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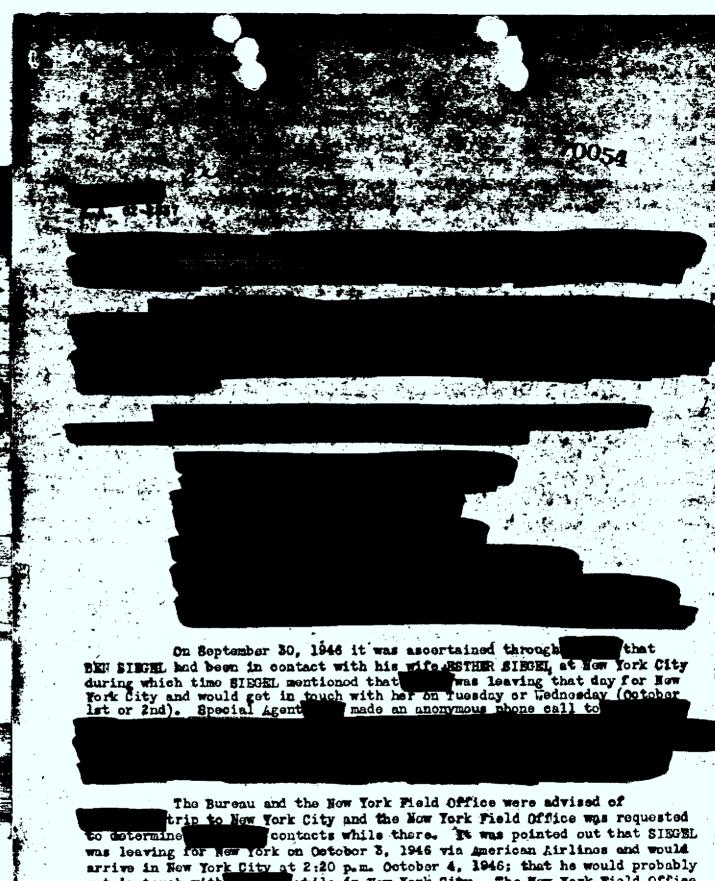
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THE NEW YORK FIELD DIVIBION:

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Will shook New York Field Office indices for information as requested in Les ingoles letter to the Bureau dated 10/2/46.

THE LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION.

At Los Angeles, California this case is receiving constant attention and the daily activities of SIEGEL and his associates are being followed closely by a directal Squad at Los ingeles and Las Vegas, Hevada.

Copies of instant report are being furnished to the San Francisco and Balt lake City Field Offices in view of the investigation presently being conducted at Ban Francisco, California and Las Vegas, Hevada.

A copy of this report is being sent to the Chicago Field Office in connection with the Capga Case.

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(The above individual requested that his nime be kept confidential).

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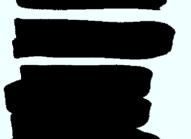
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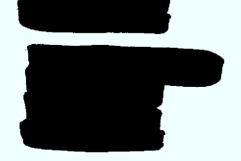
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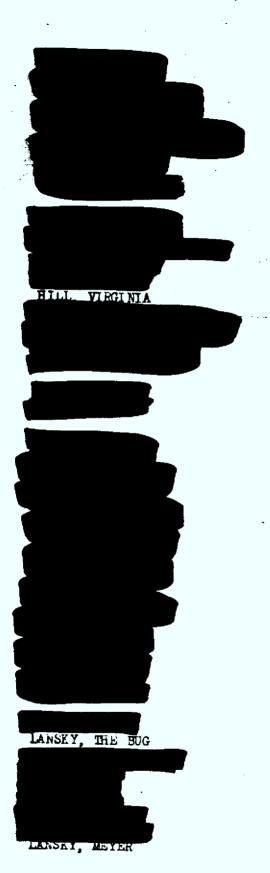


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Re: RENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL
Activities in New York City, October 5
to October 10, 1946

The following is being dictated by Special Agents and reflects information concerning the activities of BENJAHN "BUGS" SIEGEL while he was in New York City from October 5 to October 10, 1946.

During this period SIECEL was under physical surveillance and his activities while he resided in rooms 627-629 of the Roosevelt Hotel were also covered. The agents participating in the coverage of SIECEL were as follows:

Information obtained through and the physical surveillance maintained on SIECEL during this b? period developed most of SIECEL's contacts and movements during this time. Surveillance and plant logs were maintained and these logs reflect the activities of SIECEL as observed or obtained by the individual agents. These logs are being maintained in the files.

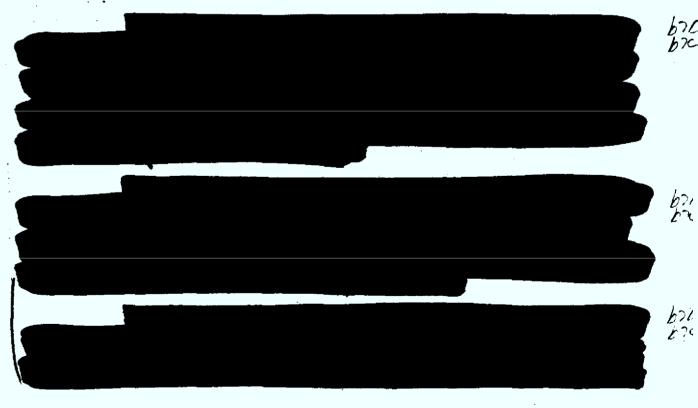
In accordance with information received from the Los Angeles Field office that SIEGEL would arrive at LaGuardia Airport at 9:15 a.m. on October 5, 1946, a surveillance was instituted in an effort to cover this individual upon his arrival in New York City. SIEGEL was not observed at the airport. However, it was learned that he registered at the Roosevelt Hotel at 11:00 a.m. on October 5, 1946 and was assigned a suite, rooms 627 and 629. The reservations for SIEGEL were not in his name, but a suite had been reserved by the Rudolph Murlitzer Company. Upon registering at the hotel he inquired for the suite reserved by the Murlitzer Company and was assigned to rooms 627 and 629.

peen made been made any visits to this address.

On October 6, 1946 at approximately 11:50 a,m, Mrs. SIEGEL and her two daughters were observed leaving their residence at which time Mrs. SIEGEL was driving her Chevrolet automobile, New York license 41673. This automobile was observed to stop at 46th Street and Madison Avenue and an individual subsequently identified as "BUGS" SIEGEL entered the automobile. SIEGEL's former wife and two daughters then proceeded to 1719-23 67th Street, Brooklyn where all entered. It was determined that this address is the residence of SIEGEL's mother. They remained at this address until approximately 3:15 p.m. when all proceeded to 410 Ocean Parkway, Brooklyn.

It was subsequently determined through an informant of this office that

They remained at this address for about half an hour after which SIEGEL's former wife and two daughters then proceeded to 88 Central Park West where all entered. At about 7:35 p.m. SIEGEL and his former wife proceeded in the Chevrolet to 46th Street and Madison ivenue where SIEGEL was observed to enter the hotel and proceeded to his room, and SIEGEL's former wife this time departed apparently for her residence.



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At 11:00 a.m. SIECEL was observed in the lobby of the Roosevelt Hotel with two unidentified individuals. He was observed making several telephone calls from the telephone booth in the hotel lobby. At about 11:15 a.m. SIECEL left the hotel with one of these individuals and entered a 1946 Oldsmobile sedan, New York license 5K7896.

