 Osceola for a MR. LOUIE BROOKS, who is Jewish, is rather tall and has red hair. She has seen MR. and MRS. HARRY SAWYER visit the place occupied by MR. BROOKS, who said he was from New York.

LUCY JACKSON further stated that MR. LUCAS' sister and niece and nephew visited in St. Paul (MR. LUCAS, it is recalled, is identical with WILLIAM WEAVER) and that this MR. LUCAS brought these relatives to visit MRS. MYRTLE KATON at the Portland Avenue House. MR. LUCAS likewise came to LUCY JACKSON'S house and gave her money to pay his rent and furniture bill. She stated that MRS. KATON does not seem to care for MR. LUCAS as she is afraid of him and she is afraid not to go with him. MYRTLE KATON told her that she was through with LUCAS but he had told her he would not stand for her to quit him.

Following investigation was conducted by Special Agent John E. Brennan on April 11, 12, and 20, 1934:

Inspector CHARLES TIERNY of the St. Paul Police Department informed S.A.C. Hanni that at the home of LUCY JACKSON, 291 North St. Albans, St. Paul, may be found articles in connection with the DILLINGER case.

LUCY JACKSON and her sister, LEONIA GOODMAN, were interviewed by S.A.C. Hanni and they stated that MR. C. W. LUCAS had them clean his apartment at 178 Avon, St. Paul, about three weeks prior and that they had removed clothing, dishes, etc., to LUCY'S place where it was being held for LUCAS.

LEONIA GOODMAN informed S.A.C. Hanni that a year ago, she worked for LUCAS, cleaning his apartment at Apt. 4, Hillcrest Apts., South St. Paul; that LUCAS hired her on recommendation of MYRTLE EATON.

LEONIA GOODMAN stated that LUCAS gave her \$50 to pay the rent for Apt. 3, 178 Avon Street, which she paid to HARRY MILLER who operates the Moonlight Gardens in the same building.

Special Agent Brennan accompanied Inspector TIERNY to the home of LUCY JACKSON where her husband pointed out the property of LUCAS, which was removed to the St. Paul Division office. A list of this property follows:

- 1 - Radio receiving set
- 1 - Suitcase containing clothing
- 4 - Electric fans
- 1 - Bag of shoes
- 1 - Bag of laundry
- 1 - Laundry basket containing miscellaneous clothing
- 1 - Box of dishes
- 1 - Box linen, blankets, etc.
- 1 - Box blankets and pillows
- 1 - Wormser straw hat
- 2 - Stetson hats, gray
- 1 - Stetson hat, brown
- 2 - Straw hats
- 1 - Cap
- 1 - Lady's black hat
- 1 - Stool
- 1 - Rug
- 1 - Fishing rod
- 1 - Carpet sweeper
- 1 - Tray of knives and forks

The above articles were dusted for fingerprints but would not take last. Newspaper wrappings dated December 2, 1933, indicated they had been wrapped for four months.

Labels and laundry marks in the clothing, hats, laundry, were found as follows:

- Labels:
- Stetson hat, "E. J. Ryan, Chicago"
  - Stetson hat, size 7-1/4, gray
  - Stetson hat, size 7-1/8, brown
  - Hat box, "Delaney Heald Co., cleaners, 7153 Stony Island Avenue, Chicago"
  - Shirt, "Wm. Young & Co., 204 N. Center, Reno"
  - pajamas, "Baskin, Chicago"

- Laundry marks:
- Shirt, size 14-3 "KX"
  - Shirt, size 15-3, "BO"
  - 3 shirts, size 14-1/2 - 3, "DP"
  - shirt, size 14-1/2 - 3, "DP"
  - Shirt, "CF JED VOM"
  - Undershirt, "Manion"
  - Undershirt "DC"
  - Underwear "DC"
  - Socks "BO"
  - Underwear "FED"
  - Sport shoes "488 50116"
  - "COAS 404"
  - Ladies shoes, size 7-1/8

Inspector TIERNEY and Special Agent Brennan interviewed HARRY MILLER, who stated that the man known to him as LUCAS started frequenting his tavern about three months ago and related that he was in the Government service, selling land, as he had a lot of blueprints with him; that LUCAS inquired about renting an apartment in the building, and did so about three months ago; that he has not seen LUCAS for six weeks, and LUCAS having moved away without giving notice; that about three weeks prior to the interview some Negro women had given him \$50 to pay the rent, light and gas bills and that they had moved LUCAS' belongings. LUCY JACKSON and LEONIA GOODMAN having identified a photograph of WILLIAM WEAVER alias BILL SCOTT as G. S. LUCAS, this photo was shown to MILLER who readily identified it as that of LUCAS. In the course of conversation with MILLER,

b7c [redacted] denied knowing any of the associates of WEAVER nor would he identify photographs of any of the persons involved in this matter.

stated that he has managed these apartments for 15 years and that he never  
 named LUCAS ever lived there. He did state that one person occupied  
 Apartment 51 for several months prior to January 3, 1934, who moved out at  
 that time after a fight in his apartment, but MOORE was hesitant about  
 identifying WEAVER'S photograph, nor could he recognize photographs of any  
 other persons associated with the DILLINGER gang.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Ryan on April 8, 1934:

Among the papers found in the apartment 303, 25-25 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, were the following receipts: A receipt of the Maurice L. Rothschild & Company, Nicollet and Fourth Street, Minneapolis, dated 5-27-34 for a coat purchased by a MRS. J. HUGHES; a receipt for two pairs of socks purchased on 5-27-34 at the Young-Quinlan Company, Minneapolis, Minnesota; and a receipt dated 5-30-34 of the Hennepin Hardware Company indicating a purchase of one tackle box, two rifle rods, and two boxes of No. 251 cartridges.

At the Maurice L. Rothschild & Company Store, Nicollet and 4th Street, Minneapolis, it was ascertained through MR. CARL O. ROSKOFF, Office Manager, that the sales person making the sale of the coat to MRS. J. HUGHES on March 27, 1934, was clerk No. 18 in the Ladies' Department, who is MISS VIOLET WESTERMAN. MR. ROSKOFF advised that the sales ticket in question indicated that the sale was a cash sale and that no delivery to any residence was made of this coat. He also advised that his records do not disclose that any account is held at the store by MRS. J. HUGHES.

Upon interviewing MISS VIOLET WESTERMAN, she advised that she recalled distinctly the sale covered by this ticket. She said that the woman making this purchase was very hard to fit and that she spent considerable time with her. She said that the woman told her that she intended to get a dress and several other articles and wanted to make all of her purchases in the Rothschild store but that after buying the coat, she looked at several dresses but did not make any additional purchases. She stated that the coat purchased by this woman was a tan junior miss ribbed polo coat with a belt; that this coat needed some alterations and the woman stated that she would have to have the coat that day and would call back for it later. MISS WESTERMAN said that when she asked this woman her name, she hesitated and gave the name of MRS. J. HUGHES, but that when she asked her for her address the woman stated that she was merely passing through town and did not see where giving her address would be of any use to the store.

MISS WESTERMAN stated that she is positive that she could identify this woman if she could see her again. She was exhibited photographs of MARY KINDER and FRANK ELLIOTT and advised that neither of these women represented the woman to whom she had sold the coat. She described MRS. J. HUGHES as follows: Age, 25 to 30 years; height, 5 feet; 120 to 130 pounds; build, stocky; hair, red; hair appeared to be dyed, had streaky appearance; light complexion; had a narrow forehead. MISS WESTERMAN further stated that the woman was wearing a sealskin coat at the time she made the purchase.

At the Young-Quinlan Company store, Nicollet Avenue and 9th Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota, it was ascertained through WILLIAM LAHFF, Manager, that the sale of the two pairs of socks on March 27th was made by salesman No. 461 who is WILLIAM WELLS, a part-time employee of the store, whose home address is 3351 South Dupont Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, telephone Regent 6677.

MR. WELLS was interviewed at the Young-Quinlan store and he advised that in his particular department he makes very few sales to men customers and that he recalls that on March 27, 1934, which was a Tuesday, he is sure that he did not make any sales to a man customer. He could not definitely recall this particular sale covered by the sales ticket but stated that there is a possibility that if he saw a photograph of the party who made the purchase, he might be able to identify it, although he was very doubtful of this. He viewed the pictures of MARY KINDER and PEARL ELLIOTT and stated that he did not think that either of these parties had made the purchase.

At the Hennepin Hardware Company, 909 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, it was ascertained through G. S. WHEATON, Manager, that the sale of the rifle rods, tackle box, and cartridges on March 30, 1934, was made by WARREN BASKERVILLE, Manager of the Sports Department.

MR. BASKERVILLE, upon interview, advised that he recalled making the particular sale covered by the sales ticket and stated that he thought that he could possibly identify the party making this purchase inasmuch as the sale of the number 351 cartridges was an unusual sale; that these particular cartridges were not sold in any great quantity even during the hunting season because of their being much more expensive than other calibers of cartridges. He also stated that what would aid him in recalling the sale was the fact that he had only two boxes of this particular cartridge in stock at the time and this was the amount which the man making the purchase had asked for. He described the articles purchased by this man as follows: One Master Metal Products Company tackle box, 14-inch size with Cantilever tray, having five compartments in the tray; two rifle rods, The Union Hardware Company, No. 141 B cleaning rod, being composed of four sections, with wooden swivel handle. This was termed a jointed brass rifle rod, each section being nine inches in length, and the entire rod is contained in a cloth case. The No. 351 cartridges purchased at this same time are made especially for the No. 351 automatic rifle and come in quantities of 50 shells to a box.

MR. BASKERVILLE was exhibited photographs of JOHN DILLINGER, JOHN HAMILTON, HOMER VAN METER, and other parties contained on the Chicago Police Department Wanted Bulletin, but failed to identify any of these parties as the man making the purchase. He stated the man looked somewhat like JOSEPH BURNS, who appears on the Chicago Wanted Circular, but that he was sure that BURNS was not the man, the only similarity being that the man had a pleasant expression such as BURNS, and was clean shaven.

MR. BASKERVILLE described the man making the purchase as follows: Age, 36 years; height, 5 feet 7 or 7 1/2 inches; weight, 160 pounds; complexion, medium; build, medium.

MR. BASKERVILLE stated that the man making the purchase was not accompanied by any other party and that he did not see him join anyone upon leaving the store.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent E. Melvin on April 12, 1934:

At the time of the interview by Special Agent W. C. Ryan with MISS VIOLET WESTERMAN, a saleslady at the Maurice L. Rothschild & Company store, Nicollet and 4th Street, Minneapolis, a photograph of EVELYN FRECHETTE was not available for exhibition to MISS WESTERMAN in connection with the purchase of the junior miss, tan, ribbed polo coat with belt.

MISS WESTERMAN was interviewed by the writer and the photograph of EVELYN FRECHETTE displayed to her. She stated, however, that she could not identify EVELYN FRECHETTE as being the individual who purchased the polo coat in question.

Special Agent W. C. Ryan also displayed the photograph of JOHN DILLINGER on I. O. 1217 to MR. WARREN BASKERVILLE, Manager of the Sports Department, Hennepin Hardware Company, 202 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota in order to ascertain whether DILLINGER was the individual who on March 30, 1934, purchased one tackle box, two rifle rods, and two boxes of No. 351 cartridges. MR. BASKERVILLE stated at the time the photograph on Identification Order No. 1217 was exhibited that he believed that if he could see a photograph of DILLINGER without his mustache, he could identify DILLINGER as being the individual who made the above named purchases. Accordingly, the writer exhibited to MR. BASKERVILLE the photograph of JOHN DILLINGER on the Police Department Bulletin of the city of Chicago which shows him with no mustache and with his hat on. MR. BASKERVILLE, without a moment's hesitation, identified this photograph of DILLINGER as being the individual who made the above named purchases on March 30, 1934.

Among the women's clothing found in Apartment 203, 93 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, on March 31, 1934, was a tan cloth coat with a platinum fox collar, bearing a label of the Young-Quinlan Company, Nicollet Avenue and 9th Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Agent interviewed MR. E. M. TOMLINSON, Superintendent of the Young-Quinlan Company store, who called to his office MRS. SALLY G. RICKARD, saleslady in the Coat Department, who, after examining the coat and referring to her records, advised that it was purchased on March 27, 1934, the price being \$85.00 plus alteration charges of \$3.00, making a total of \$88.00; that the coat was paid for in old \$5.00 bills. MRS. RICKARD was shown a photograph of EVELYN FRECHETTE on I. O. No. 1221 and while she stated she was fairly certain EVELYN FRECHETTE was the individual who purchased this coat on March 27, 1934, she was not positive. The description given by MRS. RICKARD of the girl who purchased the coat answers in practically every respect the description of EVELYN FRECHETTE. It is believed that should

MRS. SALLY C. RICKARD have an opportunity to observe EVELYN FRECHETTE, she will immediately identify her as being the party who purchased the coat in question. In her conversation with the individual who purchased the coat, MRS. RICKARD advised, the girl stated that she traveled from coast to coast with her husband, saying that she had been in Florida a short time ago and also said that she had recently recovered from a gall bladder operation and for this reason did not want a skirt tightened on her while trying on two dresses that she purchased.

Agent also interviewed MRS. VEE CLANCY, a saleslady at the Young-Quinlan Company store, who stated that she was present at the time that EVELYN FRECHETTE purchased the light tan coat, and positively identified the photograph of EVELYN FRECHETTE as being the girl who purchased this coat on March 27, 1934. MRS. CLANCY also sold EVELYN FRECHETTE two dresses, one costing \$35.00 and one costing \$19.75, the alterations charges on each being \$1.50. MRS. CLANCY described one dress as being plain dark brown with a square neckline, material being moss crepe, with two green clips at the neckline. She described the second dress as being brown crepe with a Roman stripe blouse attached and with a short bolero jacket. EVELYN FRECHETTE also discussed with MRS. CLANCY her gall bladder operation, advising that she was operated on about six weeks ago. MRS. CLANCY advised that she had had a similar operation some time ago and for this reason, EVELYN FRECHETTE dwelt on it for a considerable period of time.

MRS. CLANCY stated that EVELYN FRECHETTE had sarrot colored hair at the time she purchased the coat and apologized for the appearance of her hair, saying that she had recently had it dyed. The two dresses were paid for in \$10.00 and \$20.00 bills, according to MRS. CLANCY.

Both MRS. CLANCY and MRS. RICKARD stated that EVELYN FRECHETTE was wearing a black Hudson seal coat with self trim; and such a coat was found in the apartment at 93 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

MRS. RUTH JORDAN, a saleslady, Young-Quinlan Company, was also interviewed, and she also positively identified the photograph of EVELYN FRECHETTE as being the girl who looked at several purses on March 27, 1934, but did not make a purchase.

MISS JEANETTE SCHNEIDLER, millinery department, and MRS. HARRIET COOPER and MRS. CARY BRAY of the pajama department, Young-Quinlan Company, were also interviewed, but they were unable to identify the photograph of EVELYN FRECHETTE.

This memorandum was dictated by Special Agent in Charge Werner Hanni:

With reference to the action taken on address known as 1835 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, please be advised that to the best of my information EDWARD GREEN, deceased, while at Ancker Hospital, suffering gun shot wounds on the night of April 4th between 9:30 and 10:30 p.m., according to an agent who was stationed there, indicated DILLINGER to be located at 635 or 1835 Park Avenue, Minneapolis. The agent was advised to determine more definitely the correctness of the address and between 10:30 and 11:30 p.m. on April 4, 1934, to the best of my recollection, information was received at the St. Paul office that GREEN had stated 1835 Park Avenue, apartment 4, second floor; whereupon Inspectors Clegg and Rorer, Special Agents Hanni, Hall, Coulter, Brennan, Hotestead and Wood proceeded to 1835 Park Avenue, arriving there about midnight of April 4, 1934. This address was found to be a brick building appearing to contain four flats. It was also found that the building had two numbers, namely, 1835 and 1837. The apartment to the left downstairs and apartments upstairs were in complete darkness, while the apartment to the right down stairs still had a light burning. Agent Hall proceeded to said building and knocked at the door down stairs where the light was burning, making inquiry for a fictitious person. It is my understanding that a young lady answered the door; when questioned, informed Agent Hall that she did not know any one by that name and that she did not know the occupants of the other apartments located in said building. This party informed agent Hall that they had just recently moved into this place and were not acquainted with the other occupants of the building. Due to the indefiniteness and to the hour at which this visit was made, it was believed inadvisable and unwise to attempt to raid this building at that hour of the night. Arrangements were, therefore, made to keep the building under surveillance; that this building was kept under surveillance by Special Agents Hall, Coulter, Brennan and Hotestead from before daybreak of April 5th until the evening of April 5th, when a raid was conducted.

This agent on the early morning of April 5th contacted mail carrier 73 of the Minneapolis post office and made inquiry as to the occupants of the building located and known at 1835 Park Avenue. This mail carrier advised that this building has two numbers, namely, 1835 and 1837; that it contains four flats and that as far as he knows there are a number of children in all these four flats; that in the apartment to the left upstairs, which would be number 1835, the family by the name of Schroeder and a person by the name of Johnson are living who had moved in there about three weeks ago; that in the lower flat of 1835, persons by the name of LaDelle and Salt were residing and that these parties are the oldest occupants of the building; that in the upstairs flat to the right, being 1837, persons by the name of HANKEY and Nelson are residing, who have lived there for several months; that in the downstairs apartment to the right, being 1837, persons by the name of

name of PLANTZ and SOLLETTE are residing, who had recently moved in there from Austin, Minnesota. The mail carrier further advised that he has seen most of these occupants and has not seen any strangers around the place other than those known to him as being residents there. He has observed that there were a great number of children living in this building.

After interviewing this mail carrier, this agent proceeded to 1835, 1837 Park Avenue, entered the apartment building and noticed the names as given by the mail carrier on the different mail boxes and then entered the apartment and found apartment No. 1 to the left down stairs being number 1836 and number 2 to the right being in number 1837. This agent found upstairs to the right, apartment number 3, being in number 1835, and apartment number 4, being in number 1837. This agent then left the building and instructed the four agents who had the building under observation to remain and keep the building under close observation until Mr. Clegg could be informed and steps taken to raid the place.

At about 6:00 p.m. of this day, Mr. Clegg, Mr. Rorer, Agents Hanni, Wood, Hall, Brennan, Coulter, H.E. Anderson, Fortenberry, Notestein and Hurley surrounded the place and Agents Hanni, Coulter, Anderson and Fortenberry entered the apartment building and proceeded to the apartment number 4 on the second floor and gained entrance and a complete search of the place was made without finding any trace of fugitive DILLINGER or any indication whatsoever that would lead one to believe that the occupants of this place would harbor a fugitive. The persons living there are a family consisting of husband and wife about middle age, a daughter about 20 years of age, a young boy about 11 years of age. These people, of course, were considerably alarmed. Inquiry was made as to other occupants of the building resulting in the information that no other apartments were there children; that the persons on the down stairs left had been the longest residents of the building; persons upstairs left, an elderly couple; persons down stairs right were newcomers from Austin, Minnesota. At that time it was also observed that four garages were in the rear of the building none of which contained an automobile.

On the night of April 13, 1934, Mr. Clegg informed that BESS GREEN had advised DILLINGER resided at the lower left apartment at 1835 Park Avenue and that she had seen him there on Saturday, March 31, 1934, and that a DR. MAY had cared for DILLINGER there, the latter having gun shot wounds.

During the noon hour of April 14th, Messrs. Nathan, and Rorer, Agents Hanni, Hall, Brennan, Melvin, Hurley and Notestein and J.V. Anderson raided what is known as apartment No. 1, 1835 Park Avenue, accompanied by a deputy marshal. No one was found at home. A thorough search was made of the place, a number of letters, photographs, etcetera, were taken and brought

to the St. Paul Division office. Agent Brennan undertook to obtain fingerprints from articles located in said apartment.

The place was kept under surveillance thereafter by Special Agents Hurley and Anderson until darkness of April 16th, at which time they were called to the office.

W.H.B.

Re: St. Paul File No. 26-2434.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent E.H. Notestein, on April 15 and 16, 1934, in connection with the possible identification of occupants of apartment 303, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota:

Information was furnished this Agent by Special Agent R.B. Donaldson to the effect that he, Agent Donaldson, had learned that the occupants of apartment 303, had ordered a newspaper from a local newsboy one, RAY CUTTING, residing at 964 Grand Avenue, and that a Kismenger Meat Company truck was parked in the rear of 93 Lexington Avenue at the time of the shooting and it was believed possible that the driver of this truck might have observed the man and woman who escaped from the apartment shortly after the shooting.

