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**SUBJECT: JOHN DILLINGER GANG**

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April 18, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CAGG

I wish that you would prepare the Attorney General a memorandum, and send a copy to Mr. Stanley, showing the situation at St. Paul leading up to the situation for a woman's interests. From my various conversations with Mr. Clegg I gained the impression that this movement had been initiated by a newspaper carrier, a resident of the St. Paul Dispatch who is known as Charles Paul Thompson. Mr. Clegg has stated that this newspaper carrier has been bringing pressure to bear upon the former and the County Attorney in order to force this request so as to obtain a newspaper story and possibly obtain the story of the Green woman. I would like to have you check definitely this with Mr. Clegg, so that we will be certain of our facts before sending my report upon this matter to the Attorney General, but I do want to advise the Attorney General of the development as soon as we have the facts, because it shows a most unwholesome attitude upon at least a portion of the press at St. Paul.

Very truly yours,

Director

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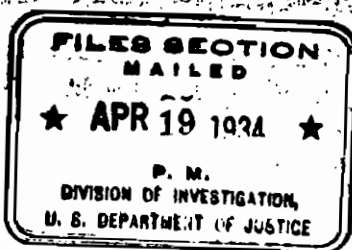
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. POWERS

Will you please prepare a memorandum to the Attorney General, and send a copy to Mr. Stanley, upon the publicity accorded the Billinger search which has resulted in at least two occasions of making it quite possible for Billinger not to be caught. I have in mind the incident at South Bend last Saturday evening when the newspapers printed a story concerning Billinger's whereabouts a few hours before the trap which we had laid for him would have been set, and also the incident at Louisville, Kentucky yesterday, when the newspapers prematurely printed the story concerning the possible return of Billinger to Louisville for an X-ray treatment. This memorandum to the Attorney General should be marked confidential. I would like to have him know of the difficulty which we have had in connection with this matter by over-zealous press correspondence.

Very truly yours,

Director.



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APRIL 20 1934

TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT CHICAGO

ADVISE DIVISION IMMEDIATELY DATE AND HOUR IF POSSIBLE OF ARRIVAL  
OF EVELYN FRECHETTE IN CHICAGO PRIOR TO HER ARREST ON APRIL 9  
ALSO SUBMIT DETAILS SURROUNDING HER ARREST

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TO MR H H CLEGG AT SAINT PAUL  
TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT

APRIL 19 1934

JOHN BILLINGER ET AL ~~RESCUED~~ ADVISE DIVISION THE EXACT  
UNCOMPLIMENTARY REMARKS MADE BY JUDGE CONCERNING ATTORNEYS WHO FILED  
PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS FOR RELEASE OF BESSIE SKINNER  
WITH ALIASES ALSO THE EXACT DATE AND HOUR THE INFORMATION CONCERNING  
ADDRESS AT 1835 PARK AVENUE MINNEAPOLIS WAS OBTAINED FROM GREEN  
THE HOUR AND DATE THIS ADDRESS WAS PLACED UNDER SURVEILLANCE AND THE  
DETAILS OF THE INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED WITH NAMES OF AGENTS PARTICIPATING  
IF THE TRUCK DRIVER WHO WAS HELD UP FOLLOWING THE ESCAPE OF BILLINGER ON  
MARCH 31 HAS NOT BEEN INTERVIEWED IT IS DESIRED THAT SUCH BE DONE AND  
THE DIVISION BE ADVISED ALL INFORMATION OBTAINED IMMEDIATELY

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April 19, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. COWLEY

Mr. Max Collier of the Star left with me the attached letter addressed to the Star by Mr. E. E. Dudding, head of the Prisoners Relief Society, which has reference to an alleged visit by Dillinger to Dudding's home in Huntington, West Virginia. Obviously, Mr. Dudding is not well-informed upon Dillinger's recent activities, or at least his activities since he left the Crown Point Jail. I do not believe there is any further action necessary in this matter in so far as Mr. Dudding is concerned. Dudding is a well-known leader in prison relief work. I believe he in fact served time in some prison, and following his experience as a convict, he then embarked upon his present career. I believe him to be possibly a well-meaning, but a most glib individual.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Incl.

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

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 18, 1934.

SPC:DSS

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

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

*memo Mr. Cowley  
4-18-34  
Sent*

Mr. Gridley, of the United Press, called and stated that he had information to the effect that Dr. Clayton May and his nurse were arrested in St. Paul, Minnesota, this afternoon on charges of harboring a fugitive - John Dillinger, by Agents of this Division; that May had treated Dillinger. Mr. Gridley wanted information concerning how the Division obtained information to the effect that this Doctor had treated Dillinger. I advised Mr. Gridley that I had no information concerning their arrest and naturally knew nothing of the facts leading up to it.

Respectfully,

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

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POST - BOX - 1489  
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HUNTINGTON, APRIL 15TH 1934.

EDITOR,

THE WASHINGTON EVEING STAR, WASHINGTON D. C.

MY DEAR EDITOR:

I HAVE READ YOUR EDITORIAL ENTITLED " DILLINGER" IN MY JUDGEMENT JOHN DILLINGER HAS NOT BEEN IN THE STATE OF INDIANA FOR SOME TIME. I ALSO DOUBT IF HE HAS BEEN IN MICHIGAN OR ILLINOIS EITHER. SOME WEEKS AGO HE STOPPED IN TO SEE ME AT MY HOME IN HUNTINGTON AND HE SAID THAT HE HAD BEEN IN WASHINGTON D. C. FOR TWO WEEKS AND HAD COME TO HUNTINGTON, VIA PITTSBURGH. I TALKED WITH HIS SOME 30 MINUTS AND HE SEEMED AND TALKED MUCH LIKE OTHER MEN. JUST ABOUT THE AVERAGE AND I FORNED FROM WHAT HE SAID THAT HE WAS HEADED FOR SECLUSION AND THAT HE REALIZED THAT IT WAS HIS ONLY AVENUE OF ESCAPE. I DOUBT IF HE IS IN THE UNITED STATES THO I MAY BE MISTAKEN. HE DID NOT TELL ME OF ANY OF HIS PLANS, BUT HE DID TELL ME GOOD BY AND SAID IT WAS, FOREVER. HE CAME ALONE TO MY HOME AND WALKED AWAY. I THINK HE WAS TRAVELING ALONE AND WITH NO INTENTION OF FUTHER CRIME ACTIVITIES.

YOURS TRULY,

E. E. DUDDING.

*E. E. Dudding*

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JAMES S. LAKIN  
CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA

July 22nd, 1935

E. E. DIDDING, PRESIDENT,  
PRISONERS RELIEF SOCIETY,  
HUNTINGTON, WEST VIRGINIA

MY DEAR DIDDING:-

I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINE LETTER. MY TWENTY FOUR YEARS OFFICIAL CONNECTION WITH STATE INSTITUTIONS WERE HAPPY ONES, BUT I HAVE NO REGRETS NOW AT LEAVING THE BOARD OF CONTROL. I HAVE SECURED NEW WORK WHICH INTERESTS ME AND AM AT MY DESK EVERY BUSINESS DAY, WELL AND HAPPY.

I RECALL WITH PLEASURE THE DAYS LONG GONE WHEN YOU WERE A TRAVELING SALESMAN FOR ONE OF THE BIGGEST CHICAGO WHOLESALEERS AND I WAS A SMALL TOWN MERCHANT IN TERRA ALTA. IT IS PARTICULARLY INTERESTING TO ME TO RECALL THAT YOU INVITED ME ON A TRIP TO CHICAGO TO BE A GUEST OF YOUR FIRM. I THOUGHT THEN I WAS TOO BUSY TO MAKE THE TRIP, BUT FOR THE LIFE OF ME I CAN'T THINK NOW OF A SINGLE THING REQUIRING MY PRESENCE AT TERRA ALTA AT THAT TIME.

THROUGH THE WORK YOU HAVE DONE WITH YOUR SOCIETY, YOU HAVE MADE YOURSELF A NATIONAL FIGURE AND MADE A WONDERFUL COMEBACK. THERE ARE AT LEAST TWO MONUMENTS WHICH STAND TO YOUR CREDIT, THE PRISONERS RELIEF SOCIETY, WHICH HAS DONE AN ENDLESS AMOUNT OF GOOD, AND SECURING AND LOCATING THE FEDERAL PRISON FOR WOMEN IN YOUR NATIVE STATE.

CONFIDENTIALLY, I AM ASHAMED OF THE WAY WEST VIRGINIA TREATS ITS WOMEN PRISONERS. THEY ARE IN A PRISON WITHIN A PRISON. TIME AND AGAIN I HAVE ADVOCATED TO THE LEGISLATURE THE REMOVAL OF WOMEN TO A NEW BUILDING TO BE CONSTRUCTED SOMEWHERE OUTSIDE THE REGULAR PRISON; THIS NEW BUILDING TO HAVE ABOUT IT ONLY THE NECESSARY LAMPS, AND FLOWER AND VEGETABLE GARDENS LIKE THOSE AT ALDERSON, BUT WITHOUT RESULTS. FAILING IN THAT, WE MADE EVERY CONSIDERABLE IMPROVEMENT IN THE WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT AT BOUNDSVILLE, BUT NOTHING TO BE PROUD OF.

WITH ALL GOOD WISHES FOR THE CONTINUED SUCCESS OF YOUR WORK, AND FOR YOU PERSONALLY, AM YOUR FRIEND,

(SIGNED) J. S. LAKIN

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Ben requests that you turn  
this over to the Department of  
Justice.

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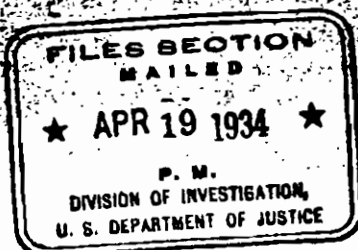
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. COWLEY

With reference to the arrest in St. Paul of Dr. Clayton May and his nurse, I wish that you would immediately prepare a memorandum for the Attorney General, and a copy to Mr. Stanley, giving the details of this matter, setting forth the record of Dr. May, not only in this case, but in his past medical practice in the Twin Cities.

Very truly yours,

Director.



Cincinnati, Ohio,  
April 19th, 1934.

VJV JR  
#26-5088

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE:

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

In connection with telegram from the Chicago Office, dated April 7, 1934, relative to 1933 Ohio license #378-034, seen on a 1926 Chevrolet Sedan, Agent checked the records of bills of sale in the Hamilton County Court House, and found that Wade Klise, 6589 Wooster Pike, was the owner of a 1926 Chevrolet Sedan, motor #21V6580, serial #2679954. On check of the auto license numbers in the Automobile License Office, it could not be determined by referring to the 1933 license as to what knew license was issued to the owner of a car.

It will be noted that Wade Klise is still the owner of the 1926 Chevrolet Sedan.

Agent checked the address #6589 Wooster Pike, and found that R. L. Stehr is living there now and has lived there since November 8, 1932.

Agent then interviewed Mr. C. Rindfleisch, clerk at the Post Office, Madisonville, Cincinnati, Ohio, who informed Agent that he knew of no one living at that address by the name of Wade Klise, and that the records in the Post Office did not show any forwarding address for a party of that name.

Agent interviewed Mrs. Smith, 6585 Wooster Pike, who advised Agent that she had not known of any party by the name of Wade Klise living at 6589 Wooster Pike, but that the people now living there, Mr. Robert Stehr, had lived there for over a year.

On instructions of Mr. E. J. Connelley, Special Agent in Charge, Agent conducted the following investigation relative to Mrs. Joseph Fox, 8343 Woodbine Ave., Cincinnati.

On checking the residence, the description of the house is given as follows: yellow stucco finish; a two-story, one-family house, with one garage in the rear; house situated on west side of street, three houses from Hanford St.

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Agent interviewed [redacted] who advised Agent that he knew of a party by the name of [redacted] living at 8345 Woodbine Ave., and that [redacted] lived there.

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A neighborhood investigation revealed nothing other than that [redacted] lived at [redacted] that this [redacted] owned the house and had lived there for a number of years.

On instructions of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Agents T. J. Donegan and V. J. Wolfe checked the passenger record list of the American Airways at Lunken Air Port, Cincinnati, Ohio, between February 2nd and April 1st, 1934. The following names that might be of any suspicious character were obtained:

- 2/2/34 - Mr. and Mrs. Willis, 838 Massachusetts Ave., Indianapolis, Ind., to Chicago, Ill.;
- 2/6/34 - W. B. Clark, Salem, Ohio, to Cleveland, Ohio;
- 2/6/34 - E. W. Hamilton, 2395 E. Broadway, Columbus, Ohio, to Cleveland, Ohio;
- 2/22/34 - F. J. Martin, 1018 Oakwood Ave., Toledo, Ohio, to Chicago, Ill.;
- 2/26/34 - W. F. Davis, 2987 South Broadway, Cincinnati, O., to St. Louis, Mo.;
- 3/18/34 - T. S. Hammond, Flossmoor, Ill., to Chicago, Ill.;
- 3/19/34 - T. S. Hart, to Indianapolis, Ind.;
- 3/24/34 - W. Capoto, 5311 West Crystal, Chicago, Ill., to Chicago;
- 3/24/34 - A. F. Kennedy, 422 Melrose, Chicago, Ill., to Chicago;
- 3/24/34 - J. W. Osmer, 10107 South Hoyne, Chicago, Ill., to Chicago.



Agent Wolfe contacted Mr. Vornliya of the Vornliya  
Buffham Flying Service at Lunken Air Port, Cincinnati, as to whether he  
not any suspicious charterers had been seen around the air port recently  
or whether any suspicious characters had chartered a plane for any trip  
within the last month or month and a half, and was advised by Mr. Vorn-  
milya that nothing of this nature had been observed by him. Agent then  
contacted Mr. Falpol, Manager of the American Airways, Lunken Air Port,  
and was advised by Mr. Falpol that no suspicious characters had been  
seen by him around the air port within the last month or month and a  
half, and that he knew of no especially chartered trips by any individuals  
within that length of time.

Mr. Marks of the Queen City Flying Service, interviewed,  
and advised that no planes had been chartered from his company within  
the last month or month and a half for special trips by any suspicious  
characters. Mr. Marks also advised Agent that he would report to this  
office any circumstances that might arouse suspicion.

Very truly yours,

V. J. WOLFE,  
Special Agent

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APR 19, 1934

TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT

TO INSPECTOR CLEGG AT SAINT PAUL

REGARDING YOUR TELETYPE INQUIRY CHARTS ILLUSTRATING IDENTIFICATION THREE  
LATENT FINGERPRINTS DEVELOPED ON GETAWAY CHARTS WITH FINGERPRINTS <sup>John</sup> BILLINGS  
AND CHART ILLUSTRATING IDENTIFICATION LISTED LATENT PRINT WITH FINGERPRINT  
JOHN HAMILTON GOING FORWARD TONIGHT TOGETHER WITH ORIGINAL EVIDENCE  
DESCRIBED NO CHARTS ON FRECHETTE IDENTIFICATION WILL BE PREPARED FINDING  
FURTHER ADVISE FROM YOU REGARDING ORIGINAL NEGATIVES OF SAINT PAUL POLICE  
DEPARTMENT AARON KOEN DIVISION FINGERPRINT EXPERT AVAILABLE THIS CASE

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April 19, 1934.

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

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

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Dear Sir:

There are enclosed herewith, copies of memorandums prepared, as to various activities in connection with the location and apprehension of the above named subjects, in the Cincinnati district.

Very truly yours,

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



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P. O. Box 7766,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

April 18, 1934  
SPECIAL DELIVERY

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

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

Dear Sir:

Confirming my telephone call to Special Agent in Charge E. H. Purvis, Chicago, on April 16, 1934, the following memorandum has been submitted in this connection by Special Agent H. B. Harris, at Columbus, Ohio, which reads:

[redacted] called on me this morning and was told that the Division would not tolerate any fake newspaper stories. He stated that he was sorry that the Division could not see things his way but indicated that he would drop such a scheme.

He also informed me that he had seen [redacted] about 7:15 A. M., today, and that she had told him she would leave for Cleveland about Thursday night, but that he secured no further information; that he does not know what name either she or Dillinger will use at St. Joseph, Michigan, on Saturday evening, but that they might possibly register together, and remain for the week-end.