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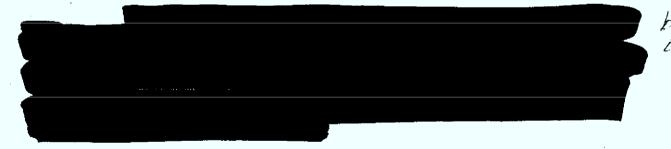
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SIEGEL and this individual, who will be hereinafter referred to as a insmuch as he was in this person's company aggreat deal, then drove to 65 U. 46th Street where SIEGEL entered a store occupied by A few minutes later SIEGEL got into automobile and drove to 693 Fifth Avenue where both individuals entered the building. They stayed there about a half hour and then SIEGEL and drove to the corner of Canal Street and Bowerv where SIEGEL entered the Paramount Diamond Exchange and greeted who has previously been referred to parked his automobile at Elizabeth and Mott Streets and then returned to the Paramount Diamond Exchange where he joine SIEGEL

at Canal Street and Bowery where they had lunch. They all three then returned to the Paramount Diamond Exchange and at 1:30 p.m. SIEGEL and left and drove to 223 W. 46th Street, which is the address of the Hollywood Theater Ticket Agency. Incidentally, this address has been for a long period of time a favorite hang-out of numerous racketeers and Froadway characters. It is believed that among other things a handbook is operated at this address. SIEGEL remained in the vicinity of the Holly-wood Agency from 2:00 to 3:25 p.m. and during this time he was observed walking in and out of the Hollywood Agency and shaking hands with a number of characters unknown to this office and appeared to be renewing a number of old acquaintances.

At 3:25 p.m. STEGEL and left the Hollywood Agency and proceeded to the Empire State Building where STEGEL met an unidentified individual, talked with him a few minutes, and then entered the building and proceeded to room 817, which is the office of Mastan Company, Inc. It was noted that just before he met this individual he opened the trunk compartment of automobile and extracted therefrom what appeared to be floor or building plans. Thereafter left after SIEGEL entered the building and maturined in his automobile to the Hollywood Agency:

The individual with whom STEGEL had a short conversation and then proceeded to the Maswall Company office is described as 40 to 45 years of age, 518", 175 pounds, medium complexion, black hair parted on the left side, and apparently of Jewish extraction.

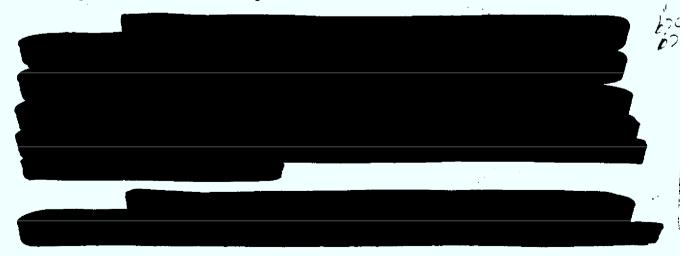


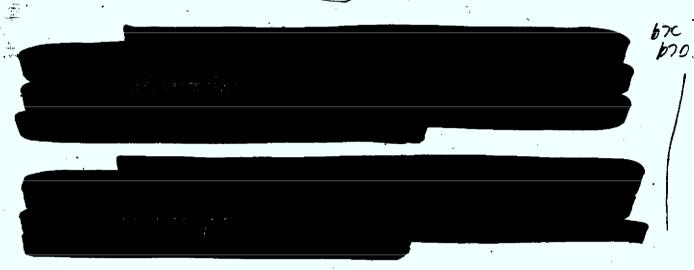
In view of the fact that the Los Angeles office has previously informed that SIEGLA contemplated a trip to New York in an effort to borrow a million and a helf dollars, it is believed that since SIEGEL entered this financial insultation with what probably was the plans of the Flamingo Hotel, that this is at least one institution that he is attempting to borrow money from in order to continue the building of his hotel.

At 5:00 p.m. SECEL and the individual previously described as meeting him in front of the Empire State Building, left this address, boarded a 5th Avenue bus, and got off at 49th Street and 5th Avenue. They then walked to the RCA Building in Rockefeller Center where they entered. Their purpose or the persons or firms they might have contacted in this building are unknown.

In view of the fact that SIEGEL had a pre-arranged meeting with FRANK COSTELLO at the Copacabana at 6:00 p.m., surveillance was instituted at this point at 5:45 p.m. At the time FRANK COSTELLO was observed in the bar with an unidentified person. At approximately 6:15 p.m. SIEGEL came into the Copacabana bar and immediately walked up to COSTELLO and greated him and his companion. Then COSTELLO's companion retired with SIEGEL to a table and remained together until 7:00 p.m., at which time COSTELLO's friend left the Copacabana and SIEGEL thereafter joined COSTELLO. They engaged in conversation for about fifteen minutes at which time SIEGEL ordered a fresh drink, gulped it down, and made a hasty exit from the Copacabana. A survey of the likely spots that SIEGEL might visit was made with negative results. The was subsequently determined that he returned to his hotel room at 2:00 a.r. the next morning.

It was observed during the agents' coverage of the Copacabana that exclusive of COSTELL's two visits with SIEGEL he held conferences with six other persons at different tables in the Copacabana, and it was also noted that young men in the place were frequently making phone calls and reporting to him. It would appear, therefore, that COSTELLO uses the Copacabana at least for part of his business activities.





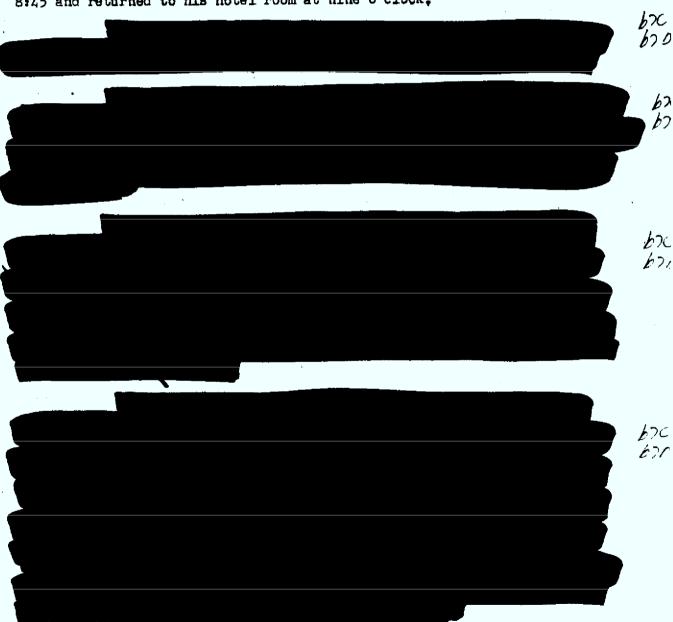
At 8:15 a.m. on October 9, 1946 a bell boy arrived at SIEGEL's room with the morning newspapers but he was unable to enter as SIEGEL could not get his door open. He communicated with the desk and after some time a hotel employee was able to open SIEGEL's door. It appears that when SIEGEL retired for the night he did not know that his door was not self-locking and during the regular rounds the night watchman noticed that his door was unlocked and locked it apparently with a key that did not quite fit the lock and fould it up. After the door was eventually opened, SIEGEL has very much alarmed over this incident. However, the hotel employed eventually convinced him as to what actually happened and he therefore was satisfied as to what happened and remarked the was lucky there was a wide-awake night watchman.

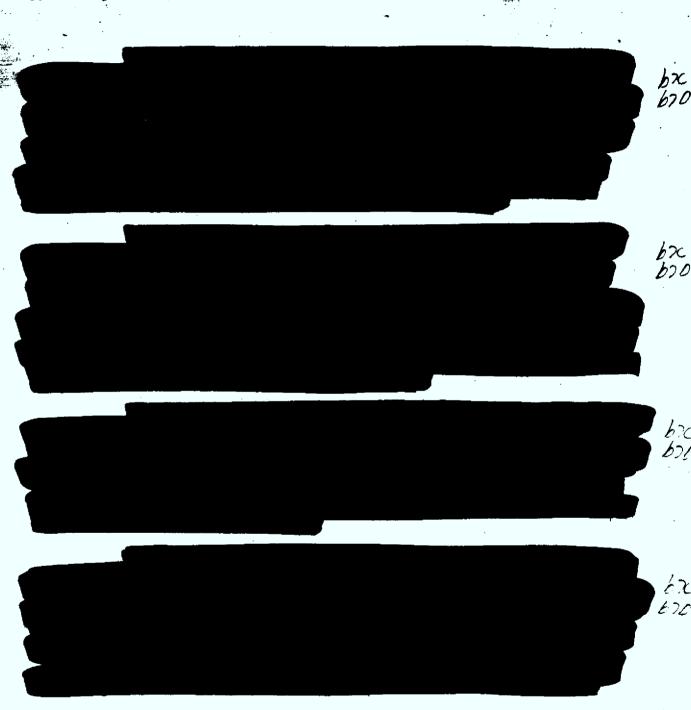
At 8:50 a.m. TEGES lift nic room to keep his scheduled appointment at the Park Lane Hotel and he remained at the Park Lane until 1:00 p.m. when he was observed leaving the botal with three unidentified individuals. When they has take hotel they immediately separated and SIEGEL accompanied by one of the individuals valked to the corner of 46th Street and Park Avenue where they then separated. The individual last seen with SIEGEL was described as 35 to 40 years of age, 1911, 170 to 180 pounds, dark complexion, black streight hair, and of either Jowish or Italian extraction. He were a blue sufficient was hetless,

