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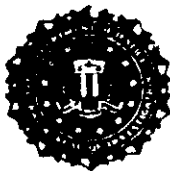
J. Edgar Hoover

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
January 13, 1943

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WILSON

Re: Medal of Honor for J. Edgar Hoover

Attached hereto is a copy of S. 606, a bill introduced by Senator Lead on February 11, 1943, to authorize the presentation of a medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover. The bill was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Senator Lead introduced a previous bill, S. 357, for the same purpose. The only difference in the new bill is wording which reads, "That the President is authorized to cause a medal of honor of appropriate design to be prepared and presented to J. Edgar Hoover", rather than "That the President is authorized to present, in the name of Congress, a medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover".

The bill will be closely followed and you will be promptly advised of further action thereon.

Respectfully,

W. P. Glavin

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78TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 696

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 11, 1943

Mr. MEAD introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To authorize the presentation of a medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the President is authorized to cause a medal of honor
4 of appropriate design to be prepared and presented to
5 J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investi-
6 gation, who, by his untiring devotion to duty and with the
7 assistance of the officers and employees of such Bureau,
8 apprehended and took into custody numerous enemy agents,
9 saboteurs, and fifth columnists during the month of June
10 1942, thereby affording great protection to his country and
11 its citizens and effecting a telling blow in the prosecution of
12 the war.

February 3, 1943

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

Dear Mr. Hoover:

This will acknowledge receipt of your
\$5.00 contribution to the Special Agents' Insurance Fund. Your contribution was received on
February 3, 1943.

Respectfully,


W. A. Glavin

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR



**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.**

January 18, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Re: Medal of Honor to J. Edgar Hoover

A copy of the bill, H. R. 765, introduced by Mr. Sweeney, on January 6, 1943, is attached hereto. Its purpose is to authorize the presentation of a medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover.

This bill is similar to the bills introduced by Mr. Walter and Mr. Mead. The wording in this bill is a little different from the bill by Mr. Walter. Copies of the bill by Mr. Mead are not available as yet.

These bills would authorize the President to present, in the name of Congress, an appropriate medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover in recognition of the untiring devotion to duty of the Director in the apprehension of the saboteurs during the month of June 1942.

The bill has been referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Further developments in the progress of the bill will be brought to your immediate attention.

Respectfully,

W. E. Glavin

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78TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 765

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 6, 1943

Mr. DICKSTEIN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To authorize the presentation of a medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the President is authorized to present, in the name of
4 Congress, an appropriate medal of honor to J. Edgar
5 Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in
6 recognition of the untiring devotion to duty by J. Edgar
7 Hoover, and the officers and public servants acting under
8 his direction, who collaborated in the apprehension of nu-
9 merous enemy agents, saboteurs, and fifth columnists during
10 the month of June 1942, thereby affording great protection
11 to his country and its citizens and effecting a telling blow
12 in the prosecution of the war.

OFFICE OF
THE ASSISTANT SOLICITOR GENERAL



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January 19, 1943

MEMORANDUM TO MR. J. EDGAR HOOVER

FROM: Oscar Cox

SUBJECT: S. 357 - A BILL To authorize the
presentation of a medal of honor *sub*
to J. Edgar Hoover.

Here is the copy of the bill which
I mentioned this morning.

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Oscar Cox

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 14, 1943

Mr. MEAD introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred
to the Committee on the Judiciary

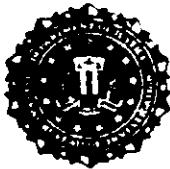
A BILL

To authorize the presentation of a medal of honor to J. Edgar
Hoover.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the President is authorized to present, in the name of
4 Congress, a medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover, Director
5 of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, who, by his untiring
6 devotion to duty and with the assistance of the officers
7 employees of such Bureau, apprehended and took
8 custody numerous enemy agents, saboteurs, and fifth
9 umnists during the month of June 1942, thereby affording
10 great protection to his country and its citizens and effecting
11 a telling blow in the prosecution of the war.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR



**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice**

Washington, D. C.

January 23, 1943

Mr. Tolson ☒
Mr. E. A. Tamm ☒
Mr. Clegg ☐
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Mr. Ladd ☐
Mr. Nichols ☐
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Mr. Holloman ☐
Mr. McGuire ☐
Mr. Harbo ☐
Mr. Quinn Tamm ☐
Tele. Room ☐
Mr. Nease ☐
Miss Goshorn ☐
Miss Gandy ☐

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Re: Medal of Honor to J. Edgar Hoover

Attached hereto is a copy of the bill introduced by Senator Mead to authorize the presentation of a medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover. The bill, S. 357, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Like the bills introduced in the House by Mr. Walter and Mr. Dickstein, this bill would authorize the President, in the name of Congress, to present a medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover for his untiring devotion to duty in the apprehension of the Nazi saboteurs last June.

The bill will be closely followed and further action will be brought to your immediate attention.

Respectfully,

W. R. Glavin
W. R. Glavin

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 14, 1943

MR. MEAD introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To authorize the presentation of a medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the President is authorized to present, in the name of
4 Congress, a medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover, Director
5 of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, who, by his untiring
6 devotion to duty and with the assistance of the officers and
7 employees of such Bureau, apprehended and took into
8 custody numerous enemy agents, saboteurs, and fifth col-
9 umnists during the month of June 1942, thereby affording
10 great protection to his country and its citizens and effecting
11 a telling blow in the prosecution of the war.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR



Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
January 13, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Re: Medal of Honor to J. Edgar Hoover

Attached hereto is a copy of H. R. 638, introduced by Mr. Walter on January 6, 1943, to authorize the presentation of a medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover.

The bill authorizes the President to present, in the name of Congress, a medal of honor to the Director for his untiring devotion to duty in regard to the apprehension of the saboteurs during the month of June 1942.

The bill will be closely followed and you will be promptly advised of further action thereon.

Respectfully,

W. C. Clegg
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FOR DEFENSE



78TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 638

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 6, 1943

Mr. WALTER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To authorize the presentation of a medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the President is authorized to present, in the name of
4 Congress, a medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover, Director
5 of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, who, by his untiring
6 devotion to duty and with the assistance of the officers and
7 employees of such Bureau, apprehended and took into custody
8 numerous enemy agents, saboteurs, and fifth columnists dur-
9 ing the month of June 1942, thereby affording great pro-
10 tection to his country and its citizens and effecting a telling
11 blow in the prosecution of the war.

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January 6, 1943

Honorable Francis L. Walter
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

My dear Congressman:

I want to take this opportunity to express my very deep appreciation for your thoughtfulness in proposing a bill in the House of Representatives on January 6, 1943, to authorize the presentation of a medal to me.

This splendid recognition on your part of the work of the FBI means a great deal to me and I hope that our activities will always remain high in your esteem.

With expressions of my highest esteem and best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
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January 6, 1943

Honorable Samuel Dickstein
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

My dear Congressman:

I wanted to drop you this personal note of appreciation for your thoughtfulness in proposing a bill in the House of Representatives on January 6, 1943, to authorize the presentation of a medal to me.

As Director of the FBI I am deeply encouraged by this splendid tribute you have paid to our organization and I hope that our efforts will always meet with your approval.

With expressions of my highest esteem and best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

January 7, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Re: Medal of Honor for J. Edgar Hoover

Please be advised that on January 6, 1943, Mr. Walter Lawrence H. H. (3rd) and Mr. Weinstein introduced H. R. 761 - bills to authorize the presentation of a Medal of Honor to J. Edgar Hoover. Both bills were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Copies of the bills are not available as yet. A clerk in the House Document room stated that the flood of new bills by the 76th Congress made it impossible to ascertain just when these bills will be received. However, copies will be obtained and forwarded to you as soon as possible.

Respectfully,

W. E. Glavin
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR



**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.**

December 20, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Re: Medal of Honor to J. Edgar Hoover

Please be advised that S. 2643, a bill to authorize the presentation of a medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover, was allowed to lie with the adjournment of the 77th Session of Congress.

This bill was introduced by Senator Head on July 6, 1942, and was passed by the Senate on July 23, 1942. The bill was then sent to the House and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. A similar bill was introduced by Congressman Hartley in the House, but that bill also died with the closing of this session of Congress.

Respectfully,

J. H. Glavin

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December 7, 1942

Mr. Clifford O. Smith
500 Columbia Road, Northwest
Washington, D. C.