[redacted] chief purpose in seeing me this morning appeared to be to insist on further expenses, in the sum of about \$50.00. I again advised him that he would have to take up such matters with Mr. Purvis, who made the arrangements with him.

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Mr. Ray J. O'Donnell, Assistant U. S. Attorney, Columbus, was also visited this morning by Mr. Harry P. Sussay, Collector of Internal Revenue, Columbus, who had with him a good friend, Mr. James P. Kirby, City Editor, Cleveland Press (a Scripps-Howard newspaper). It appears that Mr. Kirby wanted to verify information that I was a Department of Justice agent, and also inquired if [redacted] was a Department of Justice agent. Mr. O'Donnell informed me of this inquiry and also advised me that Mr. Kirby wanted to talk with me, at Room 608, Nail House, where he was staying.

I, therefore, called on Mr. Kirby and he advised me that he had not intended to contact me but that circumstances had taken a turn which forced him to show his hand. He then advised me that on Saturday, April 14, 1934, [redacted] called at the office of the City Editor of the Columbus Citizen, a Scripps-Howard paper, and represented himself as a Department of Justice agent, working on the Dillinger case, and advised that he would furnish an exclusive story of the capture of Dillinger for \$3,000.00. The matter was taken up with Mr. Kirby and he came down from Cleveland and had several conferences with [redacted] From his descriptions of [redacted] there is no question but what he is our informant.

[redacted] told Mr. Kirby that he had been with the Secret Service and that he is now an agent of the Department of Justice; that he is planning to retire on May 1, 1934, and for that reason was willing to make a proposition; that he had certain exclusive information on the Dillinger case, and that he knew that the capture of Dillinger was certain in the very near future; that he could guarantee a story as to the capture from six to eight hours ahead of its release to any other paper; that he had an informant who is 'laying up' with a woman who was with Dillinger when he escaped at Minneapolis, and would be able to ascertain Dillinger's whereabouts through this source.

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Kirby advised that he has as yet given [redacted] no money, but agreed to pay him \$3,000.00 if he came through with a story as promised, believing [redacted] to be a Department of Justice agent, although [redacted] did not show him any badge or credentials.

He advised that he has remained in his room at the Nail House since Monday morning, April 16, 1934, waiting for the story to break, and during the three days [redacted] has paid him numerous visits; that [redacted] has given him my name, address, and telephone number, telling him I was in charge of a detachment of agents at Columbus, and that other squads of agents were stationed at Springfield, Dayton, Hamilton, and various other points; that [redacted] has also told him of various conferences with me, and of supposed activities to locate Dillinger.

Kirby advised that at 9:00 A. M., today he received a visit from [redacted] who handed him what purported to be a story of an attempt to capture Dillinger last night; that this story was to the effect that Dillinger had been seen near the Ohio Penitentiary and had been chased by two carloads of Department of Justice agents, but had escaped amidst much shooting, etc.; that [redacted] told him that I might or might not confirm the information, and that he therefore did not wish to contact me, but that he had to have some verification for such a story and so contacted Mr. Bussey to ascertain if I was a Department of Justice agent, and also to ascertain if [redacted] was an agent; that Bussey took him to O'Donnell and upon being informed that I was an agent, but that [redacted] was not known, he began to perceive that he was getting a 'buggy ride' and decided to talk with me.

Kirby also advised that on one occasion when [redacted] was leaving his room at the Neil House, a friend from the Columbus Citizen was coming to see him, and saw [redacted] meet another man in the corridor of the hotel. It is not known who this man is.

Under the circumstances, I could see no use in denying knowledge of [redacted] so I told Kirby that I have known [redacted] for two or three months and that he has given me tips on several different cases, but that to date none of them has proved worth while and that I do not trust him, and do not think he is mentally sound; that I am naturally compelled to take his information for what it may be worth, but that in my opinion he is only trying to work a 'shake down' on me and another 'shake down' on Kirby. Kirby advised that he had told [redacted] that he would be paid for his story of last night's 'raid' only if it were printed, and Kirby advised that he also believed it was only an attempt by [redacted] to 'chisel' and indicated that since he has learned that [redacted] is not a Department of Justice agent, he will go back to Cleveland.

Kirby said nothing to indicate that [redacted] had passed on any information about a supposed meeting at St. Joseph, Michigan, next Saturday night, and I do not believe that [redacted] would have given him this information.

It should be stated that [redacted] has been insisting that I go to St. Joseph and that he should also go; his only reasons have been that he 'knows he can trust me' and that I 'do not look like a dick'; he has been unable to advance any reason why he should be there, and I have told him that he would not be wanted there. Of course, it can now be seen that he intended, and perhaps still intends, to keep in close touch with what may happen in order to be in a position to sell the story.

It should also be stated that in my contacts with [redacted] I have never told him anything which he could pass on; the fact that he mentioned to Kirby squads of agents at Dayton and Hamilton is the only thing that happens to be true, to my knowledge, and I believe that this was only a guess on [redacted] part.

b7D A telephone call has just been received from Special Agent in Charge Purvis, Chicago, advising that it would be okay for me to give [redacted] \$50.00 and blue slip it; but to try to hold him to \$25.00 if possible. Purvis also requested that I telephone him when this money is paid and advise him of any further arrangements with [redacted] also to keep him informed of any change in plans; that for the present we should keep [redacted] in a good humor and not let him know that his activities with the newspaper have come to our attention.

I will telephone to Mr. Purvis immediately any developments that may warrant this, and will also notify the Cincinnati Office immediately."

Very truly yours,

  
H. B. KLEIN,  
Acting Special Agent in Charge

CC: Division ✓  
Detroit  
St. Paul

P. O. Box #766  
Cincinnati, Ohio

MEM: MGR  
44-3888

April 19, 1934.

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National Motor Vehicle Theft Act  
Obstruction of Justice.

Special Agent Harris at Columbus, Ohio, 4-18-34 advised by telephone that informant [redacted] contacted him early in the morning of 4-18-34 and reported no new developments, however he requested that Agent Harris advance him \$50.00 for expenses, as he contemplated a trip to St. Joseph, Michigan. Agent Harris instructed [redacted] not to go to St. Joseph and that any arrangement regarding the payment of expense money would have to first be authorized by Special Agent in Charge, M. H. Purvis, of the Chicago office. [redacted] then stated he would wire or telephone to Mr. Purvis direct having Mr. Purvis send Harris the money, who in turn could then pay the sum to him. Agent Harris stated further that he had been advised by Assistant U. S. Attorney O'Donnell that a certain Internal Revenue Agent had conversed with him, Mr. O'Donnell, in respect to the status of Agent Harris and also whether or not he knew of a man by the name of [redacted] who was in the government service. Agent Harris finally learned that the person making the inquiry was James P. Kirby, City Editor of the Cleveland Press, who was in town, and who is a personal friend of this Internal Revenue Agent. Kirby was then contacted at the Neil House, Columbus, and advised that last Saturday [redacted] approached the Columbus Citizen, a Scripps-Howard newspaper, regarding a story on the Dillinger case, promising them exclusive rights for a certain sum of money, that the Columbus Citizen, not wanting to handle this matter, got in touch direct with Mr. Kirby at Cleveland, and Kirby arranged to meet [redacted] at Columbus. Informant [redacted] told Kirby he was a Federal Agent and expected to resign from the service May 1, 1934 and if Dillinger was apprehended he would have the information first-hand and would telephone it direct to Mr. Kirby, giving him exclusive rights for the sum of \$5,000.00. He furnished Kirby with information that he was contacting Agent Harris and that he was getting information from [redacted] who had previously escaped in a raid while the Agents were seeking Dillinger. He also told Kirby that on Sunday night, two carloads of Government Agents observed Dillinger in the vicinity of the Ohio Penitentiary and that they pursued Dillinger but had lost him. [redacted] stated that Kirby could get in touch with Agent Harris who would confirm the information given him. Agent Harris advised he told Kirby that he had known [redacted] for

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four or five months; that [redacted] was an informant who was used by him occasionally, but was not very dependable. Mr. Kirby appeared disgusted with [redacted] and advised Agent Harris that he would not give the matter any publicity and that he would return to Cleveland and also that he had no intention of making any deal with [redacted] since he was advised that [redacted] was not a Government Agent.

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This information was telephoned to S.A.C. Purvis of the Chicago office, who advised that Harris should contact [redacted] and that Mr. Purvis had gotten the telegram from [redacted] and he was taking the matter up with Washington for authority to pay him the money requested; that Agent Harris should impress upon him that he was to give out no information to anyone and further that he should not represent himself to be a government officer, or he might be arrested. Special Agent in Charge Purvis stated that he would communicate with Washington and either advise the Cincinnati office or Agent Harris direct, after he had communicated with the Division as to what further action should be taken in the matter.


Special Agent Harris was advised of the above conversation had with Mr. Purvis.

Special Agent Meekins of the Detroit office, 4-18-34, telephoned, stating that a Buick Sedan was observed in Detroit, under suspicious circumstances, the same bearing 1934 Indiana license plates 122-685. Mr. Meekins requested this be checked. Agent Hirah at Indianapolis, Indiana obtained information relative to this car, advising that Indiana license plates 122,685 were issued March 10, 1934 to Edward A. Davenport, 234 S. Oakland Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, for a 1927 model, Buick Sedan, motor number 2,060,193. Further, that Davenport was reported to be residing at the present time, in Detroit, Michigan and employed by the Murray Body Company; that Davenport, prior to the time he came to Indianapolis, Indiana, resided on Route #1, Fountaintown, Indiana. This information was telephoned to Agent Meekins at Detroit, 4-18-34.

4-17-34 Special Agent in Charge Purvis advised that a check was made at Elkhart, Indiana, and it was found that W. Roy Riblet resided at 520 Bower Street, rather than 420 Bower St., that the 1929 passenger coupe of faded blue color with a 2" yellow stripe and having six yellow wheels was observed in the yard of Riblet; that this particular car was bearing, Indiana license 457,553; that Riblet is a sales engineer, has a modest home and appears to be respectable. The Chicago office had previously been advised that Indiana license 457,554 had been checked indicating that same were issued for a Buick car in the name of W. R. Riblet, 420 Bower St., Elkhart, Indiana. Mr. Purvis requested that Indiana license 457,553 and 457,554 be again checked at Indianapolis, Indiana. This check was made and it was found that Indiana license 457,553 was issued to Riblet for a 1929 Buick Coupe, engine 2,374,304, while Indiana license 457,554 was issued for a 1931 Buick Coupe, both being issued as of January 2, 1934. This information was telephoned Special Agent in Charge Purvis.

Special Agent F. E. Hurley of Louisville, Ky., advised on 4-18-34 that information had been received by him from the Police at Louisville that two individuals, one of whom has been identified from photographs as being identical with Homer Van Meter, with aliases, I. O. #1222, endeavored to sell an Essex car, gray-green color, bearing motor #58004, Georgia license 59,153-D to Johnson Evans Motor Company at Louisville, Ky., during the early afternoon of 4-18-34; that a check was made of the motor number of this car by the Johnson Evans Motor Company, and furnished the Automobile Underwriters Detective Bureau of Atlanta, Ga., who advised that the car had been stolen from the Fanjuan Motor Company of Daytona Beach, Florida; that Georgia license 59,153-D was issued to a man by the name of CONNORS at the Postal Hotel, Atlanta, Ga., April 12, 1934. Further details in this will be submitted by Agent Hurley and the Jacksonville and Birmingham offices were requested by telegraph to check this car.

Very truly yours,



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

WHIL:RD

April 16, 1934

Mr. A. D. Jones,  
Editor,  
Greensboro Record,  
Greensboro, North Carolina.

Dear Sirs

I have read with interest a copy of your editorial entitled, "Relentless Pursuit" which appeared in your paper under date of April 6, 1934.

Permit me to take this opportunity of thanking you for your kind references to the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, contained in this editorial, and to assure you that both the Division and I appreciate them.

As of possible interest to you, you will find enclosed copies of the following memoranda, dealing with the work and activities of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, looking toward the suppression of crime in this country:

- International Exchange of Fingerprints
- The Establishment of a Technical Laboratory in the Division of Investigation
- The Identification Unit
- Crime Statistics
- The Division of Investigation
- Statistics Compiled from Fingerprint Cards From January 1 to December 31, 1933

Expressing the hope that the above memoranda will prove of interest to you, and again thanking you for your interest in the Division of Investigation, I beg to remain, with my best wishes for the success of your publication,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover  
Director.

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

*W.H.D.F.*

**Relentless Pursuit**

John Dillinger may elude the federal agents for the present, but it is encouraging to remember that Uncle Sam's officers never forget and that no case is closed until the object of the search is taken or known to be dead.

It is this sort of detective work, this form of relentless pursuit, that affords hope and promise that the more defiant of the major criminals, such as Dillinger, cool, clever, courageous outlaw, can be suppressed and brought before the bar of justice in the United States.

J. Edgar Hoover, director of criminal investigation of the United States department of justice, has declared "endless war" on the Dillinger gang. The other night a party of young detectives selected by Mr. Hoover closed in on a Dillinger lieutenant in St. Paul. By bringing sub-machine guns quickly into play before the handit could use his own weapons they captured one of two men of the Dillinger gang and also a woman suspected of being an ally of the widely-sought and much-wanted killer, robber and prison-breaker.

It would, perhaps, be a slight exaggeration to say that the federal agents always get their man. But once on the trail their pursuit is generally relentless and the number escaping Uncle Sam's long arm—the federal law—is exceedingly small. The odds seem very much in favor of those who are betting that Wooden Gun John will soon be once more within the grip of the law.

*I think we may well write a column letter to this paper.*  
*J. C. N.*

*Greensboro, N.C. - Record*

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April 19, 1934

Sir:-Please furnish me with photographs and descriptions of the following:

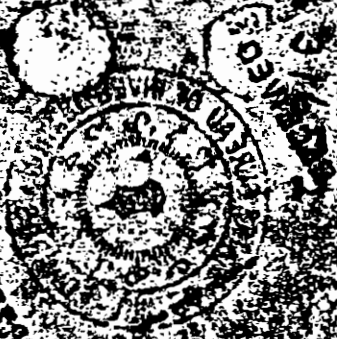
Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker,

John Dillinger and companions,

Pretty Boy Floyd,

Very truly,

Dan Richmond, SAC



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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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Division of Investigation

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

April 19, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CLEGG.

*W*  
*all*  
*ms. Crowley's*  
Pursuant to your instructions, I called on Colonel Gates in his office on the morning of April 18th for information concerning the whereabouts of John Dillinger.

Colonel Gates advised that Mrs. E. B. Craig, a friend of his from Nashville, Tennessee was at the present time in Washington attending the D. A. R. Convention; that she had remarked to him that Dillinger had been in Nashville, Tennessee; that he did not pay much attention to the remark at that time. However, he later thought about it and decided to report it to the Division.

I requested Mrs. Craig's address and suggested to Colonel Gates that a representative of the Division interview her. Colonel Gates advised that he did not feel that Mrs. Craig would like to be bothered at the present time in view of her intense interest in D. A. R. activities.

Colonel Gates stated though that he would see her himself and obtain the full details which he would pass on to the Division and then if it was felt necessary, he would perfect arrangements for an agent to interview Mrs. Craig.

Respectfully,

*T. N. Stapleton*

T. N. Stapleton.

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# U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice  
1900 Bankers Building  
Chicago Illinois

April 19, 1934

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

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

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith for appropriate examination in the Division laboratory, the following, which were obtained by Agent Reinecke of this office from Officer Tierney of the St. Paul Police Department:

1. An enlarged photograph bearing No. U-859, and on the reverse side U-861-A, showing fingerprints obtained from a powder box, located in the apartment, which was abandoned by the subjects in this case.
2. A negative and print of fingerprints found on the powder box located in the abandoned apartment.
3. A negative and print of fingerprints found on a Listerine bottle, also located in the abandoned apartment.

Each of the above, it will be observed, bears the initials J.J.T., which were inscribed by Officer Tierney.

It is requested that appropriate charts of the above be prepared at the Division and forwarded to the St. Paul office for such use as may be made of them during the course of the prosecution of subject Frechette.