After Trawing the above described Individual SIEGE, went to the Hollywood Theater Ticket Agency at 223 W. 45th Street and a short time thereafter entered Dirty Moore's Restaurant at 216 W. 46th Street, where he remained a short time and then returned to the Mollywood Agency. At 3:45 p.m. SIEGEL, accompanied by the left the ticket agency, walked to Times Square where they entered to Didsmobile, and then drove to the vicinity of 44th Street and Madason Avenue, where SIEGEL got

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out of the car unnoticed by surveilling agents. It appeared that he had gone to his hotel which is located at 45th Street and Madison Avenue. However, it was subsequently determined that he had again returned to the Park Lane, remained there until about six o'clock, after which he visited his family at 88 Central Park West and remained there until approximately 8:45 and returned to his hotel room at nine o'clock.





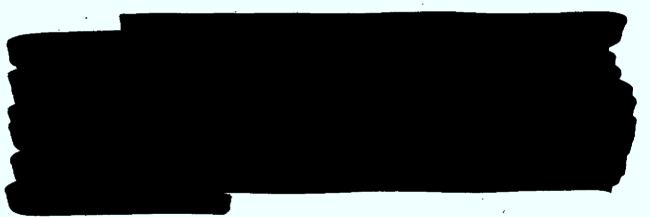
SIEGEL was observed at 10:15 a.m. on October 10, 1946 leaving the hotel accompanied by They entered Oldsmobile and drove to the vicinity of 3rd venue and East 50th Street, at which place

SECEL got out of the car, made a pretense of keeping an appointment, but only walked half a block and then ran back to the car which kept running, and departed. It was obvious that SECEL was attempting to shake the surveillance and in view of his movements he was successful in so doing.

At 1:45 p.m. automobile was observed at the corner of 48th Street and Lexington Avenue. However, it remained unoccupied until 2:45 p.m., at which time SIEGEL was observed to be in the lobby of the koosevelt Hotel.

At 5:00 p.m. all coverage of SIGEL's activities was discontinued in view of telephonic instructions received by the New York office from the Bureau indicating that the coverage heretofore afforded SIEGEL should be discontinued immediately.

Reference is made to Los Angeles teletype dated October 1, 1946 relative to SIEGEL's anticipated visit to New York and further indicating a close associate and SIEGEL's leg man, left Los Angeles for New York on September 30, 1946 and indicated he would register at the Taldorf Astoria Hotel.





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The following information is being dictated by Special Agent be

Reference is made to Los Angeles letters dated September 6 and October 2, 1946 concerning to whom SIEGEL has attempted to send a carload of beer. In these letters it was indicated that

are mentioned.

Special Agent of the Newark Field office, while talking to the writer about another metter, brought up the subject matters of these two letters. Agent stated that SIEGEL was unquestionably referring to the

In connection with the carload of beer.

He further stated that the mentioned was in all likelihood the who is well known in Newark and and is believed to be connected with racketeers

in Newark and vicinity.

He further stated that the mentioned in these conversations might very well be by According to Agent

Reference is also made to Los Angeles Field office letter dated September 3, 1946 and New York office teletype dated September 17, 1946 in connection with telephone calls made by LANSKY in New York to SIEGEL at an unknown telephone number in Los Angeles.

Reference is also made to Los Angeles Field office letter dated September 20. 1946 requesting additional investigation be conducted

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Hollywood Theater Ticket Agency, 223 W. 46th Street, New York City. As has been previously reported, this address is a hangout for racketeers and Broadway characters and it is suspected that a handbook is being operated from this establishment.

Reference is made to Los Angeles letter dated July 26, 1946 in which it is reported that was believed to be going about the country in a privately owned transport plane having his own pilot and co-pilot. The New York office was requested to attempt to verify this statement and to determine present residence and activities.

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Re: HOLLYWOOD THEATER TICKET ACENCY 225 W. 46th Street, New York City Telephone - Circle 5-6670

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent by on October 1, 1946:

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As set forth in letter from the Los Angeles Field office dated September 20, 1946, information was set forth that

As previously set forth in the report of Special Agent A. E. Ostholthoff, dated August 7, 1946 at Los Angeles, in the matter entitled "BENJAMEN INFORMATION CONCERNING, CRIPS SURVEY", advised that while SIEGEL is in New York City he frequents the Hollywood Theater Ticket office located on 46th or 47th Street just off Broadway.

According to records of the Department of Licenses for the City of New York, License #331069 was issued to the Hollywood Theater Ticket Agency, 225 W. 46th Street, New York City.

The agency is engaged in the sale of theater tickets, amusement tickets, and tickets for sporting events.

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On December 18, 1944 an anonymous complaint was received at the Department of Licenses stating that bookmaking was going on at the Hollywood Theater Ticket Agency. Investigation conducted by the Department of Licenses on December 23, 1944 was conducted with negative results.

The indices of the New York office were checked in the name of bockith negative results.

During the course of a surveillance conducted by Agents of the New York office on MEYER LAISKY, it was noted that on September 26, 1946 LANSKY's chauffeur while driving car bearing New York license 4L-3392, went to the Hollywood Theater Ticket Agency at 225 W. 46th Street, LANSKY's chauffeur appeared to be waiting for someone at the agency and after approximately one half hour departed unaccompanied.

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is set forth in the referenced letter from the Los ingeles

Field office.

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Under date of September 23, 1946 the Los ingeles Field office requested that the files of the New York office be checked in an effort to retermine any information available concerning who was the object of this letter. The following information concerning this individual pears in the New York files.

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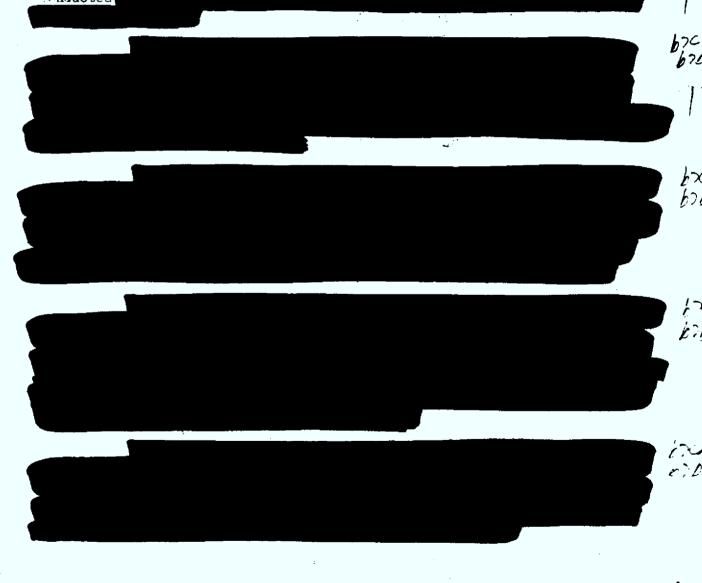
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Re': ESTHER SIEGEL

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent on October 4, 1946:

In view of the fact that information was received from the Los Angeles Field office that ESTHER SIEGEL was residing at 88 Central Park West, and that in the event SIEGEL's plans to come to New York were consummated he would probably visit her, the following investigation was conducted





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AT HELL YORK, N. Y.:

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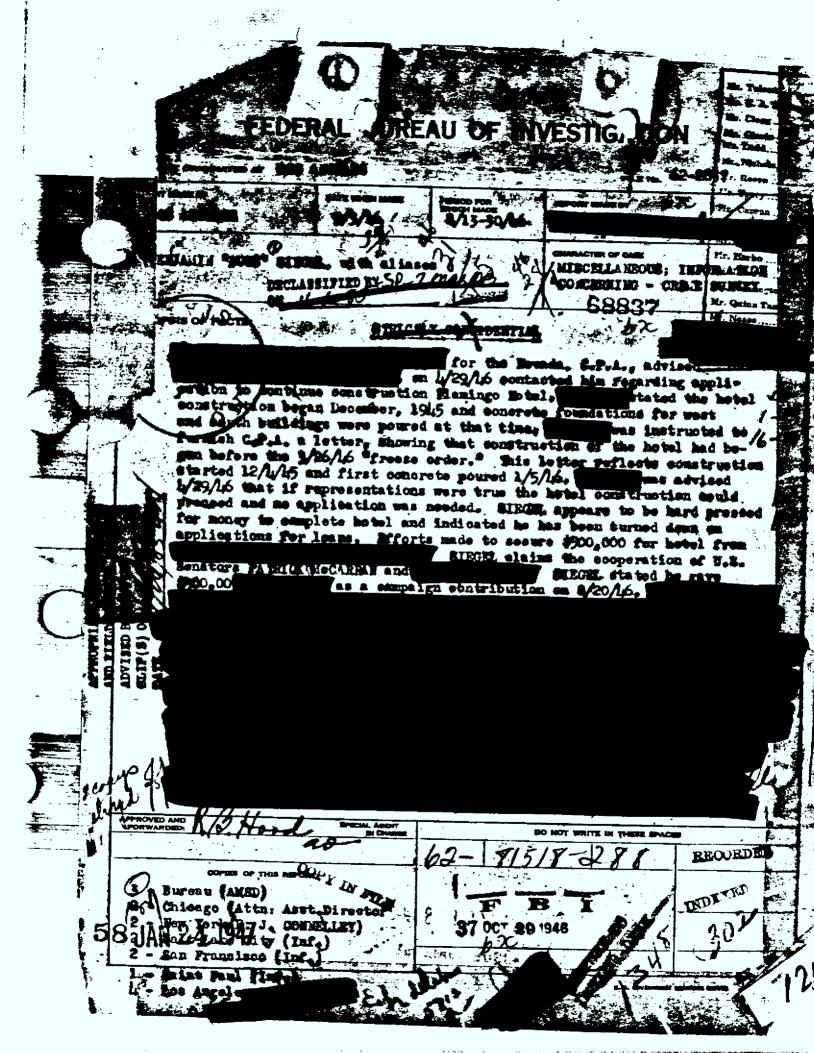
Copies of this report are being sent to the Chicago, Newark and Salt Lake City Field offices for their information in view of the fact that considerable investigation in this case was conducted by these offices and is for the completion of their files.

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Confidential informants mentioned in the report of Special dated NOV 7 1946 at New York are as follows:

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FIRME remarked that he is attempting to definitely appertain The source of his epposition and that he has "times or four sources" that he is presently working on through san Brancisco, Saltfornia to Sin sut where the "beef came from".

. SINGM, stated that when the recent discussion areas in las Vegas as to whether the areas including the resort hotels and night slubs on the Las Vegas-Los ingeles Highway should be incorporated within the City of Las Vegas, took the position that he would support such incorporation previded the City of Las Value would not great subline and Manuer licenses to the Flamingo Hotel.

GREENBAIN then reminded SIECEL, ecoproling to informant, that TERRAIN has an excellent contact in mashington. SIEGHL replied that that was good but that he wented to talk with first since is a very good friend of MC CARRAN.

advised on August 14, 1946 that SIEGEL telephonically contacted at the Las Veges Club, Las Toras from Los Angeles. During this conversation SIRVEL also belied and asked if the Clark County Counts igners had granted the liquor and gambling license for the Flamings Notel on that date, the replied that he had been attempting to assertain if these linenses was not in his office. SIRISI th and been granted, but that

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distant a proposed yed the their ago by to call because be i personally MEMAY to lephonically introduced discussed with the fluringo Botel, including the flo the construction i construction topis, emount of money sport to fate on such of the boto white and other construction depails, puring this conversation that the ever-all costs of the building ! 21,675,000 and that and Signi, that a livrespel \$1,100,000 to data. During this emporsation med approximately \$500,000 more, No. We Dood are then five hundred, we would need about \$650,000". if the latter has a copy of the hotel plans. stated should actually do is to come to Las Yogas and age that meat the hotel himself. So then stated that he could give a rough idea of the type building and added: "We have a single-story building of lattice steel of approximately \$5,000 square feet, which houses the restaurant, ber, kitchen and casing. The cost of this is estimated at \$420,000 exclusive of furnishings". toted: Then, you have some estinges too den't you!"! reflied: "I'm giving gov what we have. This is one building, maren't started any cottages pet. This building is about 80% completed",

hotel building, 100 rooms of \$6,000 square feet reenforced concrete.
That building is going to cost us approximately \$770,000 without any
fernishings.

in and replied that the second building is 68% to 70% completed. He stated that they would be through pouring congrete by September 15, 1946. stated that in addition to these two buildings, they have some store buildings that would represent approximately 5600 square fest which would be of concrete block construction on concrete. The cost of these store buildings was estimated at \$60,000. He added there were other

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if the shove ligures were approximat replied that the building figures are approximate ince they are exclusive figures. He stated: We have tried to estimate et the subside. We are taking the figures of the sests of building around here and what the sontractors told us it would cost and so have adde retated that this estimate of 16% additional soste was about right at the prosent time. (A) (C) (A)

tated that the costs of the buildings had been estimate st \$14,00 per square foot,

advised that he would meed all of this informer tion prepared in a statement form to be submitted to his. principal in the application for the loan. sakod if the latter would need a complete set of plans and should forward the complete set of plans for the entire project there and a detailed statement of the money so far expended. Asked if the latter "had included the cost of land in the estimate" replied that the land cost of \$63,000 had been included, and that the builders have a balance sheet of August 19, 1946 reflecting how much money has been apent so far; the balance of their money in the bank; and an itemised statement as to the amount of money spent on each structure. also forward a copy of that financial statement of balance sheet with a copy of the hotel plans and specifications;

The second second that his principal, who was making out dvised the loan, is an individual person and not a corporation and that this principal is extremely anxious to obtain the plans and specifications immediately in wiew of his contemplated trip to Las Vegas within about two days for the purpose of looking the project over

replied that the plans for the Notes building and for the front building are not complete. The sked if the architect replied: "No. has completed his plans for those two buildings and the finish may not be completed; the printing specifications. We are working on those things now. We have all the structural and detail plans, but some of the detail plans may be missing.

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structural plung on dee of the walldings from Lee Vegas on the alght of August 28, 1944, but that it plans for the building furthers identifying the shirt building he had reference to been in the personation of their architect to the angeles and that he would mail the latter plans and specifications to the angeles and that he would mail the latter plans and specifications to the form tow into the interest plans and specifications to the same of the interest plans and specifications to the same of the same

Informant stated that this conversation was completed by advising that he would probably seemed in the world

On August 15 and 14, 1946 a bearing was conducted in San Francisco California before C.P.L. Commissioner The purpose of this bearing was to enable the builders of the Finish to told to show as the senstruction on the Hotel should not be stopped in view of a sound wis violation of the C.P.A. Treese order of March 34, 1946.

Appearing at this hearing before tommissioner peres

who were represented by

represented the DKLAKESB CONSTRUCTION COMPANY and also appeared at the hearing.

In the report of Special Agent Ban Prancisco, dated August 24, 1946 in the instant case.

At the conclusion of the hearing, the paspondents were allowed by
to continue construction work on the hotel but the C.P.A. was
present to show cause on or before September 5, 1946 why this construction
should not continue, after which time, on the failure of the C.P.A. to
show sufficient sause, the builders of the hotel would be allowed to some
plate the building.