RAY CUTTING was located at the BROWN-DAY SURGICAL SUPPLIES COMPANY, 62 East 5th Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, and advised that on Saturday, March 24, 1934, while he was delivering papers in the neighborhood of 93 South Lexington, he was stopped by a man, this man offering him a dollar bill and requesting that he, CUTTING, leave a paper at apartment 303, 93 South Lexington. According to CUTTING'S statement, he told the man that it was contrary to the rules of his paper (St. Paul Dispatch) to collect in advance and that he, CUTTING, would come around at the end of the month and collect for the paper.

The large group photograph, containing nine poses of JOHN DILLINGER, was exhibited to CUTTING and he stated that he was quite sure that this photograph was a likeness of the man who stopped him on the street and inquired about a paper.

CUTTING further advised that on March 27, 1934, he called at apartment 303, at 93 South Lexington to obtain the name of the occupant for his "customers' list"; that a woman answered the door and gave the name, J. HELLMAN. A photograph of EVELYN FRECHETTE was exhibited to CUTTING and CUTTING advised that this was possibly the woman but that he did not obtain a clear view of her through the door and noticed only that she had exceptionally black hair and dark eyes. CUTTING would state only that he believed that the photograph of EVELYN FRECHETTE is a likeness of the woman who answered the door at the time indicated.

Through the KISEMINGER MEAT COMPANY, 455 Wabasha Street, PAUL HALLER,

residing at E 12, Fort Snelling, was interviewed. MR. HALLER stated that on the morning of March 31, 1934, at about 10:30 or 11:00 A.M., his truck was parked in the rear of 93 South Lexington Avenue; that he had been making a delivery farther down in the block; that he heard no shooting and did not know anything concerning the gun battle in the building; that, when he approached his truck, he was about one hundred feet away from the garage in which occupants of the apartment building keep their cars; that he noticed a large sedan being backed out of the garage by a woman and that a man was standing on the opposite side of the car. According to the statement of HALLER, the car was backed up first with the rear door hanging open and then was immediately driven back into the garage at which time the man got into the car and both backed out again and drove out of the driveway into the alley which runs east, parallel to Lincoln Avenue. HALLER further advised that he was unable to identify photographs of any persons under suspicion due to the fact that he had paid little or no attention to these people and had no recollection whatever concerning the appearance of either the man or the woman. He was questioned particularly as to whether or not he had noted a gun in the hands of the man and stated positively that he had not; that, to the best of his recollection, the man never was on his, HALLER'S, side of the car and apparently was busy throwing things into the automobile, preparing to leave. Photographs of JOHN DILLINGER, HOMER VAN METER, and EVELYN FRECHETTE were exhibited to HALLER without identification.

Concerning a second man, believed to have left the rear of the apartment building at about the same time as DILLINGER and EVELYN FRECHETTE, HALLER advised that he had seen no other man near the garage during his call in the neighborhood.

END:TC

Re: St. Paul File No. 26-2434.

The following interview was conducted by Special Agent Ed. Connelley, on April 8, 1934:

DALLAS MOORE, 3310 Freemont Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota, stated that on, or about, December 5, 1933, one, OBER, whose first name he is unable to recall, rented apartment 201 at 3310 Freemont Avenue South, and left that address on February 15, 1934, claiming he had been transferred. He stated that when this man first came there he drove a 1932 Hudson Sedan but apparently traded this car for a dark Ford V-8. He stated that OBER's wife, who was a very small dark woman, who appeared not to be more than 16 years old, associated with MRS. RANDELL and a blond woman who resided in apartment 207-3300 Freemont Avenue South. He further advised that the blond apparently resided with the occupants of 207 for a considerable period of time and left that address recently. He stated that MRS. MORGANSEN, who resides in apartment 206, 3300 Freemont Avenue South, advised him she saw the little blond woman getting in a new sedan with cream colored wheels, at 16th and Nicollet Avenue, with an arm load of groceries, recently; however, he could not fix the exact date. He further advised that he had seen a Hudson Sedan parked outside the apartment building, occupied by the RANDELLS, several times during the past three weeks; however, he did not notice the license number on it. He described OBER as being 6'3" tall; about 30 years of age; 165 to 170 pounds; dark complexioned; and slender. He stated that he furnished OBER with gas, lights, and garage and that he saw him on several occasions. On one occasion, he distinctly recalled that he had several bags and that OBER claimed to be a shear salesman.

Mr. Moore stated that he could positively identify the blond woman, the wife of OBER, OBER, and MRS. RANDELL. He stated that about two weeks ago, he saw OBER and some other man come to the apartment of RANDELL'S and knowing that they previously associated with one another, it is his opinion that OBER is a part of a big mob.

RCC:TS

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R. L. Halls on April 2nd, 1934:

Agent interviewed Mrs. Coffey, Resident Manager of the Lincoln Court Apartments, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, who advised that there was a suspicious young lady living in the front apartment of the Blackstone Apartments at 149 West Summit Street, who had several changes of fur coats and dressed in much finery, being often visited by a dark complexioned man who appeared to be either a Jew or Greek and believed to be in some way connected with the Billinger mob, though Mrs. Coffey was unable to give any specific reasons upon which to base her suspicions. It was deemed advisable to make a check of the present occupants of the Blackstone Apartments.

Interview was had with Mrs. J. L. Lynch, who, with her husband, act as caretakers of the apartment building. Mrs. Lynch advised that the building contains thirty apartments, most of which are occupied by young employed women, and the majority of the residents have been in the apartments for a year or more. There was obtained from Mrs. Lynch a brief history of all occupants, and the only apartments which might contain suspicious persons are as follows:

Apt. #7, occupied by a Mr. and Mrs. Foster, who appear to be about thirty and twenty years of age, respectively. This couple just moved in last week. Mr. Foster represented that he owned a restaurant and his wife claimed to be a beauty operator. They own a Ford Coupe, 1931 model, bearing 1934 Minnesota license PB-41407. Mrs. Lynch stated that these people are not desirable tenants and it is her intention to request them to move; that she is quite positive that the young lady is not a beauty operator but from all appearances seems to be a woman of the streets, judging from her actions.

Apt. #27, which was vacated just two days prior to agent's visit, was formerly occupied by one Ted Wickland, who lived at the apartment for about one year. Mrs. Lynch stated that she knew little about this individual but thought that he delivered chow mein for the Port Arthur Restaurant in St. Paul; that she believed he has moved to 833 Jackson Street.

Apt. #32, which is located on the third floor front is occupied by Mr. Sam Gore and wife. This couple has been in the apartment for approximately two months. Mrs. Lynch stated that when Mr. Gore came to rent the apartment she made inquiry of him concerning his business and he informed her that he had a business of his own but failed to mention the nature of his business, or location of same. She further stated that Mr. Gore never goes out of the apartment until about

three o'clock in the afternoon, and she has never seen anyone visit-  
ing the apartment, nor has she ever seen Mr. Gore leave the apartment  
at any time. She further stated that this couple do not seem to re-  
ceive any mail whatever at the apartment, and that apparently they do  
not want their name in the mail box since they made no effort to  
place it there and she, Mrs. Lynch, put the name in the box. Mrs.  
Lynch has never observed Mr. Gore driving any car and is of the  
opinion that he does not own any, since she has often seen him leave  
the building and walk down the Summit Street hill.

She described this couple as follows:

Name:	SAM GORE
Age:	32-35 yrs.
Height:	5'6"
Weight:	150 lbs.
Build:	Slender
Hair:	Dark, combed straight back.
Eyes:	Dark
Complexion:	Dark
Nationality:	Appears to be Jewish
Dress:	Usually wears a light grey hat and a black overcoat.

Name:	MRS. SAM GORE
Age:	30-32 yrs.
Height:	5'4"
Weight:	130 lbs.
Hair:	Light brown
Eyes:	(?)
Complexion:	Fair
	(Appears to be a Gentile)

Mrs. Lynch stated she has never seen this woman dressed  
in other than house dresses, that she coughs a lot and speaks with a  
Southern accent. It is believed that this is the apartment Mrs.  
Goffey had in mind when referring the matter to the St. Paul Division  
Office.

Further investigation will be conducted in connection with  
the individual who resides at the Blackstone Apartments.

St. Paul, Minnesota  
April 17, 1934.

This is a memorandum by Special Agent B. W. Hardy with reference to the operation on GREEN in the DILLINGER case.

EDWARD EUGENE GREEN had been a patient at Ancker Hospital in St. Paul, Minnesota, approximately one week, more or less. Dr. Jones, who was in charge of the east wing, where GREEN was confined, conferred over GREEN's condition with several other physicians attached to the hospital staff, one of whom was Doctor Quale, and decided that GREEN was running a temperature due to infection in the head, and decided that it would be best to remove the bullet which was underneath the scalp on the right side of the head, and outside of the skull. GREEN's brother, Frank Green, was at the hospital when the decision to operate was made, and gave his consent to the operation. Thereafter GREEN was given gas, the necessary portion of his head shaved, and the bullet, which was lying just beneath the skin on the right hand side, was removed by Dr. Jones, who marked the bullet on its base with his pen knife for identification, the marking being an "x", and handed it to Special Agent S. W. Hardy, who in turn gave it to Inspector H. H. Clegg.

SWE:RMA

*Paul Jones*

St. Paul, Minnesota,  
April 23, 1934.

Re: St. Paul File 26-2134

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent E.N. Notestean, on April 20, 1934, at Minneapolis, Minnesota, with particular reference to toll calls, if any, from a telephone believed to have been used by MRS. G. Madelle at her apartment at 1835 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Through the office of Mr. Mason, Commercial Manager of the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, at Minneapolis, Minnesota, it was ascertained that a telephone is presently listed in the name of MRS. G. MADELLE at 1835 Park Avenue; that the number of this telephone is Geneva 883.

All records of the telephone company for the above telephone from January 1, 1934, to April 20, 1934, were examined and it was noted that only two calls, other than local calls, were of record. On January 21, 1934, the number Cedar 8470 was called and on March 7, 1934, the number Elkhurst 5511 was called, both of these telephones being located in St. Paul. The Minneapolis Telephone Company had no record of local calls, or any long distance calls, made from the Madelle telephone.

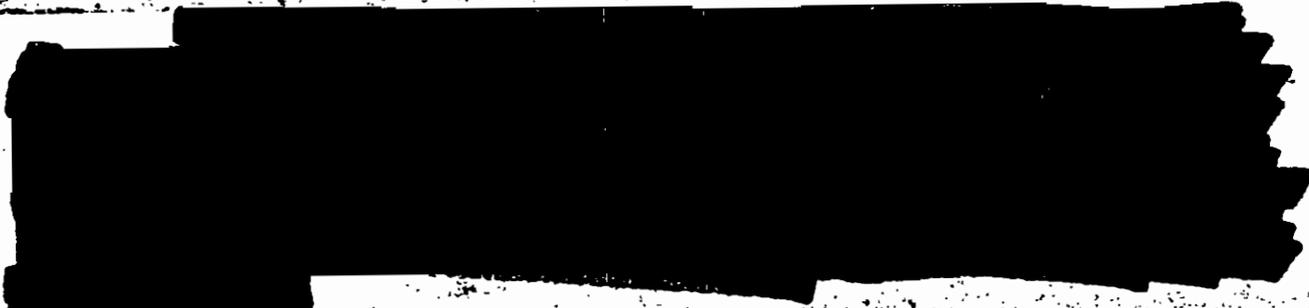
At the St. Paul Branch of the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, through the office of Mr. Kimball, it was ascertained that Cedar 8470 is listed in the name of F.W. JOHNSON, 442 St. Peter Street (Travellers' Hotel), and that Elkhurst 5511 is listed in the name of PETER O. PEDERSON, 477 1/2 Laurel, St. Paul, Minnesota.

EN:TC

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent T. G. Melvin:

The report of Special Agent J. O. Hichew dated St. Louis, Missouri, 4-7-34 reflects that a 1933 Chevrolet Coach, black body, bearing 1934 Minnesota license tags B-112-603, was observed on several occasions parked in front of the Lincoln Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri. Investigation was conducted by Special Agent R. L. Nalls which established that Minnesota license tags B-112-603 for 1934 were issued to one CHESTER D. JUNKIN, 3736 Blaisdell Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, for a 1933 Chevrolet Coach, motor No. 3,544,673. The 1933 City Directory reflects that this individual resides at the Loring Hotel, 1355 Nicollet Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Neighborhood investigation conducted by the writer established that CHESTER D. JUNKIN is the proprietor of this hotel, which is a third rate hotel.



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3736 Blaisdell is occupied by MRS. JANE V. JUNKIN, who is apparently CHESTER D. JUNKIN'S mother and who is the widow of CHARLES V. JUNKIN.

TGM:EVS

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. J. Davis on April 12, 1934:

Pursuant to the request of Special Agent in Charge Melvin E. Purvis in his teletype messages of April 13 and April 14, 1934, relative to the occupation of ROBERT D. BATTIN, 4433 Portland Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, owner of Ford Coach, motor No. 1B480864, Minnesota 1934 license No. B-95-56. The writer interviewed MRS. GREENVILLE S. TOMPKINS, 4429 Portland Avenue, Minneapolis, who advised that ROBERT D. BATTIN has resided with his mother-in-law, MRS. MARY E. McMURRAY for several months; that she knows nothing of his occupation or antecedents because although the BATTINS are immediate neighbors, they have not come in contact with them to any extent. MRS. TOMPKINS advised that ANDREW H. WANGSTAD is the owner of the premises at 4433 Portland Avenue and advised also that the BATTINS, with MRS. McMURRAY, moved on April 14, 1934, but that she was unable to advise her new address although she understands that it was in the immediate neighborhood of their former residence; that the BATTINS have two small children.

Agent interviewed MR. ANDREW H. WANGSTAD, 4256 Kokomo Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, who stated that in May, 1933, MRS. MARY E. McMURRAY, who was the Superintendent of the Rest Home, 600 West 32nd Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota, rented an apartment at 4433 Portland Avenue, which is a duplex; that he understands that about six months ago, ROBERT D. BATTIN and his family moved in with MRS. McMURRAY, who is BATTIN'S mother-in-law; that he has no information relative to BATTIN other than he understands that he has a position of some kind in Chicago, Illinois; that MRS. McMURRAY, MRS. BATTIN, and the two children are now residing at 2077 Pleasant Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, to which address they moved on April 14, 1934.

MR. WANGSTAD advised further that all his dealings have been with MRS. McMURRAY and that she is now in default of about two months' rent, which she states she is unable to pay at the present time; that as far as he knows, the BATTINS are not friendly with ROBERT STEINHARDT or his family, who reside in the other apartment at 4433 Portland Avenue, Minneapolis.

The 1932 City Directory for Minneapolis reflects that ROBERT D. BATTIN was employed as salesman for the Hayden Motor Company, Ford dealers, 1221 West Lake Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Ref. St. Paul File No. 25-2451.

On April 19, 1934, Chief of Police Michael Johannes, of Minneapolis, telephoned and advised that he had some information that DILLINGER was occupying a house in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and requested that agents of this office accompany his men in conducting a raid at the house in question.

At 8:00 P.M., on April 19, 1934, Inspector Horar, Special Agents George Cross and O.G. Hall, went to Minneapolis, and met Mr. Johannes. He advised that he had received information from a highly reliable source that DILLINGER was at a house at 2845 East Lake of the Isles Boulevard, Minneapolis. This place was supposed to be an "abortion mill" and Dr. May is supposed to have brought patients to that place.

Detectives Kramer, Eisenkramer, Lalley, Weatherow, Olson, Hantzlar, and two others, whose names I do not know, with agents, went to the vicinity of 2845 East Lake of the Isles Boulevard. 2845 was found to be a house occupied by an old lady, said to be demented. For a long time she refused admission to the house. It was then discovered that 2845 was not the "abortion mill" but that 2841 was the house referred to by the Chief of Police, that the house is occupied by MRS. HENSFORD and in that house was found Lieutenant O'Hearn of the Minneapolis Fire Department. Both houses were searched thoroughly and nothing whatever found of interest to this case.

In conversation with O'Hearn, I learned that he had been on a drunk but had reported to his department that he was on sick leave and it appears probable that someone, for spite, had furnished the above information to the chief of police. Nothing of a suspicious nature was found at either house; no one resembling DILLINGER, or any member of his gang, was found.

CGH:TC

St. Paul File No. 26-2454

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent S. W. Hardy on April 19, 1934:

On April 19, 1934 Special Agent S. W. Hardy conducted investigation at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, in regard to the two keys sent by the Chicago Office April 17, 1934, for the purpose of ascertaining whether they are the keys to Apartment 303 at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, these keys having been taken from EVELYN FRECHETTE.

Agent Hardy tried these keys in both the mail box and the apartment door, No. 303, at the Lincoln Court Apartments, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, in the presence of caretaker MR. L. F. MEIDLINGER, and it was found that these keys do not fit either the mail box or Apartment 303, they being different kind of keys than those used in this apartment.

SWH:ACF

Inspector H. H. Ulegg telephonically communicated with the Philadelphia Office, furnishing it with the name of the manufacturer and number, which are as follows: Reading Hardware Corporation, Reading, Pennsylvania - Key No. 145023.

This key, together with a smaller key which was received from the Chicago Office, both of which were taken from the purse of EVELYN FRECHETTE, was transmitted by mail on April 19, 1934 to Special Agent (A) S. T. Brown, at the Berkshire Hotel, Reading, Pennsylvania, so that he might aid in a search at the factory to identify the building for which this key was used.

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HHC:ACF

St. Paul File No. 26-2434

The following memorandum was submitted by Inspector  
H. E. Clegg on April 23, 1934:

Special Agent in Charge E. G. Harvey of the Division's  
Philadelphia office, telephoned furnishing the information included in  
the attached memorandum, and Mr. Harvey was asked to send out undevelop-  
ed leads for the purpose of identifying the key which was found in the  
possession of BILLIE FRECHETTE at Chicago.

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55 St. Paul, Minnesota  
April 20, 1934

Telephonic communication taken from Special Agent in Charge  
Harvey, Philadelphia, Pa. to Inspector Glegg.

Reading Hardware Corporation issued key 148023 to the  
following concerns:

On May 2, 1928 issued to Nichols Hardware Company,  
Tulsa, Oklahoma for the Morningside Apartments;

May 12, 1928 the Sam Joost Bros., 1071 Market Street,  
San Francisco for their contract 514;

Again issued on February 22, 1928 to the Dexter Folder  
Company, 28 West 23rd Street, New York City;

November 29, 1929 issued to Gelschlager & Kraft,  
John J. Kraft, 2212 North St., Philadelphia;

October 10, 1929 to the Calvin Hardware Company,  
Los Angeles, and for a party Knechtall;

On October 7, 1929 issued to Dingman Hardware Company,  
115 West Main Street, Owosso, Michigan, for the Union Telegraph  
Company;

September 27, 1929 to the Addison Hardware Company,  
Jackson, Mississippi for the Mississippi Educational Building;

June 18, 1929 issued to J. G. Robbins, 8209, 5th Avenue,  
Brooklyn, New York for the Hotel Olympia;

May 22, 1929 issued to Kelly Bros. and Raub Lancaster, Pa.;

January 31, 1929 issued to A. L. EGOLS, 2500 North 17th  
St., Philadelphia for the Zanes Methodist Church;

January 14, 1929 issued to Maursh Company, 414 Market Street,  
Philadelphia;

July 18, 1930 issued to W. A. Rankin, 410 - 15 Bank  
Street, Ottawa, Canada for S. Miller Apartments;

April 12, 1929 issued to CHARLES T. Ban Ness, 7th & King  
Streets, Washington, D.C. for customer 04768;

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March 14, 1929 to Emory Waterhouse Company, Portland, Maine,  
for the following:

Brown Engineering Company, Berlin, New Hampshire;

June 4, 1930 Jack Cole Construction Company, Reading, N.Y.

Pickeyville Island School, Pickeyville, Ill.

March 22, 1930 - John Stone Corporation, Brooklyn,  
New York for the Coles School;

January 20, 1930 - W. Erwin Renninger, 680 North Front St.,  
Reading, Pa.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent John E. Brennan:

Interview was had with J. T. POMMERENING, caretaker of the apartment building at 2214 Marshall Avenue, St. Paul, Apartment 106 of which was rented under the name of D. A. STEVENS and occupied by HOMER VAN MEETER, and POMMERENING stated that he had removed two sheets and two bath towels from Apartment 106, this being all the linen left in the apartment.

The bath towels were found to contain no laundry marks. One sheet bore the printed laundry mark MIL MIL and the other the pen and ink mark 2 MIL.

JEB:HVS

St. Paul File No. 25-245

A telephone call was received from the Chief of Police at Rochester, Minnesota, advising that a new seven-passenger Lincoln automobile, bearing Motor No. KA-382, had been found by him at Rochester, and the speedometer showed a total of 9000 miles registered. The car bore no license tag.