Dear Clifford:

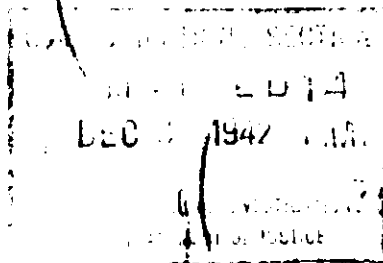
I am indeed sorry I was not in my office at the time you called in order to personally receive your expressions of congratulation on the honor conferred by General Manuel Benitez y Valdes on me.

Your thoughtfulness is deeply appreciated and I hope if you have occasion to visit the Bureau you will not hesitate to drop in my office.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
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Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Rosen _____
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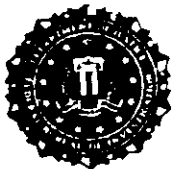


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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR



**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.**

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December 1, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Captain Gutierrez has advised that due to the excitement during the presentations made to you yesterday on behalf of the Cuban Government and General Benitez, he failed to present you with the gold and amber cigar holder which had been sent to you by General Manuel Benitez. The gift is being sent to you herewith.

The Captain stated he would greatly appreciate it if you would not mention his neglect to General Benitez.

Respectfully,

D. M. Ladd

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December 2, 1942

Honorable Joseph Lawrence
Director
Bond and Spirits Division
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Joe:

Your letter of December 2, 1942, has been received and I appreciate deeply your thoughtful expressions of congratulations on the Order of Police Merit recently conferred on me by the Government of Cuba.

It is good to know of your continued support and I hope that our future activities will always justify the confidence you have in us.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Handwritten signatures and initials, including a large "J" and "H" and a signature that appears to be "J. Edgar Hoover".

JOSEPH LAWRENCE
DIRECTOR

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

BOND AND SPIRITS DIVISION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 2, 1942.

Dear Sir:

Heartiest congratulations on award of Order of Police Merit by the Government of Cuba. This is an honor in which every American takes special pride.

Of course, it is no surprise to this old and close observer of your splendid work that the full recognition and full appreciation of it must of necessity break the bounds of our own borders. Your record during both peace and war may indeed be presented as an example and an inspiration to officers of the law in every land.

With kindest personal regards and continued best wishes,

Sincerely,

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.



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November 28, 1942

Mr. Harold D. Voorhis
Secretary
New York University
New York, New York

Dear Harold:

Thanks so much for sending me a copy of
your remarks with your letter of November 25th.

I am glad to have the remarks as a memento
of a most pleasant evening. I cannot begin to
tell you of my personal pride in the honor which
was bestowed upon me.

I do hope that whenever you are in Wash-
ington you will drop by to say hello.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

W. E. B. DuBois

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Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
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THE SECRETARY

25 November, 1942

Dear J. Edgar:

Thanks a lot for your thoughtful and very charitable note of the 23d. You certainly rung the bell with our folks the other night, as well you might, and I was prouder than a current model \$20. turkey gobbler, E.A. (before the axe), at having shanghaied you for the occasion. Incidentally, that was a peach of a picture in the New York Times. My remarks were necessarily superficial, but such as they were I reproduce them in the enclosure, and am glad you bear me no permanent grudge.

Cordially yours,

*ack 11/25/42
H.M.*

J. Edgar Hoover, Esquire
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Presentation of J. Edgar Hoover
for the Gold Medal of the
Holland Society of New York
November 19, 1942

Some twenty-five years ago there was graduated from George Washington University a young man who had earned his way through Law School by a clerical job in the Library of Congress. He was educated in both institutions. When he wasn't studying his law books he was browsing on the Library stock, indulging a voracious appetite for all kinds of reading except, curiously enough, detective fiction, in which he has never had any interest. On receiving his law diploma, despite the fact that the Library job was paying him more than he could hope to earn for some time as a lawyer, he gave it up for a beginner's post in the United States Department of Justice. There has never been a dull moment in that Department since.

There are, of course, a good many worthy men in Washington who have been there for ages and ages. You can readily spot them, starting from either end of Pennsylvania Avenue; but none will you find who, on the silver anniversary of Government service, can show more striking achievements for the Nation's welfare, clearly attributable to his own energy, resourcefulness, and steadfast devotion to the commonweal, than he. In fact he is the only head of a bureau in Washington who has never been called a bureaucrat.

This former library clerk is a celebrated criminologist. It would be a crime on my part to hang him any longer in rhetorical suspense. I am referring, as many of you amateur G-men may already have deduced, to the gentleman who has so generously consented to receive the accolade of the Holland Society this evening, the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice, Mr. J. Edgar Hoover.

Starting at scratch, and with no fancy handling, he attained the full directorship on sheer merit within the short space of seven years. Now this Bureau of Investigation wasn't a new thing. It had been going since 1908. In fact it was practically gone when he came into the picture. That is, it was just another lack-luster agency of government, closely limited in range, and shy of significance, until he took hold. Since then its advance in scope, efficiency, and usefulness has been no less solid and substantial than spectacular. Wherefore, we honor ourselves as we celebrate this evening the twenty-fifth anniversary of his connection with the Department of Justice.

Within a few years after becoming Director he had greatly enlarged the Bureau into an organization of college and field trained personnel of outstanding quality, strategically deployed over the country, integrated not only by quick-trigger scientific mechanism but by passionate loyalty of the men to their leader and to the exalted ideals of their corps. Mr. Hoover has not only hand picked his personnel, but fortified them with the most up-to-date equipment and the latest scientific techniques. Early impressed, for example, with the superiority of the finger-print system of identification over all others, he is chiefly responsible for its ascendancy in this country and in international usage. Withal, the headquarters of the Bureau in Washington today constitute the foremost laboratory of applied criminology anywhere extant. Quite properly did one of our own Holland Society members, whose name now and then appears in the press, say to him recently, in a letter on White House stationery, that he had put the F.B.I. in "the forefront of the law enforcement agencies of the world."

Not the least remarkable of all this is that he has brought it about irrespective of changing political regimes and despite a maze of local jurisdictional obstacles of various kinds dotting the map of these United States. Through his

establishment seven years ago of the National Police Academy, which now affords police officers from all over the Nation training by the F.B.I. along Bureau lines, he has welded state to state, county to county, precinct to precinct, in a collaborative network of law enforcement the like of which has never before been seen.

Aside perhaps from the Bureau of Engraving his is the only agency in Washington really making any money. Each year his men corral errant funds for the Federal Treasury many, many times the total cost of operating the Bureau.

With the Nation at war, the activities of this agency in the apprehension and conviction of saboteurs and other enemies within our borders, have filled us all with admiration and thanksgiving. To our countrymen his name has become synonymous with the finest expression of law enforcement. To our youth who enjoy his patronage of all manner of worthwhile activities, he is a perennial hero and an incomparable preceptor. Through them he is engaged in an outstanding work of character building for this Nation.

Strength and skill alone will never pull this world from its present mess. Our adversaries have plenty of that. What they lack and can never gain in this war is character. Character: that basic stamina, not of the flesh, and which obtains only among free peoples, character of the dependable type that marked our redoubtable Dutch ancestors. The basis of all just government is character. We cannot win this war unless our master sights be lifted to the level of peace aims so predicated. Only as we mobilize galvanic character, along with physical strength and skill, shall we prevail in the war and shall justice prevail in the peace to follow. Therefore, to those of our leaders who by precept and example are placing character to the fore in this crucial epoch of the Nation, we are profoundly grateful. It is with such gratitude that we proudly salute our celebrated compatriot this evening.

By direction of our Trustees, Mr. President, I respectfully present to you for investiture with the Gold Medal of this Society the modest subject of these inadequate, but well-intended remarks, Mr. John Edgar Hoover.

HAROLD C. VOOPHIG

Chairman, Committee of Award



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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

December 7, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR

MR. NICHOLS *Jm*

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
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For record purposes, there are attached photographs taken by Gene Abbott of Associated Press Photos which he left for such use as the Bureau desired to make of them.

These photographs pertain to the Order of Police Merit with Distinctive White, presented to the Director by representatives of the Government of Cuba.

Respectfully,

Jm

J. J. McGuire

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J. Edgar Hoover Receives Order Of Police Merit

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30. (AP)—J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, received from the Cuban Government today "the Order of Police Merit", highest law enforcement honor of the Island Republic.

The medal was presented on behalf of President Fulgencio Batista and General Manuel Benitez, Chief of the Cuban National Police, by Ambassador Aurelio Conchoso at the Office of Director Hoover who accepted with "profound pleasure."

The Ambassador said the medal was awarded in recognition of Hoover's cooperation in the prosecution of enemy activities.

"I look with pride upon the spirit of friendship and cooperation that exists between the Cuban National Police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation," Hoover told the Ambassador and other high ranking Cubans.