Very truly yours,

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

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April 25, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

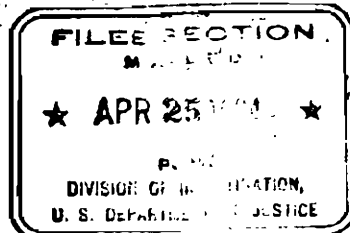
In connection with the latent fingerprint identifications relative to your case entitled John Dillinger with aliases, Fugitive, I. O. #1219, John Hamilton with aliases, Fugitive, I. O. #1220, Homer Van Meter with aliases, Fugitive, I. O. #1222, et al; National Motor Vehicle Theft Act - Obstruction of Justice, there are being returned herewith by registered air mail the two remaining negatives of the latent fingerprints loaned to the Division by Lieutenant Tierney of the St. Paul Police Department. One of these represents the latent fingerprints found on the listerine bottle and was received through the Chicago Division Office, while the other is a latent print found on a beer bottle received from you.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Enclosure #787591.

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DIVISION ONE



April 18, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

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

There is attached hereto a memorandum dated April 14, 1934, submitted by Special Agent R. C. Coulter giving details concerning identification of Dillinger, Van Meter, Nelson, and Edward Green as the perpetrators of the robbery of the Security National Bank at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, on April 13, 1934.

There are enclosed three shells obtained by Special Agent R. C. Coulter from Mr. C. R. Clark, President of the Security National Bank of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, following the robbery of that bank on April 13, 1934. These shells are submitted in order that they may be examined by the Division's Scientific Laboratory.

Very truly yours,

*[Signature]*  
H. H. GLEGG,  
Inspector.

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Sioux Falls, S. D.  
April 14, 1934.

MEMO TO FILE:

Re: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases, et al.  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act  
Harboring a Fugitive.  
St. Paul file No. 25-2454.

An interview was had with MR. E. E. CLARKE, President, Security National Bank, Sioux Falls, S. D., on April 12, 1934, at which time he definitely identified the photographs of JOHN DILLINGER, HOMER VAN MEYER, and "BABY FACE" NELSON as the three men who were in the bank on the morning of March 6, 1934, and robbed it of approximately \$45,900 in currency. He could not identify the photograph of Eddie Green.

On April 14, 1934, the photographs of VAN MEYER and GREEN were exhibited to other employees of the bank, and EMMA KNORRICH, MRS. ALICE HUSSEN, and MILDRED BOSTWICK definitely identified GREEN'S photograph as one of the participants and stated he was the boss on the inside during the robbery, which lasted from 9:56 to 10:20 a.m. In addition to MR. CLARKE, the following employees identified the photograph of VAN MEYER:

MARION LAFFLER; EUGENE HOBBS; LOUIS M. FANNING; R. J. DARGEN;  
LEO OLSON; PAUL FAULBERT; FLOYD WRIGHT; and M. I. ORR.

After the employees identified GREEN'S picture, MR. CLARKE stated there was a possibility that he was mistaken as to DILLINGER'S presence; however, he could identify VAN MEYER anywhere. The girls above mentioned were very definite in their identification of GREEN.

MR. CLARKE submitted to agent three discharged shells which he says came from the point the man he identified as NELSON stood and fired a machine gun through the window at Patrolman HALE KEITH. These shells are .35 caliber automatic and MR. CLARKE made an "X" on each one for identification. There is a portion of a copper jacket of a bullet which was found after the robbery. These exhibits are being forwarded to the Division for comparison with other specimens secured from the machine guns, which were seized and forwarded to the Division in this case.

MR. CLARKE further advised that he had received information from GORDON of the Burns Detective Agency that GREEN and one TOM O'LAUGHLIN were in the Minnesota State Penitentiary at the same time and were cell mates.

NOTE: O'LAUGHLIN'S name has been previously mentioned and information concerning him is on file in the N.M.V.T.A. case in which the Packard Sedan used in the Sioux Falls bank robbery.

In order to avoid publicity, this case was not discussed with the Sioux Falls Police Department.

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62-29777-656 C. COULTER, Special Agent.

MEMO TO FILE

An interview was had with Mr. W. G. CLARK, President, Security National Bank, Sioux Falls, S. D., on April 14, 1934, at which time he definitely identified the photographs of JOHN DILLINGER, GEORGE VAN METER, and "MAYN" PATRICK NELSON as the three men who were in the bank on the morning of March 2, 1934, and robbed it of approximately \$45,000 in currency. He also positively identified the photograph of EARL GROOM.

On April 14, 1934, the photographs of VAN METER and GROOM were exhibited to other employees of the bank, and EARL KROHMER, EARL ALICE LARSEN, and MILDRED BOSTWICK definitely identified GROOM'S photograph as one of the participants and stated he was the boss on the inside during the robbery, which lasted from 9:54 to 10:20 a.m. In addition to MR. CLARK, the following employees identified the photograph of VAN METER:

MARION LEVYLER, EUGENE HOBBS, LOUIS E. FANNING, E. J. HANSEN, LEO OLSON, PAUL FAHLBERT, FLOYD BRIGGS, and M. J. COOK.

After the employees identified GROOM'S picture, MR. CLARK stated there was a possibility that he was mistaken as to DILLINGER'S presence, however, he could identify VAN METER anywhere. The girls above mentioned were very definite in their identification of GROOM.

MR. CLARK submitted to agent three discharged shells which he says came from the point the man he identified as NELSON stood and fired a machine gun through the window at Patrolman EARL GROOM. These shells are .38 caliber automatic and MR. CLARK made an X on each one for identification. There is a portion of a copper jacket of a bullet which was found after the robbery. These exhibits are being forwarded to the Division for comparison with other specimens secured from the machine gun, which were seized and forwarded to the Division in this case.

MR. CLARK further advised that he had received information from GORDON of the Burns Detective Agency that GROOM and one TOM O'LAUGHLIN were in the Minnesota State Penitentiary at the same time and were cell mates. NOTE: O'LAUGHLIN'S name has been previously mentioned and information concerning him is on file in the H.M.V.T.A. case in which the Packard Sedan used in the Sioux Falls bank robbery.

In order to avoid publicity, this case was not discussed with the Sioux Falls Police Department.

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62-29777-656 R. S. COOPER, Special Agent.

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Laboratory Report

Case: John Dillinger, With aliases, I.O. 1217 - Number: 62-29777-656  
Fugitive, et al.  
NMVTA.

Specimens: 3 shells obtained from Mr. C. R. Clark, President of the Security  
National Bank of Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Examination requested by: St. Paul Division Office

Date received: April 23, 1934.

Examination requested: Ballistic.

Result of examination:

Examination by:

*4/23* shells marked by writer by filing  
on rims I, II and III notches.  
All of these shells are ~~the~~ Western  
45 Auto.

Believe they were fired from  
Coll. 45 Automatic pistol.

All three ~~are~~ ~~are~~ identical  
markings indicating they were  
fired from the same gun.

U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice  
1900 BANKERS BUILDING  
CHICAGO ILLINOIS

MR. TOLSON	✓
MR. CLEGG	✓
MR. COWLEY	✓
MR. EDWARDS	✓
MR. Egan	✓
MR. QUINN	✓
MR. LESTER	✓
CHIEF CLERK	✓
MR. ROBER	✓

April 16, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my telephone conversation with you on April 13, 1934, concerning a confidential informant who gave his name to me as [redacted]. For your information in this respect there is attached hereto copy of a memorandum prepared by Special Agent Jay C. Newman, which covers the information furnished. A copy of this memorandum, together with copies of other enclosures, is being transmitted to the Cincinnati office under personal and confidential cover.

There is attached also a copy of a letter received from the Warden of the Illinois State Penitentiary at Joliet, Illinois, and a photograph, which was received from that point.

As stated to you I believe that this informant will be able to produce some results, and accordingly I advanced him the sum of \$65.00, which is itemized as follows: \$11.25 railroad fare to Columbus, Ohio from Chicago; \$3.75 for Pullman fare from Chicago to Columbus, and \$50.00 for expenses. I also informed this informant that if he furnished information as to the location of Dillinger and as a result of his information we were able to capture him, he would be paid the sum of \$5,000. I informed him that this was not a reward, and that he should not inform anyone in this respect. I believe the information furnished by this person to be good, and that he will work sincerely.

I therefore made arrangements, in accordance with my conversation with Mr. Crowley of the Division, to have him contact Special Agent H. D. Harris, using the name [redacted] at his address, [redacted], Columbus, O. telephone [redacted] at 1 P.M. April 13, 1934, and I have been informed by Acting Special Agent in Charge Klein of the Cincinnati office that he has contacted Mr. Harris, and that no developments have taken place so far. I will keep you informed as to any further information received in this respect.

Very truly yours,

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

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\_\_\_\_\_ further stated that he is prepared \_\_\_\_\_ and is willing to assist Dillinger in effecting the release of his wife, but that he would not go in for bank robberies.

He further stated that he left Milwaukee, Wisconsin, at 5 P.M., yesterday, April 11th, on the North Shore Electric, and came to Chicago. En route here he again met \_\_\_\_\_ who was on the train, and conversed with her for some time. She informed him that she was on her way to Columbus, Ohio, and again mentioned her plans with reference to assisting Dillinger. She again tried to interest him in these operations and he stated that he might like to have a closer look in Columbus, although no information was furnished by her as to where she might reside there.

\_\_\_\_\_ who admitted that this is not his name, declined to furnish his correct name or any personal history. He inquired as to the amount of reward outstanding for the apprehension of Dillinger and other members of his gang and when I informed him that it was by understanding that approximately \$5,000 reward had been offered for the apprehension of Dillinger, he became quite excited and stated that he considered it an easy matter to locate him and he believed him to be, at the present time, out in the country a short distance from Columbus, Ohio, perfecting his plans.

Following are the descriptions furnished of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

Name - \_\_\_\_\_ (Husband called her \_\_\_\_\_)  
Age - 20-27 years  
Height - 5 feet 2 or 3 inches  
Weight - 115 pounds  
Build - Medium  
Complexion - Light  
Hair - Blonde  
Demeanor - Demure appearing  
Quite good looking  
Has son about 7 years old  
Was further described as being "wild", he possessing lots of nerve and as being a speed demon.  
Has rooming house located in the 600 or 700 Block on Wells Street and another located near Juno Park in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Although operated as rooming houses, these are believed to be houses of prostitution.



Age - 30-35 years  
Height - 5 foot 4 or 5 inches  
Weight - 140 to 150 pounds  
Build - Medium slender  
Hair - Dark  
Complexion - Dark olive  
Appears to be French  
Had overnight bag and another black bag

stated that [redacted] and [redacted] were very suspicious and that it would not be well for anyone to make inquiry concerning [redacted] around Milwaukee, as he would immediately communicate with [redacted] and others with whom they are connected and possibly retard the plans they have arranged.

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[redacted] during the interview, was very nervous and appeared to be a confidence man or an old safe cracker.

Following is the description of [redacted] from personal observation:

Age - Approximately 35 years  
Height - 5 feet 9 inches  
Weight - 175 pounds  
Build - Medium  
Slightly protruding stomach  
Hair - White  
Eyes - Blue  
Complexion - Sallow  
Peculiarities - Has large, displaced nose  
Was wearing a gray fedora hat, dark gray suit, no tie.

J. L. [redacted]  
Special Agent

SG/ML

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ILLINOIS STATE PENITENTIARY

Joliet, Illinois

April 13th, 1934

In re: Our Frank Adams, 7433-C and  
8884-C.

Mr. M. H. Parvis,  
Special Agent in Charge,  
Department of Justice,  
1900 Bankers Bldg.  
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

As per your request of this date, we are enclosing description, photographs and finger print classification of our Frank Adams, 7433-C, and 8884-C alias John W. Dillon alias James Reilly alias John Boland alias Joseph Shennahan alias West Freeman, John Ardman, John Crowley, John Carroll.

This subject was received in this institution the first time on May 8th, 1901, charge violation of Postal Laws, from U. S. N. D. of Ills. 3 years, as Frank Adams, 7433-C.

He was received again on July 22nd 1904 as Frank Adams, #8884-C, from Cook County, charge Burglary, 1 to 3 years. He was paroled three times the third time being Jan. 23rd, 1912. Was returned from parole again on March 18th 1919 and discharged March 2nd 1920.

In addition to the above we have the following criminal history on this subject:

1 Term New York State Pen. at Auburn as J. W. Dillon, #35133, returned from there to Ill. S. Pen at Joliet for violation of parole.

1 term State Penitentiary at Trenton, N.J. as John Carroll, #9396, Oct. 11th, 1926, breaking and entering and attempted larceny.

Kingston, Onct. 1912 5 years, Burglary 3rd, deported as U. S. Citizen (Notation on Wash. sheet)

1 term New York County Pen as E-12083, Dec. 21st, 1907

John A. Maine State Pen., Bangor, Me. 217 of 10  
years imprisonment.

John Crowley, recd. State Pen., Bangor, Me. 19894  
on 10/1/1918, breaking and entering 10 years.

Please be advised that the photographs of  
this subject under his last sentence which we are enclosing  
herewith were taken when he was returned here for violation  
of parole March 19th, 1918, eighteen years later than the  
photograph of 7433-6.

Trusting this information will be of service to  
you and assuring you of our cooperation at all times, we  
are,

Very truly yours,

F. D. HIPP

Warden

PS - We are also enclosing photostatic copies of fingerprints.

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April 17, 1934

Mr. Thomas Wallace, Editor,  
The Louisville Times,  
Louisville, Kentucky.

Dear Mr. Wallace:

I have just received and read with interest, a copy of your editorial entitled "A Question of Race" appearing in your publication under date of April 7, 1934.

Permit me to take this opportunity of thanking you for your kind references to the Division of Investigation contained in this editorial, and to assure you that both the Division and I appreciate them.

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

- The Division of Investigation
- The Establishment of a Technical Laboratory in the Division of Investigation
- The Identification Unit
- International Exchange of Fingerprints
- Installation of a Single Fingerprint File

Expressing the hope that the above memoranda will prove of interest to you, and again thanking you for your interest in the Division of Investigation, I beg to remain,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover  
Director

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

*Louisville, Ky. Paper*

*W.H.D.L.*

**A QUESTION OF WHEN**

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

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

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

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

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

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

The difference between these post-repeal days and those of before the war appears to be that a gentleman must drop into a "restaurant" to get his morning's morning, although he is still served over the bar and behind swinging doors.

*4/16/34  
 Local office Louisville Times  
 state this editorial appeared in  
 that paper April 5, 1934  
 W.H.D.L.*

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

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Dear Sir:

RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER with aliases--  
FUGITIVE--I. O. #1217, et al  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act

In reply to your letter of April 16, 1934, calling my attention to the Division's letter dated March 21, 1934, requesting that Miss Genevieve Bledsoe, Box 252, Kissimmee, Florida, be interviewed for information concerning this case, please be advised that this matter has been assigned to Special Agent R. L. Shivers, Resident Agent at Tampa, Florida, who is now in Chicago, Illinois, for wire-tapping training. A report will be submitted to the Division immediately upon Agent Shivers' return to the Jacksonville office.

Very truly yours,

R. L. Ait,  
Special Agent in Charge

cc Chicago  
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To: Director  
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Mr. Tolson  
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H. H. CLEGG

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
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May 2, 1934.

MR. NATHAN	
MR. TOLSON	✓
MR. CLEGG	
MR. COWLEY	
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Clegg called me from St. Paul on Tuesday evening concerning the action brought by Mrs. Daisy S. Coffey, Manager of the Lincoln Court Apartments at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, to garnishee the Ford automobile which was abandoned in front of her building on March 31st and the Terraplane automobile in which Eddie Green and Mrs. Bessie Skinner, alias Green, were driving on April 3rd, on which date Green was shot.

He stated that a hearing on this matter was coming up today and he wanted to verify his conversation with you over the telephone that the Division should endeavor to reimburse Mrs. Coffey for the damages done to her building amounting to \$175.71. He felt that if we could assure Mrs. Coffey that the Division would attempt to meet these expenses, she would withdraw any claim to the automobiles and in all probability in due course of time the Division would procure complete ownership to them. Mr. Clegg stated he discussed this matter with you over the telephone and you told him you thought it would be wise to pay these expenditures.

