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Bugsy Siegel

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**SUBJECT** "BUGSY" SIEGEL

**FILE NO.** 62-2837

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Los Angeles, California  
September 22, 1949

Director, FBI

Re: [REDACTED] wa.  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

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DATE 12-2-83 BY SP-7 mac/DB

Dear Sir:

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] while furnishing a complaint to  
this office relative to an impersonation case, volunteered the following  
information:

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New Orleans  
San Diego

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Since it appears that this shooting could possibly refer to the murder of BENJAMIN "BUCKY" SHERO or some other unsolved murder in Beverly Hills and since the possibility exists that [redacted] at some future date might state that he had furnished this information to this office, [redacted]

Copies of this letter are being furnished to the New Orleans and San Diego Offices for their information.

Very truly yours,

R. D. BODD  
SAC

DIRECTOR, FBI

October 13, 1949

SAC, SAN DIEGO

**INFORMATION CONCERNING**

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DATE 4-29-85 BY SP-7 mtl/RO

Re Los Angeles letter to Director September 22, 1949 con-  
taining information concerning [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

cc - [REDACTED] b7c  
[REDACTED]

New Orleans  
Los Angeles (62-2197)

cc - 62-2197-315

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MEMORANDUM, FBI

October 13, 1949

Re: [REDACTED]  
INVESTIGATION CONCERNING

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

It is requested that the San Diego Division be advised of any further developments in this matter.

## Bare Beauty

LAWYER, Mr. J. E. Marshall of a record \$20,000 bodily injury complaint drawn up, but never filed, against Virginia Hill, president of the New Orleans "Rag" Hotel, was made today.

The unexplained damage evolved from a firestorm that raged in the casino of Alvin's sworn friend, Flamingo. That is the Vegas just two days before the dapper gangster was blasted out of this world in Virginia's Beverly Hills mansion.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
DO hereby certify that  
[Name] is a citizen of the United States of America.

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SA [REDACTED]

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**RACKETEERING ACTIVITIES IN LOS ANGELES AREA**

On January 18, 1950, at approximately 11:00 am [REDACTED] who presented credentials reflecting his position as Special Agent, California Attorney General's Office, requested information as to whether this office is aware of the whereabouts of subject. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was advised by the writer that we have no information in our files bearing on the present whereabouts of subject. [REDACTED]

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cc-62-2837 (Siegal file)

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# Importer Saved in \$50,000 Fire at Siegel Home

Millionaire Importer Juan Romero, 46, was carried to safety from a second-story window by firemen yesterday as flames swept through his palatial home at 810 N Linden Drive, Beverly Hills.

The 16-room mansion, scene of the still-unsolved gangland slaying of Benjamin (Bugsy) Siegel on June 20, 1947, was severely damaged. Estimates of the loss exceeded \$50,000.

Romero was treated at Beverly Hills Receiving Hospital where his condition was reported not serious. Firemen A. Y. Velarde and B. L. Hicklin broke through an upper window to rescue the importer.

## Firemen Called

Romero's business manager, G. F. Wunderlich, who lives in the house, told police he smelled smoke at 8:30 a.m. and found the mattress in the importer's bedroom smoldering. He carried Romero to another room and left for church after pouring water on the mattress.

At 9:13 a.m. neighbors called firemen and reported columns of smoke belching from upper windows of the house. Romero's rescue through a second-floor window followed.

The importer told Beverly Hills Fire Chief Lloyd W. C. Field that he had retired at 1 a.m. and had lighted a cigarette, apparently going to sleep without putting it out.

Damage to the house was estimated at \$50,000. The fire was caused by a cigarette.

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TO: SAC

September 21, 1950

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNSUB  
ABRAHAM DAVIDIAN - VICTIM  
OF

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Re: [REDACTED]

On September 13, 1950, [REDACTED] whose identity should not be disclosed, advised the writer on interview that shortly after the articles had run in the Los Angeles MIRROR about the race wire service JACK DRAGNA had come to his apartment raving mad. He stated that DRAGNA had told him that BUSY SIEGEL had never had the racing wire in Los Angeles and that BUSY had never controlled the Transamerica Wire Service in Los Angeles or any place else. DRAGNA stated that he himself had controlled Transamerica Wire Service and that he had gotten into this business strictly on his own to sell service to local bookmakers. [REDACTED] stated that Transamerica had obtained all of its service by tapping Transcontinental Wire in Chicago and that while DRAGNA did not admit this he stated that he had closed out Transamerica because he had been unable to make any money here.

DRAGNA called [REDACTED] "punk" on this occasion and claimed that BUSY SIEGEL had been killed by VIRGINIA HILL'S brother who had formerly been in the Marine Corps and had seen SIEGEL strike his sister several weeks before.

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cc: 62-2877  
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Director, FBI

Attn: Assistant Director  
A. ROSEN

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SAC, Los Angeles

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;  
ABRAHAM DAVIDIAN - Victim  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

It was requested, however, that as a cooperative function, [REDACTED] be asked to furnish all information he might have in his possession concerning the [REDACTED] the MURDER SHOOTING, and the alleged murder which occurred in San Diego or National City, which is immediately adjacent to San Diego.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Unless immediately advised to the contrary by the Bureau, it is believed that the following investigation should be conducted without disclosing the source of this information to anyone involved with the exception of [REDACTED] b7c b7D

LEADS:

BUFFALO OFFICE:

At Buffalo, New York: A thoroughly experienced agent should contact [REDACTED] and make necessary arrangements for a preliminary interview of [REDACTED] at his present location with a view toward obtaining as much detail as possible. [REDACTED] will furnish concerning the above mentioned matters. Details of these cases are not being immediately furnished to the Buffalo Office since it is believed that a better evaluation of [REDACTED] statements may be made if he is not asked specific questions about any of these matters, but is allowed to discuss his knowledge of the matter voluntarily. b7c b7D

Should the Bureau or the Buffalo Office feel that details on these cases should be furnished prior to this interview, they will be immediately transmitted.

SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE:

SAN DIEGO OFFICE:

All offices should expedite coverage of these leads and thereafter submit the results to the Bureau and the Los Angeles Office. b7c b7D

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[REDACTED]

Agents handling this matter at Buffalo should be particularly careful not to indicate to [REDACTED]

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Upon receipt of results [REDACTED] initial interview concerning these matters, it is contemplated that the results will be made available to the interested authorities for evaluation and if at that time the details appear sufficiently pertinent to warrant further interrogation, the Buffalo Office will be furnished with complete factual background on all of these matters.