I telephoned the State License Registration Bureau and they have no registration of this car. I tele-typed the Chicago office and requested that that office endeavor to have the car traced through the Automobile Protective & Information Bureau in Chicago.

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Form No. 1  
 CASE ORIGINATED AT **Chicago, Illinois** FILE NO. **88-5377**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Washington, D. C.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>5/4/34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>5/2/34</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>M. A. TAYLOR</b>
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TITLE <b>JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER with aliases, FUGITIVE I.O. 1217; JOHN HAMILTON with aliases I.O. 1220; HOMER VAN METER with aliases I.O. 1222; ET AL</b>	CHARACTER OF CASE <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE</b>
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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

A .45 automatic pistol #77419 not reported stolen to Ordnance Department, War Department, Washington, D. C. E. L. Kahlert, General Supply Division, Ordnance Department, immediately circularized all depots and army corps areas.

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**REFERENCES:**

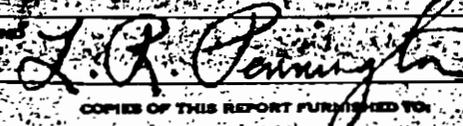
Telegram from San Antonio Division office dated May 1, 1934.

**DETAILS:**

E. L. Kahlert, General Supply Division, Ordnance Department, War Department, made a search of his records and advised that instant .45 automatic pistol #77419 had not been reported as lost or stolen to his department.

Mr. Kahlert advised that it frequently happens that guns and pistols are lost or stolen from National Guard Armories in depots in remote parts of the country and their loss not reported to the seat of Government in Washington for many months. Mr. Kahlert advised that he would immediately circularize all army depots and corps areas for the purpose of having a check made to locate instant gun, and in view of the importance of instant case would have the matter handled as a special assignment. Mr. Kahlert advised that it would require at least a week to circularize all of the stations in the country.

Mr. Kahlert suggested that the San Antonio office contact the Ordnance Officer of the 8th Corps area at Fort Sam Houston.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED:  L. R. Pennington Assistant Special Agent in Charge	62-29777-1149 MAY 5 - 1934 A.M. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: FILE	RECORDED AND INDEXED MAY 7 1934 CHECKED OFF MAY 8 1934 JACKETED
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San Antonio, Texas, as he advised this area maintains excellent records of the property issued through its Ordnance Department.

The San Antonio office was furnished the above information by wire on May 1, 1934.

**UNDEVELOPED LEAD:**

The Washington Field Office at Washington, D. C., will contact Mr. W. L. Kahlert and report the results of his circularization of the various army depots and corps areas throughout the country.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Northern Lights Hotel,  
Manitowish, Wisconsin.

May 3, 1934

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

Dear Sir:-

There is enclosed herewith a partly coded letter post-  
marked "New Britain, Conn., Apr. 27, 1934," bearing return ad-  
dress - No. 112-14, New Britain, Connecticut, and addressed to  
Emil Wanatka, Little Bohemia Lodge, Spider Lake, Wisconsin. This  
letter was received by Mr. Wanatka on April 29, 1934, and he  
turned same over to me for what value it may contain. It is respec-  
tively requested that an attempt be made to decode the enclosed let-  
ter, after which the original should be forwarded to the Chicago/  
Division Office, ~~for proper transmittal to its addresser.~~

Very truly yours,

*W. A. Rorer*  
W. A. Rorer,  
Inspector.

JLM

CC Chicago  
St. Paul

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Laboratory Report

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Case: John Dillinger with aliases, Fugitive,  
I.O. 1217, et al.

Number: 62-29777-1150.

Specimens: One original letter printed in ink and beginning, "Emil Wanatka,  
Little Bohemia Lodge, Spider Lake, Wisc., Emil: 112-14 (Voice)  
Your Pal."  
One envelope in which the above letter was mailed, postmarked  
New Britain, Conn., Apr 27, 1934, 11AM.

Examination requested by: Inspector W. A. Rorer  
Manitowish, Wisconsin.

Date received: May 8, 1934

Examination requested: Decipher part of letter that is coded.

Result of examination:

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Examination by:

*Murphy*

*P*

C O P Y

MRS. A. L. WOODRUFF  
412 Elmwood Avenue  
Glen Olden, Pennsylvania

April 26, 1934.

The Honorable Homer S. Cummings, Attorney General  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

The whole country is with your Department in its search for Dillinger, and I hope you will not consider my letter an intrusion. I am enclosing a clipping from this week's LITERARY DIGEST, and while this would strain the credulity of the most gullible, it might be a thought. There is some trick in the way Dillinger eludes the agents of the Department, and this just might be it. However, I hope that he will have been apprehended by the time this letter reaches you.

With sincere regards, I am

Yours very truly,

(S) MARY L. WOODRUFF

*Mrs. Dillinger*

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*[Handwritten signature]*

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**"Mother" Trucks** In the pre-war era of Keystone Comedies, much mirth was excited by a film in which a farceur of demonic aspect and casual manner went about stealing automobiles by wholesale under the noses of the police. When he was pursued too hotly for comfort, a closed furniture van would suddenly appear ahead of him, its rear wall would drop slantingly to the road, and the master thief would drive neatly up this ramp into the van, which would close again and go about its business while the absurd police dashed past it in frantic search of their vanished quarry.

Believe it or not, a serious reproduction of that farcical stunt is now reported from Victoria, Texas. There, according to the Associated Press, a woman motorist has reported to Deputy Sheriff Richard Rogan that "she saw a fast traveling coupé drive up to a waiting truck on the Houston highway, run up a runway into the truck and move away. The truck resembled a moving van."

On the strength of this story, the Deputy Sheriff "advanced another theory" as to how Clyde Barrow, machine-gun man-killer, eludes a powerful lot of pursuit. Another case of life imitating art!

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Mrs. Mary L. Woodruff,  
412 Elmwood Avenue,  
Olson Olden, Pennsylvania.

MAY 8 1934

Dear Madam:

Your letter dated April 26, 1934 addressed to the Attorney General, enclosing a clipping taken from the Literary Digest concerning the alleged methods of escape used by criminals has been referred to this Division for its consideration.

I wish to express my appreciation for your interest in this matter and to assure you that such methods will be given consideration.

Very truly yours,

Director.

No copy of clipping retained in Div. files.

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JEH:HB

May 4, 1934.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CUNLEY

Mr. Harry Busack, of Universal Service, telephoned this evening to advise that he had received word from New York that Dillinger is aboard the "Duchess of York" which is due in Liverpool Sunday. You were immediately requested to handle this matter through the State Department.

Very truly yours,

Director.

*Whitehouse  
John J. Whitehouse*

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May 3, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CONLEY

Mr. Rendell, of the Associated Press, telephoned. He stated he had heard from St. Paul that circulars have been issued saying that the arrest of Pat. Reilly is "warning." I suggested that he have the St. Paul representative of the Associated Press get in touch with Mr. Clegg there concerning this matter.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. COLEBY

After my conversation with Mr. Stanley this evening, I telephoned Mr. George Lyons at the George Washington Hotel, Winchester, Virginia. He advised me the name of the party that he spoke to Mr. Stanley about is Mr. Carl Lusk, Universal City, Hollywood, California. I advised him that I would have Mr. Lyon in charge at Los Angeles get in touch with Mr. Lusk in connection with this matter.

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I informed Mr. Lyons that in the event he wished to communicate with this office at any time he could be reached by telephone at National 717, and by tele-typewriter at Washington 22.

Very truly yours,

Director.

*John Dillinger*

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CONLEY

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Mr. Nathan telephoned from Chicago. He stated he had called upon Mr. McCarthy, Editor of the Chicago American, at Mr. McCarthy's request. Mr. McCarthy stated that he had more gangster information than anybody in Chicago; that his paper has been working with the police; that they are looking for Dillinger, and it is their belief that they will have something particularly good in the near future. He made the proposition to Mr. Nathan that if his paper gives our Division information, it would be with the understanding that we would allow one or two newspaper men to accompany our men on their investigations. I explained to Mr. Nathan the difficulties which would result from such an arrangement, and instructed him to advise Mr. McCarthy that we could not make such an agreement, but that if his paper gives us information which proves to be of material value, we will of course give his paper the first "scoop."

During a later conversation Mr. Nathan advised that he had been unable to talk to Mr. McCarthy, but that he had talked to a friend of his, Mr. Nathan's, Mr. Wailes Maher, a special writer for the Chicago American, and asked that this message be conveyed to Mr. McCarthy. Mr. Nathan mentioned incidentally that Mr. Maher was assigned to the Dillinger case upon his, Mr. Nathan's, arrival in Chicago.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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May 5, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CONLEY

During telephonic conversation today, Mr. Nathan stated that Mr. Connelley has his squad at Indianapolis well organized, and has developed some valuable contacts.

He also stated that at the Chicago Office they have designated a Dillinger squad, a Bremer squad, and a general squad of Agents.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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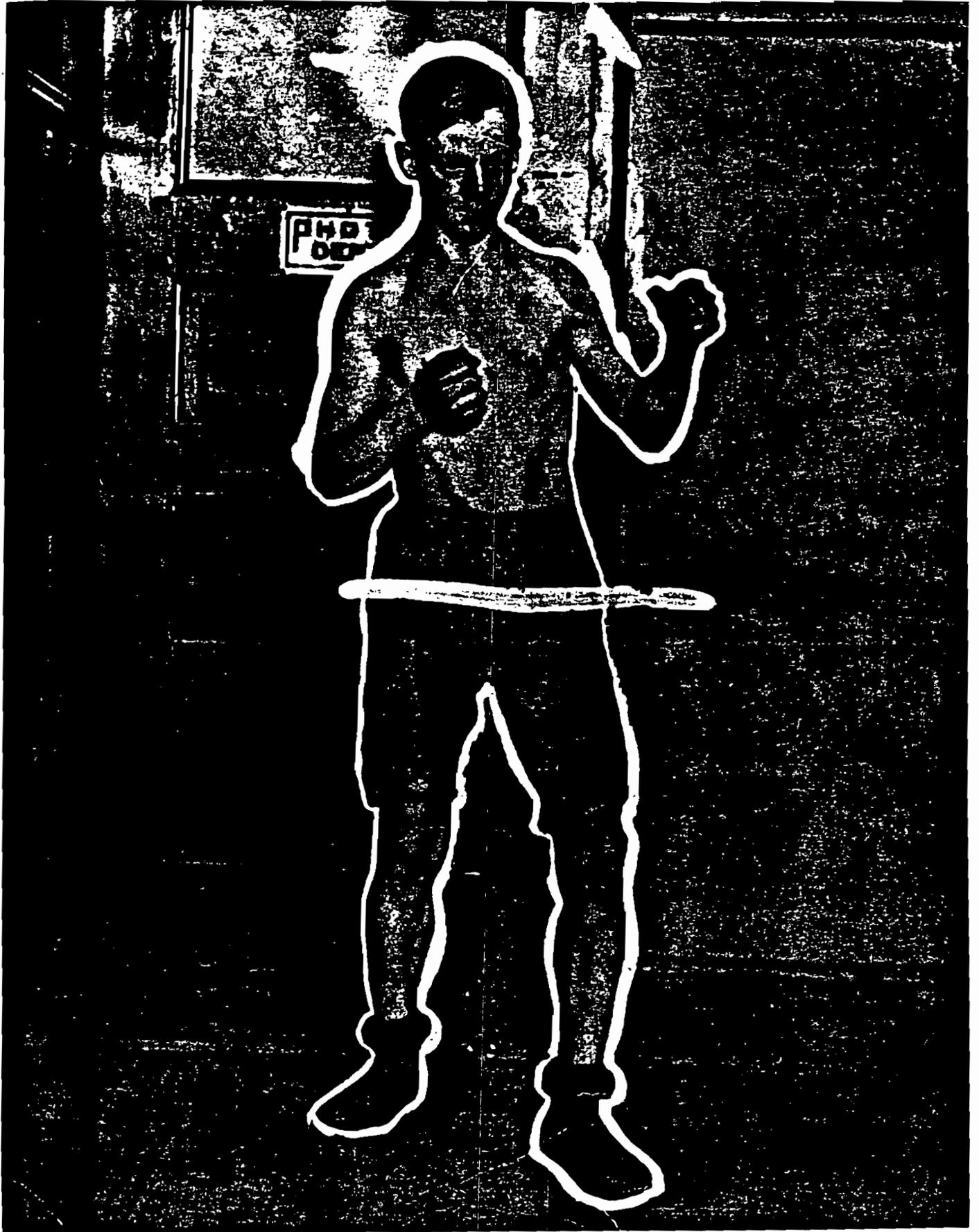
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**Division of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**

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

April 30, 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.  
NATL. MOT. VEH. THEFT ACT.  
HARBORING FUG. FROM JUSTICE.  
St. Paul file No. 26-2434.**

In connection with the above entitled case, there is attached hereto a voucher in the sum of \$10.50, necessary expenditures for photographs of the three girls found in the Little Bohemia Lodge on the morning of April 23, 1934. These photographs were necessary in order to effect an identification of these women. It is recommended that this voucher be paid.

Very truly yours,

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

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Laboratory Report

May 3, 1934.

Case: <sup>0</sup> John Dillinger, with aliases, I.O. 1217,  
et al; National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Number: 62-29777

Specimens: 1 letter printed in pencil and addressed to John Dillinger  
beginning "J. D. - Do not try your present plans."  
1 envelope in which above letter was mailed postmarked,  
Detroit, Michigan, April 26, 1934, 1:30 PM.

Examination requested by: Detroit Office.

Date received: April 30, 1934.

Examination requested: General and Fingerprint.

Result of examination:

Examination by: C.A.Appel.

The envelope has the watermark EATONS HIGHLAND - (last word not visible but is believed to be LINEN). This watermark is that of the Eaton Paper Company, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

The letter is written on the reverse side of a card which is placed in boxes of writing paper. This card is printed with crossed lines in heavy black printing and advertises Blair's Keystone Paper. This is probably paper made by J. C. Blair Company, Huntington, Pennsylvania.

It is not believed that this handwriting has any connection with Dillinger.

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.

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

Re: John Dillinger, with aliases,  
I.O. 1217, et al,  
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

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 30, 1934.

Very truly yours,

*J. E. Hoover*

Director.

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*MS*

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Y M C A HOTEL

826 South Wabash Avenue

Chicago

April 26 1934

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Hon. F. D. Roosevelt  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Roosevelt

Please pardon my addressing you on a subject not concerning me, but why would it not be a wise plan to offer a reward of 50 or (100) hundred thousand reward for John Dillinger dead or alive also a similar reward for John Hamilton and the other outlaws with Dillinger. It seems to me Congress should be called upon to pass whatever legislation necessary to make this possible, a big reward placed upon the head of such men promptly might bring them to justice quickly and with less expense of both money and lives as the plan now being followed by Federal men.

I hope the Secretary who opens this will pass it on to you for your personal inspection, as I greatly admire your attitude of wishing suggestions on such matters.

With kindest wishes, I am

Sincerely,

B. F. Mason

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Mr. E. F. Mason,  
Y.M.C.A. Hotel,  
825 South Wabash Avenue,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

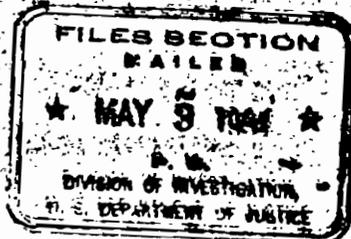
Your letter addressed to the President, dated April 26, 1934, suggesting that a reward be offered for the apprehension of John Dillinger, and members of his gang, has been referred to this Division for consideration.

Your interest in this connection is greatly appreciated, and I have to advise that it is my understanding that a suggestion similar to yours has already been presented to Congress.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director



*D. W. S. P.*

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

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

April 28, 1934.

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MR. NATHAN	.....
MR. TOLSON	.....
MR. CLEGG	.....
MR. GAVIN	.....
MR. EDWARDS	.....
MR. EGAN	.....
MR. GLINN	.....
MR. LESTER	.....
CHIEF CLERK	.....
MR. ROBER	.....

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

This morning I took the Thompson submachine gun, recovered from the Dillinger gang following the battle at Rhineland, Wisconsin on Sunday, April 22nd, to the Technical Section of the Ordnance Department, Army, to ascertain whether the technical experts there could advise me of the serial number of the gun, the serial numbers having been ground off by the Dillinger gang.

It was ascertained that the number of the gun was 6315. However, it is believed that the Laboratory of the Division should work upon this number in an effort to restore it by acid or heat or both. Accordingly, the gun is being taken down to the Laboratory for test as to number restoration.

Respectfully,

*T. F. Baughman*

T. F. Baughman.

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**Division of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice  
Room 1403  
370 Lexington Avenue  
New York, N. Y.**

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**May 5, 1934.**

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

**13651**

**Re: John Herbert Dillinger, with  
aliases - Fugitive; I.O. #1217;  
John Hamilton, with aliases - Fugitive,  
I.O. #1220; Homer Van Meter, with  
aliases - Fugitive, I.O. #1222, et al  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act  
Harboring Fugitive from Justice**

**Dear Sir:**

Reference is made to Division teletype message of May 3, 1934, which requested that Thompson Submachine Gun, No. 6146, should be traced immediately through the Auto Ordnance Arms Corporation to the final purchaser, and the necessary leads set out in a telegraphic summary furnished the Division.

Please be advised that upon receipt of the above information Special Agent Val C. Zimmer of this office contacted Mr. George Goll of the Auto Ordnance Arms Corporation at Hartford, Connecticut, by telephone, at which time he secured the following information with reference to the above-mentioned sub-machine gun:

That Thompson Submachine Gun, No. 6146, was shipped through the Auto Ordnance Arms Corporation on February 29, 1928, to Post Quartermaster, Marine Barracks, Navy Yard, Brooklyn, N. Y., for Base Forwarding Officer, U. S. Marines, for shipment to Corinto, Nicaragua. This information was conveyed by teletype at midnight, May 3, 1934, to the Division, with the advice that further tracing would be made the following morning through the Navy Yard in Brooklyn.

Accordingly, the following morning, Special Agent Val C. Zimmer contacted Inspector Watts of the Naval Intelligence, who advised that he would trace this gun and advise.

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On May 4, 1934 Division teletype was received advising that the number 6146 for the Thompson Submachine Gun, previously requested in Division teletype to be traced, was erroneous and that the correct number should be 6141.

Mr. Goll of the Auto Ordnance Arms Corporation happened to be in the New York office at the time the above message was received and telephonically communicated with his office at Hartford, Conn., with the result that he was advised that Thompson Submachine Gun, No. 6141, was shipped on March 28, 1929 to the Shelton Payne Arm Company at El Paso, Texas. This information was immediately forwarded you by teletype, with the advice that the El Paso office had also been notified by telegram of the above facts and requested to trace said gun to the ultimate purchaser, giving expeditious action to such activity.

Very truly yours,

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

cc- El Paso Off.

1900 Bankers Building  
Chicago, Illinois

May 3, 1934

Hon. Joseph M. Donnelly,  
United States Attorney,  
Grand Rapids, Michigan.

13650

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated April 30, 1934, wherein you request information concerning whether a signed statement was secured from Mrs. Isaac Steve.

For your information in this matter, I am forwarding, herewith, a copy of a signed statement made by Mrs. Isaac Steve to Special Agent R. D. Brown of this office.

I am also enclosing, herewith, for your information, a copy of a signed statement made by Charles Campbell to Special Agent A. E. Lockerman. The original statements, referred to above, are being retained in the Chicago Division Office files for the present.

I trust that the information contained in these statements will furnish you with the information desired.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Copies of the signed statements, referred to in the letter are being incorporated in a report relating to the case entitled JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1217; et al. N.M.V.T.A. OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE. CHICAGO FILE NO. 26-5685.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

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May 1, 1934

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

TFB:mr

MAY 17 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN

*[Handwritten signature]*

The Thompson Submachine Gun which was sent in to the Division by Mr. Clegg from Rhinelander, Wisconsin, it having been seized following the battle with the John Dillinger gang at Rhinelander on Sunday, April 22nd, was taken down to the Laboratory to ascertain whether the serial number of the gun which had been ground off could be restored by treatment with acid.

It required some five hours of application of acid to effect the desired result. However, the number finally appeared with sufficient clarity, and for record purposes the number of that gun is Thompson Submachine Gun, model of 1921, serial 6315. Effort was made to trace this gun and it was found that it was shipped by the factory to a firm in El Paso, Texas and was sold by that firm to the Mexican Consul General, together with fourteen other Thompson Sub-machine Guns.

Inquiry at the office of the Mexican Consul General elicited advice that these guns had all been lost or stolen and, accordingly, they cannot be traced.