I informed Mr. Clegg that I thought he should state to Mrs. Coffey that we would endeavor to meet these expenses subject, of course, to any regulations of the General Accounting Office which would preclude payment of damages of this kind. He stated he would take such action and he felt that this would take care of the matter.

Respectfully,

←  
Clyde Tolson.

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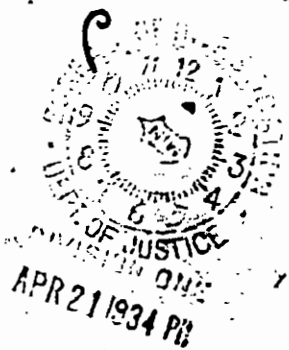


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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

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



April 18, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases, I. O. 1217 - FUGITIVE, et al.  
NAVTA. HARBORING FUG. FROM JUSTICE.  
St. Paul, file No. 26-2434.

Concerning the efforts to acquire possession of a Ford automobile and a Hudson automobile, which apparently had been possessed by gangsters concerning whose activities the Division is conducting an investigation, you are advised that Mrs. Daisy S. Coffey, Manager of the Lincoln Court Apartments at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, has through her attorneys sought to garnishee the Ford automobile which was abandoned in front of her building on March 31, 1934, when an effort was made to shoot Special Agent R. C. Coulter and a police officer, and in which car was found a machine gun; also the Hudson automobile believed to have been abandoned at Mankato, Minnesota, by Tommy Carroll and Homer Van Meter; also the Terraplane automobile in which Eddie Green and Mrs. Bessie Skinner, alias Green, were driving on April 3, 1934, on which date Green was shot.

In this connection, you are advised that the hearing on the suit of Mrs. Coffey is scheduled for May 1, 1934, and Mrs. Bessie Skinner has retained counsel who will seek to retain for the benefit of his client the Terraplane automobile. I feel that an effort to obtain possession of this automobile, which was shot through the motor with a high-powered rifle bullet, would be futile. Special Agent in Charge Werner Hanni of the St. Paul office has obtained an itemized statement of Mrs. Daisy S. Coffey of the damages done to her apartment building on the occasion of the shooting on March 31, 1934; and it is for the collection of these damages that she has sought to attach the three automobiles. It is doubted that she will be able to establish that Eddie Green is liable civilly for any portion of this amount. Her claim on the Terraplane automobile, therefore, will likely fail.

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In the event the Division considers it advisable to reimburse Mrs. Coffey in the amount of her itemized statement, an effort can then be made, once the claim of Mrs. Coffey has been adjusted, to show that there are no rightful claims to the Hudson and the Ford automobiles; and it may be that Judge Joyce will sign an order turning these two automobiles over to the Division. I have today received from the Chicago office the forms used in their office to acquire an automobile, and early tomorrow morning, this matter will be discussed with the United States Attorney and the United States District Judge to determine whether they would be favorable to taking such action. However, the itemized bill is being sent in in advance for the Division's information.

Very truly yours,

  
H. H. CLEGG,  
Inspector.

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St Paul, Minn.,  
April 17th, 1934

Mr. Werner Hanni,  
Department of Justice,  
Division of Investigation,  
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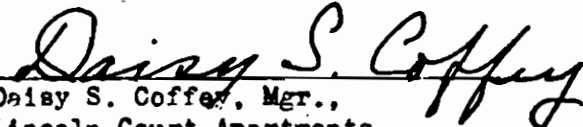
Dear Sir:

As per your request for bill for damages to glass, curtains, draperies, doors, casings, plaster, door phones and system, furniture, etc., during raid at 93 So Lexington Pkwy., March 31st 1934, we submit same as follows:

Total . . . . . \$ 175.71

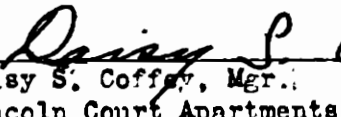
The above total does not include wear and tear on furniture, carpets and rugs, nor the cleaning of same.

Yours very truly

  
Daisy S. Coffey, Mgr.,  
Lincoln Court Apartments,  
St Paul, Minn.

TO,        Repairing glass, curtains, draperies, doors, casings,  
plaster, door phones, furniture, etc., during raid at 93 So.  
Lexington Pkwy., March 31st, 1934.,

Curtains	\$	7.38	
2 Shades		3.00	
Draperies		18.77	
Plastering		18.50	
Re-decorating		27.30	
Door phone box, connecting and re-instating phone system		14.50	
Refinishing wood work, halls and apartments		14.75	
Strips for service doors replacing and finishing		8.00	
Fitting doors, door locks, etc.		5.50	
Glass and replacing		12.49	
Repairs to furniture		2.50	
Mill work (doors, panels, casings & stylings)		34.02	
Filling and finishing bullet holes		11.00	
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Daisy S. Coffey, Mgr.  
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95 So. Lexington Pkwy  
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

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In regard to your memorandum of May 2, 1934, covering a conversation had with Mr. Clegg concerning the action brought by Mrs. Daisy S. Coffey, of the Lincoln Court Apartments in St. Paul to garnish the automobile which was abandoned in front of her building on March 31st, and the Terraplane automobile belonging to Eddie Green and Mrs. Bessie Skinner, I believe that if there is any way possible, we should pay for the damage to this apartment. Mrs. Coffey, I understand, was both cooperative and, as a matter of fact, was the original informant in this matter, and certainly she should not be subjected to any unnecessary annoyance by reason of the assistance and cooperation which she rendered to the authorities. I furthermore understand that the amount of damages which would have to be paid would be considerably less than the two automobiles which she has taken steps to garnish. Please look into this matter and see what can be done.

Very truly yours,

Director.

*T. J. [Signature]*  
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April 18, 1934

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

Dear Sir:

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

On April 16, 1934, Mrs. Bessie Skinner, with aliases, was interviewed further, and the following additional information was obtained:

Volney Davis, one of the members of the Barker-Karpis gang, she believes at one time lived at Neosho, Missouri, and he either moved from Neosho to Sapulpa, Oklahoma, or he moved from Sapulpa to Neosho, she does not recall which as this is based upon her recollection of information obtained some time ago.

Bessie Skinner was shown the photograph of a girl, which photograph, I am informed, came from the apartment of Myrtle Eaton, 565 Portland Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota. She identified this photograph, which bears the inscription, "Love, Dodo", as a niece of Bill Weaver, who she stated is a member of the Barker-Karpis gang. This photograph was contained in a folder in which appeared the name "Miller", who apparently was the photographer, but the address of this photographer has obviously been scraped off the folder. By using a reading glass, however, the first four letters could be identified as "West". I conferred with photographers and at the Wright Studio in St. Paul, I examined a list of photographers belonging to some kind of photographers association and included in this list was the name Millers Studio, Westplains, Missouri. When Bessie Skinner was informed that this was probably the address, she expressed the opinion that this girl identified as Bill Weaver's niece had taught school at Westplains. She did not believe that it was her home, but she recalled that the girl was a school teacher. She still contends that Weaver and his relatives are from Arkansas.

She further advised that about one year ago, William Weaver lived at 241 Brimhall Street in St. Paul in an apartment house on the corner of Brimhall and St. Clair Street. In this apartment with William Weaver for a time lived his sister, his niece whose photograph is above

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described, a nephew who is five or six years of age, and another nephew by the name of Eugene who is about 22 years of age. Eugene was in this apartment with William Weaver to her knowledge as recently as December, 1933. The best description she could furnish of William Weaver's sister was that she is about 45 years of age, rather heavy set, had light brown hair which was turning gray, and she thinks that it is possible that her name might have been Sue (note particularly a letter received by Myrtle Eaton from Newport, Arkansas, signed by "Sue" described in a letter dated April 16, 1934).

Bessie Skinner stated that Bill Weaver owned his own furniture which he purchased from some concern on Cedar Street in St. Paul located between 6th and 7th Streets, and it was on the left of the street while proceeding from 7th to 6th. The only furniture company listed in the telephone directory with such an address is the Summerfield Furniture Company. She stated that she understood that Weaver had stored his furniture in a storehouse which was used by this furniture company and that probably this company had transferred his furniture from the apartment to the store house and had moved it on the occasions since its purchase whenever Weaver moved. The furniture, she believes, was purchased about one year ago in the winter. She advised that Bill Weaver moved out of an apartment on Dale Street to the apartment on Brimhall Street.

She advised relative to Ray Karpis that when he was in St. Paul in the spring of 1933, he was driving a Graham Sedan which was maroon colored; that later, she understood, he purchased a Graham Sedan or Graham Coach which was dark blue or black.

Concerning Volney Davis, she recalls that she had heard him state that when he got enough money, he intended to buy an Auburn automobile.

Concerning the shooting of Edward Green on April 5, 1934, Bessie Skinner alias Bessie Green advised Mr. Nathan, and subsequently repeated this information in the presence of both Mr. Nathan and me, that she was sitting in the car waiting for Green to return from the house located at 778 Rondo Street when she turned and saw him on the ground. Realizing that he had previously been operated on for rupture and seeing the bag which he had evidently had in his hand, she was of the opinion that the carrying of this weight had caused a further rupture and that he had collapsed in the street. She stated positively that she did not see anyone do any shooting. She did not, in fact, hear any shooting. She did not see Green at the time he was shot, and her first knowledge of the fact that he had been injured by a shot was when she got to him as he lay in the street, following the shooting.

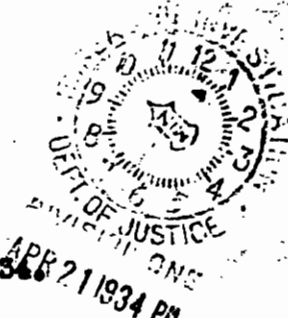
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Very truly yours,  
*H. H. Clegg*  
H. H. CLEGG,  
Inspector.

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**U. S. Department of Justice**

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



April 19, 1934

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

Dear Sir:

**RE: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases - FUGITIVE,  
I.O. # 1217, et al.  
H.M.V.T.A. and HARBORING.  
St. Paul File No. 26-2434.**

There is being transmitted by Parcel Post today, three bullet proof vests seized in connection with the investigation of the above entitled matter. The blue vest containing the bullet holes was found in Apartment 303, Lincoln Court Apartments, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, on March 31, 1934, the occupants of which apartment were known as MR. and MRS. CARL T. HELLMAN. The other blue vest was recovered from a Ford Coupe, bearing Minnesota license No. B44-768, registered in the name of ZENO B. MILLER, 42 Burgess Street, St. Paul, which car was parked in front of the Lincoln Court Apartments on March 31, 1934. The brown vest was recovered from Apartment 207, 3300 Fremont Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota, on April 3, 1934. The occupants of this apartment were known as MR. and MRS. THEODORE J. RANDALL. (Green)

There is also being mailed today, eight 4x6 inch books labeled "Get Away Charts", found in Apartment 207, 3300 Fremont Avenue South, Minneapolis, on April 3, 1934; two 4x6 and one 8x10 inch books labeled "Get Away Charts", found in Apartment 106, 2214 Marshall Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, on April 3, 1934, and two boxes of 22 calibre cartridges, found in the car driven by EDWARD GREEN on April 3, 1934.

Very truly yours,

*[Signature]*  
H. W. CLEGG  
Inspector.

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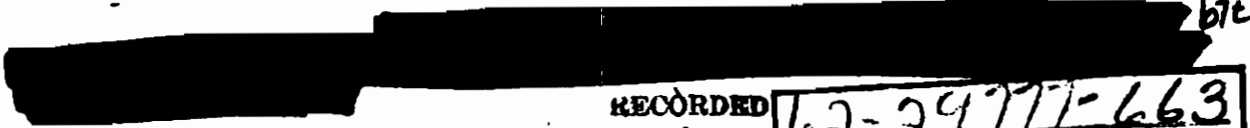
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Dear Sir:

RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER with aliases -  
FUGITIVE; I. O. 1217; et al  
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

Reference is made to my letter of April 18, 1934, covering investigation made by Special Agent L. E. Kingman at Daytona Beach, Florida, in connection with the information received by the Division through a Congressman, which had come from Judge Charles Corn of Harrodsburg, Kentucky, to the effect that several days ago a message was sent from Harrodsburg by a man who looked like Dillinger to Mrs. George T. Williams at 300 Main Street, Daytona Beach, Florida.

At Daytona Beach, Agent Kingman made inquiry at the Postal Telegraph Company office to ascertain whether Mrs. George T. Williams had received any messages recently from anyone in Harrodsburg, Kentucky. He was informed that Mrs. Williams had received no such telegrams and that there is no Postal office in Harrodsburg; however, on March 21, 1934, George T. Williams sent her a Postal telegram from Atlanta, Georgia. Copy of this telegram was not available. About a year ago, George T. Williams sent Mrs. Williams a Postal telegram from Shelbyville, Kentucky, a copy of which telegram was not available. The manager of the Postal Telegraph Company, O. E. Sandstrom, at Daytona Beach, has agreed to place a cover on all telegrams received by Mrs. Williams and will immediately advise this office of their receipt and contents.



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Agent Kingman also determined that during the latter part of March, 1934, Williams was absent from Daytona Beach, Florida, and returned to that city on or about the first of April and left again about April eighth, at the same time that a new Essex terraplane was stolen from its owner, J. C. Harper, the theft of which has been covered in a previous communication to the Division.

J. E. Watkins, Superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph Company, Jacksonville, advised that he had made a thorough check of his records and could not locate a copy of a telegram from George T. Williams to Mrs. Williams at Daytona Beach, originating at Harrodsburg, Kentucky; however, he stated that this person received the following two telegrams from Jackson, Mississippi:

Dated March 27, 1934

MRS. LOUISE WILLIAMS  
300 MAIN STREET  
DAYTONA BEACH FLORIDA

RECEIVED YOUR LETTER UNDER CONDITIONS I  
THINK BEST YOU COME HOME UNTIL EVERYTHING  
SETTLED WIRE ME WHEN AND HOW YOU WILL  
COME

MOTHER.

Dated April 1, 1934

G. T. WILLIAMS  
300 MAIN STREET  
DAYTONA BEACH FLORIDA

UNABLE TO LEAVE UNTIL JUNE SEND MONEY  
AND CLOTHES

BRIGHT.

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I have been assured that ample arrangements have been made at Daytona Beach to insure this office of being advised if any members of the Dillinger gang should come to that city. Such arrangements have been perfected through police officials, reliable real estate men and informants.

Very truly yours,



R. A. Alt  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 689  
Jacksonville, Florida

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Special Agent in Charge  
Division of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Post Office Box 708  
Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Sir:

RE: JOHN HERBERT BELLINGER with aliases -  
FUGITIVE; I.O. 1219; et al  
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

This will confirm receipt of your telegram of this date informing that a person identified as Homer Van Meter endeavored to sell Essex car, gray-green, engine number 48004 with Georgia license 59152D, to the Johnson-Evans Motor Company, Louisville, Kentucky, on April eighteenth and that the car had been reported stolen from the Sun Van Motor Company of Daytona Beach, and requesting that the theft of the car be checked with a view of connecting Subjects of this investigation with same. This will also confirm my telegram to you of this date with reference to this matter.

For your information in regard to this car, I am enclosing two copies of my letter of April 18, 1934, to the Division; however, the enclosed copies contain an addition which was not in the letter when forwarded to the Division. For this reason, I am enclosing two copies with the addition to the copies of this letter forwarded to the Division, the Chicago and Saint Paul Offices.

Today, A. J. Boh, Salesmanager for the Volusia Motor Company, a Florida corporation of Daytona Beach, Florida, advised that new Essex terraplane, 1934 model, two-door sedan, green body, Good-year tires, wire wheels, black fenders with gray whipcord upholstery, was recently sold to J. C. Harper of the Peninsular Insurance Company at Daytona Beach; that this sale was financed through the Van Motor Company of Jacksonville, Florida; that this car was delivered to Mr. Harper and still bore Florida dealer's tag 113 when stolen.

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Mr. Toth further advised that in Daytona Beach, George T. Williams and Bob Hearn either own or were employed in a restaurant; that on April eighth, J. C. Harper stopped in the restaurant for lunch and at that time Williams and Hearn both inquired of him as to where he was going that evening. He informed them that he expected to go to the Empire Theatre and that night did go to the Theatre, parking the above described automobile on the street in front and when he came out the car was gone. It was later determined that Williams and Hearn had also left the city.