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The Bureau is requested to furnish the Buffalo and Los Angeles Offices with [REDACTED]

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Los Angeles, California  
November 18, 1950

Director, FBI  
Attention: Assistant Director A. ROSEN

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DATE 7-26-85 BY SP 7MAC/DB

RE: UNSUB;  
ARMARAM DAVIDIAN - VICTIM  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE  
(Bufile 72-472)

Dear Sir:

Re: November 14 last.

[REDACTED] has now furnished the following supplemental  
information which may be of interest in connection with matters discussed  
in referenced letter.

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cc: Bufile (AMSD)  
San Diego  
San Francisco  
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As previously requested, it would be appreciated if the Buffalo office would handle this matter with the utmost dispatch and advise the Bureau and Los Angeles as to the results of [redacted] preliminary interview. b7c

Very truly yours,

R. B. HOOD, SAC

**LOS ANGELES**

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Copies of this report are being furnished to the San Diego and San Francisco Offices for information purposes since they have pending investigation there.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]



# FLORABEL MUIR

## Reporting

I had lunch while I was in New York with William Bradford Huie, the new editor of the New American Mercury which will be on the magazine stands next month, and as we sat sipping our soup at the exclusive Colony Restaurant I was trying to match up the Huie who was sitting across from me with the Huie I had heard about in connection with Benjamin (Bugsy) Siegel.



In my book, "Headline Happy," I talked about a houseboy who left Siegel's mansion in Holmby Hills shortly before a raid by the U.S. Customs men, but I didn't give the name of the departed employee because I didn't know it could be told.



Huie said it could be told and as a matter of fact he is writing an article himself for his new magazine which he'll call "My Christmas With Bugsy Siegel," in which he'll reveal how he got a job as a butler with the famous underworld figure and worked at the job for three weeks.

Huie is the kind of reporter who'll do odd and daring things to get stories, so it didn't surprise his wife, too much, when she received a letter from a Los Angeles employment agency sent to her at her home in Alabama saying that she had been given as a reference by a man who claimed to have once worked for her as a butler.

She knew at once it was pappy out pulling off a stunt, so she played her end of the game.

Huie became interested in Siegel one day while driving through Holmby Hills. He was passing the new home Benny had just built, so he decided to pretend he was selling magazines and rang the back-door bell.

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## HE PLAYED SANTA CLAUS

The cook was a friendly soul who didn't see many people, since the Siegels didn't have many visitors.

She invited him in and gave him a sandwich. She told him the servants had all just been fired by Mrs. Siegel and that they were going to hire a new crew.

This gave Huie an idea for a plan which he promptly put into action. He went to the employment agency where Mrs. Siegel hired her servants and represented himself as a fancy butler just in from the South.

This all happened at the time Siegel was out on the high seas with the Countess Di Frasso on the famous Metha Nelson trip to the Cocos Islands. Huie got the job.

You'll have to read his own story about how he played Santa Claus for the Siegel children and waited on Mrs. Siegel's parents and other relatives from New York. It's a fabulous yarn.

"I didn't find out much about Bugsy," he told me, "because the guy was seldom home. It was just as well he wasn't perhaps. I was a little nervous when he was around."

## KISSIN' STORY ROCKS SOUTH

Huie was the fellow who got the famous Kissing Jim Folsom story for the New York Daily News which rocked the dear old South to the cotton roots.

He was a Navy officer in the last war and has always been up to some didoes in writing and lecturing.

The New Mercury is financed by Clendenin J. Ryan, grandson of the great Virginia financier and stout Southern Democrat Thomas Fortune Ryan.



SAC

August 1, 1951

SA [REDACTED] b7c

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UPAF - MURDER

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] b7c b7D

[REDACTED] stated that he recalled in connection with the investigation of the murder of BENJAMIN (BUGSY) SIEGEL, which occurred July 29, 1947, that the FBI Laboratory had been requested to make an examination of the cartridge cases found at the scene of the murder. He said that he assumed that the Laboratory

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Memo; SAC

Aug. 1, 1951

RE: [REDACTED] b2c  
UFAP-Murder

had also compared the cartridge cases in the SIEGEL Murder with test specimens fired from the carbine located in the apartment [REDACTED] in Chicago in 1949. He did not make a formal request for such a check but he said he merely assumed that such would have been done if the Bureau had tested both specimens from the SIEGEL killing and the gun found in [REDACTED] apartment. b2c

Subsequent to the interview [REDACTED] the writer reviewed the handling of the cartridge cases involved in the SIEGEL killing as described in file 62-2837, and found references to this matter in Serials 826, 829, 844 and 891, 892. The substance of the review reflects that there were nine cartridge cases found at the scene of the SIEGEL Murder. These cartridge cases were found on the ground outside of the window through which the shots were fired at SIEGEL. These cartridge cases were apparently in the possession of investigating officers from the Beverly Hills Police Department. Subsequently, three of these cartridge cases were furnished to Agents of this office by [REDACTED] who was then Chief Investigator for the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office, for the purpose of having the FBI Laboratory conduct examination of the cartridge cases. This office requested the Bureau on August 27, 1947 to hold these cartridge cases pending subsequent instructions and it was suggested that the New York, Chicago, Detroit, Miami, Salt Lake City, Phoenix, and San Francisco Offices be alerted by the Bureau to recover carbines of any kind for the purpose of a comparison examination with the cartridge cases found at the SIEGEL Murder scene. The Bureau made an examination as reflected in their letter of October 2, 1947, Serial 844, in which they stated that the marks were not adequate for comparison purposes and requested that the six additional cartridge cases found at the scene of the murder be obtained by this office and forwarded to the Laboratory for comparison purposes. The additional six cartridge cases were obtained and forwarded to the Laboratory. b2c

By letter dated January 21, 1948, Serial 891, the Bureau stated that inasmuch as no additional specimens or test cartridge cases have been received for comparison purposes with the three previously submitted, the three cartridge cases previously submitted and temporarily retained in the Laboratory were returned to this office and Serial 892 reflects that they were returned to [REDACTED] at the District Attorney's Office on February 2, 1948 by Special Agent [REDACTED] b2c

Memo, SAC

August 1, 1951

RE: [REDACTED] b7c

UPAP - MURDER

It is the writer's recollection, although there is nothing in the file to substantiate the recollection, that in connection with the cartridge cases involved in the SIEGEL Murder, they were not being properly retained by the local investigating agencies, so that they could be utilized accurately as evidence in a trial. It may be that due to this laxness of local agencies the additional cartridge cases were not obtained or forwarded to the Bureau for examination because of subsequent difficulties which might arise.