Respectfully,

*[Handwritten signature: T. F. Baughman]*

T. F. Baughman.

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TITLE <b>JOHN DILLINGER with aliases et al. FUGITIVE I. O. #1217</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT</b>	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Mrs. Ada Whittin, Cardinal, Ontario, Canada advised that on April 20, 1934 she saw a man resembling John Dillinger in that village. This person acted very suspiciously. She had never seen him before nor since. Investigation discloses Mrs. Whittin very unreliable and no further investigation made.

**DETAILS:**

AT CARDINAL, ONTARIO, CANADA.

This case is predicated upon a telephone call received from Special Agent Zimmer of the New York Office who advised that a call had been received from Mr. Larson, S. A. C. Detroit, to the effect that Mrs. William Whittin, Cardinal, Ontario, Canada, had written to an unnamed policeman in Chicago that John Dillinger was in the vicinity of Cardinal and that she knows his whereabouts. The writer discreetly ascertained at the Dillon Hotel, Cardinal (not Cardinal) that a Mrs. William Whittin resided in that town:

DETAILS:

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It was generally known that any statement which she might make would be unreliable.

DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES

APPROVED AND FORWARDED:  <i>Matten</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE <i>attn</i>	62-29777-116	RECORDED AND INDEXED: MAY 7 - 1934
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Mrs. Ada Whittin, R.F.D. 1, Cardinal, Ontario, upon being interviewed, advised that she was the person who had written to the Chief of Police in Chicago relative to instant case.

At the time of the writer's call, Mrs. Whittin very briefly went over the facts and stated that she saw a person answering Dillinger's description in the town of Cardinal about one month previous to the time she wrote. Before that interview was completed, some friends visited the home of Mrs. Whittin and as a result the interview was continued later in the day.

Upon subsequently being interviewed, Mrs. Whittin advised that she saw a person answering the description of John Dillinger in Cardinal on April 20, 1934 at about 3 p.m. She recognized the person due to the fact that she had seen his picture in the Toronto newspapers several times. Continuing, Mrs. Whittin advised that she was first attracted to the person who answered the description of Dillinger in that he was talking with a person by the name of McCarthy who was employed in the Dillon Hotel and that this person is known to be a crook. It is her belief that he was mixed up with various racketeers in the vicinity. She had on occasion observed the person on the other side of the street. She crossed to the same side of the street, and the person walked in her direction and when he came in close proximity to her he glared at her and then drew his hand back as though to strike her. However, another person came along and he passed her. On this occasion her entire attention was attracted to him and she had an excellent opportunity to observe him and she was positive that he was John Dillinger as she had closely observed his picture in newspapers.

Mrs. Whittin further stated that about 7 p.m. the same evening the person whom she recognized as Dillinger passed her house and went to the office of Dr. Palmer who lives close by. She remained at Dr. Palmer's a short time and again passed her house when on both occasions she observed him looking directly at her house although there are several houses in the vicinity. Mrs. Whittin told many stories of the various experiences she has had with racketeers in the vicinity and that she feels certain they have "marked" her for death.

The writer questioned Mrs. Whittin for a considerable period of time, but was unable to procure any additional information. She stated that she had not seen this person prior to her

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observation of him on Friday, April 20, 1954. However, she agreed to notify the Buffalo Division Office in the event she saw him in the vicinity.

Mrs. Whittin described the person in question as being about 5'4", light hair, dark clothes, and deep cleft in chin. Due to the fact that he had a hat on it was impossible for her to approximate his age.

[REDACTED] was interviewed by the writer and advised that Mrs. [REDACTED] wife of William Whittin was well known to him. [REDACTED]

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Relative to Mrs. Whittin [REDACTED] stated that many occasions have arisen in the past for him to come in close contact with her and her activities; that she is very unreliable in every respect and any statements made by her were more apt to be false than true. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that Dr. Palmer is a practising physician and has been in Cardinal for approximately six years. He has a moderate clientele and has always conducted himself in a very orderly manner; however, occasionally he has been known to become intoxicated, but other than that [REDACTED] knew nothing against his reputation. He has never seen him with any but respectable people and he is well talked of in Cardinal.

The above information was telephonically communicated to A.S.A.C. R. B. Nathan, who advised that no further investigation was necessary in view of the unreliability of the informer and also in view of the fact that the town of Cardinal consisted of a population of only 1400 people.

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**Division of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**

**Northern Lights Hotel,  
Manitowish, Wisconsin.**

May 3, 1934.

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

Re: John Dillinger, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE - et al.  
Nat'l Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Dear Sir:-

There is being enclosed herewith by registered mail one bullet which was taken from the body of John Morris, who was shot during the raid on Little Bohemia lodge on April 22, 1934.

This bullet was turned over to Special Agent R. C. Suran on April 24, 1934, by Dr. W. A. Wacek of the Grandview Hospital at Ironwood, Michigan. The bullet was extracted from body of John Morris by Dr. Wacek on the morning of April 23, 1934.

Very truly yours,

*W. A. Rorer*  
W. A. Rorer,  
Inspector.

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**U. S. Department of Justice**  
**Northern Lights Hotel,**  
**Manitowish, Wisconsin.**

**May 3, 1934.**

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

Re: **John Dillinger, with aliases,**  
**FUGITIVE - et al.**  
**N.M.V.T.A.**

Dear Sir:-

There is being forwarded by registered mail to the Division under separate cover two bullets which were taken from the body of Eugene Boissoneau, deceased, who was shot during the raid on Little Bohemia lodge.

These bullets were given to Inspector W. A. Rorer on Saturday, April 28, 1934, immediately after the coroner's inquest by Dr. R.A.A. Oldfield of Eagle River, Wisconsin. These bullets were extracted from Boissoneau's body at 10:30 A.M., April 23, 1934, by Dr. Oldfield, who also has X-ray photographs of the bullet which lodged in the neck.

The bullet which is least mutilated was marked "A" by Dr. Oldfield prior to its delivery to Inspector Rorer. This bullet was taken from the left leg of Boissoneau. The other bullet which is mutilated considerably has been scratched with the letter "B" by Dr. Oldfield, and was taken by him from between the first and second cervical vertebrae of the body of Boissoneau. According to Dr. Oldfield, this bullet is the one which caused instantaneous death to Boissoneau, and an X-ray of it in the body is in Oldfield's possession.

Very truly yours,

*W. A. Rorer*

W. A. Rorer,  
Inspector.

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Bullets taken from body  
of Eugene P. Boissoneau and  
turned over to Inspector W.A.  
Rover by Dr. Oldfield of Eagle  
River, Wis. on 4/28/34

**U. S. Bureau of Investigation**

**Department of Justice**

**1900 Bankers Building  
Chicago Illinois**

**May 5, 1934**



**13660**

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

**Dear Sir:**

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

There is enclosed herewith a letter which was received by Walter Winchell, and which letter has been handled only by Mr. Winchell and his secretary. A photostat copy of this letter is being retained at the Chicago Division Office.

It is requested that examination be made of this letter to determine if latent fingerprints appear thereon, and for any other information which may be obtained from an examination of this letter by laboratory test.

Very truly yours,

*M. H. Purvis*

**M. H. PURVIS  
Special Agent in Charge**

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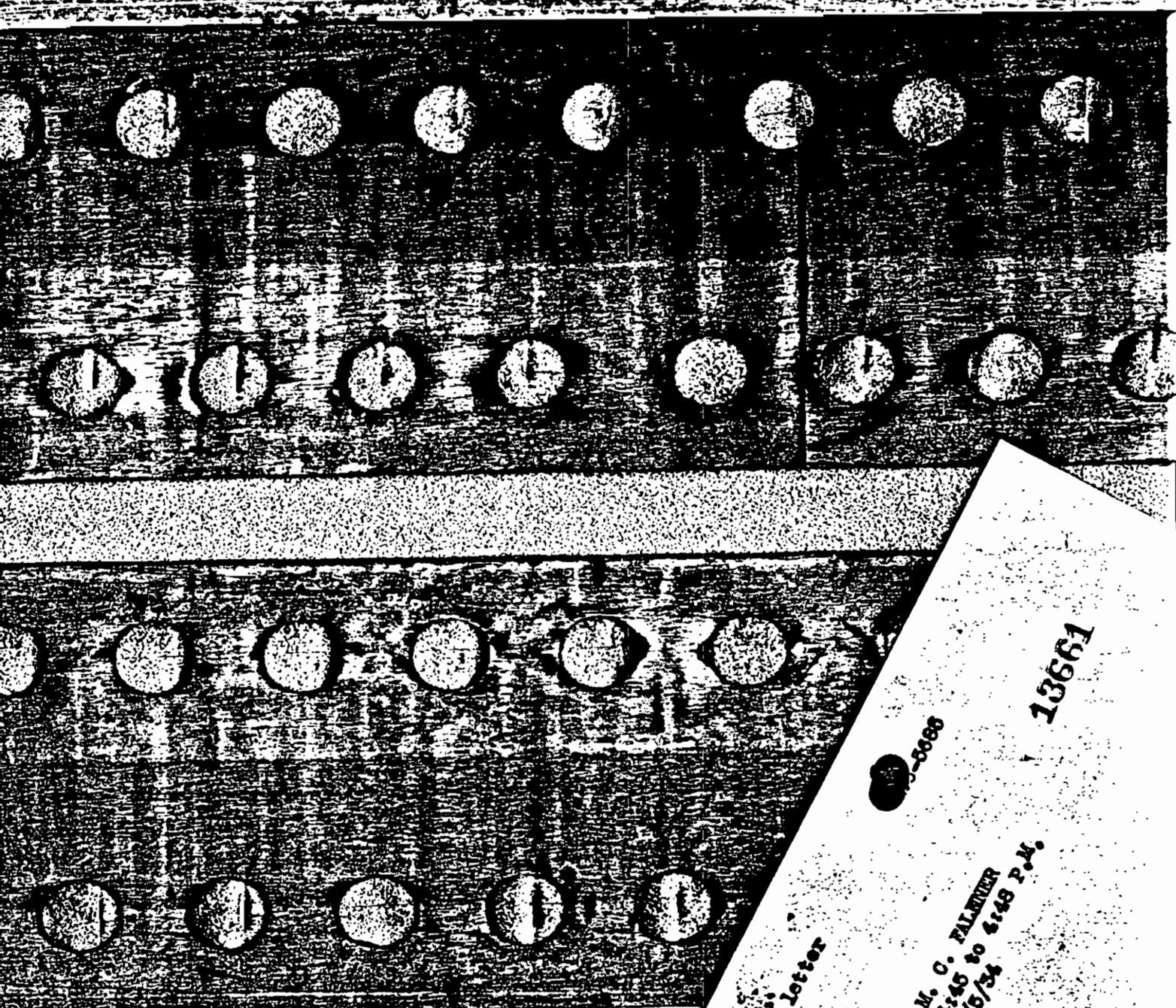
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M. C. PALMER  
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DOMESTIC	CABLE
TELEGRAM	FULL RATE
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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

Detroit, Michigan.  
May 4, 1934.

**TELEGRAM**

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

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JOHN DILLINGER EMVTA TRACE LINCOLN SEDAN MOTOR FIVE FIVE FIVE FOUR SIX SHIPPED  
LINCOLN COMPANY DETROIT TO LINCOLN COMPANY INDIANAPOLIS MARCH FIRST TWENTY NINE  
STOP LINCOLN DETROIT ADVISES CRANK CASE NUMBER THREE THREE SIX NAUGHT FOUR BODY  
PLATE SIXTEEN NINE B TEN DASH FOUR NAUGHT NINE BLACK FOUR PASSENGER TOWN SEDAN  
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**BIRMINGHAM, ALA., 8-4-34**



**WM LARSON**  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
625 LAFAYETTE BUILDING  
DETROIT MICHIGAN

*See serial 1101*

**JOHN BELLINGER BUVA TRACE LINCOLN SEDAN MOTOR FIVE FIVE FIVE FOUR**

**SIX ADVISE CHICAGO DIRECT**

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WESTERN UNION GIFT ORDERS SOLVE THE PERPLEXING QUESTION OF WHAT TO GIVE.

# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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

REPORT MADE AT <b>Birmingham, Ala.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>5-3-34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>4-30-34</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>S. L. Morton</b>
TITLE <b>JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. #1217; JOHN HAMILTON, with alias, I. O. #1220; ROMIE VAN METER, with aliases, I. O. #1221, et al.</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>National Motor Vehicle Theft Act; Obstruction of Justice</b>	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS One of three men, possibly John Hamilton, Ted Bents, and Ed Bents or Tommy Carroll, in Graham-Paige Sedan, arrested by Police, Paris, Tenn. 4-25-34 and released same day. Investigation at Atlanta, Ga. fails to disclose any trace of the Dillinger gang there. Georgia auto tag #39155D was purchased by S. T. Thomas for Essex Terraplane, Motor #56002 on 4-12-34. 1934 Ga. license 633A issued to Robert Wilson, Columbus, Ga. for Lincoln Sedan. Wilson unknown in Columbus and no theft record indicated for license or Lincoln Sedan.			

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**REFERENCE:** Telegram from Cincinnati Office, 4-19-34, report of Sp. Agt. Eliss Morton, Cincinnati, Ohio, 4-30-34, and telegram from Chicago Office dated 5-3-34.

**DETAILS:** This investigation is based on information given by Aubrey Wamsley, who advised that one Bart Dublin, 58 Highway #89, 18 miles north of Paris, Tennessee, often harbored fugitives.

At Paris, Tenn.

Agent contacted Yassar Summerville, who is in the business of selling soft drinks in Paris, Tenn., and who knows what goes on in and about the town. When shown the pictures of the Dillinger and Karpis gangs, Summerville selected the picture of Tommy Carroll as one whom he had seen in his place of business with a man who lives near Bart Dublin's tourist camp on Tennessee Highway #89, 20 miles north of Paris, Tenn.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>D. O. Smith</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	62-29777-1172	RECORDED AND INDEXED MAY 7 - 1934 CHECKED OFF MAY 10 1934 JACKETED
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of Paris, Tenn. On being questioned concerning these men, he stated that he did not know the local man's name, but did remember seeing him at his store around April 17, 1934, in company with the one bearing a striking resemblance to Tommy Carroll. He noticed particularly that the man answering to the description of Tommy Carroll seemed quite agitated and nervous, refused to sit down while drinking his beer, and kept going to the door and looking out.

In an interview with the Chief of Police, H. E. Butler, Paris, Tenn., it was disclosed to Agent that on Wednesday, April 25, 1934, one S. E. Ridgeway, a country merchant on Tennessee Highway 409, 17 miles north of Paris, Tenn., made a complaint to the local police that he was robbed that day of \$15.00 by a man who pretended to sell him a gambling board, and that when he took his money out to pay him, the man snatched his money out of his hand and ran out of the door, and got in a car with two other men, who drove off in the direction of Paris, Tenn., in a car with an Indiana license.

Butler told Agent that he then summoned the Sheriff of Henry County, J. A. Caldwell, and his two deputies, R. L. Veazey and W. B. Martin, Paris, Tenn., and set out to look for these men. R. L. Veazey and W. B. Martin drove down the street and noticed a car with an Indiana license being greased at the Apex Gas Station. They drove up and accosted the man who was standing there and asked him to come up to the police station. The man became quite nervous and worried, but accompanied them willingly. On the way the officers acquainted him with the facts, and he begged them not to lock him up until they got in touch with his friends, who were in town getting a bite to eat. At the police station, Ridgeway identified the man as the one who had stolen his money. At the thief's request, the officers went out to look for his friends. The thief gave his name as William Moore of Paducah, Ky. The friends of the man were found at the Greystone Hotel, and accompanied the officers to the City Hall. After some discussion it was agreed that the man in custody be released if he refunded the money and pay the costs. This was done, and the man was released without any fingerprints being taken, or any search being made. Butler said that the men told him they were on their way to Little Rock, Ark.

When shown the pictures of the Dillinger and the Karpis gangs, Butler selected John Hamilton's picture from the lot, saying that was one of the men. He then picked two other pictures, stating that he felt Tommy Carroll and Ted Bents were the other two, and that Carroll was the same man that they had in their custody. At a later period, when shown the pictures, Butler told Special Agents Fitzsimons and Morgan that he was almost positive that Carroll was the man whom they arrested.

J. A. Caldwell, Sheriff of Henry County, and his two deputies, R. L. Veazey and W. B. Martin, substantiated the statement made by H. E. Butler, Chief of Police, Paris, Tenn.

J. A. Caldwell identified the pictures of Hamilton, Ted and Ed Bents, being positive in his identification of Hamilton. At a later date, Caldwell, in the presence of Special Agents Fitzsimons and Morgan, identified Tommy Carroll as the man who was arrested, contrary to his identification of Ed Bents the day before.

Veazey and Martin, when shown the pictures of the Dillinger and Karpis gangs, identified the pictures of Hamilton, Ted and Ed Bents as the men involved in the robbery of Ridgeway on April 25, 1934, being more certain in their identification of Ted Bents and Hamilton.

Veazey informed Agent that in looking in the car, which was a black Graham-Paige Sedan, Indiana license #212477, they found a piece of envelope bearing names which he believed to be Cox, Bents, and another which he could not remember. The man whom they arrested told them that they had come from Paducah, Kentucky. They found in the car, a toll bridge ticket over the Henderson-Evansville Bridge, which they retained.

Gentry Cooper, porter of Greystone Hotel, Paris, Tenn., informed Agent that he had shined the shoes of the big man who was involved in the robbery. When shown the pictures of the Dillinger and Karpis gangs, he selected the photo of Ted Bents as the man whose shoes he had shined, feeling fairly positive in his identification. He also selected the picture of John Hamilton as the man in the hotel with the man he believed Bents. They told him they were going to Clarksville, Tennessee.

Wida Miller and Elizabeth Dumas, at the Greystone Hotel, Paris, Tenn., stated that they were very frightened when the men came in and did not get a good look at them. However, they felt that there was a resemblance between the picture of Hamilton and one of the men.

Grady Moore, B. G. Olary and A. B. Hudgins, Star Cleaners Co., Paris, Tenn., informed Agent that one of the men had come in their place of business before the arrest, to get a suit pressed. They identified the picture of John Hamilton as the man, saying that they did not get a good look at his hands, that when he paid them he turned around to draw the money out of his pocket, and paid them with his left hand, keeping his right hand in his pocket.

E. E. Ridgeway, Route #2, Paris, Tenn., stated to Agent that prior to the robbery, a large black car came down the road and stopped a little ways from her home. Two men got out of the car and proceeded to enter the woods. The car turned around and went back in the direction of Bart Dublin's place. After more than an hour, the car returned, and the two men came out of the woods, and got in and they sped off in the direction of Paris, Tenn.

M. L. Jackson, Apex Service Station, Paris, Tenn., stated to Agent that had serviced the car when the man known as William Moore was arrested by Officers Veasey and Martin. When shown the pictures he identified Hamilton as one of them, and felt that the large man resembled the picture of Ted Bents. He failed to identify the man who was arrested.

Dumas Veasey, Apex Service Station, Paris, Tenn., told Agent that he was engaged in a conversation with the large man, and he told him that they were from Indianapolis and on their way to Nashville. When shown the pictures he was positive in the identification of the large man as Ted Bents. Veasey did not get a good look at the other man and failed to make an identification.

Mrs. Beulah Reeves, Route #2, Paris, Tenn., stated to Agent that prior to the robbery a large black car came down the road, and stopped a little way from her home. Two men got out of the car and proceeded to enter the woods. The car turned around and went back in the direction of Bart Dublin's place. After more than an hour, the car returned, and the two men came out of the woods and got in and they sped off in the direction of Paris, Tenn.

The following descriptions, all seemingly alike, were obtained from the persons interviewed above.

One arrested and identified as Tommy Carroll and Ed Bents.

Age	35 - 40
Height	5'11"
Weight	165 - 170
Build	Medium
Nose	Large
Manner	Nervous
Complexion	Dark

One identified as John Hamilton.

Age	35 - 39
Height	5'8"
Weight	160
Build	Medium
Hair	Light brown
Complexion	Fair
Nose	Pointed
Manner	Cool
Scars	Between eyebrows, curving upwards.

One identified as Ted Bents.

Age	20
Height	5'11" or 5'
Weight	220
Hair	Heavy
Complexion	Fair
Manner	Fast

The Cincinnati Office was immediately requested by telegram to check Indiana license #218477, and according to the reference report of Special Agent Eliss Morton, it was ascertained that the license was issued to Hugh McCain, R.R. #5, Petersburg, Indiana, for a Chevrolet Coupe, 1926 model; that neither the car nor the license plates had been stolen, and that the plates were still on the car. McCain's description does not tally with that of any of those given above.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent E. S. Douglas:

At Atlanta, Ga.