Mr. Toth stated that this car had been insured by the Volusia Motor Company on the floor plan and at this time it has not been determined whether the company who insured on the floor plan or the company who insured under the sales contract will be responsible for the theft loss since the sales contract at the time of the theft had not been forwarded to the finance company.

You will note that Mr. Toth's statement is at variance with the information Agent Kingman obtained at Daytona Beach as to the owner of the car involved when it was stolen. Agent Kingman obtained his information from the Chief of Police. It appears that there have been several recent changes in the Terraplane sales agency in Daytona Beach.

From various informants in Daytona Beach, Agent L. E. Kingman obtained the following composite descriptions of George T. Williams and Bob Hearn:

Name:	George T. Williams	Robert (Bob) Hearn
Age:	About 35 years	35 years
Height:	5 feet 9 inches	5 feet 10 inches
Weight:	145 pounds	175 pounds
Build:	Slender	
Hair:	Black	Very dark
Eyes:	Dark	Blue
Complexion:		Medium - full face
Mustache:		Mustache
Peculiarities:	Stooped; Sharp features; Forefinger right hand off at first joint.	

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You will note in the enclosed copies of letter to the Division on April eighteenth, that Williams has made frequent trips to Shelby (which should be Shelbyville) Kentucky, from Daytona Beach. From the information that you are now in possession of in connection with the theft and transportation of described automobile, and that which is contained in the enclosed letter and in this communication, it is requested that this matter be given appropriate attention in your district aiming at the apprehension of Williams and Hearn and recovering of car involved.

Very truly yours,

H. A. Alt  
Special Agent in Charge.

CC Division - enclosed  
Chicago - enclosed  
Saint Paul - enclosed  
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C O P Y

Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

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April 18, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER with aliases,  
Identification Order #1217 - FUGITIVE  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

This is with reference to my long distance telephone conversation of yesterday afternoon with Mr. Stapleton, of the Division, during which he informed that the Division has a letter which was received by a Congressman from a County Judge located at Harrodsburg, Kentucky, which informs that several days ago a message was sent from Harrodsburg, Kentucky, by a man who looked like Dillinger, to a Mrs. George T. Williams, 300 Main Street, Daytona Beach, Florida, and requested that the identity of Mrs. George T. Williams be determined with a view of ascertaining, whether this information was in any way related to this case.

Special Agent L. E. Kingman, at Daytona Beach, Florida, was informed by Jim Haney, Chief of Police, that he, Haney, had also received a letter dated April 13th from Charles Corn, County Judge, at Harrodsburg, Kentucky, which appears to be a letter similar to that Judge Corn sent to a Congressman at Washington.

Agent Kingman at Daytona Beach determined that Mrs. George T. Williams is the wife of a man who operates a small hot-dog stand at Daytona Beach; that her husband, George T. Williams, is a liquor runner, and has also dealt in hot cars out of Daytona Beach; that he is in and out of that City frequently, and that Mrs. Williams is a middle-aged woman.

Agent Kingman also determined that Williams has made frequent trips to Shelby, Kentucky, from Daytona Beach, and in fact, was in Kentucky four or five months ago to straighten out his mother's estate, and is said to have operated a tea room in the vicinity of Shelby, which recently was burned. Williams also went to Kentucky about the middle of March, and it is likely that he is the man who sent the message to Mrs. Williams.

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Agent Kingman further determined that Williams in many respects resembles Dillinger, and that he looks enough like him to be taken for Dillinger by a person who is not familiar with the latter.

Chief of Police Haney advised Agent Kingman that Williams for a long time has been operating as a liquor runner with a man in Daytona Beach by the name of Bob Hearn. These two men are believed to have handled stolen automobiles in and about Daytona Beach. The Chief of Police believes that during prohibition they used stolen automobiles in hauling liquor.

It is the writer's opinion that the information furnished by Judge Charles Corn, of Harrodsburg, Kentucky, does not have any connection with this case.

Very truly yours,

R. A. ALT,  
Special Agent in Charge,

CC 2 - Chicago

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ADDENDUM:

April 19, 1934.

When Agent Kingman conducted the investigation at Daytona Beach, as outlined in this letter, Jim Haney, Chief of Police, also advised that when George T. Williams was running liquor in and out of Florida, he was closely associated with Bob Hearn in Daytona Beach, and that many times when these two individuals would leave town, automobiles would be immediately reported as stolen; that on April 8th, last, Hearn left Daytona Beach. Williams also left about the same time, and on the date of the investigation the present whereabouts of Hearn and Williams was unknown. However, they are supposed to have gone to Detroit. At the time they left Daytona Beach, a new Essex Terraplane two-door 1934 model coach automobile was stolen from the dealer, Huckabee-Sellings Motor Company, which is described, Motor No. 56004, Serial No. 377890, and that this car has not been recovered. The officers investigating the theft of this car found some papers which were in the car at the time it was stolen, at a place where Hearn is known to have loaded and unloaded quantities of liquor.

R. A. Alt,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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JOHN DILLINGER FUGITIVE NMVA REFERENCE YOUR TELEGRAM THIS DATE CAR  
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**Division of Investigation**

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**APR 23 1934**

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

Dear Sir:

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

Reference is made to teletype message received from the Division on April 15, 1934, inquiring particularly concerning the representations made by attorneys to obtain the release of Bessie Skinner, with aliases, on a writ of habeas corpus. This is to confirm information subsequently furnished that the attorneys who presented the petition were Edward K. Delaney, Joseph P. Tracy, and Edmund Burke.

On at least two occasions prior to the filing of the petition, one or more of these attorneys called on me personally in the hall outside the Division's St. Paul offices and stated that they represented the Green family, and that they wanted to know whether they could talk with Mrs. Bessie Green, or Skinner or some other name which they may have at that time used. I informed them that to do so would interfere with the investigation which we were conducting and I assured them that Bessie Green had not requested the services of an attorney and she had not asked to see them. They withdrew for the time being, and about two days later returned and asked whether our investigation was completed; and I informed them that it was not. They then stated that they desired to make formal demand to see this woman, and I informed them rather positively that formally or informally, it could not be done; that the woman in question had not asked for counsel and in particular had not asked to see any of the gentlemen who were inquiring for her on that occasion. They stated that their only recourse would be to obtain a court order, and they left the building.

On April 7, 1934, there was filed before the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota, a petition in the matter of Beth Green, also known as Beth Hines, against Special Agent in Charge Werner Hanni, Sheriff George H. Moeller, and Chief of Police Thomas E. Dahill. Mr. Hanni was served with a writ calling for his appearance at a hearing on the petition at 4:00 p.m., April 10, 1934. On this occasion, Assistant United States Attorney George Heisey, representing the defendants Hanni, Moeller and Dahill, moved the dismissal of the petition on the ground

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that the petitioners (the attorneys aforementioned) represented that they had been retained in the behalf of Beth Green by her relatives and family and that the decisions of the court held that where such representations were made, the petition should be signed by the relator, that is, Beth Green or by such relatives or members of the family.

The court, represented by United States District Judge Joyce, then heard from the attorneys Delaney, Tracy and Burke through their spokesman, Mr. Burke. The spokesman represented that the woman was being held; that they had not been permitted to see her, and then apparently were about to initiate a claim that on the morning of April 10th there had been filed against Beth Green and Edward<sup>0</sup> Green a complaint charging them with conspiracy to harbor and conceal John Dillinger, a fugitive from justice. When they started to discuss this point, Assistant United States Attorney Heisey interposed an interruption to explain that that was not the issue before the court, when one of the attorneys (believed to be Tracy) made a motion with his hand in the direction of Mr. Heisey as if inviting him to sit down and not to interfere. This seemed to be contrary to the desires of Judge Joyce, however, who informed Mr. Tracy that he (Judge Joyce) was giving commands and issuing instructions in the court, and he permitted Mr. Heisey to continue.

The defendants then moved a reduction in bond, claiming that Beth Green was not charged with a crime of murder or kidnaping and that the \$25,000.00 bond which had been fixed was unreasonable and that it should be greatly reduced. The court informed them that they had not presented a motion to that effect and in the absence of such formal motion, the court was not in a position to entertain their informal motion at that time.

These attorneys moved the court to issue an order permitting them to interview Beth Green, and Mr. Heisey called the attention of the court to the fact that he had been informed that Beth Green did not want to be interviewed by these attorneys. The three attorneys seemed to doubt this representation, and Judge Joyce ordered Beth Green brought before the bar. He caused her to stand along side the three attorneys and asked her to look at them. He then asked whether she had ever seen them before. She said, "No." Judge Joyce then inquired whether she had engaged them to represent her. She said, "No." He then inquired whether she had sought legal representation. Her reply was, "No." The court immediately announced that court was adjourned.

There is attached hereto a copy of the pleadings, including the order of issuance of the writ of habeas corpus and the petition for such writ.

As an indication that Delaney is in fact a representative of the Greens, there is attached hereto a written order to Mr. Hanni to turn over the personal belongings of Eugene Green to Edward K. Delaney, the attorney, and it bears the signature "Mrs. Margaret Green". The order is written in ink. Of course, the belongings in question are largely in the possession of the Ancker Hospital; and the United States Attorney has informed me that the coroner is the proper person to receive these belongings and to make proper disposition of them. Mr. Delaney will be informed as to this when he calls later today.

I have not considered it advisable at this time to call on the Green family to determine whether in fact these three attorneys were authorized to appear in behalf of Beth Green as having been retained by relatives and members of her family. Some of the members of the Green family have, in fact, been rather hostile. Frank Green and Jimmie Green are brothers of Eugene Green, deceased. Frank Green was brought into the office on the night of the shooting, but on account of the condition of his brother, he was released; and at the hospital, he would from time to time go in and talk with his brother and his part of the conversation on many occasions was largely, "Don't talk, Eddie. Don't talk." This finally grew so annoying that I ordered him barred from the hospital, and when young Delaney came to me later agreeing that Frank Green would behave himself, I then permitted him to return to the hospital to visit his brother on occasions. Mrs. Green, the mother of Eugene Green, deceased, called at the hospital on several occasions; and whenever Eddie Green was about to talk, she would begin to read out of her prayer book rather loudly. However, there was no interference with her plans in this direction as there was ample time for Eddie Green to talk when she was not there.

An attorney employed by Bessie Green, alias Bessie Skinner, today to straighten out her personal affairs informed me that he plans to make a contact with the Green family to determine their attitude and he will inform me as to their attitude toward Bessie Green. Upon receipt of this information, we will be governed further as to the appropriate time to confer with this family as to whether they did or did not seek counsel to represent Bessie Green in the petition for a writ of habeas corpus.

Very truly yours,

  
H. H. OLEGG,  
Inspector.

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Mr. Werner Hanni:

You are hereby requested and authorized to turn  
over all the personal belongings of my son Eugene Green to  
Edward K. Delaney, my attorney.

(Signed) Mrs. Margaret Green.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

THIRD DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF BETH GREEN,  
ALSO KNOWN AS BETH HINES,

Relator,

vs

Werner Hanni, Special Agent in Charge  
of United States Bureau of Investigation,  
Department of Justice, and George H.  
Moeller, Sheriff of Ramsey County,  
Minnesota, and Thomas E. Dahill, Chief  
of Police, City of St. Paul,

Defendants.

Upon the reading and filing of the hereto attached  
Petition,

IT IS ORDERED that a Writ of Habeas Corpus issue  
out of and under seal of the District Court for the United States  
of America, District of Minnesota, Third Division, directed to  
Werner Hanni, Special Agent in Charge of United States Bureau of  
Investigation, Department of Justice, and George H. Moeller,  
Sheriff of Ramsey County, Minnesota, and Thomas E. Dahill, Chief  
of Police, City of St. Paul, directing them to have the body of  
the said Beth Green, also known as Beth Hines, before me in open  
Court in the above Court in the Federal Building, City of St.  
Paul, Ramsey County, Minnesota, on the 10th day of April, 1934,  
at 4 P.M. o'clock, to do and receive what shall then and  
there be considered concerning the said Beth Green, also known  
as Beth Hines, together with the time and cause of her imprison-  
ment and detention and that they have then and there the said  
Writ.

MATTHEW M. JOYCE  
District Judge,

Dated April 7th, 1934.

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of Police, City of St. Paul,

PETITION

Defendants.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED DISTRICT COURT:

Your Petitioners, Edward K. Delaney, Joseph P. Tracy and Edmund  
Burke, allege and show to the Court:

That they are the attorneys for the above named Beth Green, also  
known as Beth Hines; and have been retained in her behalf by her relatives  
and family.

That heretofore and on or about the 3rd day of April, 1934, the  
said Beth Green, also known as Beth Hines, was arrested and imprisoned by  
Werner Hanni and other police officers, agents, and sheriffs, including  
Thomas E. Dahill and George H. Moeller,

That said Werner Hanni is the Special Agent in Charge of the  
United States Bureau of Investigation, which Bureau of Investigation is a  
part of the United States Department of Justice, and said Werner Hanni is  
the main Federal Police Officer of the United States Government in charge

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of the district which includes the City of St. Paul, Ramsey County, Minnesota; that the said Werner Hanni as such head officer in charge of the Bureau of Investigation of the United States, Department of Justice, is the man directing and controlling the acts of police officers and sheriffs and Federal agents in the City of St. Paul in connection with a campaign by the Government of the United States against criminals and crime in the City of St. Paul.

That the above named Defendant Thomas E. Dahill is the Chief of Police of the City of St. Paul; that the above named Defendant George H. Moeller is the Sheriff of Ramsey County, State of Minnesota; that said Thomas E. Dahill and said George H. Moeller are acting under the direction and control, and in conjunction with the said Werner Hanni; that the said George H. Moeller, Sheriff of Ramsey County usually holds in custody at the Ramsey County Jail in the City of St. Paul persons arrested by and under the direction of said Werner Hanni, and the Petitioners allege upon information and belief that the said George H. Moeller, as Sheriff of Ramsey County, Minnesota, is helping and assisting the said Werner Hanni in imprisoning the above named Beth Green, also known as Beth Hines.

That the said Beth Green, also known as Beth Hines, was arrested and is held by the said Werner Hanni, and others acting under his control and direction including the said George H. Moeller and the said Thomas E. Dahill, without a warrant of any kind, and is held and imprisoned without any criminal charge of any kind by the commission of any crime

of any nature; and Petitioners are advised that she had committed no offense of crime.

That the said Beth Green, also known as Beth Hines, is held a prisoner in custody by the said Defendants, Werner Hanni and George H. Moeller and Thomas E. Dahill under and by color of the authority of the United States, and is in custody in violation of the Constitution of the United States, and Petitioners allege that by virtue of the Statutes of the United States, Title 28-Section 455 of the United States Code Annotated. Petitioners are entitled to have the Court make its order for the issuance of a Writ of Habeas Corpus.

That said Beth Green, also known as Beth Hines, is held and imprisoned by said Defendant, Werner Hanni, George H. Moeller and Thomas E. Dahill in violation of Article V of the Constitution of the United States of America; that said Beth Green, also known as Beth Hines, is not held or detained by virtue of any warrant, any criminal charge, any indictment, any legal complaint, nor any final judgment, or decree or process or execution of any competent tribunal of civil or criminal jurisdiction, nor by virtue of any execution issued upon any such judgment or decree.

That the only pretense of grounds for the said arrest, confinement and restraint of the said Beth Green, also known as Beth Hines, is that she was in the company of her husband, Eugene Green, on the

3rd day of April, 1934, when he was shot and arrested by police officers and Department of Justice Agents acting under the direction and authority of the said Werner Hanni.

Your Petitioners further state that on the 4th and 6th days of April, 1934, they attempted to consult with their client and were refused and denied permission to do so by the said Werner Hanni and his Assistants.