A letter is being directed to the FBI Laboratory concerning this matter inquiring whether such an examination would now be feasible and for the purpose of calling to the Bureau's attention the fact that they probably have examined test specimens from the carbine found in [REDACTED] apartment and may not have examined the cartridge cases in that instance with those found at the SIEGEL murder. b7c

9/25/51

**BENJAMIN (BUGSY) SIEGEL  
MISCELLANEOUS; INFORMATION CONCERNING;  
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE INTELLIGENCE FILE**

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It is requested that a search be made of the Chicago Office files concerning any contact between your office and the Chicago PD regarding a .30 caliber carbine, Serial No. 586549, which was recovered by [redacted] in connection with a search of a residence occupied by [redacted]

It is noted the Bureau Laboratory advised in a letter of 8/10/51 that this carbine has never been submitted to the Laboratory for examination.

██████████ has assumed that the Bureau has conducted an examination of the .30 caliber carbine recovered as above described and compared it with the cartridge cases found at the scene of the SISKIET murder. It appears that this is an erroneous assumption and this office desires to bring the correct status of the matter to the attention of ██████████

If the Chicago Office had never received the gun for examination, it is requested that contact be had with [redacted] to determine the basis for contention that the Bureau had conducted an examination of the gun as reflected in their letter.

Not realizing that the SILENT WARTER is one which attracts a great amount of publicity in the Los Angeles area and any bit of information concerning it even at this date, causes considerable worry in the press. It is requested that this matter be handled expeditiously and this office advised as this matter goes further and be kept advised of any developments in the handling of these items as well as the results.

**ATTN: MAZ**

62-2837  
cc: 88-982

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES

DATE: October 19, 1951

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN (BUGSY) SIEGEL  
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING  
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE INTELLIGENCE FILE62-2837K  
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+ many refs.

Reurlet dated September 25, 1951. — 62-2837-968

The .30 calibre carbine, Serial #586549, which is the subject of referenced letter, was recovered from the residence of

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
It was described as a U. S. Carbine, Calibre 30, M1, Serial No. 586459, manufactured by Inland Division, Rock-Ola. It was turned over to the Chicago Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation as evidence.[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
This gun was at no time submitted to ballistic tests by the FBI.

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cc: 15-4434

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See also 88-982

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RE: BENJAMIN (BUGSY) SIEGEL

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

The gun is still in the possession [REDACTED]  
and if ballistic tests are desired, the gun is still available  
for such tests. RUC

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: 10-24-51

FROM : [REDACTED] SA b7c

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]  
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Remylet 9-25-51 (62-2837-968) to Chicago and reply 10-19-51.

Investigation in the UFAP-MURDER CASE AGAINST [REDACTED] developed that he was a subject in a Bureau case at Chicago entitled [REDACTED] Fugitive, WFIS, Illegal Possession of Government Property. In 1940, [REDACTED]

In searching his apartment they found a loaded 30 caliber carbine, SN 586459, which was turned over to the Chicago FBI office. Federal complaint against [REDACTED] was dismissed at Chicago on 4-1-50. There was no identification at that time [REDACTED] as being identical with [REDACTED]. Thus there was no reason to have test specimen fired from the carbine. [REDACTED] was a suspect in the SIEGEL murder, which took place in 1947.

As stated in prior memos of the writer, through conversation with [REDACTED] it was learned that he thought the FBI laboratory had checked the gun found in [REDACTED] apartment in Chicago against the cartridge cases found at the scene of the SIEGEL murder. The writer did not think that was correct and the ensuing correspondence with the FBI laboratory and Chicago took place. [REDACTED] b7c

On 10-24-51 the writer talked to [REDACTED] and told him that the FBI Laboratory has never tested the carbine found [REDACTED] apartment in Chicago. He said he thought he had learned recently that his prior impression was incorrect and that some such test has now been made. He phoned [REDACTED] and asked him if the carbine above mentioned had been checked out on the Siegel case. [REDACTED] told him that [REDACTED] fired test specimen from the carbine, which specimens had been checked by some ballistics laboratory and they were not similar to those found at the Siegel murder scene. He told [REDACTED] that he considers the Siegel murder solved through the recent murders of TONY BRANCATO and TONY TROMBINO in Los Angeles. b7c

No further action need be taken on the carbine at Chicago.

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cc: 88-982

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# Confession hooked with Bugsy slaying

CANON CITY, Colo., May 24. — Colorado convict's confession that he acted as "trigger-man" in slaying two years ago in Tampa, Fla., was being viewed today as a possible lead in the solution of other underworld crimes.

Stanley R. Hooker, 33-year-old confidence man, serving a 16-to-20-year prison sentence here, confessed yesterday that he killed Jimmy La Mia, a Florida oil man, with two blasts from a shotgun in a Tampa street corner.

Hooker, "to clear his conscience," also admitted three other slayings in New York, Florida and Los Angeles.

His confessions reportedly have caused authorities to reopen investigation of the unsolved gangland murder of Bugsy Siegel in Los Angeles two years ago.

Tampa police chief M. C. Beasley, who came here two weeks ago to question Hooker, refused to comment on the convict's story until he could check the details with the actual records.

La Mia was cut down by two shotgun blasts fired from a parked car while talking to two business acquaintances in downtown Tampa.

In his confession, Hooker said La Mia was "executed" because he was attempting to withdraw from a gambling group.

He identified the Florida gang as "a branch of the Charles (Lucky) Luciano national gambling syndicate."

Hooker said the driver of the death car was Frank Renia of Tampa.

Post said the only reported discrepancy in Hooker's story con-

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## See link to Bugsy slaying

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cerned the make of the death car. California but was released the following year. The convict said it was a Chevrolet sedan, while eye witnesses identified the fleeing auto as a Mercury.

The other three murders, the convict was reported to have said, occurred prior to the "execution" of La Mia in Tampa. He was acquitted of these on the grounds of self defense, Hooker told his questioners.

The Canon City police chief said Hooker's "story sounds good and appears logical." However, the Tampa police head withheld comment pending further investigation.

Hooker was admitted to the Colorado state prison on Feb. 9, 1951, and then was a dope addict. He has since been cured of the habit.

His police record dates back to 1929. It includes arrests and convictions. In February 1933, he was sentenced to a federal prison from Atlanta, Ga., to 1-to-15 years for car theft and second-degree murder. He served until January 1941 at Alcatraz.

On Feb. 6, 1944, he was committed to the Mendocino State hospital for the criminally insane in

California but was released the following year.