"Already the common understanding and the joint effort of our two organizations have forged a chain of protection against the Axis forces that would raid and disturb the peace of the Americas. Under that great leader, General Manuel Benitez the Cuban National Police has become one of the world's truly great protective bodies."

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR



**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice**

Washington, D. C.
December 5, 1942

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NICHOLS *mcg*

For record purposes there are attached here to extra copies of a statement furnished to members of the press who attended the presentation of the Cuban Medal of the Order of Police Merit upon the Director on November 30th.

Extra copies of several photographs are also attached.

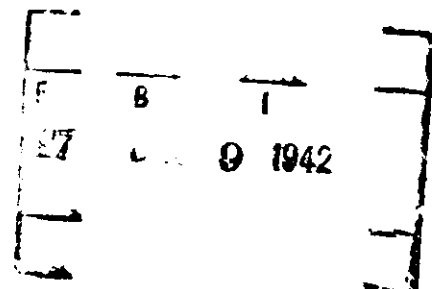
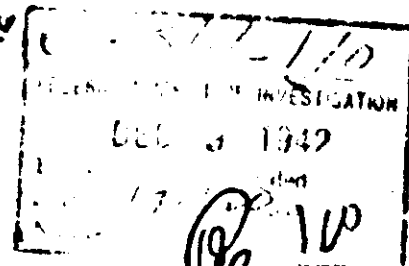
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November 30, 1942

Pursuant to an order issued by His Excellency, The President of Cuba, Major General Fulgencio Batista, Dr. Aurelio F. Gonsalves, Ambassador of Cuba, conferred upon Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, the "Order of Police Merit, With Distinctive White of the First Class."

The medal conferred upon Mr. Hoover is the highest law enforcement honor that can be bestowed by the Government of Cuba.

The citation accompanying the medal is as follows:

"Section A: Executive Power

NATIONAL DEFENSE

Decree No. 3322

Considering:

That Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation of Washington, has exceptional merits because of the valuable services given to the National Cuban Police, cooperating with same efficiently, in matters regarding the prosecution of elements, enemies of democracies, dedicated to espionage, as it has been demonstrated in the recent case of the Nazi spy, Heinz A. Luning, whose activities were discovered and whose apprehension was made by members of the National Police, with the cooperation of Agents from the above-mentioned Bureau.

Considering:

That by Presidential Decree No. 1283 of May 7, 1936, modified by No. 241 of January 11, 1940, there was created the

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Condecoracion Decoracion "ORDER OF POLICE MERIT," determining the different kinds and distinctives.

Therefore:

In the use of the faculties of which I am vested, assisted by the Council of Ministers and at the proposition of the Minister of National Defense and of the Chief of the National Police, I make the following

RESOLUTION

First:

To grant the Condecoracion Decoracion "Order of Police Merit," with Distinctive White of the First Class, as per it is referred to in the 1 part.

(o) Art. 1st of the Presidential Decree No. 241 of January 11, 1940, to Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Washington, in consideration of all his merits.

Second:

The Minister of National Defense and the Chief of the National Police have the mission to accomplish what have been disposed by the present decree.

Given in the Presidential Palace in Havana on November 9, 1942.

F. Batista, President

Ramon Zaydin, First Minister

**Aristides Sosa, Minister of
National Defense**

In presenting the award which was brought to Washington by Captain Oscar Gutierrez of the Cuban National Police, Ambassador Conchoso said:

"My distinguished friend, Mr. Hoover. It is a very great honor for me to have the privilege of delivering to you this decoration of the Order of Police Merit, with Distinctive White of the First Class, which has been bestowed upon you by the Chief of the National Police of Cuba in recognition of your able cooperation in the prosecution of espionage and other enemy activities.

The outstanding work which you have accomplished with the National Police of Cuba has motivated the Government of Cuba and the Chief of Police of Cuba, General Benitez, to confer upon you this decoration, and from today your name will occupy a prominent place among those who have distinguished themselves in the prosecution of crime and its agents."

Mr. Hoover, in accepting the award, said:

"It is with profound pleasure that I accept the honor conferred upon me, Mr. Ambassador, by His Excellency, The President of Cuba, Major General Fulgencio Batista, on behalf of my associates of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

I look with pride upon the spirit of friendship and cooperation that exists between the Cuban National Police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Already the common understanding

and the joint efforts of our two organizations have forged a chain of protection against the Axis forces that would raid and disturb the peace of the Americas. That has been accomplished in the past is only a forerunner of what we can expect in the future in maintaining the security of our two countries.

Under that great leader, General Manuel Benitez, the Cuban National Police has become one of the world's truly great protective bodies. The Americas can be assured that their solidarity and peace will be protected insofar as Cuba is concerned. The people of Cuba in turn can be assured that their neighbors in the United States will do their part in winning the right of free people everywhere to security from the aggression of our Axis foes.

On behalf of every member of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, I wish, Mr. Ambassador, and Captain Gutierrez, that you would express to President Batista, General Benitez, and his associates our heartfelt appreciation for the honor that has been conferred upon us."

The Delegation representing President Batista and General Benitez were as follows:

1. Dr. Aurelio F. Conchosa, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Cuba to the United States
2. Captain Oscar Gutierrez
3. Dr. Jose T. Baren, Minister Counselor of Embassy

4. *Mr. Vicente Valdes Rodriguez, Counselor of Embassy*
5. *Dr. Joaquin Meyer, First Secretary of Embassy*
6. *Lieutenant Colonel Felipe Manilla, Military and Air Attache*
7. *Lieutenant Colonel Julio Cadenas, of Cuba*
8. *Lieutenant Felipe Cadenas, Naval Attache*
9. *Mr. Nicolas Rivers, Third Secretary*
10. *Rafael Mulet, Cuban Consul at Washington*
11. *Senora Margarita Gutierrez, wife of Captain Oscar Gutierrez*



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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TO: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to:

Major General Fulgencio Batista
President of Cuba
Presidential Palace
Havana, Cuba

I HAVE JUST RECEIVED FROM YOUR AMBASSADOR, DOCTOR AURELIO F. CONCHESO AND CAPTAIN OSCAR GUTIERREZ, THE ORDER OF POLICE MERIT WITH DISTINCTIVE WHITE OF THE FIRST CLASS. I WAS DEEPLY TOUCHED BY THE HONOR CONFERRED UPON ME ON BEHALF OF YOUR GOVERNMENT AND YOU. PLEASE ACCEPT MY HEARTFELT APPRECIATION. REGARDS. SINCERELY,

John Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

November 30, 1942

TO: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: *Honorable Aristides Sosa*
Minister of National Defense
Havana, Cuba

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WAS BESTOWED UPON ME TODAY BY DOCTOR AURELIO F. CONCHESO AND
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

November 28, 1942

FOR COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to:

General Manuel Benitez
Chief
The Cuban National Police
Havana, Cuba

DEEPLY APPRECIATE THE SENTIMENTS EXPRESSED TODAY BY DOCTOR
AURELIO F. CONCHESO IN PRESENTING ON BEHALF OF THE PRESIDENT
OF CUBA AND YOURSELF THE ORDER OF POLICE MERIT WITH DISTINC-
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MY ASSOCIATES IN THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION DEEPLY
APPRECIATE AND JOIN ME IN EXTENDING MY HEARTFELT THANKS.
REGARDS. SINCERELY,

John Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

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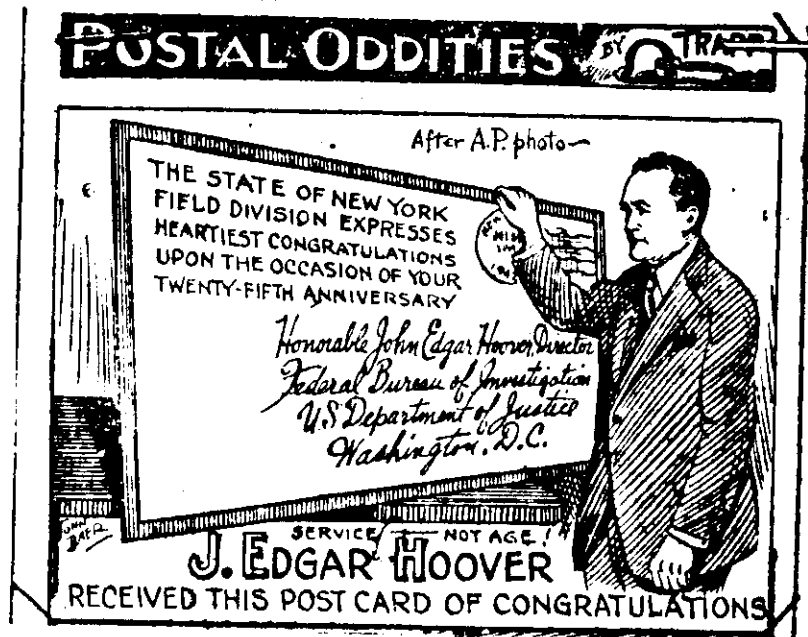
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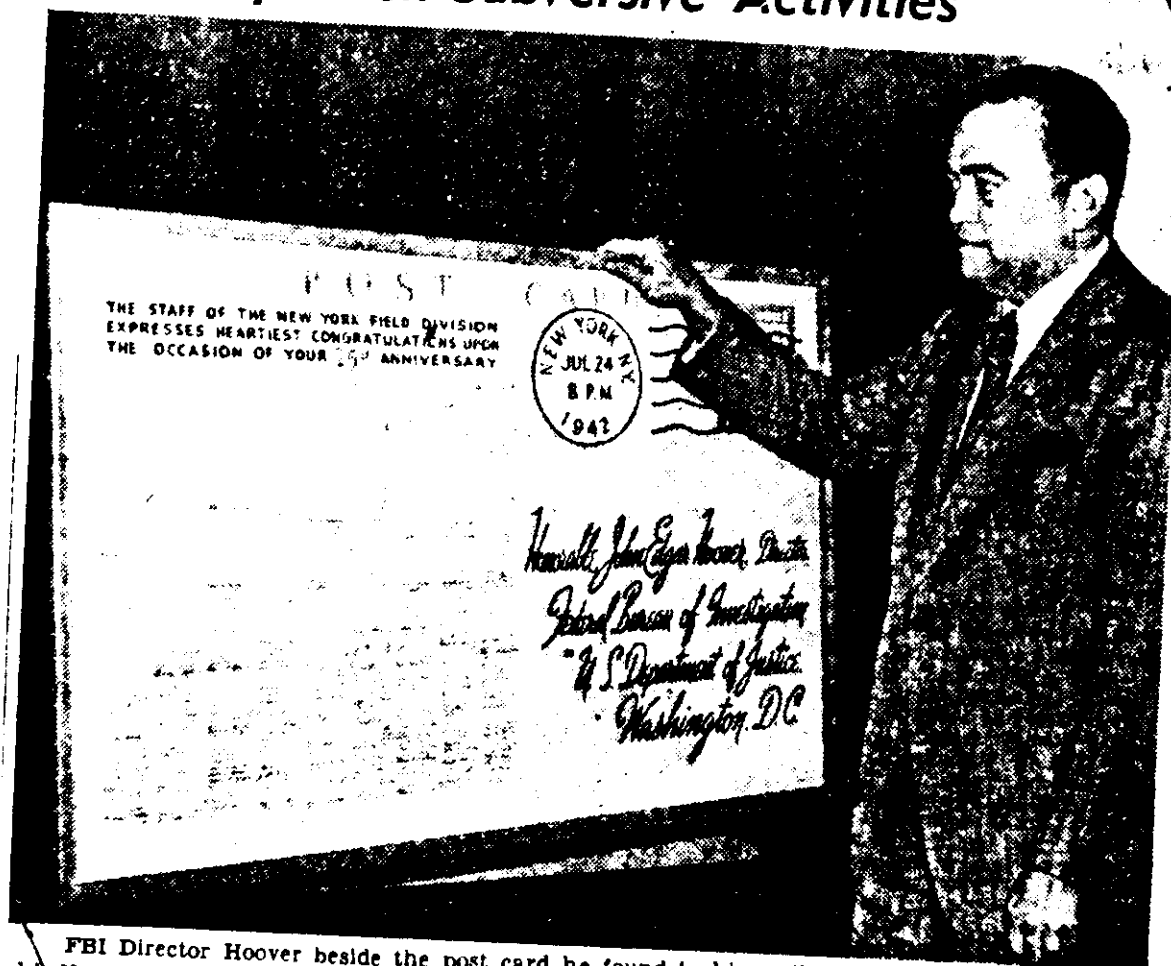
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J. Edgar Hoover Is Rated as America's No. 1 Expert on Subversive Activities



FBI Director Hoover beside the post card he found in his mail yesterday from members of his New York field division congratulating him on his 25th anniversary in the Justice Department.
—A. B. photo.

Washington Star.
July 26, 1942
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By OLIVER McKEE.

Twenty-five years ago today, a 22-year-old graduate of George Washington University Law School entered the Justice Department as a clerk.

Nicknamed "Speed" by his schoolmates, because of tireless energy, the young man, during this quarter century, has become one of the best-known Americans of his generation.

He is John Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation since 1924, and a principal aid of Attorney General Biddle and Judge Advocate General Cramer in preparing the Government's case against the eight Nazi agents in the trial conducted by the President's military commission.

His colleagues say that Mr. Hoover knows more about subversive activities in the United States than any man in the country. Since the outbreak of the war in Europe, Mr. Hoover has devoted much of his time to problems of internal security, and has held regular conferences with representatives of the Army and Navy intelligence services. Through these conferences information about foreign espionage has been exchanged, and plans formulated for a cooperative campaign to uncover espionage, and ferret out foreign agents.

As soon as word reached FBI headquarters that Nazi agents had landed on the United States coast, Mr. Hoover took the field to direct in person the investigation that resulted in the apprehension of the eight men who have been on trial here for their lives, and their 14 accomplices, recently arrested.

Since the hunt centered largely around New York, Mr. Hoover spent

much time in that city. The full details of his itinerary have yet to be revealed. Clues were reported from as far away as the Pacific Coast.

Officials are unable to reveal exactly how many FBI agents took part in the search for the Nazi saboteurs. Because of the wide geographical range of the leads uncovered, they point out, a large proportion of the field personnel had some hand in the investigation. Identification and apprehension of the Nazis landed from German submarines, and their accomplices, though achieved in a few weeks, proved one of the toughest jobs ever faced by Hoover and his men.

When Mr. Hoover entered the Justice Department, his ambition was to become a Government attorney, and possibly to open a law office of his own later. His first assignment was to the newly formed War Division. This was a few months after the entrance of the United States into the First World War. The new unit co-operated with the Army and Navy intelligence services in preparing evidence for deportation of suspected and declared anarchists.

Mr. Hoover soon won recognition as the department's best informed man on deportation cases. His work attracted the attention of Attorney General T. W. Gregory, and he was promoted to special assistant to the Attorney General.

The Bureau of Investigation, at that time, was a little known Federal agency. Mr. Hoover became interested in its operations and, in August, 1919, Mr. Gregory asked him to set up in the bureau a general intelligence division.

From then on, investigative work became Mr. Hoover's chief interest. In 1921 he was made assistant director of the bureau, and three years later Attorney General Harlan P.

Stone (now the Chief Justice of the United States) appointed him director. He accepted on condition that there would be no politics in the bureau.

In the years immediately following, Mr. Hoover and his G-men were often in the national spotlight in the war against crime. He himself led his men in several raids against notorious gangsters.

Under his leadership, the FBI not only engaged in a successful war against crime, but law enforcement was placed on a professionalized, scientific basis. Oldtimers laughed when Mr. Hoover decided to recruit his new agents from the ranks of college graduates and those with similar educational training. The policy proved a wise one, however, for the FBI today, because so many of its agents are lawyers, knows how to gather the evidence that will obtain convictions. Of the cases presented to the courts by the FBI last year, more than 97 per cent resulted in convictions.

Two decades ago the FBI had approximately 600 agents on the rolls. Today it has more than 3,000, and a personnel, in Washington and the field, of more than 10,000.

The approach of Mr. Hoover's 25th anniversary brought him many congratulatory messages. Among these was a letter of congratulation from President Roosevelt, read yesterday at the graduation exercises of the 19th class of the FBI National Police Academy.

"You have built up from nothing an extraordinarily able and efficient service for detecting and punishing crime throughout the United States," Attorney General Biddle told Mr. Hoover in a letter made public yesterday.

"To the good will of a grateful public, I should like to add my personal word of good wishes for your continued success."

Taber Blocks Medal Award To FBI Chief

Efforts to award a medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, were blocked in the House yesterday by Representative Taber (Republican) of New York.

Taber asserted that he was a personal friend of Hoover and admired his abilities, but said that he was opposed as a matter of principle to the granting of medals to civilian Federal officers.

His objection prevented present consideration of the bill, asked under a unanimous consent order, and will force it to await its turn on the legislative calendar.