YOUR PETITIONERS THEREFORE PRAY, that a Writ of Habeas Corpus may issue directed to the said Werner Hanni, Special Agent in Charge of United States Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, and George H. Moeller, Sheriff of Ramsey County, Minnesota, and Thomas E. Dahill, Chief of Police, City of St. Paul, commanding them that they have the body of the said Beth Green, also known as Beth Hines, by them imprisoned and detained together with the time and cause of such imprisonment and detention forthwith before the Honorable Matthew M. Joyce, Judge of the above Court, to do and receive what shall then and there be considered concerning the said Beth Green, also known as Beth Hines, in pursuance of the Statutes in such cases made and provided.

EDWARD K. DELANEY

JOSEPH P. TRACY

EDMUND BURKE.

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STATE OF MINNESOTA )  
                          ) SS  
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COUNTY OF RAMSEY )

EDWARD K. DELANEY, JOSEPH P. TRACY, and EDMUND BURKE, the  
Petitioners named in the foregoing Petition, being first duly sworn  
upon oath, say that they have read the foregoing Petition and know the  
contents thereof and that the same is true of their own knowledge  
except the matters therein stated upon information and belief and as  
to those matters they believe it to be true.

EDWARD K. DELANEY

JOSEPH P. TRACY

EDMUND BURKE

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 7th day of April, 1934.

FRANK E. McALLISTER

Notary Public, Ramsey County, Minn.

My Commission Expires April 16, 1940.

# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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FILE NO. **26-2369**

REPORT MADE AT <b>El Paso, Texas</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>4/17/34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>4/8/34-4/16/34</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>R.H. Colvin</b>
TITLE <b>JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases, IO 1015, FUGITIVE JOHN HAMILTON, with alias, IO 1180 - FUGITIVE HOMER VAN SENTER, with aliases, IO 1122 Et Al.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>National Motor Veh. Theft Obstruction of Justice</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Airports at El Paso checked without results. Info on Dillinger and Hamilton distributed. Mimeographed descriptions of Dillinger's car, of Hancock, un-identified subject, and Ada or Anne broadcast and distributed by mail. Suspicious airplanes at Phoenix, Arizona, reported by wire and phone to Division and Los Angeles Office.

**REFERENCE:**

Telegram from Division, April 2, 1934.

**DETAILS:**

The telegram of reference was given appropriate attention by Acting Agent in Charge J.C. White in the absence from the district of the writer. No information of value was discovered at the airports. Additional copies of identification Orders for John Dillinger and John Hamilton were furnished all airplane pilots, Pullman conductors, and Bus drivers operating in this district. Description of Ford De Luxe Sedan, Motor 40-684515, carrying Minnesota 1934 license B-420-213, was broadcast over El Paso police radio and over commercial station KOB at Albuquerque, N.M., in addition to which telegrams were sent to officers in strategic points in Texas and New Mexico.

On April 11, at 9:30 p.m., a telephone message was received from the Cincinnati Office advising that reliable information had been received to the effect that John Dillinger, accompanied by Borman Hancock, by an unknown subject whose description was given, and by a woman variously known as Ada or Anne, with aliases of Illington, Jackson, Martin, and Pat Young, had left Indianapolis on the night of April 8, 1934 in a Ford De Luxe Sedan, 1934 Model, Motor 1751670, with Indiana 1934 plates 86389 or Minnesota Plates B 420290, believed to be on the road.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>R.H. Colvin</i> Special Agent in Charge	62-29777-665 APR 21 1934 A M	RECORDED AND INDEXED APR 21 1934 CHECKED OFF APR 23 1934
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route to Tucson, Arizona.

The above information was immediately broadcast over police radio at El Paso, Texas. Mimeographed descriptive circulars, copies of which are attached to this report, were prepared and were in the mails within 24 hours. The Chief of Police at Tucson was given the above information immediately by phone and the Los Angeles Office was advised by phone of the action taken by this Office in phoning to an official in that district.

On April 12, J.B. Morgan, Special Customs Agent, El Paso, Texas, stated that H.B. Duckworth, Department of Commerce pilot reported to him that there are 2 Stinson planes at Sky Harbor Airport, Phoenix, Arizona, one of which, NFO 8483 is registered in the name of Sawyer; that this man Sawyer is being taught night flying by one R.G. Vaughn. According to Duckworth, these planes are reported to have been doing a lot of illegal flying, going into Mexico, and landing at Rocky Point on the Gulf of California. Duckworth further stated that Sawyer is crooked and that some of Dillinger's agents have been seen at Phoenix talking to him. Duckworth left town before Agent could contact him; but was later interviewed by Agent Street, at Albuquerque, N.M., who reported by phone that no further information was obtained.

The above information was telephoned to a stenographer at the Los Angeles Division Office on April 12th, there being apparently no Agent in the Office at that moment. The same information was wired to the Division.

On April 13th the report of D.L. Nicholson, St. Paul, 4/9/34, was received in which considerable mention was made of one Harry Sawyer, (pages 38-52), who appears to have gangster connections at St. Paul and who is presently missing from that City.

Sensing a possible connection between Sawyer of the airplanes at Phoenix and Harry Sawyer of St. Paul, the attention of the Division was called to this possibility by wire on April 15th, reference being made to my wire of the 13th and to Agent Nicholson's report of April 9th.

Officers throughout the district are on the alert and practically every new looking Ford Sedan appearing on the highways with any kind of out of State license is being stopped and searched.

The usual number of perhaps well-intentioned but unfounded reports of the presence of Dillinger in this District have been received and checked, without results.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

LOS ANGELES OFFICE: It is suggested that appropriate check on the two airplanes at Phoenix, Arizona, and of Sawyer be made if not already attended to.

EL PASO OFFICE: At Toyahvale, Texas, will endeavor to secure information from W.L. Kingston as to the present whereabouts of Mrs. Cornell in Arizona. When that information is obtained, it will be relayed to the Los Angeles Office for attention.

with a view to covering her place as a possible hideaway for Dillinger,

ST. PAUL OFFICE: If deemed advisable will ascertain whether the Harry Sawyer mentioned in report of D.L. Nicholson, 4/9/34, is the owner of airplanes and whether he may now be at Phoenix, Arizona.

Pending.

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1331 First National Bank Bldg.,  
El Paso, Texas.

PHONE - MAIN 501

April 11, 1934.

To all Peace Officers:

RE: JOHN DILLINGER

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Reliable information just received to the effect that John Dillinger left Indianapolis, Indiana, Sunday night April 8 travelling in a Ford De Luxe V 8 Sedan, 1934 Model, Motor #751673. He has in his possession Indiana 1934 plates 86389 and Minnesota plates B 420930 described in previous bulletins.

He is accompanied by large, dark complected man, age 38, 6' tall, 190 lbs., black hair, wearing light gray summer suit.

And by Norman Hancock, age 24, 5' 6", 130 lbs., thin face, auburn hair.

There is also in the party a woman, age 30, 5' 3", 120 lbs., black hair, pock marked face, scar over right eye, looks like an Indiana. This woman is believed to be Pat Young, friend of the Dillinger gang. She is variously known as Ada or Anne Illington, Jackson or Martin. Sometimes calls herself Ada and sometimes Anne or Pat.

Information is that they are going to Tucson or vicinity to recover money which was left there when Dillinger was apprehended.

Please renew your lookout for these parties.

*RH Colvin*

R. H. COLVIN  
Special Agent in Charge.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

# Division of Investigation

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

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April 18, 1934.

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MR. TOLSON	_____
MR. CLEGG	_____
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MR. EDWARDS	_____
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MR. ROBER	_____

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR,

In connection with the attached teletype message from Mr. Purvis advising that his informant at Columbus, Ohio, had wired him requesting \$50 or \$75 more and also indicating that he had contacted a newspaper reporter and had offered to sell the Dillinger story to him for \$3,000 and had also indicated that he was a Special Agent of the Division of Investigation, I talked with Mr. Purvis and discussed this matter with him. Mr. Purvis stated that the informant had given information to the effect that Dillinger was going to be at St. Joseph, Michigan, this coming Saturday or Sunday and that though he had some question as to the reliability of the informant he felt that if there was anything to the information submitted if we did not continue his employment until after the date Dillinger was supposed to be in St. Joseph he would probably get information to Dillinger which would prevent his apprehension at that time, assuming that the information is correct. I suggested to Mr. Purvis that he contact Agent Harris at Columbus, who is in contact with the informant and have a straight talk with the informant and offer him a smaller sum, after which more money can be advanced, if the information submitted by the informant proves accurate. Mr. Purvis stated that he would do this but that in the event the informant refused to come through without the payment of \$50.00, he believed that that amount should be advanced and that he then be dropped if his information is not accurate. I authorized the above procedure and requested that he advise the Division the results of the contact made by Agent Harris with the informant.

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Respectfully

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

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*Memo To Mr. Cowley*  
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MR. EDWARDS  
 MR. Egan  
 MR. GUNN  
 MR. LESTER  
 MR. ALBRY  
 MR. ROBER

DIV INVEST CHICAGO 4-18-34 PM RMW  
 DIRECTOR

JOHN DILLINGER FUGITIVE ETAL NMVTA KLEIN CINCINNATI ADVISES THAT SPECIAL AGENT HARRIS IN COLUMBUS INFORMS HIM THAT MR JAMES B KIRBY OF THE CLEVELAND FREE PRESS NEWSPAPER HAS MADE INQUIRIES TO DETERMINE WHETHER SPECIAL AGENT HARRIS IS A ~~PSE XXX~~ SPECIAL AGENT. IT APPEARS THAT KIRBY CALLED ON AN INTERNAL REVENUE AGENT IN COLUMBUS WHO INFORMED ASSISTANT US ATTORNEY O'DONNELL WHO IN TURN INFORMED HARRIS. IT APPEARS FURTHER THAT INFORMANT [REDACTED] HAD COMMUNICATED ~~PREVIOUS XXX~~ PREVIOUSLY WITH KIRBY AND TOLD HIM THAT HE COULD FURNISH THE DILLINGER STORY FOR THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS WHEN THE STORY BROKE. [REDACTED] ALSO TOLD KIRBY THAT HE WOULD ACCEPT THIS MONEY AND RESIGN AS A QUOTE FEDERAL AGENT UNQUOTE ON MAY FIRST. APPARENTLY THIS INFORMANT HAS ENDEAVORED TO LEAD KIRBY TO BELIEVE THAT HE IS A FEDERAL AGENT. I HAVE RECEIVED A TELEGRAM FROM [REDACTED] REQUESTING ME TO WIRE HIM FIFTY TO SEVENTY FIVE DOLLARS AT ONCE IN CARE OF AGENT HARRIS. HE STATES FURTHER IN HIS TELEGRAM THAT VERY IMPORTANT DETAILS FOR SATURDAY OR SUNDAY. I ASSUME THAT THIS IS IN CONNECTION WITH THE MEETING THAT [REDACTED] SAYS DILLINGER WILL HAVE SATURDAY NIGHT AT ST JOSEPH MICHIGAN WITH [REDACTED] PRIOR TO EMPLOYMENT OF THIS INFORMANT I IMPRESSED ON HIM THE NECESSITY FOR KEEPING HIS ACTIVITY QUIET AND I DO NOT KNOW WHETHER SPECIAL AGENT HARRIS IS HANDLING HIM IN THE PROPER FASHION. HOWEVER IN VIEW OF HIS

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CONTACTING THE CLEVELAND FREE PRESS NEWSPAPER AS ABOVE NOTED AND INTIMATING THAT HE IS A FEDERAL AGENT IT MIGHT BE WISE TO [REDACTED] A

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WITH HIS SERVICES ENTIRELY. IF WE DESIRE TO SECURE FURTHER INFORMATION FROM HIM IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO ADVANCE HIM FIFTY TO SEVENTY FIVE DOLLARS AT ONCE. ON THE OTHER HAND WE ALREADY KNOW WHERE THE ALLEGED MEETING OF DILLINGER AND [REDACTED] IS SUPPOSED TO BE SATURDAY NIGHT AT THE WHITCOMB HOTEL ST JOSEPH MICHIGAN. OF COURSE THESE PLANS MIGHT BE CHANGED AND IT MIGHT BE VALUABLE TO HAVE THIS INFORMANT CONTINUE SECURING INFORMATION. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT HE COULD BE HANDLED IN A BETTER MANNER AND IT MIGHT BE DESIRABLE FOR HARRIS TO SPEAK WITH HIM FORCIBLY IF WE ARE GOING TO CONTINUE HIS SERVICES FOR THE REST OF THIS WEEK. PLEASE ADVISE IF YOU BELIEVE IT ADVISABLE TO CONTINUE HIS SERVICES AND WIRE AUTHORITY AND I WILL HAVE SPECIAL AGENT HARRIS AT COLUMBUS ADVANCE HIM THE MONEY. I AM FURTHER INFORMED THAT KIRBY THE NEWSPAPER MAN BECAME DISGUSTED WITH [REDACTED] AND RETURNED TO CLEVELAND.

PURVIS

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April 18, 1934.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CONLEY

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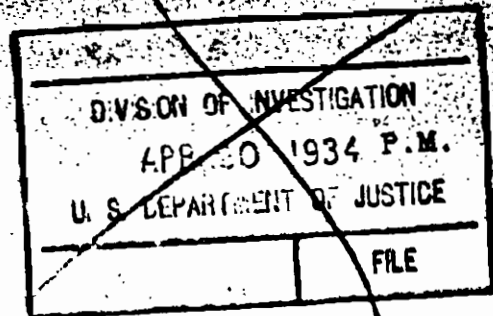
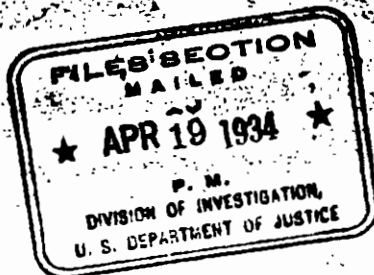
*all*  
In regard to your attached memorandum of April 18, 1934, covering conversation had with Mr. Purvis concerning the informant at Columbus, Ohio, I approve of the action which you have taken and would suggest that Mr. Purvis be instructed to contact with the Resident Agent at Columbus, Ohio, and make certain that the Resident Agent lets the informant know that we know of his activities in connection with seeking publicity and his efforts to sell a news story. I think this action is imperative in order to possibly prevent any further activities of this character upon the part of this informant.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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Investigation

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CHARGE

Chicago Illinois April 19 1934 2:00 P.M.

C. D. HICKMAN  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
1000 POST OFFICE AND COURT HOUSE BUILDING  
BOSTON MASSACHUSETTS

JOHN DILLINGER REVEALS RECORDS ILLINOIS SECRETARY OF STATE SHOW ONLY LICENSE NUMBER  
THREE TWO THREE SIX FOUR EIGHT TERRAPLANE SEWAN IS NUMBER FIVE FIVE THREE TWO THREE  
SIX ISSUED TO PETER REUTER ONE SEVEN TWO TWO ARMITAGE AVENUE CHICAGO REUTER IS  
OWNER OF REUTER MANUFACTURING COMPANY AT THAT ADDRESS AND RESIDES IN HIGHLAND PARK  
ILLINOIS REUTER ADVISES HIS CAR AND LICENSE PLATES HAVE NOT BEEN OUT OF HIS  
POSSESSION OR ELSEWHERE THAN CHICAGO AND HIGHLAND PARK FURTHER CHECK BEING MADE

FURNISH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IF AVAILABLE

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JJM:FVV

cc Division

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735 Philadelphia Saving Fund Building  
Philadelphia, Pa.

April 20, 1934

APR 23 1934

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

Re: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases,  
Fugitive, I. O. #1217; JOHN HAMILTON,  
with alias, I. O. #1220; ROBERT VAN  
METER, with aliases, I. O. #1222, et al.  
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT;  
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE.

Dear Sir:

Confirming telephonic conversation between Mr. Van  
Marter, clerical employee of the Detroit Office, and the writer  
under date of April 19, 1934, [redacted] informant, who  
has previously submitted information (in some instances accu-  
rate) concerning the Samuel Insull case and the Knaki Shirts  
of America, telephoned Special Agent J. V. McDevitt, of this  
office, on April 19th and stated that he has received informa-  
tion from informants, whose names he refused to divulge, that  
Dillinger either is, was, or will be at a hotel which, as far  
as he could learn, was the Bristol or Postal, or some such name,  
in Akron, Ohio. [redacted] also mentioned the name of the Gilsay  
(phonetic spelling) Hotel on 9th Street in Cleveland, Ohio.