Records show Hooker was arrested Sept. 7, 1948, in Miami, Fla., for investigation and released. Arrested again in Miami on Dec. 2, he was sentenced to six months in prison for false pretenses.

Police said Hooker indicated during the questioning that he was in Los Angeles at the time Siegel was murdered in the home of his girl friend, Virginia Hill.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND [REDACTED] b2 b7D

DATE: 3-31-53

SUBJECT: BUGSY SIEGEL  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

CONFIDENTIAL

[REDACTED] of the Portland office, furnished the following information concerning the murder of BUGSY SIEGEL in Los Angeles, Calif.:

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[REDACTED]

The informant stated that in his opinion it would be practically impossible to break the case unless the syndicate operating in Los Angeles would begin feuding with the Las Vegas sheriff's syndicate to a degree that someone would talk.

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To SAC, Los Angeles  
Re BUGSY SIEGEL - INFO CONCERNING  
March 31, 1953

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The above is being furnished for whatever value it may be and in the event that the Los Angeles office is aware of the facts concerning this murder and they are as set out by the informant, it is desired that the Portland office be advised in order to check the reliability of this informant.

SAC, PORTLAND [REDACTED] 62  
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SAC, LOS ANGELES (62-2637) 4/6/53

DOUGLAS SIEGEL  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

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Reurlet 4/1/53, reporting information furnished by  
[REDACTED] of your office, concerning the murder of  
[REDACTED] SIEGEL, which occurred in Beverly Hills,  
California, on 8/20/47. b7c b7d

[REDACTED]

At the time SIEGEL was building the Flamingo Hotel, an  
inquiry was under way by the Los Angeles and Salt Lake City  
Offices regarding an alleged violation of federal law on the part  
of SIEGEL. In that investigation no information was located  
indicating any loan [REDACTED] to SIEGEL.

[REDACTED]

There was received several years ago an indication that  
perhaps two brothers were involved in the killing of SIEGEL.  
They were [REDACTED] and ANTHONY (TONY) BRANCATO. b7c


[REDACTED] TONY BRANCATO was murdered on  
8/6/51 in gangland style at Los Angeles, with ANTHONY P. TROMBINO.  
These murders are unsolved. b7c

cc: 2 - Salt Lake City

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It appears that the FBI has no first-hand information, but is repeating material he has picked up in conversations, probably suggested by news articles, concerning the murder of SIEGEL.



The SIEGEL murder remains unsolved, and any information concerning it is of interest to this office, as a matter of general investigative intelligence. If the Portland Office is able to develop additional data concerning the crime, please forward the information to this office.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: 1-29-54

FROM : Pers. Asst. [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]  
Information concerning [REDACTED]ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 1-25-85 BY SP-7MAC/BA

At 9:00 AM, 1-29-54, [REDACTED] of the "Los Angeles Mirror" telephoned and furnished the following information which he had just received from Syracuse, New York:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] This information was immediately furnished by telephone to Criminal Supervisor [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

1-29-54 [REDACTED] advised news reports say [REDACTED] refused to be interviewed by S.O. of Albany office & pointed out Siegel was killed by rifle - not shotgun.

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# **Siegel's Estate Only \$35,608.96**

LAS VEGAS. — The one-time reported multi-million dollar gambling empire of the late Benjamin (Bugsy) Siegel is worth less than \$15,000 each to his two daughters, a final report on his estate in court here disclosed.

Today, Siegel's brother, Maurice, administrator of the estate, will go before district judge A. S. Henderson to ask that the estate be closed. On hand for the heirs and for legal fees, the administrator said, is \$35,608.96.

**SOLE HEIRS** are Siegel's two daughters, Barbara Paperstein, of Detroit, and Millicent Rosen of Scarsdale, N.Y. The underworld figure's ex-wife Estelle Siegel, has released all claims against the estate for a payment of \$30,000, the administrator said.

The \$30,000 was in settlement for a claim of \$817,838 filed against the estate by Mrs. Siegel based on her alimony of \$500 a week for a life expectancy of 40 years. The Siegels were divorced in Las Vegas in August 1946—10 months before bullets cut him down in the Beverly Hills mansion of his girl friend, Virginia Hill, June 30, 1947.

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**SIEGEL'S** interest in the race wire syndicate he established never showed up as a part of the estate. Shares in two Las Vegas race books proved liabilities rather than assets, as his partners lodged claims against the estate for notes signed by Siegel.

Appraised value of Siegel's 220 shares of the Nevada Projects Corp., which built the \$5,000,000 Flamingo Hotel in 1946, was nothing. Claims of Siegel against the corporation, were appraised at \$97,000.

Out of this came the \$30,000 for Mrs. Siegel and \$22,069 plus interest, to satisfy a lien of the Bureau of Internal Revenue against the gambler. Other creditors claims in minor amounts diminished the estate to the \$35,608 total, and Maurice Siegel will ask court permission to pay two Las Vegas law firms \$5700 of this.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES

FROM : JEN SAC, SEATTLE

SUBJECT: BUGSY SEIGEL  
Miscellaneous - Information Concerning

DATE: 11/25/59

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In connection with the investigation of a case  
entitled [REDACTED] aka, NBA", Seattle 49-230,  
the following information was received from [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] on 11/18/59:

[REDACTED] While in  
Los Angeles, [REDACTED] wrote friends in Spokane that he was em-  
ployed as a bodyguard for BUGSY SEIGEL and was being paid by  
the Painters Union. Since his return to Spokane in 1949 or  
1950, [REDACTED] has not mentioned his activities in Los Angeles.

[REDACTED] has the following descrip-  
tion:

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The above information is furnished Los Angeles for information.



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Another Gang Movie

The "Los Angeles Mirror News" today reports the newly formed Repertory Company in which BARRY SULLIVAN, LEMIN and OWEN GILKINS are partners, soon will produce a motion picture under the title "The Two Faces of Bugsy Siegel."

SULLIVAN will portray the deceased gangster who was an intimate of Hollywood celebrities prior to his slaying in Beverly Hills in 1947. The screen play is being written by the GILKINS.

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# LOUELLA O. PARSONS

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## Sullivan in Role of 'Bugsy' Siegel



BARRY SULLIVAN

Seems all the "gentlemen" of the underworld are getting an airing in motion pictures. The latest is "Bugsy" Siegel, gang lord, who was mysteriously slain in 1947, in the heart of Beverly Hills. His murder was never officially solved—although the script writer may decide to come up with an ending identifying his slayer.