Agent interviewed Mrs. Harvey Persons at the Postal Hotel, Atlanta, Ga. Mrs. Persons was shown pictures of the Dillinger gang, but failed to make an identification, advising that her husband was on duty the night shift, and that he might be contacted later in the day. Mrs. Persons exhibited the hotel register, which reflected nothing material. The names of all the persons registering at the hotel from April 9, 1934 to April 16, 1934, were taken by Agent. Mrs. Persons stated that if any of the guests at the hotel during the above period had an Essex automobile, she did not know of it.

Andrew Harris, porter at the Postal Hotel, Atlanta, stated that he did not remember any men coming to the hotel with an Essex car, and when exhibited the pictures of the Dillinger gang, failed to make an identification.

Miss Nan Wood, Miss Kate Chalmers and Mrs. Harold Levy, clerks at the Georgia Auto Registration Bureau windows, Atlanta, Ga., all failed to make an identification of any of the Dillinger gang from the pictures exhibited to them.

Miss Nan Wood produced an application for a license on motor #56004. This application reflected that the license was purchased at the

window of the Bureau, and Miss Wood stated that it was sold by herself, or Miss Sulpepper or Mrs. Erby. The application reflected that the car was an Essex Terraplane, and that the address of the applicant was the Postal Hotel, Atlanta, Ga. It was signed by E. T. Thomas, and dated April 12, 1934; Georgia tag #9183D was purchased for the above mentioned car.

Mr. Harvey Parsons, Postal Hotel, Atlanta, Ga., stated that on the 11th of April, 1934, E. T. Thomas and R. J. Watson registered at his hotel and stayed in the same room on the night of April 11, 1934, and that they checked out at 2:00 P.M. on April 12, 1934; that he remembered these two men from the fact that one of them was short and the other tall, the only description he could give being that one of them was about 6' tall and had black hair, and was slender. He could not describe the short one. Pictures of the Dillinger gang were exhibited to Mr. Parsons, but no identification could be made. Mr. Parsons stated that these two men came to his hotel with a note from a ticket agent at the Union Bus Station, Atlanta, Ga. This note read Postal Hotel, signed W. D. Hamilton.

Mr. W. D. Hamilton, ticket agent at the Union Bus Station, stated that two men asked him where they could find a reasonable hotel, and that he wrote the name of this hotel on a piece of paper for them; that he did not know whether they came in on a bus or not, and that he could not give a description of these men. The pictures of the Dillinger gang were exhibited to Mr. Hamilton, but he could not make an identification.

The Cone St. Garage, the Forsyth Bldg. Garage and all parking lots in the vicinity of the Postal Hotel, Atlanta, Ga., were checked, but no information concerning an Essex Automobile having been parked at any one of these places was obtainable.

Agent made tracings of the signature of E. T. Thomas, as it appeared on the application for license, and as it appeared on the Postal Hotel register. The same are being attached to copy of this report for the Chicago Office, for the purpose of making a comparison with handwriting of the Dillinger gang members. The name R. J. Watson is also traced, but it appears to be in the same hand as that of Thomas, and Agent was advised by Mr. Parsons of the Postal Hotel, that one man registered for the two.

On receipt of telegram of reference from the Chicago Division Office, which advised that 1934 Ga. automobile license 635A were seen on a Lincoln Sedan in northern Michigan, Agent contacted the Automobile Registration Bureau, Atlanta, Ga., ascertaining that the tags in question were issued on January 2, 1934, to Robert Wilson, Elks Club, Columbus, Ga., for Lincoln Sedan, Motor #55546.

The Automobile Underwriters Detective Bureau advised that they have no record of the Lincoln Sedan above mentioned.

Special Agent Walter L. Becht, Jr., made inquiry of the Police Department and Elks Club in Columbus, Ga., where it was ascertained that Robert Wilson is unknown, and there is no record available indicating that the Lincoln Sedan in question had been registered in Columbus, Ga.

The Detroit Office was requested by telegram to trace Lincoln Sedan, Motor #35546, advising the Chicago office direct, relative to same.

U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

P. O. Box # 987  
Pittsburgh, Pa.



May 5, 1934

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

Dear Sir:

In connection with the investigation of leads in the case entitled JOHN DILLINGER - FUGITIVE et al, NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT, a raid was planned and executed on the night of April 30, 1934.

From available descriptions of the objective of the raid, it was determined that the gas grenades and gas projectiles available at the Division Office would be inadequate for the probable requirements of the raid and accordingly there was purchased from the Federal Laboratories, Inc., of Pittsburgh, 1 1/2" calibre long range projectiles at a cost of \$84.00 per dozen. There was also purchased one dozen Jumbo size gas grenades at \$96.00 a dozen and one-half dozen nautating gas grenades, Jumbo size, at \$96.00 a dozen. The total of the expenditures for these purchases is \$228, and a voucher will be submitted in the near future.

Unless other Division offices have an unusually small supply of these grenades and projectiles on hand I would recommend that this equipment be retained at the Pittsburgh Division Office for possible future emergency use.

Very truly yours,

*E. A. Tamm*  
E. A. TAMM  
Special Agent in Charge

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May 5, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

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

Chief of Police O. H. Cornwell, Xenia, Ohio, has referred  
to Special Agent G. H. Treadwell, a communication received by the  
Xenia, Ohio Police Department, postmarked at Gary, Ind., 2 P.M. May 3,  
1934, reading as follows:

\*Police Dept.  
Xenia, Ohio.

Gary, Ind.  
May 3rd.  
1934.

Dear Sirs:

Nelson belong to the Bankers Protection Assn. of Illinois.  
He is with His Sister at Granite City Ill. Columbus Ohio Xenia Ohio.  
Nelson has 14 Bank under His supervision.

Jones.\*

With the letter was enclosed a Sinclair Oil Company map of  
Illinois on which had been marked the following towns:

Granite City,  
Cairo,

Staunton,  
Belleville,

Mattoon,  
Edwardsville,

On the margin of the map had been written with pencil "James  
Valentine, Staunton, Ill.\*"

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Only three persons had handled the documents, namely Chief of Police Cornwell, Sergeant Lawrence Purdon, and Patrolman Peter Shagin, all of the Xenia Police Department. The documents in question and fingerprints of the three officers are forwarded herewith.

Agent G. H. Treadwell, conferred with Chief of Police Cornwell and the latter states he is Secretary of the Ohio State Crime Commission which might account for the letter being sent to him.

Very truly yours,



ELISS MORTON,  
Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box #766  
Cincinnati, Ohio

May 4, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:-

In connection with investigation of this matter, Special Agent Chapmon Fletcher, engaged at Columbus, Ohio, has kept in contact with the Governor's office and with the office of the Warden of the State Penitentiary, where Dillinger's erstwhile comrades are incarcerated.

Miss Hilda Wittenmeier, personal stenographer to the Governor, is the only one who has handled the following communications, which are forwarded to you herewith in cellophane wrapping, together with a copy of Miss Wittenmeier's fingerprints.

The first communication is addressed to "Governor White, Columbus, Ohio", is postmarked Chicago, Ill., April, 1934, and reads, "Do all you can to save these boys Pierpoint-Lakley They must not die Dont forget Lary. These men paid to get out at Michigan City" signed "Triggerman".

The second communication is addressed to "Gov Geo. White, Columbus, Ohio" is postmarked Shadyside, Ohio, April 30, 1934 and reads, "George, we will give you just about one week to release 'Clerk, Pierpoint and Makley'. If not one of your family will be missing for we are keeping an eye on him and if the men are not released 'Bang' and we will kept that up" signed "One of Dillinger's 'gangsters'".

The third communication is addressed to "Gov. George White, Columbus, Ohio" is postmarked Shadyside, Ohio, May 2, 1934 and reads, as follows: "George, There is just a few more days left to free those men unless you want a 'funeral' at your home. We can see some of family who are within rife range, but you can't tell it might be you, or your son & daughter. So there are only a few more days left. There will be another warning and after that it will be a sad, sad day for some one in your family." Signed "One of Dillinger's gang".

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copy and specimens forwarded to Laboratory Lab P. P. P. CH 5/13/34 P. change note.

These communications are forwarded herewith, in view of the fact that the Division will undoubtedly desire to ascertain whether any latent fingerprints may be found on same.

Another communication has been received by the Governor from Shadyside, Ohio bearing the date "8-4-34" (apparently intended for April 8, 1934) which has been turned over to Agent Fletcher and is transmitted herewith. This communication reads, as follows: "Governor George White, Columbus, Ohio. Honorable George White, Received your letter on the 7th of April and you have request an written interview with you Governor White, It is impossible for me to write, because it is hard for me to explain what I mean and furthermore it is an important object to discuss with you Governor White. I am begging of you Governor White so that you will be sincere and kind and except me before you and let me explain the case, Please let me know when it will be possible for me to be present, yours truly" signed "Anton Zemelka".

It will be noted that this letter has been handled by a number of people and placed in the files of the Governor's office, and also that the name of the writer is given thereon. Attention is called to the fact that the prior communications signed "One of Dillinger's gang" bear some resemblance, as to handwriting, to that signed "Anton Zemelka".

Very truly yours,



BLISS MORTON, Acting  
Special Agent in Charge.

CC Chicago (3)

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Laboratory Report

Case: John Dillinger with aliases, I.O.#1217, et al. Number: 62-29777-1175  
NMVTA and Fugitive.

Specimens: One set of fingerprints for Miss Hilda Wittenmeyer.  
One original letter beginning, "Governor George White, Columbus, Ohio. Honorable George White, Received your letter on the 7th of April and you have request an written, etc."  
One original letter printed with pencil and beginning, "Do all you can to save these boys Pisspont - Makley, etc."

\*\*Other specimens listed below.

Examination requested by:  
Cincinnati Division Office.

Date received: May 9, 1934

Examination requested: General and Fingerprint.

Result of examination:

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Examination by:

\*\*One envelope in which the above letter was mailed, postmarked 42 Chicago, Ill., Apr - 1934, 930PM.

One original letter written with pencil and beginning, "George, We will give you just about one week to release, etc."

One envelope in which the above letter was mailed, postmarked Shadyside, Ohio, Apr 30, 1934, 730AM.

One original letter written with pencil and beginning, "George, There is just a few more days left to free those men unless you want a "funerals, etc."

One envelope in which the above letter was mailed, postmarked Shadyside, Ohio, May 2, 1934, 230PM.

One newspaper photograph of man wearing prison number 1101.

4/10 "george, we will give you it. letter paper  
7.94x str torn off for spec. .0021 wt. 1.6625  
simple lines .39 apart starting 1.63 from top  
one side 1.61 other The vertical line .91 from  
left side one side 1.39 from left side other  
hole 30 diam .51 from edge  
2.15 from top (both measured to edge of  
round hole). now

envelope for no. 1  
No Wm laid ~~the~~ white bus. 5.99 x 3.55 - 0051 - W.V. 27111  
Pencil handwriting identical with that on the letter.

2] Letter "George there is just a few" 7.94 x 5 + torn  
off ~~of~~ W.V. 1.6095  
No Wm purple lines 39 apart beginning 1/4  
from bottom of lines on side 6.4/ other  
red vertical line 92 from left edge one side  
1.78 other - hole 25 + in diam. 42 from  
4 edge to 206 from bottom edge (undamaged)  
in both instances from edge of leaf. ~~Not identical with~~  
that of no. 1  
Envelope 6.01 x 3.54 - 0044 - W.V. 2.8919  
No Wm laid white bus. ~~both~~ Not identical envelope of no. 1  
handwriting identical with letter 6 with  
letter D in Envs of Apr 10)

3] Letter 4.98 x 7.99 - 0038 - W.V. 1.4819  
lined green lines 33 apart beginning 1.78 from  
top one side & none other 46 to bottom  
No Wm pad paper fastened at top with  
glue  
Pencil printing on envelope & letter  
identical but stamps compare with other  
letters which are scrips

Envelope 6.65 x 3.65 - 0054 - W.V. 3.7482  
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Among not like other envelopes in case.

4. Letter 8/4/34 signed Benton Bennett not same paper  
as another and handwriting is also different

OFFICE OF DIRECTOR  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

May 4, 1934.

MEMORANDUM

Mr. Nathan telephoned from Indiana. He stated that he and Mr. Connelley had a very satisfactory conference with Governor McNutt this morning. Mr. Nathan stated that apparently Governor McNutt's chief desire is to have a member of the State Police present when Dillinger is captured, and he assured the Governor that whenever possible we would call upon the State troopers. Mr. Nathan suggested that on confidential matters we contact with a specially designated representative. Governor McNutt was in accord with this suggestion, and mentioned the name of Captain Leach. However, Mr. Nathan suggested that since our men know Mr. Feeney, Director of Public Safety, and trust him, it might be better for us to contact with him. Governor McNutt agreed to this.

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MR. QUINN.....  
MR. LESPER.....  
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MR. RORER.....

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U. S. Department of Justice

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

May 4, 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, et al.  
N.M.V.T.A. - HARBORING  
St. Paul File No. 26-2434.

MRS. BESSIE SKINNER alias GREEN was interviewed at the St. Paul Division Office on the evening of May 3, 1934. She advised that, in addition to the two BARKER boys, ALVIN KARPIS, HARRY CAMPBELL, VOLNEY DAVIS, and BILL WEAVER, there were, in fact, two other members of the BARKER-KARPIS gang and they are as follows:

1. An individual by the name of "DUTCH" from Des Moines, Iowa. His girl friend is named FRANCES and her man was killed in Kansas City six or seven years ago and was from Des Moines, Iowa, and both "DUTCH" and his girl friend, FRANCES, are close friends of MYRTLE EATON and some time ago FRANCES, who owned a Lincoln automobile, was hard pressed for finances and sold the automobile to ANDY ROTHEMIRE in St. Paul, Minnesota, ROTHEMIRE being an occasional intimate friend of MYRTLE EATON'S. She advised that WILLIAM WEAVER and MYRTLE EATON met "DUTCH" and FRANCES in Chicago during the World's Fair. She believes they met "at the lake". She claimed to be unable to explain further what was meant by the term, "at the lake".

2. An individual called "BIG BOY", also known as "BIG HOMER" (refer to previous reports concerning him in the BREMER kidnaping case; the Kansas City Massacre case; and interview with EDDIE DOLL in Florida). BESSIE SKINNER stated that "BIG HOMER" was from Chicago, and his wife and son, who is seven or eight years of age, reside in Chicago.

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MRS. BESSIE SKINNER advised that MYRTLE EATON frequently visits NELL HOWARD, who is well known in Kansas City, and NELL is considered a friend of the BARKER-KARPIS groups' girl friends and MYRTLE EATON has been known to frequently visit NELL HOWARD in Kansas City. The Kansas City Office was advised of this information by telegram.

BESSIE stated that the BARKER-KARPIS boys visited the Kentucky Derby, in 1933, in fact, one of the members of this mob invited EDDIE GREEN and BESSIE to accompany them to Kentucky for the Derby but, at the time, BESSIE was not feeling well and did not go with them. She stated that she felt reasonably certain that several, if not all, of the members of this group would attend the Kentucky Derby in the near future and that, particularly, VOLNEY DAVIS might be expected to be there and he would be accompanied by his girl friend, who goes by the names of GRACE MURRAY and EDNA MURRAY. She is blond, 36 or 37 years of age, short and heavy, being unusually broad across the back.

She further advised that PAULA HARMON now has a series of false upper teeth in front and that, when she talks, her teeth show very noticeably. She is wearing a long bob, coming down to the shoulders and curling up. She uses no make-up and her cheek bones, as the result of an automobile accident, have been so deranged as to make PAULA'S face look flat. She examined photographs of PAULA HARMON and stated that the middle photograph, of the group sent by the Division wherein three small photographs appear on one mounting, more closely resembles PAULA HARMON than any of the others, although her features have changed considerably on account of the accident.

BESSIE was shown the photographs of the three girls being held in the Madison, Wisconsin, jail, the three girls in question being those who were found in the lodge at "Little Bohemia". She identified the blond as the girl friend of TOMMY CARROLL, who was, likewise, a sister of PAT RILEY'S wife. This blond, she stated, is twenty-four years of age and had visited BESSIE GREEN on several occasions in the latter's apartment at 3300 Fremont Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota. She, BESSIE, stated that this girl had not been living with CARROLL for a very long period of time; that she had ~~gone from~~ <sup>come from</sup> the Twin Cities ~~to~~ <sup>from</sup> Chicago where she was married to a young fellow who is believed to play in WAYNE KING'S ORCHESTRA, or, at least, he is a night club entertainer in Chicago. BESSIE stated that the blond's hair had been bleached and that the blond's appearance,

as shown in the photograph, was unnatural. BESSIE stated that this same blond girl and PAT RILEY'S wife were both sisters of a girl in Chicago by the name of DOLORES; that DOLORES is about 19 years of age and has light brown hair and that this girl, DOLORES, is the girl friend of ALVIN KARPIS. KARPIS maintains an apartment for her constantly in Chicago regardless of where KARPIS may be at the time.

NOTE: It is noted that PAT RILEY'S wife and the blond in custody at Madison, Wisconsin, have both stated that the maiden name of DELANEY is theirs. It is also observed that one of the individuals in custody at Chicago, charged with the possession, or passing of the BREMER kidnap money was named DELANEY. The suggestion is offered that it might be within the realm of possibility that KARPIS was making an effort to get rid of his share of the ransom money through connections which he had with the girl, DOLORES DELANEY, with whom he was living.

PAT RILEY'S wife has also stated that she has a brother by the name of ROBERT, and a sister by the name of JEAN, and that her father was once a railroad detective in Chicago. BESSIE stated that she recalls that shortly before Christmas, 1933, flowers were sent to the mother of DOLORES DELANEY, in Chicago, either by DOLORES or by ALVIN KARPIS. These flowers were sent two or three weeks before Christmas.

BESSIE GREEN identified the photographs of the two brunette girls held at Madison, Wisconsin, as follows:

The girl giving the name of ROSE ANCKER was known to BESSIE as "MICKEY" and is the girl friend of HOMER VAN MEYER and lived with VAN MEYER at 3310 Fremont Avenue, Minneapolis, near BESSIE GREEN'S apartment, under the name of MR. and MRS. OBER. The above mentioned blond girl friend of TOMMY CARROLL, likewise, visited BESSIE GREEN and ROSE ANCKER alias MRS. OBER.

The woman who gave her name as MRS. THEODORE MARR, according to BESSIE GREEN, is the wife of JIMMIE alias "BABY FACE" NELSON and is the mother of JIMMIE'S two children, a boy about four years of age, by the name of RONALD, and a little girl about two and one-half years of age, who are living with either JIMMIE'S mother, or his wife's mother, in Chicago.

Concerning the individual by the name of "IZZY", in Chicago, who is believed to have passed a portion of the ransom money, BESSIE stated that she was acquainted with an individual by the name of "IZZY" WOLKE, who, with his brother, JOE WOLKE, had been in the transfer business in Minneapolis, and both of whom were close friends of HARRY SAWYER and formerly permitted the use of their trucks in handling cargoes of liquor for HARRY SAWYER and DANNY HOGAN. BESSIE stated that she knew this was true because she, at one time, lived with a man by the name of BOB WALSH and BOB would obtain the services of "IZZY" WOLKE'S trucks in order to handle cargoes of liquor for SAWYER.

BESSIE GREEN admitted that she, personally, called at the apartment house located at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, in St. Paul, Minnesota, and rented the apartment which was subsequently occupied by JOHN DILLINGER and BILLIE FRECHETTE and she knew that this apartment was being rented for this purpose.

Concerning the investigation made at San Antonio, Texas, relative to the purchase and shipment of machine guns, BESSIE stated that she did not know the name of the Jew in San Antonio, but she had heard VAN METER, and other members of the mob, talk about a Jew in San Antonio with whom they did business. She didn't know just what business it was they had with the Jew, nor did she know the Jew's name, but she remembered some discussion about the following situation:

She stated that she had heard EDDIE GREEN state, that in San Antonio, Texas, last summer or in the early fall, JIMMIE WILLIAMS alias "BABY FACE" NELSON, who was probably accompanied by his wife; TOMMY CARROLL, who was not accompanied by a girl friend, but he made a "play" for a manicurist in San Antonio and his attentions to this manicurist led, either directly or indirectly, to the scrape which CARROLL got into when he killed a policeman. She stated that there was also an individual in the group at San Antonio by the name of CHURCH, or CHUCK, and she stated that "CHUCK" was probably correct for his nickname; that his name was, in fact, CHUCK FISHER; that he is now in Leavenworth Penitentiary where he was sentenced not very long ago to serve five years on a charge of mail robbery. She, likewise, understands that HOMER VAN METER was in San Antonio about that time and probably TOMMY GANNON. She said that TOMMY GANNON'S wife, or girl friend, although being in her early twenties, looked as though she might be in her late thirties because she dissipated a great deal.