Previously Representative Crawford (Republican) of Michigan had urged passage of the measure, pointing out that Sunday marked Hoover's twenty fifth anniversary in the Federal service.

"A distinguished citizen, an idol of young America, a fearless officer, a faithful worker for his Government full worthy of his hire, Director Hoover's 25-year record as a Federal employe stands as an inspiration to other Government workers," Crawford asserted. "His record of accomplishment and devotion to duty proves there is a career in the Government."

A similar bill has been approved by the Senate Judiciary Committee but has not yet been acted upon in the upper chamber.

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United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

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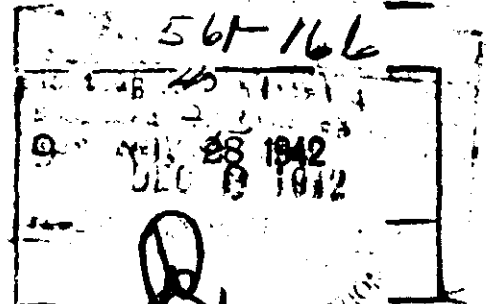
Oliver McKee of the Evening Star called to advise they have an Associated Press dispatch from Miami stating that Captain Sanchez of the Cuban National Police had been in Miami and was enroute to Washington to confer upon Mr. Hoover the medal of the Cuban Government; that he also has a message from the President of Cuba thanking the FBI for its cooperation in the Lunning case.

Mr. McKee wanted to know if there were any comment we could make as to when the medal would be conferred, whether it would be possible to have photographers present, etc. I told him it was not possible for us to say when the medal would be conferred, or to furnish any details. I told McKee that as he recalled, the fact that a medal was to be conferred has already appeared in the papers. He wondered whether we would keep him advised as to the situation.

I frankly anticipate considerable press inquiry during the day in view of General Benitez' recent visit and the frequent press contact we had as a result of this visit. If there is anything further to say, I would appreciate advice.

Respectfully,


L. B. Nichols.



September 11, 1942

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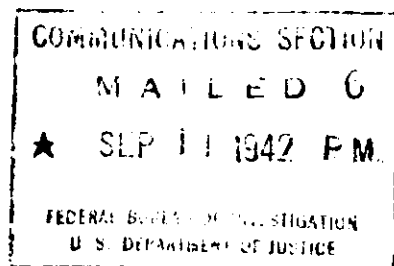
Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your contribution of \$5.00 to the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any participating Special Agent of the Bureau who loses his life while in the active service of the Bureau.

Respectfully,

W. R. Glavin
Assistant Director
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**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice**

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

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who has contributed to this fund subsequent to September 4, 1942, and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of five dollars (\$5), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Bureau, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

The Director of the Bureau will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping, and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director of the Bureau in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of said Bureau shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director.

Upon the death of any Special Agent, the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of \$5,000.

The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary:

Name Estate Address _____
Relationship _____ Dated September 10, 1942.

Very truly yours,



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Handwritten signature: J. Edgar Hoover
Special Agent Director, FBI

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July 25, 1942

Honorable Franklin D. Roosevelt
The White House
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. President:

I wish to acknowledge your gracious letter dated July 25th, which was read to the graduating members of the FBI National Police Academy at their graduation exercises this morning. The fact that you would take time out of your busy day to send a message to the graduates of the National Police Academy impressed upon them the seriousness of their assignments and without exception they all expressed to me their appreciation and loyalty to you as their Commander in Chief in these turbulent periods.

I cannot let this opportunity pass without telling you how deeply I appreciated your kindly references to my twenty-five years of service in the Department of Justice. This period of time seems all too short. It has been uneventful, however, with periods of extreme difficulty. However, I could be remiss in my duties if I did not tell you that the last several years under your administration have been some of the happiest years of my life, as well as the most difficult because of the many complex problems with which we have had to cope. The fact that you have supported the FBI has given every man and woman in this service the inspiration to carry on at times in the face of almost overwhelming odds. You may rest assured that you may continue to count upon all of us in the FBI to give everything we possess in energy and in spirit to the successful culmination of the great task with which we are now faced.

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____ with expressions of ~~highest~~ esteem and admiration,

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Very truly yours,

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July 7, 1942

Honorable James M. Keach
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

My Dear Senator:

I cannot refrain from telling you how deeply touched I was by the thought which prompted you to introduce your resolution in the Senate yesterday authorizing the President to award a medal to me in the name of the Congress.

This manifestation of confidence comes to few men in public life, and regardless of the outcome of the Senatorial action on the resolution, the mere fact that you thought sufficiently well of the work of the FBI to call it to the attention of the Senate and single it out to receive an award, is compensation for the sleepless hours we have all put in handling not only the case involving the eight German sabotage agents, but preparing for the past few years for just what happened on Sunday afternoon, December 7th.

Of course, any award which I might receive would be received by me with the distinct understanding that it was being given to the men and women of the Federal Bureau of Investigation through me as their spokesman, because this is one organization that is distinctly a "we" organization, and its successes and past achievements have resulted primarily from the concerted efforts and united spirit of all of our associates in the FBI, with our energies directed toward the single goal - the making of a more secure America.

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With expressions of my highest esteem and
best regards,

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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July 25, 1942

Honorable John F. McCormack
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

My dear Congressman:

I want to express my warm appreciation for the kind remarks which you made on the floor of the House yesterday in reference to my work as Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Your continued interest in our activities is indeed a source of encouragement and as I enter into my second quarter century of Government service I do hope that I shall continue to have your confidence and assistance.

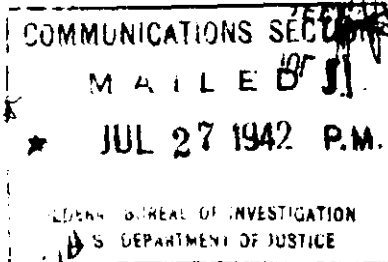
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July 25, 1942

Honorable Francis E. Walter
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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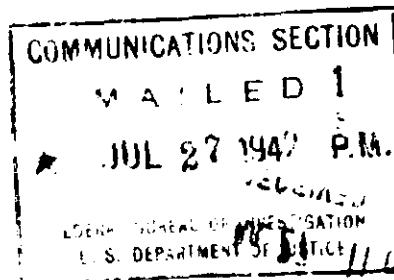
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With expressions of my highest esteem
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May Receive Medal



J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation may be awarded a Congressional medal for the FBI's recent capture of eight German saboteurs. Sen. Mead of New York introduced a bill in the Senate yesterday proposing the honor for Hoover.

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Taber asserted that he was a personal friend of Hoover and admired his abilities, but said that he was opposed as a matter of principle to the granting of medals to civilian Federal officers.

His objection prevented present consideration of the bill, asked under a unanimous consent order, and will force it to await its turn on the legislative calendar.

Previously Representative Crawford (Republican) of Michigan had urged passage of the measure, pointing out that Sunday marked Hoover's twenty-fifth anniversary in the Federal service.

"A distinguished citizen, an idol of young America, a fearless officer, a faithful worker for his Government full worthy of his hire, Director Hoover's 25-year record as a Federal employee stands as an inspiration to other Government workers," Crawford asserted. "His record of accomplishment and devotion to duty proves there is a career in the Government."

A similar bill has been approved by the Senate Judiciary Committee but has not yet been acted upon in the upper chamber.

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July 25, 1942

Honorable Jennings Randolph
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Jennings:

My attention has been called to the remarks which you made yesterday on the floor of the House in connection with the proposal to award a medal to me as Director of the FBI and I wanted to drop you this personal note to express my appreciation for the spirit which prompted you to render your support to this proposal. Your continued interest in all phases of our activities always serves as encouragement to me and I am grateful for your confidence.

With expressions of my highest esteem and best regards,

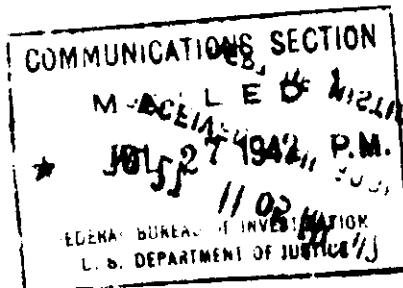
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J. Edgar Hoover

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Honorable Sam Hobbs
House of Representatives
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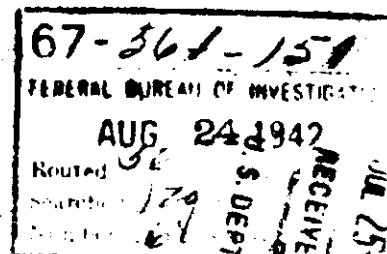
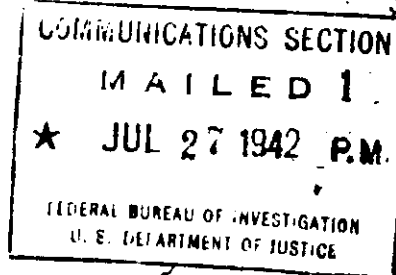
I wanted to express my deepest appreciation for your personal interest in the proposal to award a medal to me as Director of the FBI as manifested in your remarks on the floor of the House yesterday. I am indeed most grateful for your confidence and I am happy that my administration of the FBI has received your warm support. I do hope as I enter into the second quarter century of Government service that I shall have the pleasure of continued contact with you for many years to come.