Under the title of "Two Faces of Bugsy Siegel," Barry Sullivan will emote as the handsome gangster who tried his best to fraternize with the Hollywood celebs. Bugsy loved celebrities more than illicit profits. Irwin Gielgud and his wife, Gwen, officers of the Repertoire Company, are writing the story (Sullivan is also an executive).

I always think of poor Countess di Frasso every time I hear Bugsy's name. When her friends begged Dorothy not to see him she said, "I don't know any Bugsy Siegel. His name is Benjamin." So one of her intimates got a book, "The Gangsters of New York," and showed her the front and profile of the good looking underworld charmer.

Louella O. Parsons Column  
L A Examiner  
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TO : SAC, Los Angeles

DATE: March 31, 1960

FROM : ~~DA~~ SAC, Detroit (92-214)

**SUBJECT:**

INFORMATION CONCERNING

two others had killed BUGSY SILENT in Los Angeles several years ago. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

He denied saying it. No further information is available at this time. No investigation is being made and this information is being furnished the Los Angeles Division for whatever value it may be.

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Re Detroit letter 3/31/60

Murder of BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL at Beverly Hills,  
California, June 20, 1947, has not been solved.

others killed BUGSY SIEGEL in Los Angeles several years ago.

he denied saying it. Detroit advises no further  
information is available at this time and no investigation  
is being conducted.

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2 - Chicago (Info)  
1 - Los Angeles

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**'Beverly Hills Is My Beat'**

# Chief Recalls Last Moments of Bugsy Siegel

Today in his biography Chief Anderson tells the inside story of the gangland killing of Bugsy Siegel, in a Beverly Hills mansion. He calls it "a perfectly staged execution" with every prop and every actor in place at the proper split-second.

**By Clinton Anderson**

Chief, Beverly Hills Police Department

## Chapter IX

At the end of the war, Las Vegas attracted Siegel away from Hollywood and into new ventures which eventually led to his death. He decided to build the biggest and best gambling casino in the United States, financing it with crime syndicate money put up by his eastern pals, and to expand his "bootleg" racing wire service to take over the business in the western part of the country.

He launched construction of his big casino when materials were scarce and costs soaring. He had originally planned a \$2 million investment, but found the place costing \$6 million, and running in the red. He put the squeeze on his other activities for funds, particularly the racing wire service.

After the gangland murder in 1946 of James M. Ragen, general manager in Chicago of the Trans-America News Service in which Siegel had a controlling interest, he became western representative of the wire and attempted to force the bookies to take his service at a premium.

## Siegel's Hoodlum Friends Unhappy

As Siegel went deeper into debt, word got around that his crime syndicate pals were unhappy.

Six months before his killing I called him to police headquarters and reminded him pointedly that I did not want him causing any unpleasant happenings in Beverly Hills. His answer was that there was no need to worry because he was spending most of his time in Las Vegas.

While I was in New York a few months later on police business, I picked up the information that Siegel had been in the city for a meeting with the men who controlled the syndicate money, and had left in haste. His hotel was reportedly \$3 million in the red, and Siegel had told friends he had to raise \$1,500,000 in 30 days to pull it out of the hole.

His number was up, I did not know it at the time but Beverly Hills had already been chosen as the spot for his execution.

Three months before the killing his red-haired girl friend, Virginia Hill, had rented a handsome 18-room home on N. Linden dr., which was owned by Juan Romero, former manager of Alphonse Valentino. Bugsy had a gold key to the front door, kept some of his clothes and a .38 caliber automatic in the upstairs room, and stayed at the house on his one or two-day business trips.

The foursome drove to Ocean Park for a trout dinner and returned home at 10:15 p. m. and Siegel and Smiley went into the living room and sat side by side on the davenport to read early editions of the Los Angeles morning newspapers.

At 10:45 p. m. a series of shots crashed through the living room window. Smiley dived to the floor unharmed, but Siegel did not move. He had been killed almost instantly by two bullets which struck him in the head. Two other bullets had lodged in his body. He lay back on the davenport, his hands resting in his lap, with a newspaper between his grotesquely sprawled legs.

## Execution Perfectly Staged

Nine shells were found in the driveway of the house next door. The killer had rested his high-caliber rifle in a latticed pergola a dozen feet from where Siegel and Smiley sat.

On the day Siegel was killed I was in New York City picking up a criminal who was involved in a \$150,000 jewel robbery of a society matron. Only a few hours before the murder my prisoner staunchly maintained his innocence, using Siegel as his alibi. He swore that Bugsy had seen him at the Flamingo in Las Vegas on the day the Beverly Hills holdup was committed.

Bugsy Siegel's killing was a perfectly staged gangland execution, with all the details worked out in advance.

Somebody knew that Siegel would be in Beverly Hills on this one day, and that he would be at Virginia Hill's home, and when. Somehow the heavy draperies over the living-room window had been left open to give the killer a view of the room.

The shooting was timed to occur when a police patrol probably would not be near. It had to be done quickly because police cars were in the vicinity every 30 minutes. The gunman at the window was hidden from the street by shrubbery, and the getaway car cruised the area until the appointed time, since a parked car might have drawn suspicion.

## Siegel Case Never 'Cracked'

We spent many man-hours investigating the Siegel case and were convinced that he was killed by his own associates, but there was never sufficient evidence to pinpoint the identity of the assassins in court. I felt it was significant that Moe Sedway, a man with a police record, walked into the Flamingo to take over the operation for

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'Beverly Hills Is My Beat'

## Siegel's Gangland Actions Recalled

(From Second Front Page)

the syndicate one hour after Siegel's death, 300 miles away.

I picked up Sedway for questioning and released him with word that I wanted to see him on the following day. However, he was suddenly removed to a Hollywood hospital for treatment for a heart condition.

I found him there next day lying in bed behind a door marked "No Admittance—Oxygen!" I stepped in and talked briefly to Sedway, and left with word that I would return in the morning.

But when morning came I discovered that the sick man had been put on a train and whisked off to Las Vegas, where he stayed until his death a short time later. I have always felt that Moe Sedway had the information I wanted, but he wouldn't talk.

About this time several newspaper articles mentioned that I was investigating Las Vegas angles in the Siegel killing, a fact which annoyed the then chief of police of the Nevada city. He announced in a newscast that if he caught me in his city with a gun he would lock me up in jail, but his threat did not hinder our investigation.

Later, the new operators of the Flamingo had a bitter battle, and one of them left the city in haste, under threat of death. I interrogated this man on his arrival in Beverly Hills, but he was reluctant to talk, fearing gangland retaliation.

When I attempted to obtain more details on the fight in Las Vegas, I found that the district attorney there was also the attorney for one of the combatants, a rather unusual situation.