BESSIE stated that she had, on the occasion of a previous interview, been shown a photograph of BERNARD PHILLIPS. She suggested that no further effort be made to locate BERNARD PHILLIPS who had more than a year ago been taken on a "one way ride"; that his wife was in New York at the time and could not get any word about the location of BERNARD PHILLIPS and his wife caught a bus for the Twin Cities and made inquiries here as to his whereabouts but she said she has not been informed that PHILLIPS had been killed. HARRY SAWYER had told BESSIE about the trip made by PHILLIPS' wife and SAWYER stated that he did not tell her that PHILLIPS was dead. SAWYER explained that PHILLIPS had double-crossed his pals.

BESSIE stated that in and around Chicago, HARRY SAWYER has a friend by the name of SKIP MAYME. She does not know any more about him, she claims.

BESSIE stated that LOUIS CERNOCKY, who runs "LOUIE'S PLACE", north of Chicago, was, she believed, a Bohemian and he is an individual who weighed more than three hundred pounds and usually stood behind his bar all day long while his wife, who weighed more than two hundred pounds, was a very hard worker. They have a son, now attending law school in Chicago, of whom they are very proud. She stated that LOUIS CERNOCKY has a physician who lives at Cary, Illinois; that this physician is about forty-five to fifty years of age, has gray hair, and is a refined and nice appearing man. He is German and has a German name. She believes that there are only one or two doctors in Cary, and his identity would probably be easily established. BESSIE has seen this doctor on an occasion when she and EDDIE GREEN visited LOUIE'S PLACE when she desired to obtain some insurance; that, they applied for insurance from a "kid" who worked in a bank at Fox River, Grove. She paid one year's premium in advance and had LOUIE'S doctor at Cary examine her and about a year later she had her money refunded because the insurance company had refused, for some reason, to insure her. She suggested that this doctor might be an individual who would treat any of the DILLINGER gang who were wounded.

The following quoted telegram was received on May 3, 1934, from Special Agent S.W. Hardy, at Madison, Wisconsin:

THOMAS CARROLL INDICTED FEDERAL COURT MADISON WESTERN DISTRICT WISCONSIN JUNE SEVENTEENTH NINETEEN THIRTY THREE CHARGE MARCH SEVEN NINETEEN THIRTY THREE AT OGEMA WISCONSIN BURGLARIOUSLY BREAK ENTER POST OFFICE WITH INTENT STEAL MONIES OF UNITED STATES COUNT TWO STEALING

MONEY STAMPS OGEWA COUNT THREE BREAKING ENTERING TURTLE LAKE WISCONSIN  
POST OFFICE MARCH NINE NINETEEN THIRTY THREE COUNT FOUR STEALING MONIES  
PROPERTY UNITED STATES MONEY ORDER FORMS THERE FAILED TO APPEAR FOR TRIAL  
FEDERAL COURT LACROSSE WISCONSIN NOVEMBER SIXTEEN LAST BOND ORDERED  
FORFEITED BENCH WARRANT ORDERED ISSUED BENCH WARRANT ISSUED NOVEMBER  
SEVENTEEN LAST AND RETURNED NOT FOUND.

Very truly yours,

  
H.H. CLEGG, INSPECTOR

HHC:TC

CC Chicago  
Kansas City  
Cincinnati  
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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

REPORT MADE AT <b>CHICAGO, ILLINOIS</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>5-5-34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>4/25-5/1/34</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>W. A. RORER</b>
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TITLE <b>JOHN HERBERT HILLINGER, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 10291; JOHN HAMILTON, with alias, I.O. 1220; EDWARD VANMEETER, with aliases, I.O. 1222; ALBERT W. WELLY, with aliases, I.O. 1223; LESTER M. CHILLIS, with aliases, I.O. 1225;</b>	CHARACTER OF CASE <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Conspiracy to Harbor Fugitives)</b>
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: **THOMAS LEONARD CARROLL, with aliases, I.O. 1224, et al.**

**Synopsis of Facts:** Investigation disclosed that subject Nelson stayed at the cabin of Ollie Catfish on the Lac Du Flambeau Chippewa Indian Reservation from April 23rd to April 28, 1934. At the point of a gun Nelson made Adolph A. Goetz turn over his Plymouth Sedan and forced Ollie Catfish to guide him to Route 70 near which point Ollie Catfish was let out. Nelson believed seen going East on Route 70 and South on Route 51 shortly after taking the car belonging to Goetz. Emil Wanatka denies criminal record.

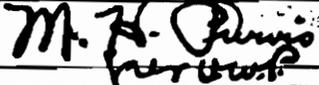
**DETAILS:**

This report covers the investigative activity of Inspector W. A. Rorer and Special Agents Rhodes, Suran, Madala and Melvin, and consists largely of memoranda submitted by the above named.

Undersheriff Delbert McGroeger of Vilas County, Eagle River, Wisconsin, telephoned the Northern Lights Hotel, Manitowish, Wisconsin, at 11:15 p.m. on April 26, 1934, and talked with Special Agent John L. Madala.

He advised that he just received a report to the effect that an unknown party had stolen a Plymouth Deluxe Sedan, bearing 1934

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X Resolved by Mr. Quinn

Wisconsin plates 3718 (late changed to 3731) at the Lac Du Flambeau Indian Reservation and was heading west on Highway 70 towards Winona, Wisconsin. He further stated that this unknown man had been living with an old Indian on the reservation since Monday, April 23rd, 1934. McGroeger advised that he would telephone the Sheriff at Park Falls, Wisconsin, instructing him to block the bridge at that point, and suggesting that we immediately contact the Sheriff at Winfield, advising him to do the same there.

Inspector W. A. Rorer was immediately notified of the above and Special Agent E. G. Melvin called all police departments within a radius of 150 miles of Lac Du Flambeau, Wisconsin, advising them to be on the lookout for the above described automobile. Inspector Rorer then called Undersheriff McGroeger at Eagle River and made arrangements to meet him at Woodruff, Wisconsin. Special Agents F. L. Madala, E. G. Suran, M. B. Rhodes, and Inspector Rorer proceeded to Woodruff by automobile and there met Undersheriff McGroeger and two deputies shortly after midnight. Both cars immediately proceeded to Winfield, Wisconsin, and were met there by Sheriff Gregg of Price County, Phillips, Wisconsin. He advised that he and his men had arrived there shortly after midnight, and that no car answering the above description had passed through Winfield since their arrival. The agents and Undersheriff McGroeger then returned to Woodruff, whereupon he departed for home, and agents proceeded to Manitowish awaiting word from the other police departments called.

It was determined by phone to Merrill, Wisconsin, that the above mentioned Plymouth Sedan bore motor #160620 and the St. Paul and Chicago Offices, as well as Wisconsin peace officers were immediately advised.

#### AT LAC DU FLAMBEAU, WISCONSIN.

On the morning of Friday, April 27th, Special Agents F. G. Melvin and M. B. Rhodes proceeded to the office of Mr. P. W. Farver, Superintendent of the Lac Du Flambeau Indian Reservation, and conducted the following investigation:

Mr. Adolph A. Goetz stated to Agent Rhodes that he is an R.F.D. letter carrier, working out of the Merrill, Wisconsin, Post Office and residing at Merrill; that he is the owner of a 1933 model Plymouth Deluxe Sedan. Mr. Goetz was unable at the time of the interview to advise the motor and license numbers of the car, and suggested that agent contact the Sheriff at Merrill, by telephone, and have him obtain from his, Goetz's, papers at his house, the correct numbers. The above suggestion was communicated by Agent Rhodes, by telephone, to

Inspector Horer and the latter subsequently ascertained, as above indicated, the correct license and motor numbers. Goetz further described his car as follows. Blue body with black top, yellow stripe around body below windows, wooden wheels, blue in color, with a small, yellow stripe running towards the rear, three of the fenders thereon were dented, the right front fender being wadded in the center outside. The car had about 18,000 miles registered thereon, and before he left his home at Merrill on the afternoon of April 28 for Lac Du Flambeau, a distance of about 60 miles, he put 10 gallons of gas in his tank and filled the car with oil.

Goetz stated that upon his arrival at the Indian Reservation at Lac Du Flambeau about 9 p.m., April 28, he contacted his Indian friend Albert (Al) Snow, who lives on the reservation, and the two proceeded in his car to a spot located near the lake about three and one-half miles south of the Superintendent's office on Lac Du Flambeau Reservation; that upon their arrival there they found Herbert Ackley, an Indian, about 25 years old and his grandfather, Charlie Weshe, age 63, who had come to the above spot in Ackley's Chevrolet (1938 model) Sedan. In addition thereto, they found an Indian, Ole Catfish, by name, and a man whom he subsequently identified as George "Baby Face" Nelson. Ackley, Weshe, Catfish and Nelson were standing near Ackley's car when Goetz and Snow drew up and parked near Ackley's Chevrolet. Goetz later learned that Ackley and Weshe were on the above spot for the same purpose that he and Snow were, namely, to fish; that the trio had shortly, prior to the arrival of Snow and himself, been joined by Ole Catfish and Nelson; that prior to the time Catfish and Nelson had joined Weshe and Ackley, they (Catfish and Nelson) had been talking to three other Indians, namely, Tim Maloney, William Gruenwald, and Herman Weber, who had a campfire about forty rods from the spot where the above men were assembled.

Goetz stated that when he and Snow got out of his Plymouth, he noted Nelson, who had been closely observing Ackley's Chevrolet, come over to the Plymouth and look same over; that Nelson asked him if the Plymouth was his, and Goetz replied that it was; that Goetz commenced to question him as to his right to be fishing with the Indians, giving him the impression that he was a game warden; that he, Goetz, asked Nelson what authority he had to question him, whereupon Nelson whipped out an automatic pistol and said, "This is my authority. You (meaning Goetz) line up with those Indians over there." Nelson then covered Ackley, Old Man Weshe, Al Snow, Ole Catfish, and Goetz with his pistol. He then told Goetz that he (Nelson) was in trouble and needed a car to get out of the country. He asked Goetz what had been going on the past few days in the vicinity, whereupon Goetz replied that a Federal officer had recently been killed near Little Bohemia. Goetz stated that upon hearing this Nelson appeared startled and extremely

nervous; that Nelson said he was going to take Goetz's car. He asked Goetz if he had same insured against theft, whereupon Goetz replied that he had. Then Nelson said that he would pay him for the use of the car, whereupon he took two ten dollar bills from his pocket and laid them on the ground beside the car. He then walked up to Ackley's car and disabled it by pulling the distributor out in order that the men could not follow him. All the above transpired as he had Goetz, Snow, Ackley, Wesho and Catfish covered with his gun. Following the above he told Catfish to get into the Plymouth and guide him out of the place. To this Catfish cried, "Me sick, me sick" and doubled over as if in great pain. Nelson then poked his gun in Catfish's ribs and told him to get into the car. Catfish reluctantly complied. As the latter was about to enter the Plymouth, Nelson observed that Catfish wore a good sized hatchet on a cord around his neck. He made Catfish throw this hatchet away, remarking that he did not want Catfish to hit him with same. When Catfish got inside the Plymouth, Nelson backed away from the group of men that he had covered and said, "Now you men give me a break on this thing." To this, Al Snow replied, "For Christ sake how much of a break do you want? You have wrecked this Chevrolet and you know we've got to walk 3½ miles each to the Superintendent's office before we can see anyone." Nelson then got into the Plymouth beside Catfish and drove it away.

The above incident took about five minutes. It occurred about 9:30 p.m. April 26, 1934. As soon as Nelson and Catfish left, Goetz, Snow, Ackley and Wesho left the scene and walked to Superintendent Farver's office, arriving there about 10:45 p.m. They reported the incident to Mr. Farver, who immediately notified the Sheriff's office at Eagle River, Wisconsin. Undersheriff Del McGroeger then reported the incident to agents of the Division at their hotel as previously set forth.

Goetz stated that the moon was up high in the heavens and it was so full that they could readily see those around them. He was shown a photograph of George Nelson and identified it as a picture of the man who took his car on the above referred to occasion. Maloney, Gruenwald, and Weber were not present when the car was stolen, they being at their fire near their fish trap about forty rods away. He stated that when Nelson and Catfish drove off in his car, he picked up the two ten dollar bills that the former left him for the use of the car. These bills he turned over to Agent Rhodes for further use in this investigation. In connection therewith it is pointed out that the numbers taken by Agent Rhodes off these bills are J04496355A and I04250090A<sup>and</sup> were on April 29, 1934, telephoned to the St. Paul Office with the request that same be checked with the numbers of bills paid as ransom in all kidnaping cases under investigation by the Division. However, the St. Paul Office later advised that these bills were not listed in the above ransom money. On 5/1/34 the above bills were returned by Inspector Rorer, by registered mail, to Mr. Goetz.

Agent Rhodes interviewed Albert Snow and Herbert Ackley, who were present when Nelson took the Plymouth from Coetz, and they corroborated in every detail Coetz's statement.

Photographs of Nelson were shown to Snow and Ackley, who positively identified them as excellent photographs of the man who stole Coetz's car. No effort was made to interview Charley Wesko in view of the fact that he is 63 years of age and not mentally alert.

Agent Rhodes interviewed Jim Maloney, an Indian residing at Lac du Flambeau Reservation, who stated that about 9 P.M.

April 26, 1934, he and his friends, Wm. Gruenwald and Herman Weber, Indians living on the above reservation, were gathered around a camp fire near their fish trap located about 3 1/2 miles south of Superintendent Farver's office on the reservation; that Ole Catfish and a young white man walked up to their fire and put their hands over same to get warm; that Ole Catfish told him that he and his companion had walked from his, Ole's farmhouse, a distance of about 6 miles. While the men were thus talking an automobile, later identified as Herbert Achley's Chevrolet, drove up to a spot about 40 rods from the fire. This was about 30 minutes after Catfish and his white companion arrived at the fire. Ole asked Maloney whose car that was and the latter replied he did not know. To this the white man said to Catfish: "Come on, let's go over and see who those fellows are?" Catfish and the white man left the 3 Indians at the fire, the latter not following them. Just a few minutes later Maloney saw another car drive up and park near the spot where the first car stopped. About 5 or 10 minutes later he saw one of the cars drive off. However, he was not close enough to observe what had happened at the cars.

Agent Rhodes interviewed Wm. Gruenwald and Herman Weber who corroborated in every detail the above statement of Maloney. Photographs of George Nelson were exhibited to them and they identified same as photographs of the white man who accompanied Catfish to their fire and left same as above related. They stated that Catfish and Nelson remained at their fire about 30 minutes; that the night was very light, there being a full moon, and they had no difficulty whatever in getting a good look at Nelson. This same statement was made by Maloney. At no time while Ole and Nelson were at the fire did Nelson exhibit a gun.

Ole Catfish, age 57, was interviewed by Agent Rhodes through an interpreter, Chief of Police John H. Thayer at the office of Superintendent Farver. He stated he resides in a shack near the Superintendent's office; that he has an 80 acre farm located about 6 or 7 miles east of the Superintendent's office, at Lac du Flambeau reservation; that he has a house on this farm. Neither Ole nor his wife, Maggie, live in the farmhouse, same being occupied by one Shrader and the latter's wife and children, who look after the place while he and his wife are in town. Ole stated that in the Spring of the year he goes to his farm to make sugar and takes his wife along; that on Monday, April 23, 1934, he and his wife walked out to their farmhouse; arriving there about 2 P.M.; that upon their arrival at the place they found Mrs. Shrader, her 2 small children, and a young white man whom none of them had seen before. A number of photographs of members of the Dillinger gang were exhibited to all, and after

Carefully observing each photograph, positively identified that George Nelson as being an excellent likeness of the man he found at his house as above indicated. Ole stated that Mrs. Shrader told him that Nelson had been at her place for a few minutes only before Ole and Maggie arrived. He stated that when he first observed Nelson he was seated in the kitchen near the door, that when Ole and his wife entered, Nelson told them that he was a game warden and wanted to stay with them for several days. No gun was exhibited by Nelson at this time. Ole stated that he said it would be all right for Nelson to stay at his place, he not knowing that Nelson was a fugitive, or that there was such a thing as the Dillinger case. He stated that Nelson followed him everywhere he went on the place, keeping him under close surveillance; that when night came Ole and his wife slept in one bed and Nelson in another bed in their room. The Shrader woman and her two children occupied an adjacent room. Nelson slept soundly and at no time did he attempt to keep the others awake. From Monday, April 23, 1934, at 2 P.M., until about 6 P.M. Thursday, April 26, 1934, Nelson remained with the above people. The woman cooked his meals for him. Ole stated that the first time Nelson put a gun on him was about 7 A.M., Thursday, April 26; that about 6 A.M. that day he, Ole, observed Nelson sleeping soundly and decided to slip off to his sugar fire about 50 yards from the house; that he was gone about an hour when Nelson ran up to the fire, covered him with his gun and faced him back to the house. Along about noon Thursday a trapper friend of Ole's passed by Ole's shack and engaged him in conversation. Nelson was observing from the door of the shack. The trapper, who did not see Nelson, chatted with Ole for several minutes and went on through the woods. Nelson ran out to Ole and wanted to know who the man was. The old Indian informed Nelson that it was one of his trapper friends; that Nelson appeared greatly nervous, the first time that he, Ole, observed him this way. Along about 3 P.M. that day, Nelson told Ole to guide him to Lac du Flambeau, 7 miles distant. Ole said he was sick and had no way to get him there unless they walked. Nelson insisted that Ole take him, saying he was willing to walk, but Ole refused. Then Nelson again pulled his gun on Ole and told him to start walking. They had gotten only a few feet from the door of the house when Ole's squaw, Maggie, started following them. Nelson waved her back and Ole and Nelson left the place on foot alone. Prior thereto Nelson left his hat, shoes, and a blue tie in Ole's shack and walked away in a pair of Ole's shoes. Ole stated that when they left the house, Nelson told him that he did not want to kill him (Ole); that if Ole would do as he said and guide him to Lac du Flambeau, he would not molest him. Ole then led the way through the woods, Nelson following him. Nelson soon put his gun in his belt and the two walked through the woods. They walked until they came to a spot about 3 1/2 miles south of the Superintendent's office in the Flambeau reservation, arriving at this place about 9 P.M. Ole said he had to walk

slow on account of his bad heart and had to stop and rest a number of times. The above referred to point is about 2 1/2 miles from his shack on his farm. Upon their arrival at the above spot they saw a camp fire and Ole recognized Ed Maloney, Herman Weber, and Ed Gruensald clustered around same; that he told Nelson he knew these men and he and Nelson went up to the fire, warmed themselves and remained about 30 minutes. About 30 minutes after they arrived at the fire they saw a car drive up to a spot about 40 rods away and stop. Ole asked Maloney who owned the car and Maloney replied he did not know. Nelson then told Ole to come with him over to the car and see who those fellows were. Ole complied, and he and Nelson left the fire, leaving Maloney and his two companions at same.

Ole stated that upon their arrival at the car he observed it contained Charley Wesko and his grandson, Herbert Ackley, who had gotten out of same; that Nelson started looking the car over and engaged Ackley in conversation; that about 5 minutes later, another car drove up containing Al Snow and a man named Goetz; that the next thing he saw was Nelson drawing a gun on Goetz and told him to line up with the Indians. Ole stated that Nelson lined up Goetz, Snow, Ackley, Wesko and himself and told them he meant business, keeping them all covered with his gun. Ole heard Nelson engage Goetz in conversation, but could not understand same. Nelson put some money on the ground and commanded him, Ole, to get into Goetz' car and guide him out of the reservation. Ole refused claiming he was sick. Nelson then put his gun in Ole's side and told him to do as commanded; Ole started for the car and as he was about to enter same, Nelson grabbed the hatchet that Ole wore on a cord around his neck and threw it away, saying that he did not want Ole to kill him as they drove along. Nelson and Ole drove away proceeding toward Flambeau 3 1/2 miles distant; upon their arrival at Flambeau the two turned south on Route D towards Highway #70. It is about 3 miles from Flambeau to the intersection of Highway #70 and Route D. Ole stated that when about 1/2 mile north of the intersection of the two routes Nelson let him out of the car and drove on. The last he saw of him was when he, Nelson, was going over a hill near where he let him out. He could not state in what direction Nelson proceeded on #70, whether east or west, as he was too far from the intersection to determine that.

Ole stated that when Nelson left him he had no hat, but wore a small stocking skull cap with a blue tassel thereon. He wore a leather jacket with a zipper front, gray pants, and gray shirt. He had no overcoat.

Agents Rhodes and Melvin obtained from Officer Thayer, who searched Ole's shack on his farm prior to bringing Ole to Flambeau for

questioning, what Ole said was Nelson's green hat, a pair of black low shoes, and a blue tie. These articles of clothing are being retained by the Chicago Office as part of the evidence in this case.