With expressions of my highest esteem
and best regards,

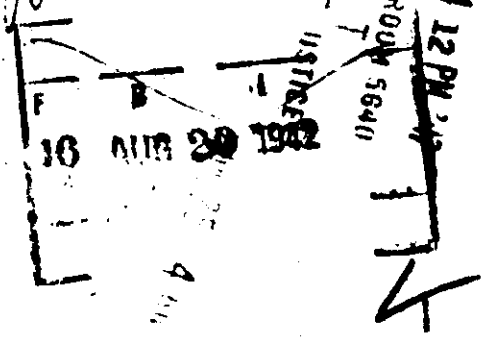
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Your attention is directed to pages 6782 and 6783, Re: remarks on the floor of the House regarding the medal of honor for the Director, and page A3158 - a tribute by Mr. Crawford to the Director for 25 years of service.

W. R. Glavin

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July 28, 1942

Colonel Edwin A. Halsey
Secretary
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Colonel Halsey:

I have received the copies of Senate Bill 2849 which you so thoughtfully forwarded to me on July 25, 1942, and I wanted to write you this personal note expressing my appreciation.

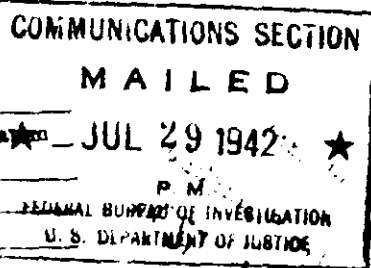
It was indeed kind of you and I do hope the activities of the FBI and my administration as Director will always merit your esteem.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 24, 1942

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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Mr. Glavin	✓
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Mr. McGuire	✓
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Mr. Nease	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

AN ACT

To authorize the presentation of a medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the President is authorized to present, in the name of
4 Congress, an appropriate medal of honor to J. Edgar
5 Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation,
6 in recognition of the untiring devotion to duty by J. Edgar
7 Hoover and the officers and public servants acting under
8 his direction, who collaborated in the apprehension of
9 numerous enemy agents, saboteurs, and fifth columnists dur-
10 ing the month of June 1942, thereby affording great pro-
11 tection to his country and its citizens and effecting a telling
12 blow in the prosecution of the war.

Passed the Senate July 23, 1942.

Attest:

EDWIN A. HALSEY,

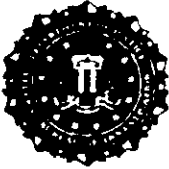
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR



Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Re: Medal of Honor to J. Edgar Hoover

Attached hereto is a copy of a bill, S. 2643, introduced in the Senate yesterday by Mr. Lead, to authorize the presentation of a medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover. The bill was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The bill would authorize the President to present the medal of honor to the Director in the name of Congress for "his untiring devotion to duty" in regard to the apprehension of the Nazi spies.

The bill will be followed by this office and you will be advised immediately of further action thereon.

Respectfully,

W. R. Glavin
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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 6 (legislative day, JULY 2), 1942

Mr. MEAD introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To authorize the presentation of a medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the President is authorized to present, in the name of
4 Congress, a medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover, Director
5 of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, who, by his untiring
6 devotion to duty and with the assistance of the officers and
7 employees of such Bureau, apprehended and took into custody
8 numerous enemy agents, saboteurs, and fifth columnists dur-
9 ing the month of June 1942, thereby affording great pro-
10 tection to his country and its citizens and effecting a telling
11 blow in the prosecution of the war.

July 10, 1942

Honorable Fred A. Hartley, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

My dear Congressman:

I have just noted in the Congressional Record for yesterday that you introduced a bill to authorize the presentation of a medal to me.

This action on your part is the finest expression of confidence I have ever received from any man. That our efforts during this war period have met with your approval is a source of real encouragement to all of us in the FBI and we can only say, thanks.

With expressions of my highest esteem and best regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Honorable E. F. Cox
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

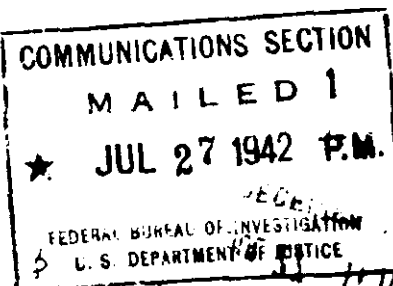
My dear Congressman:

I am very grateful for the remarks which you made yesterday on the floor of the House in connection with the proposal to award a medal to me as Director of the FBI. I am indeed happy that my administration of this Bureau has received your warm support in the past and I do hope that we shall continue to merit your confidence and interest.

With expressions of my highest esteem and best regards,

Sincerely yours,

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FDR Praises Hoover For Direction of FBI

PM's Bureau

WASHINGTON, July 25—FDR yesterday praised J. Edgar Hoover for his fine work and splendid leadership both in peacetime and wartime as director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.



J. Edgar Hoover

A personal greeting from the President marked Hoover's 25th anniversary with the Justice Dept. It was made public in connection with graduation exercises of the FBI's national policy academy.

"While our military, naval and air forces are engaging the enemy wherever they may be found," the President wrote, "the FBI and its co-operating agencies are finding the enemies within our gates who seek to destroy our liberty and our freedom. This work is vitally essential to our war effort in order to insure our victory."

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He Ought to Have a Medal

IN KENTUCKY we know that there is a great deal of sentiment in favor of giving special national recognition to J. Edgar Hoover, as head of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, for his great work in rounding up saboteurs and others unfriendly to the cause of this country and the United Nations.

We believe that this same sentiment prevails throughout the country, for Mr. Hoover and his men have done an outstanding job in apprehending these men before they have been able to inflict damage upon our war effort. The recent arrest of eight men landed from Nazi submarines was a splendid piece of work. And the nation wants speedy justice meted out to these plotters of disaster for our people.

How would it be if Mr. Hoover were to receive national honor in the form of a medal just as our heroes of the armed forces are being decorated for bravery?

July 18, 1942

Mr. Paul Kadany
Editor
Amerikal Magyar Hepszo
350 Second Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Kadany:

I am very appreciative of your editorial entitled "A Medal for J. Edgar Hoover" which appeared in the July 18, 1942 issue of the Amerikal Magyar Hepszo.

Your very fine tribute to the work of the FBI is appreciated by all of us, and I hope that in the future our activities will continue to justify your confidence.

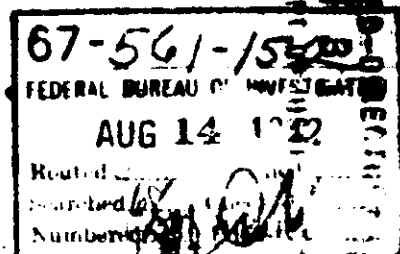
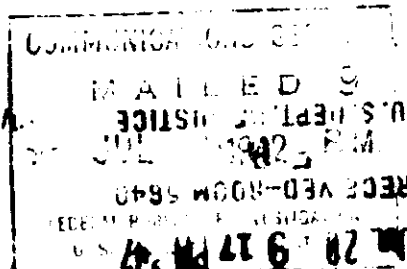
With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

cc: New York

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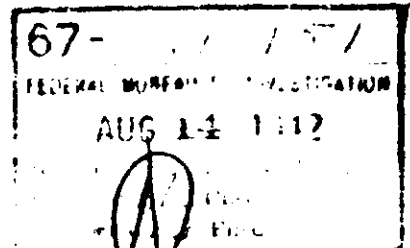
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Very truly yours

Enclosure



A MEDAL FOR J. EDGAR HOOVER



—AN EDITORIAL—

NOW pending before the U. S. Congress is a bill introduced by Senator Mendenhall to authorize the presentation of a medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover, the Chief of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, better known as the FBI. We hope this bill is passed, because Mr. Hoover is well deserving of recognition for the laudable work the FBI has done under his capable direction.