Siegel was killed because he would not comply with the wishes of his associates who had invested millions in the Flamingo. My investigation tied him in with mobs in other cities and with international narcotics operators. I came across the trail of half a dozen other murders which were traceable to gangster and gambling connections.

## Knife as Effective as Gun

A short time before this was written, a Las Vegas gambler, who had operated the Flamingo after Siegel's death, and his wife were mysteriously killed in their home in Phoenix, Ariz. On the surface did not appear to be a gangland killing, because Greenbaum and his wife were found with their throats slit. But killers have been known to use unusual methods to avert suspicion from "the mob," and a close ran knife is as effective as a gun.

We did not see Virginia Hill in Beverly Hills. Siegel was executed in her rented home. She was mentioned about the killing in Paris, but denied all knowledge of it and said she couldn't think of anybody might want to do in Siegel. When last heard from Virginia was spending most of her time in Mexico.

The fun-loving Countess di Frasso, who sponsored the mobster's debut in Hollywood social circles, died dramatically as she had lived. The countess, age 45, suffered a fatal heart attack on a train as she was returning to Los Angeles after a gay New Year's celebration in Las Vegas in January 1954.

Clifton Webb, the actor, found her lying in her Manhattan bedroom fully dressed, covered with a full-length pink coat, wearing a \$175,000 diamond necklace, with \$100,000 worth of pearls and emeralds in her luggage. Friends said she always carried her jewelry with her everywhere.

**TOMORROW**—Chief Anderson tells how Greta G. fled her mansion home to call the police.

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**DIRECTOR, FBI**

**July 11, 1960**

**SAC, LOS ANGELES (94-672)**

**"THE TWO FACES OF BUGSY SIEGEL"  
RESEARCH (CRIME RECORDS)**

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**Re Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau, 5/12/60.**

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- 1 - Los Angeles (62-2837)

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**62-2837-983**

# Kin of Bugsie Segal's Girl Faces Perjury

The sensational rubout hearing before Judge Holland.

murder of racketeer Bugsie Segal in Beverly Hills 15 years ago was recalled in Municipal Judge Kenneth Holland's court today when the sister-in-law of his girl friend, Virginia Hill, was arraigned on a perjury charge.

According to Deputy Dist. Atty. Richard Caballero, Victoria filed charges against Ferguson, a guest in her home, accusing him of purloining the \$500 which she had in a bureau drawer. She recanted at Ferguson's trial.

Segal, a power in gambling and racket circles here, Las Vegas and in the East, was killed when trigger men fired a salvo through the picture window of his Beverly Hills mansion. Victoria's sister-in-law, in the house when the slaying occurred, became a celebrity as the result of the murder investigation.



Los Angeles Herald-Examiner

Date 1-8-62

Los Angeles Division

Editor: HERBERT H. KRAUCH

Re: *Virginia Hill*

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ARRAIGNED ON PERJURY CHARGE  
Victoria Hill, 24, Sister-in-Law of Bugsie Siegel's  
Girl Friend. Accused of Switching Testimony

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March 8, 1965

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DATE 12/3/85 BY 49-1 mac/ps

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Thanks so much for the memo on Buggsy Siegel.

In the course of my research I have come across two items in which you were involved, and I would be grateful if you can tell me whether they are true.

Early in 1947, before Siegel was killed,  
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The second item, in September 1947, quotes a speech you made to the National Police Academy, in which you referred to Siegel as "scum", and said such people could not exist if they were not glamorized. It is true, of course, that Siegel would not have been what he was without the help of such prominent Hollywood names as George Raft, Cary Grant, Dorothy DIFrasso, Gary Cooper and many others. Even Raft admitted as much to me.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,  
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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Director, Federal Bureau  
of Investigation  
Washington D.C.

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Dear [REDACTED]

✓ Your letter of March 8, 1965, concerning  
Bugsy Siegel has been received, and I am enclosing a copy  
of my remarks before the Associates of the FBI National  
Academy on September 29, 1947, containing the statement  
to which you refer.

I have no recollection of ever contacting  
[REDACTED] concerning his association with Siegel, nor  
is it my policy to issue warnings of this type.

Sincerely yours,  
J. Edgar Hoover

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Special Agent

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Date received 9-28-46

BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL

INFORMATION CONCERNING: CRIME SURVEY  
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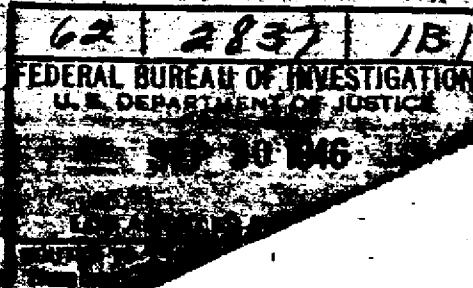
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PHOTOSTATS:

1. Plot plan 3-8-46 of the Flamingo Hotel.
2. Plot plan 3-22-46 of the Flamingo Hotel.
3. Plans of shops of the Flamingo Hotel, undated.
4. Details of pipe tunnel of Flamingo Hotel.
5. Elevation of shops of Flamingo Hotel.
6. Air conditioning plan of Flamingo Hotel.
7. Air conditioning plan revisions.
8. Plan of shops 8-28-46; 9-11-46 of Flamingo Hotel.
9. Elevation of shops 8-28-46; 9-11-46 of Flamingo Hotel.
10. Details of pipe tunnel 8-28-46; 9-11-46 of Flamingo Hotel.
11. Plans filed Clark County Nevada including plot plan 3-8-46, Hotel first floor plan, second floor plan and typical bungalow plan.
12. Plot plan 3-22-46 of Flamingo Hotel.
13. 10 photo graphs of Flamingo Hotel under construction taken 8-28-46 by Colonial Portrait Studio, Las Vegas, Nevada for SA investigators.



## BULKY EXHIBIT

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1. 2 copies of the LAS VEGAS TRIBUNE, Vol. 3 #28, August 1, 1946.
2. [redacted] See serial 35.
3. [redacted] See serial 36.
4. 25 prints of photo of BENJAMIN SIEGEL, front view. *(2 retained)*
5. 25 prints of photo of BENJAMIN SIEGEL, full length, side and front view. *(2 retained)*
6. Copy of application for gambling license for Flamingo Hotel, Las Vegas.
7. Copy of application for liquor license for Flamingo Hotel, Las Vegas.
8. [redacted] *retained*
9. 2 photos, 1 neg. of [redacted]
10. 2 photos, 1 neg. of [redacted]
11. 2 photos, 1 neg. of [redacted]
12. 2 photos, 1 neg. of [redacted]
13. 2 photos, 1 neg. of [redacted]
14. [redacted]
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19. 1 neg., 3 photos of [redacted]
20. Copy of CBS April 1946 "Stop... Telegram" dated 4-21-46.