On the same date [redacted] later telephoned and said that  
"the gang" talks of the Ambrose Hotel, Elyria, Ohio, and men-  
tioned a man named Kelly, who "hangs out" at Lorraine, Ohio, and  
is supposed to be the set-off man. They talked of burglarizing  
a bank, which job was to be pulled off on the evening of April  
19th at Medina, Ohio.

Very truly yours,

R. O. [redacted]  
Special Agent in Charge, INVESTIGATION

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cc-Division ✓  
St. Paul  
Chicago  
26-1810

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CLASS OF SERVICE DESIRED	
DOMESTIC	CABLE
TELEGRAM	FULL RATE
DAY LETTER	DEFERRED
NIGHT MESSAGE	NIGHT LETTER
NIGHT LETTER	SHIP RADIOGRAM

Patrons should check class of service desired; otherwise message will be transmitted as a full-rate communication.

# WESTERN UNION

R. B. WHITE  
PRESIDENT

NEWCOMB CARLTON  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

J. C. WELLES  
FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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

J. H. Hanson,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
320 Federal Building,  
Birmingham, Alabama.

Cincinnati, Ohio  
April 19, 1934  
DEPT. OF JUSTICE  
DIVISION ONE  
APR 19 1934 AM

JOHN DILLINGER WA FUGITIVE IO TWELVE SEVENTEEN PERSON IDENTIFIED AS  
VAMETER ENDEAVORED TO SELL ESSEY CAR GRAY GREEN IN COLOR ENGINE FIVE SIX NAUGHT  
NAUGHT FOUR GEORGIA LICENSE THREE NINE ONE FIVE THREE D TO JOHNSON EVANS MOTOR  
COMPANY LOUISVILLE KENTUCKY APRIL EIGHTEEN CAR REPORTED STOLEN FROM FANJUAN  
MOTOR COMPANY DAYTONA BEACH FLORIDA GEORGIA PLATES REPORTED REGISTERED NAME OF  
CONNORS POSTAL HOTEL ATLANTA GEORGIA APRIL TWELVE NINETEEN THIRTY FOUR CHECK  
ENDEAVOR CONNECT SUBJECTS WITH CAR

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WESTERN UNION MESSENGERS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE DELIVERY OF NOTES AND PACKAGES

535 Lafayette Bldg.  
Detroit, Michigan  
April 15, 1934

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

APR 17 1934 AM

Dear Sir:

Confirming my telephonic communication had with Special Agent Newman of your office today, I am transmitting herewith a copy of a letter received today from the Postmaster at Leipsic, Ohio dated April 12, 1934, in which is quoted a communication sent on April 12 by Mrs. Lena Pierpont, mother of Harry Pierpont, to the Neumode Company, 656 S. Wells Street, Chicago, Illinois.

This matter should, of course, be kept strictly confidential.

Very truly yours,

Ed. Larson  
Special Agent in Charge

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cc - Division ✓  
St. Paul  
Cincinnati

*Wm*  
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Re: John Dillinger, et al.  
N.M.V.T.A.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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COPY

Leippsic, Ohio.  
April 12th, 1934.

Department of Justice  
625 Lafayette Bldg.  
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Sirs:-

We are furnishing the following information that we received from the rural carrier in connection with the Pierponts of this city.

Tuesday, April 10th, Auburn Car was inside the garage and the Dodge was outside near the garage, the garage doors being open.

Wed. April 11th, Auburn Car inside the garage, and the Dodge car outside with a trailer attached to it.

Thursday April 12th, Dodge car inside garage, motor running, Auburn car outside, license number for it was - Indiana 178665.

Today the carrier picked up a letter from these people and upon examining it we found that it contained a message that we believe was in the form of a code. It was as follows: Pasing with a load of horse manure. What are you going to do with the manure, Jim? Put it on my Strawberries? Well, I use sugar and cream on my strawberries but they say I crazy.

Mrs. Lena Pierpont, Leippsic, Ohio. B-5.

This letter was addressed to- The Neumode Co.  
538 S. Wells St. Chicago, Ill.

We will keep you informed from time to time any information that we may give and the appearance of things at the farm as the carrier sees them when passing there daily.

Respectfully Yours,

T. E. KIDD

Postmaster.

P. O. Box 478  
Cincinnati, Ohio



April 19, 1934.

NRK:MGR  
25-3998

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

Re: JOHN BILLINGER with aliases - FUGITIVE  
I. O. #1819; JOHN HAMILTON, with  
alias, I. O. #1820; HOMER VAN METER  
with aliases - I. O. #1822 et al.  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.  
Obstruction of Justice.

Dear Sir:

There are enclosed herewith copies of memorandums  
prepared, covering the activities of Division Agents in the Cincinnati  
District.

Very truly yours,

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

- OO Division
- St. Louis
- Detroit
- St. Paul
- Los Angeles
- El Paso
- Birmingham
- Kansas City
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P. O. Box #744  
Cincinnati, Ohio

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April 18, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE:

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

4-17-34 Special Agent J. S. Johnson called from Muncie, Indiana, stating that a moving van of the Suburban Van Line called at the home of Mary Kinder at Indianapolis, Indiana 7:25 P.M., 4-16-34; that the van was bearing #8; that trunks and household articles were loaded into the van and it departed from Indianapolis, Indiana at 2:00 A.M. 4-17-34; that the van was followed by Agents and at Kokomo, casual conversation was had with the driver of the truck, who informed that he was headed for Detroit, Michigan, stopping at several points to pick up freight; that the truck, at that time, was loaded with freight bound for Detroit, Michigan and that it was expected to arrive at Detroit at 5:00 P.M. 4-18-34. The truck bore 1934 Michigan license plates 623-091 and the headquarters of the Suburban Van Line are at 3433 Chaney St., Detroit, Michigan.

This information was furnished the Detroit office by telephone, 4-17-34.

As of April 17, 1934 Special Agent E. D. Harris advised that Informant [redacted] stated "that he has learned from [redacted] that she has heard from Dillinger that efforts to effect the release of his associates from the Ohio Penitentiary are to be held in abeyance, inasmuch as their cases are being appealed; that she also tells him that she is to meet Dillinger Saturday evening at the Whitecomb Hotel, St. Joseph, Michigan, and that the "Dutchman" who runs this Hotel is alright, meaning that he will protect Dillinger and his associates. He states Dillinger is now wearing smoked glasses and is growing a beard. He advises further that this woman will probably use some other name at the Whitecomb Hotel, but that he does not know what it will be or what name Dillinger will be using; further, that he does not know what time on Saturday they are to meet, as she said only "Saturday evening."

[redacted] declined to advise where [redacted] is staying in Columbus, other than to say she was with friends; he stated that he would not disclose this information inasmuch as "someone might get a bright idea."

[redacted] also informs me that he is now living at 15 Third Ave., under the name of [redacted] but that he does not wish to be contacted at that address.

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██████████ was also very anxious that an article be given to the Columbus papers, reporting a fake attempt to capture Dillinger somewhere in the vicinity of Columbus, stating that he wanted this done for two reasons, (1) so that ██████████ would be reassured that he was not repeating anything she told him, and to protect him from any suspicion, and (2) to lull Dillinger into a sense of security, making him think the search for him is centering in the wrong place, so he will feel free to keep his Saturday evening appointment. ██████████ arguments in favor of this fake story appear unlogical, but he insists that he knows more about the necessity for such a story than anyone else, that he is on "thin ice" and has to have this; that if this Division will not originate such a story he will do it himself. I persuaded him to wait until tomorrow, April 18th, but he still insists that he will manage to get such a story in the papers, through a reporter he knows, with or without the consent of this Division.

██████████ states that his arrangements were made with Mr. Purvis at Chicago, and that he is to get \$5,000 if he puts Dillinger on the spot, and that he will expect the agreement to be kept, even though he does have such a story published.

██████████ also stated that he has used all the money advanced him in Chicago and about \$20.00 of his own money so far, and suggested that something should be done about more money. I told him he would have to handle this direct with Mr. Purvis, as no one else knew the details of their arrangements in this respect.

██████████ advised that he will remain in Columbus until ██████████ leaves, and he will call me again tomorrow, about 8:30 A.M.

This information was furnished to the Chicago office by telephone.

There are no new developments in this case at Dayton, Ohio, but a constant watch is being maintained at the residence of Mary Longaker and at the Stricker Hotel.

Very truly yours,

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

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April 20, 1934

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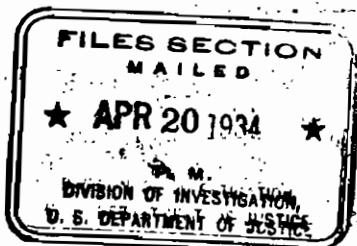
Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
370 Lexington Avenue, Room 1403,  
New York, New York.

APR 23 1934

RE: JOHN DILLINGER, with aliases, et al.,  
IDENTIFICATION ORDER 1217,  
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Division April 13, 1934.



Very truly yours,

*J. E. Hoover*

Director.

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Enclosure:

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Laboratory Report

April 17, 1934.

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

Number: 62-29777-436

Specimens: 1 postal card addressed to Daily News, signed J. Dillinger,  
reading as follows: "So they think they have me in their  
net - 'Well Good Luck'."

Examination requested by: New York Office.

Date received: April 13, 1934.

Examination requested: Laboratory and Fingerprint.

Result of examination:

Examination by: S.F. Pickering  
SFD

The handwriting on the postal card addressed to the Daily News  
signed J. Dillinger is not that of the John Dillinger referred to under  
this case number.

A report on the fingerprints will be submitted separately.

THE ORIGINAL EVIDENCE WHICH WAS SUBMITTED IS BEING RETAINED IN  
THE LABORATORY FOR ANY SUBSEQUENT EXAMINATIONS WHICH MAY BE DESIRED.  
SHOULD YOUR OFFICE DESIRE THIS ORIGINAL EVIDENCE FOR USE IN ANY SUBSEQUENT  
PROCEEDINGS WHICH MAY DEVELOP THE DIVISION SHOULD BE NOTIFIED IN AMPLE  
TIME TO PERMIT TRANSMITTAL.

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

April 18, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

In confirmation of teletype message of April 16, 1934, you are advised that at the request of Mr. Purvis, the following bullet proof vests were forwarded to the Chicago office by Railway Express, collect, on the evening of April 16, 1934: Two super vests, Nos. 3226 and 3227, as well as five regular vests.

With reference to the recent inquiry of the Division as to the value of the super vests when compared with the regular vests, you are advised that I have inquired of a number of agents who have made use of the vests and one of the agents, Mr. O. G. Hall, who has conferred with a representative of the Federal Laboratories, Inc., manufacturers of these vests. The unanimous opinion was expressed that the super vests are preferable. The manufacturers represent that these super vests will repel a bullet fired from a .38 super automatic, while no such claim is made as to the regular vests. It is to be recalled that in the apartment formerly occupied by John Dillinger, there was found a .38 super automatic pistol. I am informed that the weight of the super vests is not such as to hinder the necessary movements of an officer who may possess a gun at the time he is on duty, and the additional weight of the super vests is more than compensated for by the additional protection afforded.

I was also informed by Mr. Hall that this company likewise makes a super super vest which a bullet of even greater velocity and power will not penetrate. However, it is feared that the weight of such a vest would make it cumbersome; and the recommendation was therefore made that if such a vest were available in Washington, it be examined to determine whether it is too heavy; and if it is found to be too heavy, it is recommended that each office be supplied with the required number of super bullet proof vests and that the regular vests on hand at the St. Paul and the Chicago offices be exchanged for super vests in accordance with an understanding which the Division has with the Federal Laboratories, Inc.

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The bullet proof vests which were confiscated during raids made on the apartments of John Dillinger and Edward Green fail to show from exterior examination any identifying marks as to the manufacturers. Two of the vests in question are of a blue serge variety, and examination of them disclosed signs indicating that bullets have penetrated these vests. The third is of a brownish-gray appearance and there are no outside identification marks on it. These three vests are being transmitted to the Division under separate cover.

Very truly yours,

H. H. CLEGG,  
Inspector.

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April 20, 1934

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

APR 23 1934

For your personal and confidential information I am submitting herewith a memorandum concerning the Division's investigation looking towards the apprehension of John Dillinger, and the obstacles confronting it in its efforts by virtue of premature newspaper publicity.

Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover  
Director

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*[Handwritten initials]*

SPC:DSS

April 20, 1934.

**MEMORANDUM**

On April 14, 1934, information was received by Division Agents to the effect that Dillinger and one of his associates called on a doctor at Louisville, Kentucky, for the purpose of receiving medical treatment for a bullet wound in his leg received at St. Paul, Minnesota, on March 11, when he escaped from the apartment on Lexington Avenue. Dillinger did not receive medical treatment at that time, but made an appointment with the doctor for the following Tuesday - April 17th. Immediately upon receipt of this information a corps of Special Agents proceeded to Louisville, Kentucky, where the doctor was contacted, who verified this information. He was positive in his identification of Dillinger and stated that an appointment had been made with him for Tuesday. Accordingly, proper arrangements were made so that Dillinger would have been taken into custody had he put in his appearance. The Division received the above information through a local officer at Louisville, Kentucky, who apparently later gave the information to press representatives who published the story in the Louisville papers on Tuesday, the day which Dillinger was expected to put in his appearance. This, of course, ruined any possibility of causing his apprehension at that time.

Another such incident occurred at South Bend, Indiana, when information was received by the Division through a confidential informant to the effect that Dillinger was hiding out at Elkhart, Indiana. Division Agents proceeded to South Bend, which is about fifteen miles from Elkhart, where plans were made to definitely establish the location of his hide-out and effect his apprehension. During the course of this investigation a newspaper article was published at South Bend to the effect that Dillinger had been seen in South Bend by a druggist. This, of course, put Dillinger on notice and ruined any possibility of causing his apprehension at that time and place.

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

For your personal and confidential information I am submitting herewith a memorandum concerning the Division's investigation looking towards the apprehension of John Dillinger and the obstacles confronting it in its efforts by virtue of premature newspaper publicity.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director

Encl. 310733.

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

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

**St. Paul** FILE NO. **26-2434**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>St. Paul, Minn.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>4-21-34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>4-20-34</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>H. L. Glass</b>
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**TITLE:** **CHADWICK**  
**JOHN DILLINGER**, aliases: **John Hall, John Donovan**  
**Hall, Florence Cruss, Joseph J. Harris, J.**  
**Donovan, Kirtly, Frank Sullivan, Carl T. O'Hara**  
**FUGITIVE, I. O. #1214; HERBERT YOUNGBLOOD;**  
**ERNEST BLUNK; JOHN HAMILTON, alias John Campbell**  
**CHARACTER OF CASE:** **NAP'L MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT AND**  
**HARBORING FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE**

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** **FUGITIVE, I. O. 1220; EDWARD GREEN**  
**aliases: Eddie Green, Harry Green, George Green,**  
**George Graham, Eugene Green, Charles Ryan, Frederick**  
**Riley, Fred Riley, D. A. Stevens, Fred Rogge, Fred Graham;**  
**EVELYN FRECHETTE, aliases: Billie Spark, Ann Martin,**  
**Mary Evelyn Frechette, Evelyn Spark, Evelyn Frechetti,**  
**Billie, Mrs. J. O. Hughes - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1241;**  
**MRS. BESSIE SKINNER, aliases: Mrs. T. J. Randall, Beth**  
**Green, Mrs. D. A. Stevens, Mrs. Edward Green, Bessie Walsh,**  
**Bessie Moore, Bessie Randall, Bessie Green, Elizabeth**  
**Kline, Hester Hinds; HOMER VAN METER, aliases:**  
**Kenneth Jackson, Kenneth R. Jackson; DR. CLAYTON E. MAY;**  
**MRS. AUGUSTA SALT, alias Mrs. Gurniath LaDelle;**  
**PAT REILLY; DR. NELS G. MORTENSEN.**

**Synopsis:** **Mason City, Iowa, bank robbery alleged to have occurred on**  
**March 13, 1934. On approximately midnight the following day,**  
**PAT REILLY called at residence of DR. N. G. MORTENSEN, physician,**  
**and had two friends who needed treatment. DR. MORTENSEN**  
**observed shoulder, bullet wound with downward course, on JOHN**  
**DILLINGER and on JOHN HAMILTON. He examined the wounds, applied**  
**or re-applied dressing. HOMER VAN METER also present.**

**REFERENCE:**  
 Summary Report by Special Agent E. L. Nicholson dated 4-19-34  
 at St. Paul, Minnesota.

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DETAILS

The title of this report is changed to include the names of PAT REILLY and DR. MELB G. MORTENSEN.