Agents also ascertained from Mr. Mayer that the shack on Ole's farm, where Nelson had refuge from April 22, 1934 to April 23, 1934, inclusive, is about 20 miles southeast of the spot near Boulder Junction, Wisconsin, where Nelson apparently abandoned his car that he stole from Agent Newman on the evening of April 22, 1934, following the shooting at Koerner's place.

Maggie Catfish, upon being interviewed by Agent Rhodes through an interpreter Jake Snow, stated that she and Ole went to their farm, on the Flambeau reservation sometime Monday morning, April 23, 1934, and arrived there about 2 P.M. that afternoon, after walking the entire distance from Flambeau; that Ole makes sugar each Spring and she goes out to their farm with him. One Shrader, his wife and two children live on the farm. When they got to the place they found a strange white man there in the kitchen. Mrs. Shrader told her that the man had been there a few minutes only and that she had fed him, giving him coffee. Maggie Catfish paid no more attention to the man but noted that he stayed close to Ole. She stated that the man claimed to Ole that he was a game warden and wanted to stay with them for 2 or 3 days. That night the man slept in a bed in the same room where she and Ole slept, and the Shrader woman and 2 children slept in an adjoining room. George Shrader, the husband, was not at home, in fact at no time during the stay of the stranger at their place did Shrader show up. During the 4 days that the man was at her house, he refused to permit the women to leave the place or to permit Ole out of his sight. On the morning of the day that he and Ole left, Ole succeeded in slipping off to his sugar fire, while the man was asleep, but he soon woke up and ran to where Ole was and brought him back to the house. Along about 2 P.M., April 23, 1934, Ole and the man started to leave the place. She put on her bonnet and started to follow, whereupon the man waved her back. She did not follow them because she was afraid.

At no time did the man put a gun on her. In fact at no time did she see a gun on him. She and the Shrader woman did as they were told, looked for him, and asked no questions.

A photograph of George W. Nelson was exhibited to Maggie Catfish, and after looking at his picture, together with photographs of other members of the Dillinger gang, positively identified it as a photograph of the white man above referred to.

Both Ole and Maggie Catfish emphatically denied that Nelson gave them any money for their services rendered to him.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent T.G. Melvin on April 27, 1934:

MRS. GEORGE SCHROEDER, Sac Du Flambeau Indian Reservation, was interviewed by Agent and stated that an individual who looked like the photograph of Subject Nelson, which was exhibited to her, came to the cabin of Ollie Catfish where she was living, about 2 P.M. on Monday afternoon, April 23, 1934, that her daughter Dorothy Schroeder who had been hanging out clothes in the yard had just told her that there was a man coming to the house; that Nelson said "Can I buy a cup of coffee", whereupon she invited him in and prepared some bread and butter and coffee. He then gave her three one dollar bills, and she said one dollar would be sufficient, but that he told her to keep the entire amount, which she did. She furnished the following description of Nelson:

Age: About 20  
Height: 5'4"  
Weight: 135 lb.  
Build: Medium  
Hair: Blonde  
Eyes: Gray

Pleasant sounding voice; wore green hat, grey tie, brown suede jacket, and grey trousers.

Shortly after Nelson arrived, her uncle Ollie Catfish and his wife arrived and they as well as herself and her three children were forced to remain in the cabin, although she claims at no time did she see a gun; that he slept nights as did the rest of the family and about 6 P.M. Thursday said he was leaving, taking the shoes of Ollie Catfish with him and leaving his own black oxfords in the house. He also forced Ollie Catfish to go with him, and Nelson put on an old blue jumper over his suede jacket, and took a blue stocking cap which was in the house, leaving his green hat. The shoes, hat and tie left by Nelson at the Schroeder cabin are being retained by the St. Paul office. Mrs. Schroeder advised further that Nelson talked very little and did not smoke.

On April 27, 1934, the following investigation was conducted by Special Agent T.G. Melvin.

DOROTHY SCHROEDER, age 15, was interviewed by Agent, and stated that about 3 P.M. on Monday, April 23, 1934, she was hanging out clothes to dry in the yard, and she noticed a man coming from the woods toward the cabin; that she immediately told her mother; that the man who she believes was subject Nelson said "Where is Woodruff from here." She replied that she did not know, and he then asked her if her father and mother were home. She then told him that her mother was home, and showed him the entrance to the house. Dorothy Schroeder corroborated the statements of her mother.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents M.B. Rhodes and T.G. Melvin on April 27, 1934.

A report had been circulated in Lac Du Flambeau that subject Nelson before arriving at the cabin of Ollie Caffish had been staying at the Chippewa Lodge run by William Dohmeyer about 8 miles east of Lac Du Flambeau. Accordingly Agents accompanied by Deputy Sheriff William Yeschek and Chief of Police John H. Thayer of Lac Du Flambeau proceeded to the Chippewa Lodge, where William Dohmeyer was interviewed. He stated that Nelson or anyone answering his description had never been at the Chippewa Lodge.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent T.G. Melvin on April 27, 1934.

BERNARD KOWINCK, an employee of the Tower Filling Station, was interviewed by Agent, and stated that about 9:45 P.M. on April 26, 1934, he noticed a car with two tail lights come down the Lac Du Flambeau Road and make a left hand turn and go east on Highway 70; that a few minutes later the same car came back headed west on Highway 70, and about ten minutes later again came back headed east once more, indicating that the driver had turned around twice; that the last time he saw the car it was headed east; that while he could not see the kind of car, he believed it was the one taken by subject Nelson from Adolph A. Goetz, because it was shortly after Goetz had been held up and his car taken by Nelson and the further fact that the driver made two turns before finally driving east; that the second turn was made probably because Nelson (if Nelson was the driver) realized he could not

Pontiac west on Highway 70 because of the bad condition of the road beyond the Tower Filling Station, which is at the junction of Highway 70 and the Lac Du Flambeau Road. East of the Tower Filling Station, Highway 70 is paved, while west thereof it is unpaved, and the road is in bad condition.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent T.G. Malvin on April 27, 1934.

MRS. ADOLPH DAIGLE, who with her husband operates a filling station on Highway 51 between Woodruff, Wisconsin and Minocqua, Wisconsin, was interviewed by Agent, and stated that about 10:30 P.M. on April 26, 1934, a man drove into the filling station headed south; that he asked for a map of Wisconsin, and when he was told by Mrs. Daigle that they were out of maps, asked for directions to Tomahawk, Wisconsin. Mrs. Daigle after examining a photograph of subject Nelson stated that she believed he was the man who drove into the filling station, but that she was not certain as to this. She stated further that she believed the car was a Pontiac instead of a Plymouth, but that she might be mistaken as to this; she also stated that she did not notice how he was dressed.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents M.B. Rhodes and T.G. Malvin on April 27, 1934.

During the course of Agents' investigation relative to subject Nelson's escape from the Lac Du Flambeau Indian Reservation, it was learned that a car had been reported as going into Stevens Resort about 9-1/2 miles west of the Tower Filling Station on the night of April 26, 1934. This resort is located on Squaw Lake, and Agents with a posse conducted investigation at Stevens Resort and nearby cottages. It was ascertained that no car had been seen in that vicinity answering the description of the Plymouth car taken by subject Nelson from Adolph Goetz, and it was established that no stranger had been seen in that vicinity.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent T.G. Malvin on April 26, 1934.

MRS. MAUDE JOHNSON, Star Route, Manitowish, Wisconsin, was interviewed by Agent, and stated that on Friday afternoon, April 20, 1934, about 3 P.M., she went to the Little Bohemia Resort to see

Mrs. Emil Wanatka for the purpose of taking Mrs. Wanatka to see a sick boy in the neighborhood; that she went into the kitchen of Little Bohemia, and sitting at the table having a late lunch was a woman with two men; that one man was about 25 to 30 years old; 5'7", 125 lb. height; weight - 100 lb.; hair, dark brown; eyes, dark rather full. Mrs. Johnson described the second man as being a small man with light hair, and was unable to furnish a better description of this individual due to the fact that she saw him from the rear only; that the girl was small with dark hair and dark eyes, and wore a small dark turban; that she overheard the following conversation between the tall dark man and Emil Wanatka:

Tall Dark Man: "Then, you're not doing business"

Emil: "We are open for business"

Tall Dark Man: "Then we are here to do business"

that after hearing this conversation she assumed these people were going to stay for dinner, and asked Mrs. Wanatka if she would be able to go with her in view of the fact that the people she had observed were apparently going to stay; that Mrs. Wanatka replied that she hoped they were not going to stay as there were ten in the party.

Agent was further advised by Mrs. Johnson that about 9 A.M. on Saturday, April 21, 1934, Frank Trambe, who is employed at Little Bohemia came to her home and said that the guests at Little Bohemia wanted to have some laundry done, and that it would have to be ready by 9:30 A.M. on Sunday, April 22, 1934; that she told Trambe that she would have it ready at the requested time, and about 9:30 Trambe returned with a bundle containing the following soiled laundry:

17 shirts

8 pairs of undershirts and shorts

16 of the 17 shirts were new and had been worn but never laundered; that one shirt, size 15-1/2 had the laundry mark JCB; that another one was 14-1/2 neck size, and had the laundry mark BO; that three of the new shirts still had the price sticker of a Nashville, Tennessee store of \$2.50 on the collar; that one undershirt also had the laundry mark of JCB thereon, and that 7 undershirts and 8 pairs of shorts had been worn, but never laundered; that at about 11 A.M. Emil Wanatka brought over another bundle of laundry, and being very suspicious of the large number

of new shirts and the Nashville, Tennessee price sticker indicating that the owner was constantly on the move, she said to Wanatka: "It was Dillinger". He replied "You're crazy. I don't know who in the hell they are and it's none of my business that the second bundle of laundry contained 15 shirts with the laundry mark 20, and about 51 handkerchiefs".

Mrs. Johnson also stated that about 10:30 A.M. on Sunday, April 22, 1934, Wanatka came to the house to get the laundry, and with him came another man rather tall and slender. The photographs of the subjects in this case were exhibited to Mrs. Johnson, and she positively identified the photograph of Homer Van Meter as being the individual who came to her house with Wanatka, she was unable to identify the other man she saw at Little Bohemia on Friday P.M.

Mrs. Johnson advised further that Wanatka said "Meet Mr. Dillinger", and VanMeter said "Do I look like Dillinger". To this she replied "No, you are not Dillinger".

At about 2 A.M. on April 28, 1934 Special Agent W. B. Rhodes at the Northern Lights Hotel, Manitowish, Wisconsin, received a telephone call from H. A. Blomberg, Constable at Prentice, Wisconsin.

Blomberg stated that two men in a Plymouth car, covered with mud, had headed west on highway 291 near Tomahawk, Wisconsin; that the license number was covered with mud but the last figure on the plate was a "one." He requested that the surrounding sheriffs be notified. Agent Rhodes and Inspector Borer complied with this request.

Agents Madala and Suran left Manitowish about 8 A.M. on April 28, 1934 and proceeded to Prentice, Wisconsin.

Constable BLOMBERG advised that it was his understanding that the two men in the car in question had approached a blockade at the intersection of highways 13 and 8 near Tomahawk, Wisconsin and upon seeing the officer turned and hurriedly departed, going west on highway 291.

Constable BLOMBERG and agents, together with the Constable of Agema, Wisconsin, proceeded to Tomahawk, Wisconsin with the view of raiding resorts in that vicinity should more concrete information be obtained.

Agents Madala and Suran interviewed Constable HERB DUNCANSON, and G. G. NEWBORG, both of Tomahawk, Wisconsin, who advised that about 2 A.M. on April 28, 1934 they entered the tavern operated by Fred Major near Tomahawk, Wisconsin, and observed two men drinking beer; that when they entered the two men were nervous and departed at once, getting into a mud-covered Plymouth sedan or coach and drove away; that these men did not turn on the lights of the car until they were some distance down the highway. They stated the last figure on the license plate was a "one." They had no information concerning the blockade referred to by Blomberg. They stated one man weighed about 200 lbs. while the second man was about 5'8" in height, slender built, light hair and wearing a derby hat. They could not identify the photographs of any of the Dillinger mob.

Fred Major, Tomahawk, Wisconsin, furnished the same information as above and upon observing the photographs of the Dillinger mob stated positively that the two men in question did not resemble any of them.

On April 29, 1934 at about 2 P.M. Special Agent W. B. Rhodes at the Northern Lights Hotel, Manitowish, Wisconsin, received a telephone call from Gordon Andrews, Manitowish, Wisconsin, that a suspicious man had been seen near Manitowish cooking coffee near the railroad track. Agents F. G. Melvin and R. C. Suran learned from Mr. ANDREWS that one JOHNNY L. LINDBERGH, Manitowish, was the person who had seen the suspicious individual just prior to the telephone call to Agent Rhodes.

LINDERERH directed Agents Suran and Melvin to a point about one-quarter mile south of Manitowish on the railroad track, where it was observed that a fire had been built on the right side of the tracks. It was ascertained the ashes were entirely cold, indicating no fire had been there for some time.

LINDERERH stated at first he did not get a good look at the man but he was dressed in a light cap, white shirt and light checked trousers. Later upon observing a photograph of Tommy CARROLL advised the photograph bore some resemblance to the man he had seen cooking coffee.

Agent Melvin proceeded by car from Manitowish to Powell, Wisconsin and Agent Suran walked down the railroad tracks between the same points without seeing any individual answering the description of the person described by LINDERERH. Agents Suran and Melvin then proceeded by car from Powell, Wisconsin to Lac Du Flambeau, Wisconsin and saw no one enroute of a suspicious nature.

At Lac Du Flambeau Agent Melvin interviewed B. E. Wallace, Station Agent, and was advised he had not observed anyone walking the railroad tracks. The Chief of Police could not be located but Agent Melvin left instruction at the Indian Agency for a lookout to be maintained for any persons answering the description of Tommy Carroll.

Agents Suran and Melvin made inquiries of persons residing near the railroad tracks at Powell, Wisconsin, and no one had seen an individual answering the description of that furnished by LINDERERH.

On April 28, 1934 Inspector Rorer received information by telephone from the sheriff's office at Marshfield, Wisconsin to the effect that that office had recovered a car described as the Plymouth Sedan that was stolen from Mr. Goetz at the Lac du Flambeau Reservation referred to herein, said recovery being made at the farm of Joe Gregorvitch near Greenwood, Wisconsin on April 28, 1934. According to the sheriff's report a man drove up to Gregorvitch's house about 5 A.M. on April 27, 1934 in the above referred to Plymouth and abandoned same on account of some defect in the motor; he then had breakfast at Gregorvitch's place and hired the latter to drive him to Marshfield, paying him \$30, for his services. Gregorvitch let the man out of the car about 100 ft. off Route 115 at Marshfield, and saw no more of him.

The above information was communicated by telephone by Inspector Rorer to the St. Paul office with the request that immediate investigation of same be made in the vicinity of Marshfield and Greenwood.

AT MERCER, WISCONSIN, on April 25, 1934, Special Agent T. G. Melvin conducted the following investigation:

Virgil Moon, a Wisconsin State Forest Ranger, Mercer, Wisconsin, was interviewed and stated that about 7 A.M. on April 23, 1934, while driving on Highway U. S. 51 between the Wm. Nagle resort and the C. G. camp in the town of Manitowish, Wisconsin and about 4 miles northwest of Little Bohemia, he found an Atlas tire on the right-hand side of the road, which he believes was lost from the Ford car he had seen on April 22, 1934 between 10 P.M. and 11 P.M. pull into the Phillips 66 Station in the town of Mercer, Wisconsin, operated by R. F. Collins; that this car was traveling on the rim of one of the rear wheels and that he did not see the occupants of the car well enough to describe or identify them.

This tire was turned over to Agent by Mr. Moon and it was found to be an Atlas four-ply tire, size 5.50x17, number JUIR49001. The number 1550-328 was also found thereon. This information was transmitted to Inspector Clegg at the St. Paul Office by telephone by Special Agent M. B. Rhodes in an endeavor to ascertain the purchaser of same.

About 6:30 P.M., April 25th, Constable Edward Sargent of Mercer, Wisconsin, stopped an Oldsmobile Coach, Serial #18741, Motor #118167 bearing California license plates (1934) 8M268, on the main street of Mercer. The car contained persons who subsequently identified themselves as David J. Bielzoff, Jerry Malady and the latter's sister, Helen Malady.

The occasion for stopping the above car, according to Constable Sargent's statement to Special Agent M. B. Rhodes was the fact that about 25 or 30 minutes before he stopped the car, Emil WANATKA, proprietor of the Little Bohemia Lodge, had telephoned him that the above car and occupants had driven up to the lodge and suddenly turned around and proceeded down the road toward Mercer at a high rate of speed.

At the time the constable stopped the car, Special Agents John L. Madala, T. G. Melvin and M. B. Rhodes were engaged in an official matter at Mercer and they were summoned to the spot where the constable stopped the car by that official.

Mr. David J. Bielzoff stated to Agent Rhodes and the above agents that he is President of D. J. Bielzoff Products Co., 1011 Webster Ave., Chicago, Illinois; that he lives at 1068 Sherbourn Drive, Los Angeles, California; that he is a liquor distributor and at the time he and his party were stopped by Constable Sargent they were enroute to Hurley, Wisconsin for the purpose of selling the Kentucky Liquor House of that city.

some goods. He exhibited a letter dated April 16, 1934 from Mr. H. Mack, proprietor of the above concern, requesting him for quotations on liquor stock. He stated that his party was enroute from Chicago to Hurley for the purpose of selling Mack some goods; that they had read about the Dillinger gang fight with federal officers at Little Bohemia Lodge in the newspapers; that while passing the Lodge on the above trip he decided to drive in the lodge grounds and look the place over as a matter of curiosity only; that after driving in the premises of the lodge they decided not to remain at the place and left, proceeding toward Mercer. He admitted that he might have driven at a high rate of speed, but said it was intentional and that he regretted giving the authorities the impression that he was fleeing from the place.

Mr. Bielzoff willingly permitted agents to examine his car and closely inspect all the baggage of the party. Nothing was found therein to indicate that he was in any manner affiliated with the Dillinger gang or that he carried any guns or ammunition. On the other hand, the investigation reflected that he was a legitimate traveler. The labels on his sample liquor bottles contained the name of his company stamped thereon; he exhibited numerous advertising bulletins which showed a permanent business. He identified Mr. Malady as his salesman and Helen Malady as the latter's sister.

Jerry Malady stated he is a salesman for Mr. Bielzoff; that he and his sister, Helen, who was in the car with him, resided at the Stratford Hotel, Chicago. He and his sister willingly permitted agents to inspect their luggage in the car and there was nothing contained therein to indicate they were other than legitimate travelers.

Mr. Bielzoff stated the title papers to his car were locked up in his office safe in Chicago. He exhibited an owner's identification card reflecting that he took delivery of the Oldsmobile Coach from the Steel Motor Company on March 21, 1934.

There being nothing whatever to indicate that the above persons were affiliated with the Dillinger gang, Constable Sargent released them and they proceeded on their way.

It is pointed out that while the above party was being questioned by Agents Melvin, Madala and Rhodes, Inspector W. A. Rorer of the Division arrived on the scene and questioned the above persons.

At Manitowish, Wisconsin.

H. A. Kuhnert, Proprietor of the Northern Lights Resort, stated to Agent Rhodes on April 25, 1934, that about 10:15 P.M. April 24th, he noted that his Packard car had been stolen from the premises of his hotel; that he immediately called Henry Voss' place, about three miles down the highway from his place, by telephone for the purpose of notifying the authorities of the theft; that Voss told him over the telephone that two Government men were at his place and he would send them up to pick up Constable Carl Christensen, who happened to be at Kuhnert's place at the above time, and himself. About 10:30 P.M. two men, who he later learned were Special Agents Newman and Baum, drove up to his place. Newman was driving and Baum was seated on his right with a machine gun in his lap. Newman turned the car around and Baum told Kuhnert and Constable Christensen to jump on the running board of their car and come with them. Christensen did so and Kuhnert started to do so but Baum apparently changed his mind as to Kuhnert, and told the latter he had better not; that Kuhnert might be in the way in case he, Baum, had to use the machine gun. Kuhnert complied with Baum's suggestion and did not accompany Newman, Baum and Christensen. Kuhnert stated that it was not ten minutes after the departure of the above men from his hotel that he learned over the telephone that Baum, Newman and Christensen had been shot.

On April 25, 1934, C. G. Larson of Woodruff, Wisconsin, an employee of the Wisconsin Telephone Company, advised Special Agent M. B. Rhodes that on April 25, 1934, while in Ironwood, Michigan, and while talking to Mr. Hedlund of the Hub Clothing Store and two or three clerks in that store, he was informed that FRANK TRAUHE of Little Bohemia on Saturday, April 21, 1934, purchased a leather vest for \$20.00 at the Hub Clothing Store, and 400 rounds of ammunition from a hardware store near the St. James Hotel, Ironwood, Michigan.