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## BULKY EXHIBIT

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21. Copy of CPA April 1946 "Stop Order" telegram to [redacted] dated 4-23-46.
22. 2 copies of CPA April 1946 "Stop Order" telegram to WEBB CONSTRUCTION CO. 4-23-46.
- ✓ 23. Copy of CPA telegram to [redacted] dated 4-25-46.
24. Copy of letter dated 4-29-46 from [redacted] CPA, Reno, to [redacted] Las Vegas.
25. Copy of letter dated 4-29-46 from [redacted] to [redacted]
26. 12 neg., 12 photos of FLAMINGO HOTEL taken by SA [redacted] 8-21-46.
27. 9 neg., 9 photos of FLAMINGO HOTEL taken by SA [redacted] 8-10-46.
28. Wrapping in which above were mailed to Los Angeles.
29. [redacted]
30. Copy of transcript of CPA hearing in San Francisco 8-13-46.
31. Photo of [redacted]
32. 2 photos of [redacted] profile. See serial 206.
33. 2 photos of [redacted] front view. See serial 206.
34. 6 photos of [redacted] See serial 220.
35. One photo of [redacted] See serial 221.
36. 6 photos of [redacted] See serial 241.
37. Article from September 21, 1946 issue of Collier's Magazine entitled "BLACKJACK OVER NEVADA."
38. [redacted]

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(Title of case)

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Source from which obtained \_\_\_\_\_

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Bulky Exhibit *Room* Drawer

Ultimate disposition to be made of exhibit \_\_\_\_\_

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Serials 1a 21 through 1a38 are being maintained as 62-2837-1B3.

39. Original Transcript of hearing before CPA. (Returned to S.F. 10-17-46)
40. Plot plan of FLAMINGO HOTEL introduced at hearing by respondents. (Ret. to S.F. 10-17-46)
41. *Destroyed 7/1/47*
42. 3 photos of *See serial 326.*
43. 12 photos and negs. taken 9-30-46 by SA *Destroyed 7/1/47* of FLAMINGO HOTEL under construction.
44. *Returned 7/1/47*
45. *See serial 400.*
46. *See serial 400.*
47. *See serial 411.*
48. Photo of *See serial 468.*
49. *Destroyed 7/1/47*
50. *See serial 528.*
51. 7 photos, 1 neg. of *See serial 468.*
52. 1 photo of *See serial 468.*
53. *Destroyed 7/1/47*

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To [REDACTED]

(Name of Special Agent)

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Los Angeles, Calif.

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photo & neg. of Virginia  
Neil, hair up, looking  
down, black dress.

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Virginia Hill, hair down, looking  
up, right hand under chin.  
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Virginia Hill, hair down,  
looking up, large jaw on  
black dress.*

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Virginia Hill, hair down,  
looking up, side view.*

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*Los Angeles, Calif.*  
[REDACTED] (ator)

To [REDACTED] ✓

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*Virginia Hill, Linn*  
*down, looking up, per cont.*

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Virginia Steel, hair up,  
sitting on chair.

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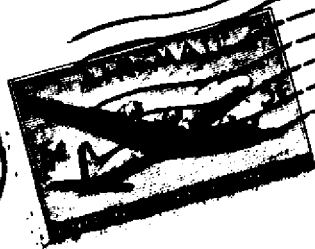
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Name of Special Agent

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1 photo of Siegel,  
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Description: *7 photos + negative of  
Sizel (front view on down part) after he  
was shot in home of Virginia Hill*

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Description: 5 photos - negative of Siegel  
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development in home of Virginia Hill

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**LOS ANGELES FILE**

**SUBJECT** "BUGSY" SIEGEL

**FILE NO.** 62-2837

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Los Angeles, California  
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MEMO, FOR THE FILE:

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Re: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
MISCELLANEOUS; INFORMATION CONCERNING;  
CRIME SURVEY

At 3 p.m. on August 9, 1946 BEN SIEGEL called MOE SEDWAY at the Hollywood-Roosevelt Hotel. During the conversation the following conversation took place, which apparently has to do with a pay-off to the sheriff at Las Vegas and also the County Commissioners there in connection with the granting of a liquor and gambling license to the Flamingo Hotel:

SIEGEL: Did you get that money from the places, like I told you?

SEDWAY: The What?

SIEGEL: The money?

SEDWAY: From where?

SIEGEL: From the place where we made up you were to get it from..... Hello?

SEDWAY: Yeah.

SIEGEL: Do you know what I'm talking about Moe?

SEDWAY: No, I don't.

SIEGEL: Well, what did you and I discuss about getting some money?

SEDWAY: Getting some money from what?

SIEGEL: Well, what did we discuss about you getting it for?

SEDWAY: I don't remember, just tell me.

SIEGEL: You have such a wonderful memory. I only discussed one thing about getting some money with you for you to give some people. Don't you know where you are supposed to get it from?

SEDWAY: The four thousand?

SIEGEL: Four thousand? Am I getting the four thousand, MOE?

SEDWAY: Huh?.

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SIEGEL: Well, what is the four thousand got to do with giving money to some people?

SEDWAY: Oh, you mean! I know what you mean.

SIEGEL: Did you get it?

SEDWAY: No, I don't get it. [REDACTED] don't want to give no money.

SIEGEL: Why don't he want to give?

SEDWAY: Because he don't want to give. He says he don't have to give no commissioners any money. He don't want to give [REDACTED] any money. No, we'll have to get it ourselves. So, I talked to the other persons and they want to take care of [REDACTED]

SIEGEL: I took care of [REDACTED] You never told me any different. So, I took care of [REDACTED] the other day when I was up there.

SEDWAY: O.K. When we get together we'll take care of it.

SIEGEL: All right. There is nothing to discuss, we'll just take out what we talked about. We got nothing to ask him. Who the H is he? I just want you to know. Don't give nobody anything.

SEDWAY: Did you tell [REDACTED] then?

SIEGEL: Yeah. I'll tell you about it when I see you.

62-2836 [REDACTED]

Los Angeles, California  
August 28, 1946

MEMO FOR MR. OSTHOLTHOFF:

The following information was obtained from confidential informant [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] called BEN at 11:34 AM. BEN was out and [REDACTED] left message to have B call him, very important.