It is true that when the U. S. Government was first organized, back in 1776 or thereabouts, there was no need for an FBI. There was little need for extra policing outside of the sheriff in the rural sections and the regular police in the small towns and cities of those early days. It was only in 1908 that the need for some sort of a Federal Police became apparent. It was then that the FBI was organized by Attorney General Bonaparte. Not much was heard of any outstanding accomplishments by the FBI for the 16 years that followed. In 1924 J. Edgar Hoover was placed in charge and he re-organized the FBI and made it what it is today, an effective nationwide organization, which has

distinguished itself in many ways. In war as in peace, the FBI is doing a magnificent job and all credit should go to Mr. J. Edgar Hoover who made that department a most indispensable arm of our government.

In checking crime and criminals, the exploits of the FBI would fill a good many volumes. But why go into that? We all remember the Dillinger gang and how it was wiped out, thanks to Mr. J. Edgar Hoover's FBI. With the country at war, the organizational work done by Mr. Hoover and the FBI becomes all the more important. The recent capture of the 8 German Nazi saboteurs, before they had an opportunity to do any of their dirty work, certainly deserves recognition, to say nothing of the laudable and quick work the FBI did in rounding up the Bundists who were either in league with the Nazi saboteurs or potential saboteurs themselves.

Just suppose for a minute that there had been no FBI and no J. Edgar Hoover and these Nazi Germans, with their explosives

fire, bombs, fake credentials and thousands of dollars of money to use for bribery, had spread out and started their work. Think of how much property and lives might have been sacrificed. Not only has this been averted, but the speedy arrest of these

scoundrels and their accomplices will serve as a warning to any and all enemies within and without, that the eyes of the FBI are upon them.

The saving of life and property as a result of the watchfulness and thorough organization of the FBI will do much to hasten the day of victory. What is comforting to all of us in America is that this efficient intelligently directed organization, working day and night in the interest of America, does its job within the law and humanely too. How different is our intelligently led, legally operating FBI from the Gestapo and similar police organizations in the brutal totalitarian countries. Thanks to Mr. Hoover, innocent men, even if they are aliens or classed as enemy aliens, can rest easy in the knowledge that the FBI knows the facts, and whereas this may be terrifying to our real enemies and all scoundrels, it is gratifying to every decent, honest law abiding individual citizen and non citizen in America.

Attorney General Biddle commenting on

this question, in a letter to Senator Van Nuys, says:

"I have a letter from the Clerk of the Committee on the Judiciary enclosing a copy of S. 2643, introduced by Senator Mead to authorize the presentation of a medal of honor to J. Edgar Hoover, and requesting my advice.

The bill authorizes the President to present, in the name of the Congress, a medal of honor to Mr. Hoover in recognition of his work in connection with the apprehension of the saboteurs, and other duties relating to the war effort. This tribute to Mr. Hoover's unusual work, as expressed in the bill, is particularly gratifying to me and I am sure to Mr. Hoover's associates in the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Department of Justice."

Yes, by all means, Mr. Hoover should be suitably decorated, so that he and his excellent organization may know that the American people appreciate their good work.

This Editorial appears in the Hungarian language on page 4

JUL 22, 1942

Mr. L. L. Kirk
Assistant Editor
Spokane Daily Chronicle
Spokane, Washington

Dear Mr. Kirk:

I have your note of July 15, 1942,
together with the copy of your editorial
entitled "Honors for the Chief Gang Buster"
which appeared in the July 8th issue of the
Spokane Daily Chronicle.

During these trying times it is
indeed encouraging to know that I can depend
upon your support.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

cc: Seattle

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HONORS FOR THE CHIEF GANG BUSTER

Why not a medal for J. Edgar Hoover?

New York senator has proposed a congressional award for the head G-man as the result of the capture of the eight alleged Nazi saboteurs. It will seem to a great many Americans that this forthright citizen should have been awarded a medal long ago, for his suppression of crime in this country.

J. Edgar Hoover is the type of man to whom Americans like to pay tribute. He has gone about his business without ostentation and certainly without fear. He is the last man in the land who would have thought of congressional honor for his work. He always has taken the position stated so ably by Cato, when he said, "I would rather that people ask why there is no statue for me, than why there is one."

GAS:SG

July 25, 1942

Mr. E. L. Finley
President and Publisher
Santa Rosa Press-Democrat
Santa Rosa, California

Dear Mr. Finley:

I am very appreciative of your comment concerning the Federal Bureau of Investigation and my administration as Director on the editorial page of the July 9, 1942 issue of the Santa Rosa Press-Democrat.

It is gratifying to know that we can depend upon your support, and I hope that in the future our organization will continue to justify your confidence.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

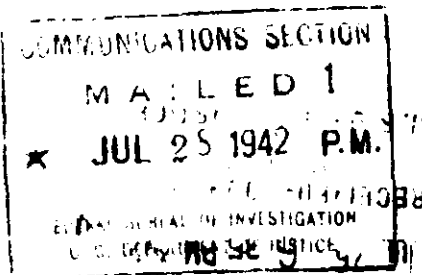
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Mr. E. L. Finley
President and Publisher
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Santa Rosa, California

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THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE of the senate yesterday approved unanimously legislation authorizing President Roosevelt to award J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, an appropriate medal for his roundup of Nazi saboteurs.

Every American admires the FBI for the excellent work done in running down spies and fifth columnists before they have had time to injure the country. It shouldn't be necessary to pass a law in order to give Hoover proper recognition.

Of course, much of the credit should be given the men under Hoover, who actually did the work. The American people feel more secure in the knowledge that the best detective brains in the world are on their side.

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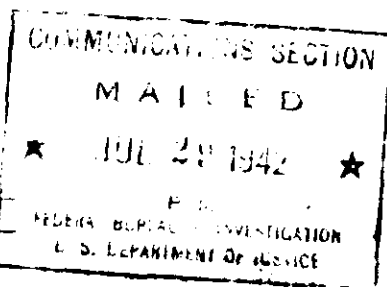
Mr. Spencer A. Canary
Editor
The Daily Sentinel-Tribune
Bowling Green, Ohio

Dear Mr. Canary:

I have received the editorial you recently forwarded me entitled "Medal for J. Edgar Hoover" which appeared in The Daily Sentinel-Tribune. Please accept my sincere appreciation for your very fine tribute to the Federal Bureau of Investigation and my administration as Director. Certainly editorials of this nature serve to encourage and bolster the confidence of the American people in our work, which is so necessary if we are to continue to meet with success. I hope our work will always justify your confidence.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,



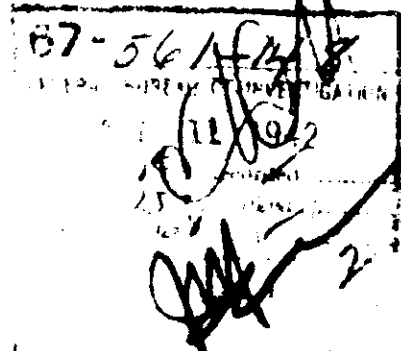
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The action of the Senate Judiciary Committee in
approving an award of "an appropriate medal of hon-
or" to J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the FBI, is pleasing
news to those who have watched the successful re-
sults of the solid service given the nation through-
out many years by Mr. Hoover and his true cap-
tain "G-men."

Under Mr. Hoover's aggressive and able direction
the country has been practically rid of the kidnappers
which had terrorized parents and others. The gang
gangs, or rodders, and murderers have been tracked
down and captured or shot, and the nation has
been impelled in the hearts of other nations.
Mr. Hoover calls himself "a public servant," but
at times taken a few days off to go to Europe
by the way of the cruise of the "G-men."

Such have been the achievements of the FBI
under Mr. Hoover. Since the time of the "G-men"
he and his men have been working, but it is
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July 16, 1942

Mr. Howard R. Allgood
Oskaloosa, Iowa

Dear Mr. Allgood:

I have received your letter dated July 12, 1942, together with the enclosed cartoon from the Des Moines Register, and I wanted to write you this personal note expressing my very deep appreciation.

Sentiments such as yours approving the activities of the Federal Bureau of Investigation are a source of much encouragement to all of us in the FBI, and you may be sure I will convey your very best regards to Mr. Tolson.

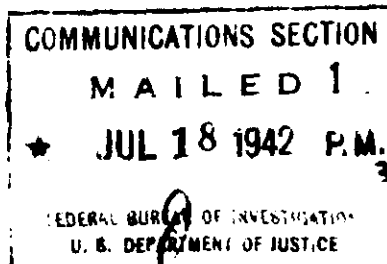
I do hope that the efforts of this Bureau and my administration as Director will always merit your esteem and support.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

No doubt you will receive many of these based. It very well portrays the sentiment here in Iowa.