On August 19, 1946, Special Arents

OSTHOLTHOFF interviewed

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August 24, 1946 and they will not be set out again in this report.

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at 19, 1946, Special Agenta Resident agent at Reno, Bevela, ballac or for Youngs, C.P.L. at

THE STATE OF THE S A request was made at for permission at review his file on the Flamingo Rotel; which request was granted. A review of this file reflected that the first document constituting a written record of perotiations relating to the Flamingo Hotel was a letter from Attorney for GUE GREENBAUM and deted Liria 29, 1946 and addressed to

The second document in the file was a parbon copy of a letter. C Movada which was a reply to letter of the same date.

The third document in the file, which was attached to letter of april 29, 1946, was a photostatic copy of the plat plan or the Flamingo Rotel at Las Vegas, which was designated in the plat plan as the Hotel Milkerson. This plan was dated January 12, 1946.

Other documents in the file were copies of telegrams from the San Francisco to the THEB CONSTRUCTION COMPANY. Los Angeless

and, GUS GREENBAUM, care of the El Cortes Rotel, Las Vegas, all of which were dated april 25, 1946 and are hereinafter referred to as the April Stop Orders.

The last document in the file was a copy of a telegram from San Francisco to DEL WEBB CONSTRUCTION. COMPANY, los Angeles, which will be discussed in detail.

stated that the Flamingo Hotel first same to his attention on April 29, 1946 when a las Veras /ttorney, appeared at his office stated that he had been instructed by the Construction Division of the C.P. to call on for the purpose of discussing the construction

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applicating for a C.P.A. Permit to continue construction on the Hotel since involtigators of the C.P.A. Compliance Division in Los incoles had instructed the builders of the Flamingo Hotel to pursue that consecut action.

of construction on the Hotel and received verbal representations from to the effect that actual construction had begun in December 1945.

stated at that time that concrete foundations had been poured for the west and south buildings, including the shops, stores, beauty parlor, barber shop, and health thub. At this time produced a photostatic copy of a blueprint, presumably prepared on January 12, 1946 by

Las Vegas, Nevada, reflecting that the Flamingo fictel building, which at that time bore the name Hotel Wilkerson, was a single unit horseshoe shaped with lounges, dining from and service facilities on the front or west side; shops and stores on the south side of center of the horseshoe and the hotel building proper on the east and northeast sides. The horseshoe shoped unit was open at the northwest.

This plan also called for the prection of seven sottage buildings, containing 60 rooms in the rear or east side of the premises behind the hotel building. Six existing dormitory or barracks buildings were depicted in the blueprint on the south side of the premises.

requested that prepare a letter containing his verbal representations that construction on the hotel had begun prior to March .26, 1946 C.P.A. "freeze order" and replied that he would have the letter prepared immediately. The left the effice and went into the business district of Reno. We returned after lunch with an original and two carbon sopies of a letter which he told that he had dictated to a public stenographer in Reno. Signed the original copy of the letter and one carbon copy as Attorney for GUS GREENBAUM and and left these two oppies with

made the carbon copy of this letter bearing signature available. This copy is being retained in the files of the Los Angeles PieldDivision and is quoted as Pollows;

Reno, Mevada April 29, 1946

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C.P.A., I am herewith seeking approva of a building project heretofore commenced by GUS (RKENBAUM and ht Las Vegas, Hevada.

Project, was commenced December 4, 1945, and the first concrete on the project was poured Jamiary 5, 1946. The construction project covers one large building of a horseshoe shape approximately 1,000 feet in length. The westerly portion of the building was the first part of the horseshoe structure started, and the easterly portion of the building was the

As you willnote from the copy of the plans hereto attached, the entire structure is one building, although the building has been started in sections due to the cise of the same. It is such a large building that it was impossible to construct the entire construction atone time, and so as a necessity it has been started in various sections.

All of the facilities for the entire building are in the easterly portion of the structure, including boilers, cooling equipment, water equipment, etc. All utility tunnels extend from the easterly portion of the building to the westerly and southerly portion of the building. Even if the westerly portion of the building was completed, it would be impossible to operate the same due to the fact that no utility set up is provided for in that portion of the building.

It is apparent that the investigating officer who filed the original report with the San Francisco affice was not sware of the fact that the entire horseshoe structure was one building. He apparently thought that because the construction was being started in three separate sections, to-wit: the west, east and the south, that the wonstruction in each separate spot was a separate building, when in truth and in fact all of the construction was to join and make the one horseshoe building hereinabove referred to,

"Up to this point, the swners of the property have expended approximately \$444,000.00, and without the permission of your office to sintinue and complete the entire horseshoe structure, the money invested to this date will have been an useless expenditure of funds, insanuch as no single part or portion of said building

entire structure being t

to Appointfully request a sertification from your office the effect that Mr. GREENBAUM and immediately proceed to complete the construction of the entire horseshoe structure and Its appurtenances, which are part of the same.

Yours very truly,

Attorney for GUS GREENBAUN

that if his representations then advised in the letter were true to the effect that building construction had ectually begun prior to the C.P.A. "freege order", no C.P.A. permit was necessary and that the builders of the hotel would be allowed to proceed with the dictated a letter construction. To substantiate this statement

which was typed immediately by This letter, a copy of which was prepared by and furnished to the agents, reads as follows:

LAS Vegas, Sevens

"In reference to your letter as attorney for GUS GREENBAUM and regarding construction already started, and known as the Revada Project: in accordance with the factures pontained in your letter, you are authorized to continue construction of the entire building referred to, and because the construction of such building was started prior to March 26, 1496, there will be no need for you to file further application therefor.

Yery truly yours,

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and received a person occur of a tologram dated April 25, 1946 from San Francisco, addressed to select a services of the select and select and

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AND GREENBAUM WHISE YOU STATE TAS UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN DECEMBER.

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DISCUSSED SITUATION WITH HIM TODAY.

This copy was received through the mail by a pril 27, 1946. The state of the above telegram available to agents. This copy is presently retained in the files of the los Angeles Pield Division.

on April 25, 1946, unknown to at the time of C.P.A., Ban Francisco, California had directed identically worded telegrams to the NEBB CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, 408 south Spring Street. Los Angeles;

OUS GREENBAIN, care of the El Corter Motel, Las Vegas, Mevada, These telegrams provided:

*INVESTIGATION INDICATES THAT YOU AS CONTRACTOR FOR

AND GUS CRERBAIM, C/O EL CORTEZ BOTEL,
LAS VEGAS, REVADA, ARE CONSTRUCTING A HOTEL AS PART OF A HOTEL
RESORT PROJECT LOCATED SIX NILES EAST FROM LAS VEGAS ON HIGHTAY
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Appearance at Reno on April 39,
1946. These telegrams are referred to as the April Stop Orders on
construction work on the Plamingo Hotel.

Copies of the above telegrams were prepared by and are retained in the files of the Los Angeles Field Division.

stated that he believes that representatives of the Flamingo Motel have been in Reno on only one oscasion, April 29, 1946. He was not certain of this, however, because of the fact that about that time many representatives of construction companies and builders throughout the state were salling on him and no record was kept of such visits.

He subsequently recalled that telephonically contacted him from Los Angeles about April 22, 1946.

what progress was being made on the authorization to proceed with the construction of the Flamingo Hotel.

entire matter was in the hands of the Compliance pivision.

He stated that since April 29, 1946, at representative of the DELL MESS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, the builders or the Architect, have called on him and that he has no correspondence relating to the hotel since that date.

to proceed with the construction of the Hotel, conditioned upon allegations contained in his letter being true, the builders of the Flamingo have not been required to display any C.P.A. building permit. He stated that he has seen the Flamingo Hotel on only one occasion and that was on August 14, 1946 while he was in Ias Tegas for the purpose of organizing an Advisory Committee to assist him in the approval or dis of building permit applications for that area. Numbers of this Idvis

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Committee, Mainh were sepressed to August 18, 1946, Mrs.