At 11:41 BEN called [REDACTED]

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B. Yeah!

B. Yeah.

B. From where?

B. Yeah. OK. Just let them--ah--whose up there?

B. Then he can show them--

B. OK. Let em bring--

B. Ed?

B. Yeah.

B. Where are you going to be--?

*This refers to C. P. A. investigators.*

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Pause.

[REDACTED]

B. I am going to stop at Aunt Bessie's at 2:30--you want to pick me up there and I will go out with you--

[REDACTED]

B. OK.

[REDACTED]

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Los Angeles, California  
August 30, 1946

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The following information was furnished the Los Angeles Field Division by Confidential Informant [REDACTED]

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On August 29 at 1:26 P.M. MEYER LANSKY called SIEGEL from New York City.

BEN SIEGEL talks to unknown individual first (general conversation) re how they are feeling. Then MEYER LANSKY talks:

L. Hello;

B. How are you?

L. Fine, how are you?

B. Not so good!

L. Huh?

B. Not so good!

L. What's the matter?

B. I am having headaches again with these B\_\_\_\_\_.

L. What did you say?

B. Having headaches again. I am having headaches again.

L. What's the matter now?

B. Well, you know, you get somebody that keeps putting in the "zingers" against you and uh, and we've got a government that's got nothing else to do but spend the government's money listening to all kinds of "zingers".

L. Uh-huh.

B. Yeah. Listen--

L. Yeah.

B. Listen--do you want to tell me something?

L. Sure. I called you to say hello.

B. Oh-oh.

L. Wanted to know how you were--

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B. Because if you want to tell me something, I don't want to talk to you--

L. No.

B. Uh--well you know the last time we got our official O K--the stock holders (?) I reported - you - you know?

L. Yeah. Yeah.

B. That uh-- September 5th now, they are starting again. They have got people up there taking pictures, this, that -- and just looking to give us headaches. And I guess we will have another hearing September 5th.

L. Uh-huh--

B. And they--well--don't know--

L. Think you can sell it--as it stands now?

B. No--C\_\_\_\_, whose going to buy with a headache?

L. Well, maybe some other people --would feel they wouldn't have it --

B. I would get out right now and take a loss if that-- I never saw--- all the government is --- you are interested to try to do something -- you go out and break your head-something that's 100% legitimate-- and all you do is get headaches from them. They want you to lose your money I guess.

L. That's happened in other cases.

B. Yeah--we were just talking about it today. For C\_\_\_\_ sake--get out and take a \$50,000 loss and get the H\_\_\_\_ out of there.

L. Well, I mean uh-- has anything like that come up?

B. No--

L. Nothing --huh--

B. No.

L. Uh -- did you sell that other '15' yet?

B. No--'cause we had another idea--

L. No--because-- you see--uh-- we were-- we may find someone-- I was wondering whether we could sell it to them all---

B. Well allright -- see if you could.

L. O K. Then I will be in touch with you.

B. Allright. I'll tell you what to do--

L. Where are you at?

B. What?

L. You home with your sister now ?

B. I'm sitting outside with [REDACTED]

L. Your sister's house--

B. Yeah.

L. Yeah--

B. Here's what you do--

L. and B. talk regarding B. calling L. tomorrow (August 30th).

B. I'll call you at Cousin George's tomorrow sometime -- hang around there from about -uh--

L. No. That's no good----

B. Allright.

L. I will tell you where you call me--

B. Don't tell me, I'll tell you--

Then they decide that B. is to call L. at Cousin Dan's (a restaurant) at 1 o'clock New York time on August 30th.

B. Because I want to talk to you about something--

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Los Angeles, California  
October 1, 1946

MEMO, SAC:

Re: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
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On September 30, 1946 at 2:51 p.m. [redacted] reported that BEN SIEGEL  
called [redacted] and the following conversation  
took place:

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[redacted]  
SIEGEL: Hi boss, was that all right?

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[redacted]  
SIEGEL: What happened?

[redacted]  
SIEGEL: So far we have another headache, so I don't know if I'll use it  
tomorrow.

[redacted]  
SIEGEL: Yeah. I don't know who is giving us the headaches, but I got to...  
I just spoke to back East. [redacted] represents him. I told him to  
go see him, find out what the h [redacted] it's about. He represents  
us too in matters sometime. So I'll hold that up.

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[redacted]  
SIEGEL: No, never showed up, never called. I called at the hotel. I  
left a message, never heard from him.

[redacted]  
SIEGEL: What?

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October 1, 1946

Re: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL

[REDACTED]

SIEGEL: Him?

[REDACTED]

SIEGEL: Well, I thought maybe something happened like with [REDACTED] see. I called him downtown, they said he would not be in for the day. I can't imagine. I called his house. He was in bed, you know. I said I was so anxious to get this thing.

[REDACTED]

SIEGEL: I took care of [REDACTED] when I was over there.

[REDACTED]

SIEGEL: I'll call you tomorrow from there. You going to be in the office tomorrow?

[REDACTED]

SIEGEL: All right. Then you let me know if that [REDACTED] showed up. Because otherwise, if I want to put it through I'll tell you where you can get me.

[REDACTED]

SIEGEL: Call me after you get [REDACTED] You know what I mean?

[REDACTED]

SIEGEL: Natch, I.....What can it be, a few balances, he don't pay, we'll pat it. Ask him if he can go ten?

[REDACTED]

SIEGEL: Yeah. Did you see [REDACTED] after that?

[REDACTED]

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SIEGEL: I'll tell you. See [REDACTED] today. See if he'll give you that and you can take it down and then get the same thing tomorrow.

[REDACTED]

MEMO, SAC:

October 1, 1946

Re: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL

SIEGEL: Well you got all day today.

[REDACTED]

SIEGEL: Call him at home and if you don't get him. The other guy you don't see, you just take that five anyhow and put it in, you know what I mean?

[REDACTED]

SIEGEL: I'll talk to you tomorrow sometime. I'll put in a person to person tomorrow. If you didn't get it, I'm putting the check through it will be in the following day. So I'll tell you whether....

[REDACTED]

SIEGEL: When I'll come back and give the check myself.

[REDACTED]

SIEGEL: Well, I think so. I don't know. If they are going to start, I'm going to forget about the whole G.D. thing.

[REDACTED]

SIEGEL: Yeah. Let's don't talk about it.

[REDACTED]

SIEGEL: I'll talk to you tomorrow. You get that from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

SIEGEL: The balance is on the books we can pay it in a month.

[REDACTED]

SIEGEL: O.K.

[REDACTED]

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