Special Agents M. C. Falkner and R. C. Suran on April 26, 1934 interviewed Andrew Haapoja of the Hub Clothing Store, and were advised that on Saturday, April 21, 1934, at about 9:30 A.M., GEORGE BAZSO of Little Bohemia purchased one leather jacket and paid \$7.50 for same, stating it was for a guest at Little Bohemia, and he took a second jacket out on approval; that Emil Wanatka on the date of this interview had paid for the second jacket. The jackets were size 40.

Fritz Carlson of the Erickson & Coleman Hardware Store, Ironwood, Michigan, advised that on Saturday morning, April 21, 1934, GEORGE BAZSO purchased two boxes of .22 caliber (W.R.F.) ammunition, and six boxes of .22 caliber (long) ammunition from him.

GEORGE BAZSO was discreetly interviewed by Special Agents J. L. Madala and R. C. Suran, and admitted he purchased the jackets and ammunition and turned them over to Emil Wanatka.

Emil Wanatka stated to Agents that he had advised some members of the DILLINGER mob that he had to send someone to Ironwood, Michigan for provisions and Terry Carroll requested that some .22 caliber ammunition be purchased for him as well as a suede jacket; that he Wanatka instructed BAZSO to get the ammunition and to bring two jackets, one button and one zipper style and BAZSO complied with these instructions.

BAZSO upon returning from Ironwood, Michigan, turned the ammunition over to Wanatka, and he turned the ammunition and one jacket over to CARROLL; that DILLINGER tried the other jacket on and decided to buy it, paying him \$7.50.

WANATKA stated Saturday afternoon, April 21, 1934, HAMILTON, VAN METER, DILLINGER and himself had some target practice but the .22 ammunition purchased by BAZSO was not used; that his own rifle and .22 ammunition was used.

On April 26, 1934, EMIL WANATKA, proprietor of Little Bohemia Lodge was interviewed by Special Agent M. P. Rhodes, relative to the article appearing in "The Wisconsin News" under date of April 25, 1934, pertaining to his alleged Criminal Record. A copy of this article is being retained in the Chicago office file.

Wanatka stated that he was born in Brumov, Bohemia, March 25, 1888; that he came to the United States in 1906 and is an American citizen, having been naturalized in the Federal Court at Racine, Wisconsin in 1915 or 1916. He entered this country from the port of New York, having arrived on the ship FREDERICK de GROSSE, upon which he sailed from Bremen, Germany. He was 18 years old when he landed in New York. He settled in Chicago and has been in this section of the United States since his arrival in America. About 15 years ago he was married to Miss Mah LaPorte at Waukegan, Illinois. They have one child, a son, Emil, Jr., age 8 1/2 years.

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Wanatka stated he is acquainted with Terry Druggan and Frankie Lake, referred to in the newspaper article, but denied he had ever been associated with them in bootlegging or other activities. He stated he has seen Terry Druggan not over twice in his life and only saw Lake once in his life.

Concerning his interest in the Little Bohemia Cafe at 1728 South Loomis Road, Chicago, referred to in the newspaper article, Wanatka stated as follows: His friend Joe Foisl, who now owns and operates the above restaurant, in about 1921 or 1922 bought same from Terry Druggan. Emil denied he had anything whatever to do with the above deal and stated he was not in any manner interested in the above transaction. In about

1925 or 1926, he, Emil, became a partner of Poisl in the above restaurant and the two operated same as such until about 1929. In the latter year, Emil bought Poisl's interest and operated the restaurant alone for about one year. In about 1930 Emil sold the restaurant back to Poisl, who is operating it now. Emil denied the statement appearing in the Wisconsin News, above referred to, that "his partner" still operates the above referred to restaurant in Chicago, maintaining that he has no interest whatever now in this establishment.

Emil stated that when he sold out to Poisl in 1930, he left Chicago and came up to the region around Manitowish, where he has since remained, operating a road house. He opened up the present Little Bohemia Lodge on May 27, 1935.

Concerning the statement appearing in the newspaper article, above referred to, to the effect that Kenosha, Wisconsin police records reflect that he was arrested on March 1, 1922, on a charge of murdering Charles Pacini, Kenosha theater owner, and was acquitted on March 18, 1922 of the above charge, Emil denied that he was ever formally arrested on the above charge. He stated that some people accused him of the above offense but at no time was he ever indicted therefore and at no time was a warrant of arrest ever served on him for this offense. The Kenosha police picked him up and questioned him relative to the matter, but the facts were so apparent that he was innocent that the police dismissed the charges against him. At no time was he formally arraigned, tried, or acquitted in court of the above offense.

Concerning his knowledge of the fact that DILLINGER and his gang were going to visit his place on April 20, 1934, Emil denied that he had any information that these men were going to appear at his Lodge prior to their arrival. He stated that the first indication that he had that a good sized party of guests were going to visit his place on April 20, 1934 was when VAN METER, PAT and the brunette woman with the dog, drove up to his place about 2:30 P.M. on April 20, 1934 and VAN METER told him that a party of more men and women would arrive later in the day and that one of the men would present a letter of introduction. He denied that he knew as much as two weeks prior to the above incident that the DILLINGER party was to visit his place.

The following signed statement was secured from John Edward Hoffman by Special Agent R. C. Suran on April 26, 1934 at Ironwood, Michigan:

Ironwood, Michigan, April 26, 1934.

I, JOHN EDWARD HOFFMAN, age 28, do voluntarily make the following statement to R. C. Suran, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice.

At about 7:30 or 8:00 P.M. on April 22, 1934, I went to the Little Bohemia Resort on Manitowish Lake with John Morris and Eugene Boisonneau, where we entered the bar.

The three of us stood at the bar drinking beer for about one hour, and during this time Emil Vanatka was showing Morris and Boisonneau around the house, as it was the first time they had ever been there.

After we had been at Little Bohemia for about one hour, the three of us left, going to my Chevrolet Coupe, which was parked in the rear of the building, headed towards the kitchen door. I got in the car first and started the motor and turned on the radio, Boisonneau then got in the car, sitting in the middle and John Morris then got into the car, sitting on the outside. I then started to turn the car to the right and at that time I heard glass breaking and I felt a shot in the arm. I heard no commands to halt and after the firing started was the first time I knew anyone was in the vicinity with guns. I jumped out of the car at once and ran towards the cottage to the right of the kitchen. Beside this building I met a man with a machine gun who asked me who I was. I did not answer him but ran towards the beach where I laid down. I had been on the beach for about a minute when a man came down the beach and asked "is that you Fred". I did not answer him. This man then left, going north towards the Northwood Lodge.

Just after this man left I started north on the beach and then out up to the Northwood Lodge. I found no one home at this lodge so I started towards highway number 51 and as I got close to the highway I saw a man walking on the highway towards Spider Lake Town Hall. This man was short and had a brown overcoat and hat and probably was the same man I saw on the beach. This man asked "Who is it?" and I called out "Buzzy". He did not answer and I ran back and laid in the swamp for about an hour after which I went back to Northwood Lodge and met Walter Powell at that place.

(Signed) JOHN HOFFMAN

WITNESSES:

R. C. Suran, Special Agent,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice.

M. C. Falkner, Special Agent,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

May 3, 1934

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

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Special Agent in Charge Connelley called from Indianapolis today and advised that he was having considerable investigation conducted at the present time interviewing individuals looking towards prosecution of some of those who have harbored Dillinger, with particular reference to Hubert Dillinger. I advised Mr. Connelley that this matter should be given thorough and prompt attention, and that prosecution should be instituted immediately against Hubert Dillinger, and any other individuals whom it was felt were not cooperating to the fullest extent with the Division.

Mr. Connelley also advised that he had two Agents at Louisville, Kentucky, and would send at least one more to that point tomorrow for the purpose of covering the races at Louisville.

Mr. Connelley also stated that some of the principal subjects in the election fraud cases were coming up for trial on May 7th, at Pittsburgh; that the United States Attorney had requested his presence there some time ago, but that he had been able up to date to postpone his proceeding to Pittsburgh, but that he felt it would be necessary for him to be there at least by Saturday of this week; that he would have Agent Klein proceed to Indianapolis before his departure in order that he could go over the Dillinger case in detail with him and acquaint him with all the facts.

Respectfully,

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



*Mr. Connelley need not go to Pittsburgh.*

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625 Lafayette Building,  
Detroit, Michigan.

May 6, 1934.

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

Re - JOHN DILLINGER with aliases -  
I. O. #2019; et al  
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to telegram from the Birmingham Office,  
dated May 4, 1934, requesting the Detroit office to trace Lincoln  
Sedan, motor #55544.

Mr. G. Bostedor, Production Department, Lincoln Motor Car  
Company, Detroit, advised by telephone that Lincoln four passenger  
town sedan was shipped to the Lincoln Motor Car Company at Indian-  
apolis, Indiana, on March 1, 1929; that this was a black sedan, body  
plate number type 169810-409, car having mahogany molding and was  
striped in red; that the trunk case number 33604, which is assembled  
with this car, is the more positive means of identification.

As requested in telegram of Detroit Office to the Cincinnati  
Office on this date, the latter office will trace this car through  
the Lincoln Motor Car Company of Indianapolis, and advise the  
Chicago Office direct.

Very truly yours,

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JOHN DILLINGER MARYA ROBERT WILSON UNKNOWN ELKS CLUB COLUMBUS GEORGIA STOP  
GEORGIA NINETEEN THIRTYFOUR LICENSE SIX THREE FIVE A NOT REGISTERED COLUMBUS  
NO TRAFFIC RECORDS COLUMBUS PD OF TAGS OR LINCOLN SEDAN MOTOR FIVE FIVE FIVE  
FOUR SIX AM REQUESTING DETROIT TRACE LINCOLN SEDAN ADVISE YOU DIRECT

SMITH ACTING

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CC: Division ✓  
CC: St. Paul

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New York City.

*John Callinger*

R H COLVIN  
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EL PASO TEX **MAY 7, 1934. 6:55 PM**

**RE H S LEBMAN ILLEGALLY HANDLING FIREARMS J H STOCKMEYER INTERVIEWED ADMITS SELLING MACHINE GUNS TO LEBMAN DEAL BEING CONSUMMATED THROUGH SIMON SILVA HARDWARE DEALER HERE AND IN JUAREZ MEXICO STOCKMEYER CLAIMS FIRST TIME HE SAW GUNS WAS IN SILVAS HARDWARE STORE IN JUAREZ DEAL MADE WITH SILVA FOR GUNS TO BE DELIVERED IN EL PASO FACTS SUBMITTED USA HERE WHO DECLINES PROSECUTION.**

**JAS:BG**  
**OFFICIAL BUS. GOVT RATE**  
**CHD DIVN. INVESTIGATION.**

*cc D. L. W. ✓*

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MR. CLEGG	✓
MR. COWLEY	✓
MR. EDW. RDS.	✓
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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. MVTA.  
HARBORING FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE -  
St. Paul file No. 26-2434.

In confirmation of teletype message to the Division and subsequent approval granted by Mr. Cowley, this is to advise that [redacted] was brought to this office by [redacted] several days ago at which time [redacted] stated that he was under obligation to [redacted] who had not prosecuted him for some offense for which [redacted] had been arrested.

[redacted] claimed that he had received a telephone call from a woman who stated that she wanted [redacted] to purchase a car for Tommy Carroll in Wisconsin, for which [redacted] could get \$250.00 for himself. In accordance with the arrangements made [redacted] was furnished taxicab fare and he followed instructions by boarding a cab at a hotel here, proceeding by city cab to the Palace Hotel in Minneapolis, walking across the street to the West Hotel where he caught a city cab, and, according to instructions was to proceed out 6th Avenue North to Lyndale, and if he had not been contacted there, he was to proceed a few blocks further. He followed these instructions. No contacts were made and he telephoned me to that effect.

Last night, this individual, [redacted] called the office and disclosed that he was planning to leave St. Paul for Columbus, Ohio, on Thursday of this week where he plans to open a Jewish mortuary. I inquired as to his income and learned that although it varies, it will average between \$40 and \$50 per week.

He informed me (and this has been verified) that he was formerly in the [redacted] in the Twin Cities and would go to various places, including speakeasies, houses of prostitution, drug stores, and numerous other underworld resorts, in connection with the [redacted]

He later [redacted] in this territory. He claimed never to have been convicted. He was arrested by the local police department in connection with some stick-ups and he was man-handled rather severely,

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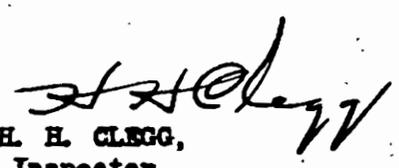
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having had a rib broken, but he finally talked, and has on no other occasion served as a police informant. However, he has agreed to remain in St. Paul for two weeks for a flat payment of \$50 per week and with the understanding that he would receive a reward of \$1,000.00 if Dillinger is apprehended as a direct result of information furnished by him, and \$500.00 for Hamilton. He will supply the information already known to him about the underworld conditions. He feels sure that if Pat Reilly and Tommy Carroll, formerly close friends of his, are in the Twin Cities, he can locate them.

He has been employed along the above mentioned lines, and this is to record confirmation of these plans.

Very truly yours,

  
H. H. CLEGG,  
Inspector.

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Laboratory Report

May 3, 1934.

Case: John Dillinger with aliases, Fugitive, I.O. Number: 62-29777  
1217, et al; National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Specimens: 1 code communication intended for delivery to Harry Pierpont at  
time of his trial at Lima, Ohio.

1 carbon copy of a code found in automobile abandoned by Dillinger  
Gang.

1 letter consisting of 2 pages written in ink and beginning "Miss  
Frechette - Are You on a telepathic chain". 1 envelope in which above letter  
was mailed postmarked Milwaukee, Wis., April 25, 1934, 7:30 PM.  
Examination requested by:

Inspector H.H. Clegg - St. Paul Office, Chicago  
Office, and Cincinnati Office.

Date received: April 17, 28, and 30, 1934.

Examination requested: General and Laboratory.

Result of examination: Examination by: C.A. Appel

May 1. The message addressed to Harry Pierpont has not responded to the  
usual methods of deciphering cryptograms and may be the work of a crank.

If the carbon copy of the notes found in the Ford Sedan belonging  
to John Hamilton concerns ciphers, it is probably a key. This is doubted,  
however, because of the manner in which it is written and the combination of  
letters.

The letter addressed to Mrs. Frechette appears to be the work of  
a crank.

All of the above, notwithstanding the fact that the partial examina-  
tion heretofore made does not indicate any connection between them, have been  
forwarded to the Signal Corps of the Army which also has previously received  
such code messages in this case with the hope that the cryptographers may be  
able to work out some connection. Further study is also being made of all of  
the so-called code messages in the laboratory.

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 WRITING TO PERMIT  
TRANSMITTAL.

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1 - Inspector Clegg.

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62-29777-1185

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

MAY 8 1934

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

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 17, 28, and 30, 1934.

Very truly yours,

*J. E. Hoover*

Director

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

RE: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases,  
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Very truly yours,



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

RE: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases,  
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NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

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Very truly yours,

*J. E. Hoover*

Director

Enclosure: 685820.



May 5, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Division letter of April 19, 1934, addressed to all Special Agents in Charge in connection with the case entitled 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; Harboring Fugitive from Justice. The photograph of Patricia Cherrington, with aliases, transmitted with this letter is being entered in the photographs of criminals who have been segregated in the single fingerprint file maintained in the Division. However, it has not been possible to locate a fingerprint record of Cherrington. In connection with the General Appearance Form which is submitted herewith to your office to be returned to the Division completed it is desired that any information in connection with the possible fingerprinting of this person be given careful attention.

Very truly yours,

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From  
**ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL KEENAN**

To

OFFICIAL INDICATED BELOW BY CHECK MARK

MR. BATHAN  
MR. TOLSON  
MR. GLEGG  
MR. GOWLEY  
MR. EDWARDS  
MR. Egan  
MR. QUINN

MEMORANDUM

- The Attorney General
- The Solicitor General
- Assistant to Attorney General Stanley
- Assistant Attorney General Wideman
- Assistant Attorney General Stephens
- Assistant Attorney General Sweeney
- Assistant Solicitor General MacLean
- Assistant Attorney General Blair
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- Mr. Finch, Pardon Attorney
- Mr. Parrish
- Mr. Ridgely
- Mr. Kiefer
- Mr. Watson
- Mr. Fisher
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JOSEPH SARCHES

Student of letters at Ohio State University anxiously desires the autograph of Mr. John Dillinger, and hereby requests the authorities in charge of his apprehension to ask Mr. Dillinger for his signature when caught. Omnia vincit labor.

I sincerely thank you in advance.

(S) JOSEPH SARCHES

Columbus, Ohio.

April 26, 1934.

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Mr. Joseph Sanchez,  
96 Sixteenth Avenue,  
Columbus, Ohio.

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Dear Sir:

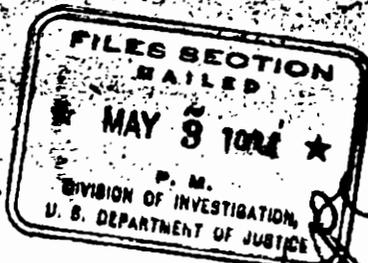
Replying to your request of April 26, 1934 to be furnished with the autograph of John Billinger, I regret to advise that it will be impracticable to comply with such in view of the fact that information and data appearing in the files of this Division are obtained in confidence and necessarily have to be treated as such.

The self-addressed, stamped envelope forwarded with your letter is returned herewith.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover  
Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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

May 4, 1934.

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MR. EGAN	—
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CHIEF CLERK	—
MR. RORER	—

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Purvis called me from Chicago on Wednesday afternoon with respect to the automobile commandeered by him in Wisconsin from a boy, which was later stolen by "Baby Face" Nelson, stating that this car has now been recovered and is considerably damaged and the owner feels that the extent of the damage to the car is approximately \$129.50. Mr. Purvis desired to know how he could best and most readily reimburse this boy for these damages. I told Mr. Purvis I thought the best and safest way to handle this matter was under a blue slip because there might be some question and certainly considerable delay at the General Accounting Office in the event the voucher was prepared by the owner and forwarded to the General Accounting Office for payment. In view of the circumstances under which this car was used by the Division, I felt that we should make early payment of the claim for damages to it.

Respectfully,

Clyde Tolson.

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Birmingham, Alabama,  
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Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
315 News Building,  
San Francisco, California.

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

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Dear Sir:

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[REDACTED]

While at Nashville, [REDACTED] was driving a maroon colored Willys-Knight sedan, bearing 1934 California license 7-B-1809. It is respectfully requested that the San Francisco office make appropriate inquiry through the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, Sacramento, California, in an effort to ascertain the name of the person to whom the above described license was issued. Should it have

been issued to [redacted] discreet inquiries should be made at their places of residence to obtain information concerning their activities. Should the license have been issued by some other party, appropriate inquiries should be made to ascertain their connections with the [redacted] and how the license came into the possession of the [redacted].

Such further information as may be obtainable should be procured to definitely establish or disprove association of the [redacted] with Dillinger and his gang.

The Birmingham Office should be advised promptly of any information which may prove of value to this investigation and copies of your reply should be furnished to the Chicago office.

Very truly yours,

D. G. SMITH, Acting  
Special Agent in Charge

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Chicago  
St. Paul

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Laboratory Report

May 3, 1934.

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

Number: 62-29777

Specimens: 1 letter written in ink consisting of two pages addressed  
to walter Winchell and beginning "Dear Winchell - Was my  
hair red when you gave me the old razzberry Sunday night."  
1 envelope in which above letter was mailed postmarked  
Milwaukee, Wis., April 25, 1934, 9:30 PM.

Examination requested by: Unit One.

Date received: April 30, 1934.

Examination requested: General and Fingerprint.

Result of examination:

Examination by: C.A. Appel.

There are no watermarks in the envelope and the paper is that of  
the Ambassador Hotel, Milwaukee.

The handwriting might be that of John Dillinger. There are not  
enough known specimens of Dillinger's writing for an adequate comparison.  
It is concluded that the handwriting is identical with that of the letter  
to the Chief of Police at Port Huron, Michigan, March 17, purporting to be  
signed by J. Dillinger.

The comparison was made with the signature of Dillinger on a  
fingerprint card which is far from adequate for comparison and additional  
specimens of his handwriting should be sought and forwarded.

The road charts recovered in connection with the Dillinger Case  
could have been written by the same person and it may be possible with  
additional specimens of Dillinger's writing to definitely determine whether  
he wrote any of these letters.

A report on the fingerprints will be submitted separately.

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

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RE: JOHN BILLINGER, with aliases,  
I.O. 1217, FUGITIVE -  
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT

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 30, 1934.

Very truly yours,

*J. E. Hoover*

Director.

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