I want to add my personal endorsement of all the splendid accomplishments of the FBI. I know the work will go on.

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My best regards to you and my good friend Lyde Tolson. Wish ^{and} would be knocking all out of Germans, Japs and all enemies.

Very sincerely yours,
Harvard Day Allgood

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July 11, 1952

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July 23, 1942

Mr. James Thompson
Editor
The Bracken Chronicle
Augusta, Kentucky

Dear Mr. Thompson:

I am most appreciative of your splendid tribute to the FBI and my administration as its Director in your editorial "John Edgar Hoover Deserves Medal" which appeared in the July 16, 1942, issue of The Bracken Chronicle.

We of the FBI have dedicated ourselves to the protection of our country's cherished security, and the knowledge that we can rely upon your support makes our job a great deal easier.

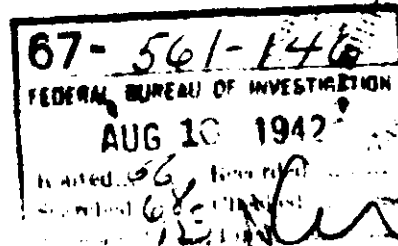
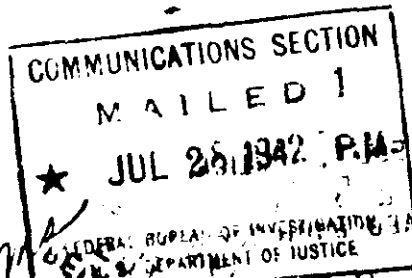
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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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JUL 30, 1942

J. Edgar Hoover

Lieutenant Van R. M. Sternbergh
Military Intelligence Service
War Department
Room 2605
Munitions Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Lieutenant Sternbergh:

I appreciate receiving your letter of July 23, 1942, and your splendid tribute to the work of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Letters like this are a source of real encouragement to all of us and I hope that we will continue to merit your confidence and esteem.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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MILITARY INTELLIGENCE DIVISION G-2
WASHINGTON

July 23, 1942.

J. Edgar Hoover, Esq.,
Director, FBI, U.S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

Last evening when I spoke to you and Mr. Tolson in Harvey's I would have come over to shake hands and offer congratulations to you both for the great things recently made public, but also for the Congressional Medal of Honor which you will receive, but I didn't want to bother you.

I don't know many people with the Medal of Honor today, but it is certainly something which should have gone to you and your key men long ago and this is exactly what I have often told the White House as well as leading Congressional figures for some years.

It is especially gratifying in these dark days to realize that we have here in our country an organization not in any way under the control or whim of a political party or persons with an axe to grind. It is the one highly scientific body of top-flight protectors of the country who can not be shifted from a position in which they are doing most good to one where their talents are suddenly rendered useless, as is too often the case in other branches of the Government.

Further it is also appreciated by thinking citizens whose taxes help defray running expenses of the land, that your organization does more for us per dollar expended than any other, and in fact saves and protects the dollars we have. But most of all it saves lives and many more than most people realize, far greater number in proportion to the force than our uniformed "Armed Forces" put together. I shall never forget how in the peace-years when I had any information I considered valuable to the Government (for its protection etc) and when the well known Armed Forces refused to accept or use the data, it was your FBI that accepted it gladly and without fanfare, and used it when it was any good to them at all. THAT, is the example of comfort a citizen-soldier gets from knowing your outfit is there, and everywhere ready and able to quickly use the tools it can get its hands on to oppose our enemies and prospective-future-enemies. I only hope your hands become more and more un-tied so that your talents can be free to accomplish even more. Likewise I hope my branch of the service can become more and more skilled in its work so to help you too.

So, again - congratulations! May there soon be many palms attached to that decoration. Kindest regards to you both as always, I

Sincerely yours,

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Mr. Hoover's magnificent service,
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of all degrees have won for him
and for his alert forces the admira-
tion and esteem of his fellow coun-
trymen.

It's appropriate that the Govern-
ment should officially take note of
his mastery in his field and his
superb efficiencies in the present
crisis in combatting saboteurs.

And especially fitting that Con-
gress, which has all too often raised
raucous and fault finding voice
against him, should make amends
for its pettiness in this regard.

Julian S. Miller Editor

Charlotte, N. C.
Wednesday, July 2, 1942
Submitted by Charlotte Office.



HOMER GARRISON, JR.
 Director
 FRED JACKMAN
 Asst. Director



TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Camp Mabry

Austin

July 10, 1942

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

My Dear Director:

I thoroughly enjoyed the talk that I had with you in your office on July 1, and appreciated the many nice things that you said about the cooperation that the Texas Department of Public Safety had been giving to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

I assure you that one of the greatest pleasures that I derive in being Director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, is the close association that I have been privileged to have with your special agents who are stationed in the State of Texas. Special Agents Asers, Abbaticchio, Kitchin, and Bryce, are not only efficient, courteous law enforcement officers, but outstanding gentlemen and citizens of the State of Texas. I know that the rest of the peace officers in this State will join with me in expressing to you our sincere appreciation for stationing these gentlemen with us, because they have exhibited a spirit of fairness and friendly cooperation that is certainly outstanding.

I observed in the Press that a member of Congress has introduced a bill to present to you the Congressional Medal of Honor for apprehending the eight saboteurs who recently landed in this country. Certainly you are entitled to this honor and it is gratifying to know that someone has recognized the fact that you as a peace official of our country should be cited for this most outstanding achievement.

Please be assured that the Department of Public Safety will continue to cooperate with you wholeheartedly in all matters, and I hope that if there is ever anything that I can do for you, either personally or officially, that you will call upon me.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am,

Sincerely your friend

Homer Garrison, Jr.
 Director

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice**

635 Federal Building
Louisville, Kentucky

July 22, 1942

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

There is attached hereto a copy of an editorial from
"The Bracken Chronicle", Augusta, Kentucky, July 16,
1942, issue, entitled "JOHN EDGAR HOOVER DESERVES MEDAL".
which speaks very highly of the Bureau's work.

For the Bureau's information, Mr. JAMES A. THOMPSON
is Editor of this newspaper, which is published by the
THOMPSON family.

Very truly yours,

H. K. Moss

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Special Agent in Charge

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Mr. Bert M. Sarazan
Director of Publicity
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1100 Connecticut Avenue
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Sarazan:

I want to express my grateful appreciation for your very kind letter of July 10, 1942.

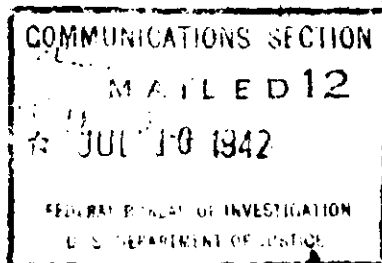
During these trying days it is a source of real comfort to know that I can always rely upon understanding friends. The FBI has pledged itself to the protection of our home front until the war has been successfully prosecuted and it makes our job a lot easier when we have friends such as you in back of us.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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The Hecht Co.
F STREET AT SEVENTH
WASHINGTON, D. C.

July 10, 1942

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

Dear John Hoover:

That was a great talk you made over the radio last night during The March of Time program ... and I note in the morning paper that you are about to be honored with a Congressional Medal for your brilliant work.

It seems to me, however, that the greatest medal you will ever receive will be the deep thanks of the American people who, at long last, have come to realize what John Hoover has been doing for the past few years and what your great bureau means to the people of America.

My cordial regards as always,

BMS
Bert M. Sarazan

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P.S. Incidentally, just to keep this on the record, I am sending a copy of this note to our mutual friend, Brother Winchell.

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July 31, 1942

Major W. L. Sherman
210 North Stanton Street
El Paso, Texas

Dear Mr. Sherman:

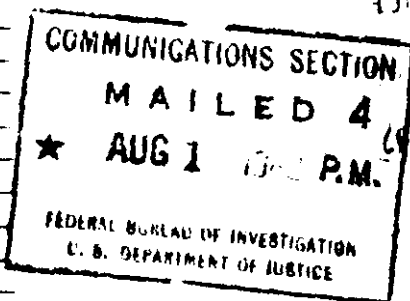
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I do appreciate your continued interest and support of our work and want to thank you for the assistance which you have found it possible to render in the past.

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R. E. SHERMAN

El Paso, Texas,
July 26, 1942

Dear Mr. Hoover,

With great satisfaction I read in the papers today that Congress had voted to award you a special medal for meritorious service. You have no warmer friend and admirer than this writer, and the recognition is richly deserved. In this connection I wish you to know that I was the first