Fith regard to the S.P.L. Comissioner's Meating on luguet 14, 1946, stated that in Ban Francisco, Perophonically contacted end requested presence in San Francisco on August 14, 1965 for the purpose of Deine used as a <u>witness</u> at the bearing to refute the presumed testimony of instructions to proceed with sometruction and giver on the Planingo Hotel. tated that pursuant to a C.P.A. Mainistra tive rule requiring the appoint of an Advisory Committee in principal sommunities he had already planned to leave on that date for Las Vegas. that it would be impossible for him Zo, therefore, advised o be at the hearing in an Francisco unless would instruct to be there. to order

stated that information coming to the attention of his office and that of the Construction Division Representatives of the C.P.A. a bout the authorized building is not automatically referred to the Compliance Division. He stated that before the Compliance Division can not on alleged building in violation of the C.P.A. "freeze order" some outside person must complain to the Compliance Division. He stated that in the past matters between the Construction Division and the Compliance Division have not been well coordinated and that the two divisions have worked independently of each other.

manager from approving any building, the costs of which is in embess of \$1,000,000. Approval for such a structure must be granted in Washington. District managers, however, have the authority to approve or disapprove any application for construction in an amount up to \$1,000,000 and he can also disapprove any construction job, the value of which exceeds \$1,000,000. In addition, a district manager may submit his recommendations to the C.P.A. Headquarters, Washington, when the amount of a construction project exceeds \$1,000,000 and is not denied by the district manager. A provision is also made for a builder to appeal an adverse ruling by district C.P.A. managers and this appeal is made directly to C.P.A. Headquarters in Washington.

value at all on the Flamingo Hotel and that he does not recall having

ands sopies of Veterens' Bousing Order Program Number 1 together with supplements available to Agents. These orders and supplements dover all building regulations and prohibitions and instructions against building. They are being retained in the files of the Los ingeles Field Bivision.

In the report of Erecial Agent A. R. OSHICL HOFF, Early laguet ?, 1966, of the flaguet, information has not forth on Pages 69 and 90 relative to a front-page editorial which appeared in the Las Wagas Tribune of August 1. 1966, sapthoned Cambling Palages vs. Houses for Veterans, In this article editor of the Las Wegas Tribune presented a somewhat scathing attack on the builders of the Flamingo Rober, including SUGSI SIEGH. and

This information was corroborated by the bound of the state of the state of the second of the second

hearing at San Francisco on August 13 and 14, 1916 and stated that the hearing had cost SIEGEL, several thousand dollars. SIEGEL tended to blame the C.P.A. investigation of the hotel on article in the "Las Vegas Tribume." He said, "Now you are writing things you know nothing about because you didn't look to see if we had the O.E. to build." You published your story that we are wrong, that we have no right to build. He told that he is actually building up the Las Vegas area by constructing the hotel and that only a very small portion of the building is to be used for gambling purposes.

SIEGEL saroastically quoted portions of the newspaper article attempted to present an argument in justification for his distorial, according to informant, saying that what he said of the Flamingo Hetel is true of everything in Las Vegas. SIEGEL demanded that tell him why the latter had written such an article because you didn't do that for no reason out of your head. He told that none of the building naterials had been purchased on the black market and that no money above ceiling prices had been paid for the materials. He said that no other contractors in the area had no justification for complaining because DEL TEBB had purchased all of the materials on the legitimate open market and that if DEL WEBB could be the materials any other contractor could also obtain them.

then grated that a kusber of Peternas in the Las Ferns area were sumplicating about the achestruction of the house. Since effect of 1,000,000 if he could greated any Veteran who would not state building satesfals for someting and who had been injured in any way by the construction of the Flamingo, he also stated that he has approximately 200 veterans sumployed on the botel construction.

such a story. Tropied that he gains the support of the little people."

EIEGH advised that the fatter would get no advertising at all from the flamingo Hotel. He stated that he has a weekly pay soll of \$18,000.00, all of which money was paid to local residents of Las Vogas and that he is adding materially to the domainity. The maintained according to informant that SIEGHL has no legal right to build a hotal. SIEGHL rominded him that fourteen weeks age he and the other builders of the hotel had obtained an "O.E." from the Reno affice of the C.P.A. He stated that at the San Francisco Commissioner's hearing on August 14, 1916, the newspaper article written by the mas introduced in swidence and that it was the only damaging thing against them.

He asked why other construction jobe in Las Yegas had not been attacked by and mentioned a new office building replied that the office building is an essential building. BIEGEL again product to divulge the source of information and complaint on the Mamingo and replied that every veteran's Post in Nevada has passed a resolution to investigate the matter. He stated that the complaint coming from the veterans was by the leaders of the Veterans organizations rather than from the individual members themselves.

when actually knows nothing about the two men. replied that is just a little guy and that is connected with a distiller. SIEGHL denied that is a "little guy" and mentioned several real estate holdings in California.

SIEGEL continued to press to divulge his source of information and again mentioned the building materials, stating that with the exception of three loads of lumber purchased during the last four to six months, the builders and contractor of the Palmingo Hotel have purchased no materials subsequent to the C.P.A. freeze order. He stated that no materials had been purchased on the black market, that no bonuses have been paid, and that no individual had been bribed.

SIEGH. told that he would have been glad to furnish authentic information to the had the latter been interested amough to interview SIE prior to writing the article. SIEGH. remarked, by word is better than my or note and when that is gone, I will go jump in the Pacific.

information about his mat was entirely false, but that he had always presented the true picture to them said had serviced them that he was right. He mantioned that an one occasion he had sectived a "blast" from DEEN PERSON, but that he had later talked with PERSON and an the following day PERSON "gave so the thele was." He also told about the shilanthropical tendencies of stating that the travels all other the country paying his but expenses walls acting in behalf of lewish therisable arganizations.

singer also mentioned some connections he has with prominent politicans by and stated he had made political contributions to campaign funds of various sandidates including

At the conclusion of the conversation, told SIEGEL that he was glad that they had had this discussion and that if there is ever anything he can do to help SIEGEL he will do it. SIEGEL again asked him what the source of his information was, but would not answer. He stated instead that he will write enother article to appear in the "Las Vegas Tribune" and that he will allow SIEGEL to read it prior to its being published.

Information was subsequently furnished by to the offect that SIEGEL had made a political contribution to the campaign fund of

introduced SIEGEL and that as result of this introduction on august 21, 1916, SIEGEL made this campaign contribution.

1916 with SIEGEL, during a conversation relative to the difficulty being experienced by SIEGEL and in obtaining a lawyer for the further financing of the Flamingo Motel.

During this conversation described dvised SIEGEL that he had been to the Mank of America and the Occidental Insurance Company in Los Angeles for the

Surpose of applying for a least, but had been "sursed down." We hald SIRGEL that "the han at the insurance company was sold as ire. "The hand the insurance company was sold as ire." The hand that the half of aperios had what they do not sensider has Vegos to be a first-rate town.

because knows some of the bankers there.

Later on the phone and sold that he was surprised at the each reception he had received at the Bank of America, said that he ater called one of his friends at the Bank and asked why he had received such a sool reception and was informed by this bank comtact that SIEGEL, were very hot.

Laked the banker for an explanation and the banker replied that there has been an investigation of the planings here! Man been visited by two the planings here! Man been visited by two there is evidently a lot of "heat on."

putting on the heat are

Le remarked that in all probability the persons responsible for putting on the heat are

Le remarked that he is getting very good deeperation at the present time from United States

Benators PATRICK McCARRAN and

BIEGEL remarked that he had given

\$500.00 as a sampaign contribution on August 20, 1916.

SIEGHL then remarked that the Government evidently feels that he had bribed

SIEGH and then discussed the prospect of investigators having been out at the hetcl site. They agreed that they should adopt a plan to keep unauthorized persons off the hotel premises and stated that they would employ suards day and night and have them deputized

They also greed to erect a fence and string wire around the hotel premises. SIEGEL remarked that he would like to construct a floor of concrete walls and roof to join the hotel building to the easine building in order to conform to the plans placed before the C.F.A. hearing at San Francisco on August 14, 1916. He remarked that the connecting link would be a "phoney" but that it would give the appearance of their having only one building instead of two. He also estimated the cost of this connecting link at 415,000. Then suggested to BIEGEL that he issue instructions to the MEL Webb Construction Company on the following morning (August 21, 1946) to erect a fence and lay out the floor plan for the connecting link between the two buildings.

It should be noted that a visual inspection of the premises by Special / Agents on August 21, 1946 and

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had placed with and agreed the application for loan which they had placed with they should increase the application from \$500,000.00 to \$600,000,000.

Stated that he would call the state of the following day with regard to the loan.

then suggested that arrangements be made through United States
Senator PAP McCARMAN to apply for a loan from the Reconstruction Finance
Corporation, then suggested to SIECEL to advise McCARMAN that it would
be good for McCARMAN to play dumb about the money going into the place in the
event McCARMAN should be questioned about the original financial arrangements
in the Flamingo Motel.

SIEGEL suggested to that it may be advisable for someone to contact insurance companies in the vicinity of Boston for the purpose of obtaining a loan.

proposed connecting link between the two buildings and stated that he would instruct the contractor to begin erecting forms for pouring the concrete floor and walls on the following day. They then decided that they would construct this connecting building in such a manner that it could be used temporarily for a health club. SIECEL told that the latter should stop referring to the hotel as buildings no. I and no. 2, but instead should start referring to the construction job as the front and the rear of the building.

interested in the hotel building he will have to be very cautious about the money he spends in the future and that he will have to acquire additional money immediately. From the above conversation, it was evident according to that SIECEL and are extremely worried at the present time about their prospects of obtaining a loan for the continuation of the construction project.

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SIEGEL advised NOE SELWAY that prior to the C.P. is hearing in Ean Francisco he did not know who

C.P.A. Enforcement Division,

Los Angeles, was. He stated that immediately after the hearing came up to him and advised him that did not know that SIEGEL had an interest in the Hotel when he originally started investigating the possible C.P.A. violation.

told SIEGEL that had he known SIEGEL had an interest in the building, he, would have helped SIEGEL out. SIEGEL remarked that had previously orked with in an investigation for SIEGEL, MEYER LANKY, FRANCE COSTELLO, and others in New York City after the conviction of CHARLES LUCKY fulliano and that this investigation was conducted for the purpose of determining if the witnesses against LUCIANO had committed perjury.

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The foregoing information was furnished without any hesitation whatsoever and he advised that if any further information was desired he would be glad to help.

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. Los inzeles, determined Special Agent on August 20, 1946 that a had left Las Vegas at 8:50 p.m. on August 17th, via T.W.A. Flight Number 4, Plane Number 339 on a ticket purchased to Chisago. It was indicated there was to be a plane change at Kansas City. However, there was no from Kansas City to Chicago. It was learned reservation for that he sould go by Mid-Continent Air Lines to Minneapolis from Eansas City or via the Braniff Air Lines. Also, he could so to Chicago and then take the T.W.A. plane to Minneapolis. Special Agent Also reported that on August 17th, SIEGEL had requested the Western Air Lines

2 25 to Chicago. Restern Air Lines pomiline seservetions and grant would loave at \$,50 a.m. my suggest 21, Beever, he was informed that the milted Lir Lines was unable to confirm his reparenting from Denver to Chicago as the first available space from Denver was said to be September 9, 1946.

Arrangements were made with the Denver Field Office to pover BEN SIEGEL in the event he left on the Hestern Air Lines for Denver, where he would then transfer to United Lir Lines for Chicago.

On the evening of Luguet 20, 1946, special Agent telephonically advised from Las Vegas that

also furnished additional information regarding SIEGEL's reservations which reflected that on August 17, 1946 SIEGEL had made reservations for both himself and Western Air Lines for his trip to Chicago as proviously indicated. The reservations were confirmed only as far as Denver. They were scheduled to leave August 21st at 9:20 a.m. and arrive at Donver at 1:58 p.m. on Flight 400 from Las Vegas. It was also reported to Agent that SIEGEL had cancelled his trip to Chicago and was to leave las vegas for los Angeles by car on the afternnon of the Elst. The reservation for was not cancelled. Further inquiries were made to verify the cancellation of SIECEL's trip and to detormine whether departed for Chicago as schoduled. It was subsequently ascertained by Special Agent hid not make the trip and that SIRGEL returned to los Angeles.

Through it was learned that on August 20, 1946 at 7:17 p.m. a telephone call was made to BEN SIEGEL at his room in the Last Frontier Hotel from an unknown person, at which time the following conversation took place:

CALLER:

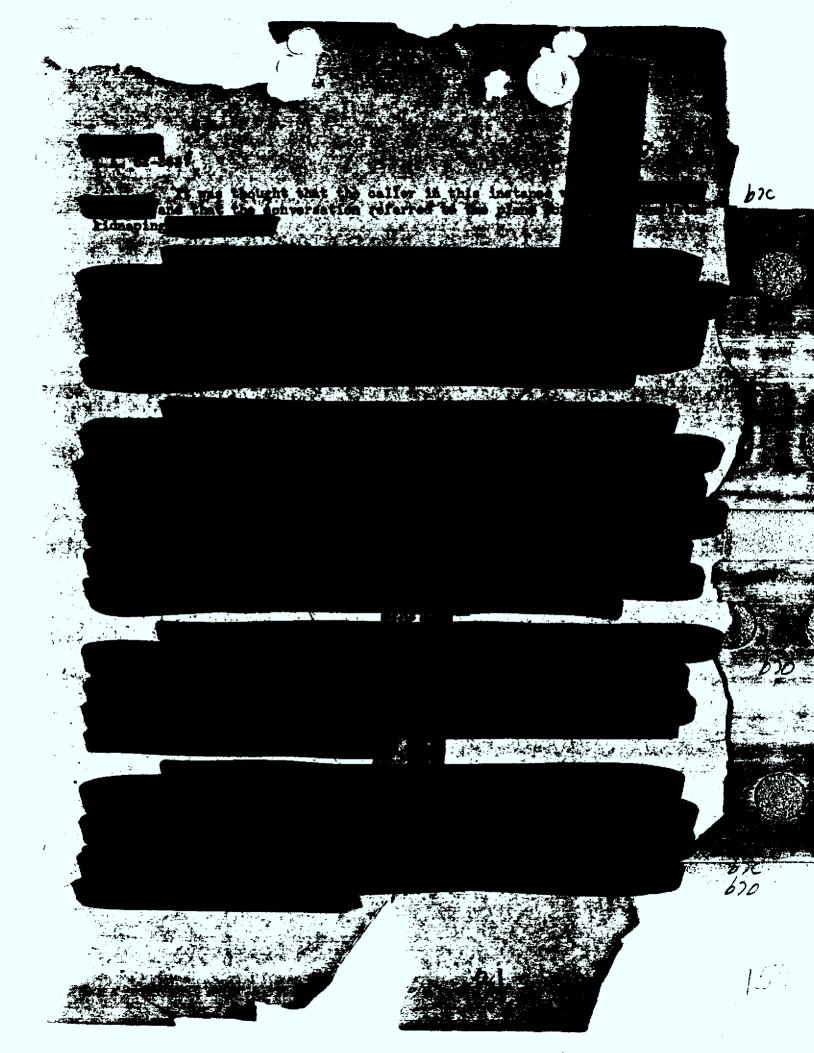
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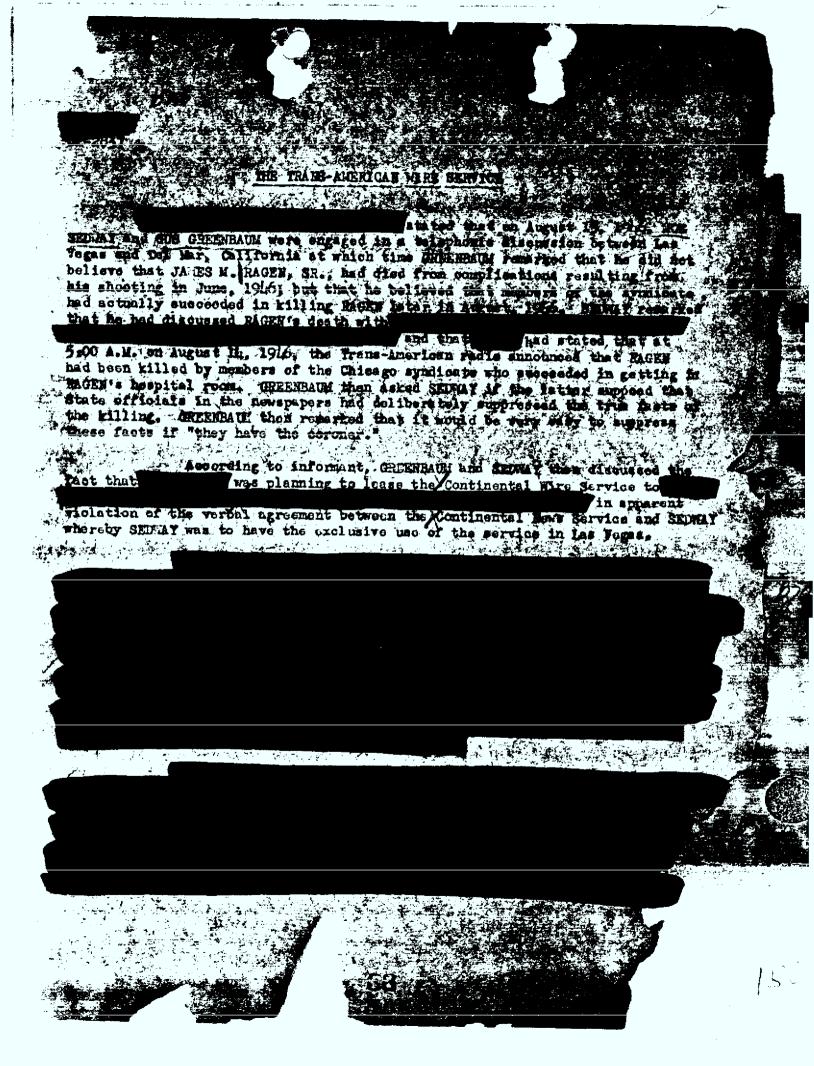
CALLER:

No. I am in town. That guy didn't want to go through with it, so I got a delay. I just wanted to let you know.

Well, I'll see you tomorrow. At least I will see you tomorrow night.



The Bursau, Chicago and St. Paul Field Offices August 22, 1946 that the proposed kidnaping



en id that he was property of is Vegas Club of August 197 1960 when street placed a long sistance telephone SIEGH advised he had been attempting to weach the now wire service frame-inerican Publishing and News Service. Inc.) had not been sent down to the Topics. Proping that he and his associates were having a hard time getting the wire in and that they have to go "a round. about way". SIEGEL remarked that he had contacted the Western Union manager in has Togas and was told by the manager that "those other people told him not to put it in. " Informant stated that SIEGEL obviously meant that representatives of the Continental News Service and requested Western Union to delay negotiations with Transemerican Bows Service and Publishing Company. SIEGER seid that the manager told him to stall the matter as long as he could and to tell anyone else that lestern Union trunk lines are leaded SIEGH, then told get the wire in I will throw the other fellows out. roplied, "I am glad you told me. We will get on with it." then told SIEGEL that ann be reached any time at the Blackstons Hotel, Chicago, KIRSEL asked had received the check for \$12,000.60 which he had sent. replied in the affirmative and then SIEGH, asked if the new wire service has been functioning yet, and if the new service is schooting in from the East yet. * \ replied that the new service is working and that the he service has on entire crew that was taken away from RAGRE that is making panestions in the East and already submitting wire service to Chicago from e East. SIEGH, then instructed to harry us and fillish the wire ser the fest Coast so he can "throw them out of here." advised on agreet 18, 19ho that

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The following was dictated by Special Agent OSTHOLTHOFF, dated August 7, 1916 at Los Angeles where information is set forth The state of the state of regarding A summary report in this case s ta te June 3, 1922 made at Cincinnati, Ohio, by Special Agent



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tity Field Division on August 8, 1946 with the request that they furnish details relative to the black market operations

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The following information is being reported to reflect activities with reference to the notorious gin runny games which have been reported in the newspapers in Los Angeles.

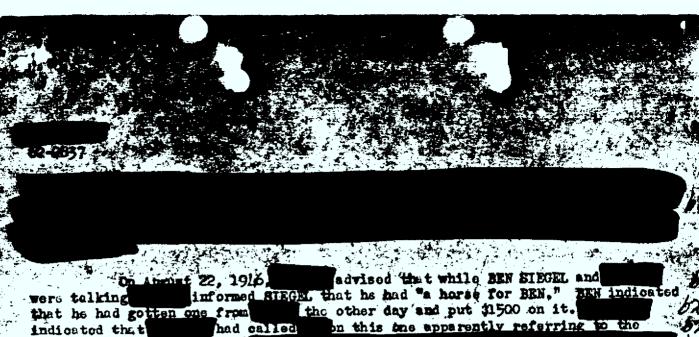
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an examination of the mail cover results for all mail received at residence fulled to reflect any communication which would be of assistance to this investigation at this time and mas not being set forth in this report.

BINGEL'S DIVORCE FROM MRA. The following was dictated by Special Iguit The Salt Take City Office by letter dated August 14, 1946 advised that the divorce records of Tashoe County Clerk's Office, Reno, Jevada Docket Number 108261, reflected that on August 5, 1946 ESTER LASIEDEL was granted a divorce from BENJAMIN SIRGEL. The complainant also recited that a property settlement had been agreed upon, per the contract made June 20, 1946, and the plaintiff offered the contract as Erhibit "A" in the proceedings and asked that the terms thereof be adopted in the divorce decree. The complainant alleged the defendant had been guilty of extreme cruelty, mental in nature, and requested that an absolute divorce be granted with the custody of the children being made to the plaintiff with the right of visitation by the defendant at "all reasonable and seasonable times". Mrs. SIEGEL was represented by DONNELL RICHARDS, Attorney, Reno, Nevada. It was reported that the file contained an "Appearance and Waiver" signed by BENJAMIN SIEGEL and acknowledged at Los Angeles July 2, 1946 before ANHA TAYLOR, Notary Public, in which he in effect consented to a divorce decree. The decree granted an absolute divorce, gave custody of the children to the mother, with the right of visitation as set forth in the complaint. The property agreement was approved and fully adopted by the Court.



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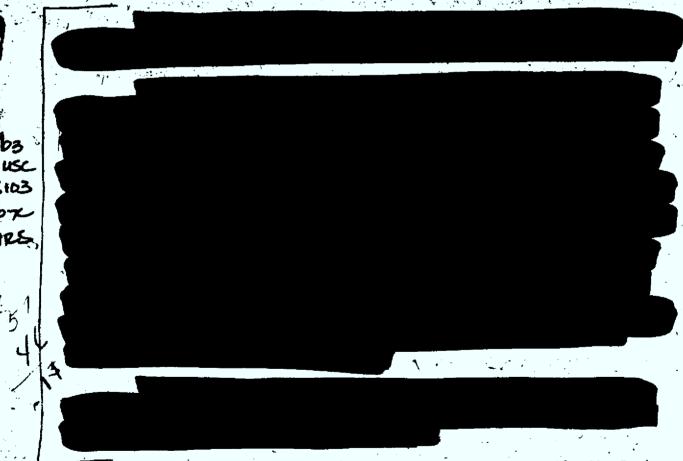
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VIRGINIA KILL

The following was dictated by Special Agent

In the referenced report of Special Agent at Los Angeles, on Page 51, detailed information is set forth concerning the background and activities of VIRGINIA HILL, paramour of BENJAMIN SIEGEL.



An examination of the mail cover results furnished by the Post Office Department failed to reflect any information which would appear to be pertinent to the investigation at this time. above two sources 41d not wellest the occupant VIRGINIA that address.

BESJAMIN "BUBS" SIEGEL'S ALLEGED RELA RIQUE DURATE, DOPE SMUGGLER, NOR MURDISRED, AND OT The following was dictated by Special Agent In the referenced report of Roscial Agent 32 information is set forth regarding above-captioned matter.