Predicated upon information furnished by BESSIE GIBBY, with address DR. MELB G. MORTENSEN was invited to the St. Paul office of the Division on the afternoon of April 20, 1936. DR. MORTENSEN was questioned concerning his alleged treatment of JOHN DILLINGER on the occasion of DILLINGER'S having been wounded by gun shot.

DR. MORTENSEN stated that about the day after the papers carried the story of the Mason City, Iowa, bank robbery, or perhaps the day after the robbery had occurred, shortly after midnight, he and his wife, who had retired, heard a ringing at their doorbell. MRS. MORTENSEN looked out the window and saw two automobiles, one of which looked like a Hudson automobile and the other was similar in appearance. DR. MORTENSEN personally answered the doorbell at his residence, 2253 Fairmont Avenue, St. Paul, and he stated that he believed there were five people present and he knew but one of them, namely, PAT REILLY. He stated that he had known PAT REILLY for more than two years. He had treated REILLY and his family before. REILLY, accompanied by three or four other men, came into the house and were assembled in the front room or the hall. PAT REILLY advised DR. MORTENSEN that there had been a gun fight in Minneapolis and he had two friends who were injured. DR. MORTENSEN stated that he informed REILLY that he had not brought his medicine kit to the house with him and he had no equipment with which to treat the wounds. However, he stated that he did examine wounds on two people.

At this point, photographs were shown to him and he promptly selected from a large group of photographs the photograph of JOHN DILLINGER as having had a bullet wound in his shoulder which he examined that night. He likewise examined a photograph of JOHN HAMILTON on an Identification Order and identified it as the photograph of another person whose wound he examined on the night in question. He immediately identified HOMER VAN MATTER as a third man who was present on this occasion.

DR. MORTENSEN stated that the wounds of both DILLINGER and HAMILTON were very similar in nature, were obviously made by a bullet which had been fired from a point of elevation, and the bullets had assumed a downward course. Both men were wounded in the left shoulder. The wounds at the time he examined them were fresh and had not been treated medically. (DR. MORTENSEN later stated that the wounds were in the right shoulder rather than in the left should, after he had carefully considered their location.) He stated that one of the men, whose photograph he identified as JOHN HAMILTON, had a torn place in his clothing so that he could examine the wound through the torn place in his shirt; while the man identified as JOHN DILLINGER took his shirt off, and in fact, DILLINGER almost

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doorbell and PAT REILLY had announced the purpose of the visit.

DR. MORTENSEN was asked specifically whether he had read in the news-  
papers the account of the shooting with the following characteristics:  
that he had stolen an automobile and had transported it to a car house  
where several men were occupying, and that Federal agents were looking for  
BILLINGER; and DR. MORTENSEN stated that he understood that  
the men who were present at the time of the shooting were  
armed and that they were looking for BILLINGER and HAMILTON.  
He stated that he recalled that he is just as busy as he can be  
during these times.

DR. MORTENSEN, who was upstairs, heard the men say, "we had better go back and get those a-- b--s." DR. MORTENSEN interpreted  
this as meaning, perhaps, those who had shot HAMILTON and DILLINGER.

DR. MORTENSEN stated that subsequent to this treatment, he had  
received no threat of any kind by telephone or otherwise. He stated that he had  
been afraid to report the incident, but he assigned no specific basis for the  
existence of this fear. He denied that he received any pay or promised pay, or  
that he had entered any charges in connection with the treatment of BILLINGER and  
HAMILTON. He stated that after the examination which he made, the four or five  
men who were present then proceeded to their automobiles and departed. He stated  
that he did not obtain the names of the patients or any of the history of their  
injuries, as is usual.

DR. MORTENSEN is described as follows from personal observation:

Name: DR. NIKS G. MORTENSEN  
Age: 50 years  
Height: 5 feet  
Weight: 200 pounds  
Build: Medium  
Eyes: Blue  
Hair: Grey, bushy  
Complexion: Fair to sallow  
Residence: 2252 Fairmont Avenue, St. Paul, Minn.  
Occupation: Physician and surgeon  
Handwriting Specimen - On Statement, in ink  
Military record: Enlisted at St. Paul in medical corps  
on July 1, 1917; served at Camp Cody, New Mexico,  
and later went overseas with A.E.F., going over with  
54th Division and later serving with 6th Division.  
He claimed he was discharged on July 29, 1929.  
Nationality: Danish. Naturalized in 1920.

The description of PAT HEILLY will be submitted at a later date.

MRS. N. G. MORTENSEN was interviewed at her home by Inspector W. A. Rorer and Special Agent John V. Anderson on April 20, 1934. She stated that she has a very vague recollection of what occurred on the occasion when several men came to her home, at approximately midnight, to receive treatment by DR. MORTENSEN. She stated that she cannot fix the date, although it was approximately four or five weeks ago, and that at the time both DR. MORTENSEN and she were in bed; that DR. MORTENSEN went downstairs and received the men, the number of which she does not know, and that she paid very little attention to what was happening, but overheard a remark by one of the men, although at this time she cannot recall just what was said. She stated that she does not recall whether DR. MORTENSEN came back upstairs prior to the time these men departed, and that it is her recollection that the men were in the house for a very short time, possibly five or ten minutes. She stated that she does not know what treatment the doctor administered, but that when the doctor returned upstairs after the men's departure, he stated to her that some of the men while on the street in Minneapolis had been shot through a window. She stated that when these men departed she looked out of the upstairs window and saw the three or four men cross the street in front of her home and enter two automobiles which were parked on the opposite side of the street of the MORTENSEN home. She stated

that she has never had any idea as to the identity of any of the persons who came to her home on that night, and that she is not acquainted with PAT KILLY. She stated that at no time has DR. MORTENSEN discussed with her the identity of any of these persons.

MRS. MORTENSEN, a woman of approximately 45 years of age, was highly nervous and excited, and cried continuously during the interview. Her mother was present when she was questioned.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Special Agent in Charge Purvis called last night in connection with the Agents at Saulte St. Marie, Michigan. He said that they had Hamilton's sister in custody and were endeavoring to obtain the names of a number of other friends of Dillinger and Hamilton, all of whom will be questioned; that the facts indicating that Hamilton's sister had harbored Dillinger and Hamilton had been presented to the United States Attorney, who advised that if it would assist the Agents in their investigation he would authorize the filing of a complaint. Mr. Purvis stated that she had been very frank about Hamilton and Dillinger's visit; that she was the mother of a baby about two years of age and that it was questionable whether a jury would convict her on this charge. He stated, however, that he believed the United States Attorney would want him to recommend either for or against prosecution. Mr. Purvis was of the opinion that the prosecution would not aid in determining the whereabouts of Dillinger and Hamilton. On the contrary he stated that she might be made a good source of information for future activities of Dillinger in the event she were treated well and not prosecuted. Mr. Purvis wanted to know what attitude he should take. I told him that he should present the facts developed concerning the harboring of a fugitive charge to the United States Attorney and let him act accordingly without making any recommendation.

Respectfully,

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

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TITLE <b>JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER with aliases, FUGITIVE; E. O. LAY; JOHN HAMILTON with aliases, FUGITIVE; I. O. LEBB; HOMER VAN METER with aliases FUGITIVE, I. O. LEBB; et al</b>	CHARACTER OF CASE <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE</b>
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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Evelyn Frchette orally admits meeting Dillinger March 8 or 9, 1934, and proceeding with him to St. Paul or Minneapolis, where she rented an apartment on Girard Street. John Hamilton, Pat Cherington and Opal Lang also were present. She admitted being present during the shooting after which they proceeded to Chicago, thence to Indianapolis, Indiana, where she left Dillinger and arrangements were made for them to meet April 9th in Chicago. Immediately after the shooting Evelyn and Dillinger went to 3500 Fremont Avenue, Minneapolis. During the shooting Dillinger was shot in the leg. While in Indianapolis she and Dillinger resided with the latter's father and she and Dillinger's brother, Hubert, purchased 1934 Ford V-8 Deluxe sedan in Indianapolis, and the night preceding her apprehension she and Dillinger stayed at a tourist camp near Chicago. Statements of Evelyn Frchette taken at different times obviously inconsistent.

**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent G. L. Nicholson, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated 4/9/34.

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On April 10 and 11, 1934, Special Agents E. J. McLaughlin and M. C. Palmer interviewed Evelyn Greenleaf, at which time she stated substantially as follows regarding Dillinger, at any time to make a written statement.

She stated that while John Dillinger was in the County Jail at Crown Point, Indiana, she visited him once and at that time he asked her where she was staying and she advised that she would probably get a room again at 901 Addison Street, Chicago, where she had previously resided. However, she made several trips between Chicago and Indianapolis to see Attorney Ryan who was representing Dillinger and the few nights that she was in Chicago she roomed in hotels and as a result of these trips she had no opportunity to get to 901 Addison Street as she intended. On March 3, 1934, she read in the papers regarding Dillinger's escape from Crown Point, Indiana, and realizing that she had told him that she might go to 901 Addison Street, she hung around this address which is near the corner of Addison and Clark Streets in Chicago on the nights of March 3rd and 4th and on the evening of March 4, 1934, Dillinger came to this corner and she met him and they immediately drove away from Chicago going to St. Paul. She does not recall what kind of a car Dillinger was driving at this time. They arrived in St. Paul, Minnesota, the next day and he let her out of the car in the downtown section either in St. Paul or Minneapolis, she is not sure which city, saying that he wanted to see someone and would return shortly. Dillinger, according to Evelyn, apparently had no money at this time, but when he returned and picked her up, after seeing the individual he intended to contact, he had some money. They then drove around and she rented an apartment for them in Minneapolis on Girard Street. She does not recall what name was used, but it was not Hollman. Later someone rented an apartment for them on Lexington Avenue in St. Paul and she and Dillinger moved in under the name of Hollman. She said that she first saw John Hamilton in St. Paul, but that she saw no other men whom Dillinger contacted. She said that the only ones who came to their apartment on Lexington Avenue in St. Paul were John Hamilton, Pat Charrington and Opal Long. The two girls and Hamilton stayed there frequently and spent the night of Friday, March 23, 1934, in this apartment. She stated that they went out for a walk shortly before the shooting which occurred there the next day. She stated that on Saturday morning, March 24, 1934, two men knocked at the door of their apartment and when she opened it they said they were policemen. She had just gotten out of bed and Dillinger was still in bed. She made some excuse to these men and closed the door and she then told Dillinger that there were some policemen at the door. He then stated to her "Keep your shirt on", and they both got dressed in a few minutes and Dillinger said to her "Follow me". He then shot through the door with a machine gun and did some shooting in the hall, while she

stayed inside the apartment. He then called her to follow him and she followed him down the back stairs. He then stood in the alley with her and got their car out of the garage and drove the two of them away. She stated that they made no stops in St. Paul or Minneapolis during the shooting and that Dillinger was not hurt. She does not know whether or not he had on a bullet proof vest, although he had on a vest on a hat and did throw a bullet proof vest into the car in the alley when they drove away. She claimed to these Agents that Dillinger had not been hit and that the blood in the hall was the result of her illness. She said that she heard the shooting downstairs and figured that it was probably John Hamilton and the girls coming back, and that she did not see Dillinger shoot out of the apartment windows prior to his shooting out in the hall.

She said that they immediately drove out of town going South through what she believed to be Minnesota and Iowa, at first taking side roads, not using the main highways, and that they crossed a river quite a way South a day or two later. They did not drive very rapidly as the car was new and she stated that they slept in the car at night and did their eating by getting sandwiches at roadside "hot dog" stands. She said they arrived in Indianapolis the next day and Dillinger let her off and told her to take a train to Chicago. She bought a hat and coat in Illinois as she took none with her at St. Paul. She claims to have arrived in Chicago about 9:00 P.M. on the following Saturday evening after the shooting. When she left Dillinger asked her where they would meet and she suggested Clark and Addison Streets, and he said he would meet her there on April 9th, 1934, between 8:00 and 9:00 P.M. She stated that that was the place toward which she was going on the night she was arrested by Division Agents. When Dillinger left her in Indianapolis he said he wanted to go some place, but did not specify the place and suggested that it was best for her to come to Chicago. At that time he still had the Hudson automobile purchased in St. Paul.

She further stated that she knew John Dillinger was a fugitive and was wanted by the law at the time of the shooting and at the time she resided with him in Minneapolis and St. Paul, and at the time she drove him away in the Hudson car from the back of the Lexington Avenue apartments in St. Paul. She also figured that she was wanted and was interested in her own escape.

She also told these Agents that she had known Jerry Strog for some time, having met him in various roadside beer joints, but that there was no planned meeting with Strog on the night she was arrested and that it was purely accidental.

Evelyn Frechette subsequently made a more complete statement which appears to be a more truthful statement to Special Agent K. Deaderick, but the copy is recorded in view of the fact that she admitted to these Agents her presence at St. Paul and Minneapolis with Dillinger.

As a result of the information first supplied by Evelyn Frechette with reference to her intention to meet Dillinger at the Corner of Addison and Clark Streets in Chicago between 8:00 and 9:00 o'clock on the evening, Special Agents of the Chicago Division office covered this intersection and 901 Addison Street from 7:00 P.M. to 10:30 P.M. on Tuesday evening, April 10, 1934, but no signs of Dillinger were noted. This watch was not continued the next night in view of the fact that Evelyn Frechette subsequently told Agent Deaderick that this information was not true.

The following information was obtained orally from Evelyn Frechette by Special Agent Deaderick:

She stated she first met John Dillinger at 901 Addison Street, Chicago, Illinois, during the month of November, 1933; that Pat Cherington introduced her to Dillinger. At that time she was living at 901 Addison Street in Chicago. Shortly thereafter, she went with Dillinger in his automobile to Daytona Beach, Florida, where she and Dillinger rented a house at 901 Atlantic Street. She remained there with Dillinger until a short time after Christmas of 1933; that while at Daytona Beach she had some dental work done by Dr. Hoy. She recalls a bridge and she was supposed to call for this bridge on December 30, 1933, but neglected to do so, and has never called for it.

She stated that a short time after Christmas, 1933, she left Dillinger at Daytona Beach with Harry Pierpont and John Hamilton, and she returned to Neopit, Wisconsin, where she visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sprague, her mother and stepfather, remaining there about two weeks; that she then returned to St. Louis, Missouri, where by agreement she met Dillinger and that she and Dillinger stayed at the Roosevelt Hotel in St. Louis for three or four days; that they proceeded from there to Tucson, Arizona, where Dillinger and other members of his gang were apprehended; that she soon thereafter returned to Chicago, Illinois, and made two or three trips to visit Dillinger in prison, also a trip to Indianapolis, Indiana, to see Dillinger's lawyer, one Joseph Ryan. During this time she made her home with her sister, Frances Schultz, or Frechette, who resided at 3512 North Halsted Street, Chicago, Illinois; that a short time prior to Dillinger's escape at Crown Point, Indiana, she moved back to her

his residence, 901 Addison Street in Chicago, and was living there at the time he escaped. She stated she did not have any prior information pertaining to his escape, but that immediately upon seeing some of the newspapers, she anticipated that Dillinger would look for her at that address, which he did, about two days after he made his escape; that upon his arrival he had a good car, the make of which she does not know, and was well armed; that she immediately packed her bags and they left that night for St. Paul, Minnesota; that upon their arrival in St. Paul, she rented an apartment on the corner of 33rd and Girard Streets for herself and Dillinger, and that they lived there for a period of approximately two weeks; that she then learned through Dillinger that Bessie Green had rented an apartment for them at 95 Lexington Avenue in St. Paul; that she and Dillinger then moved to that address; that almost immediately after their arrival in St. Paul, John Hamilton contacted them and moved in with them; and that he lived with them all of the time at the 33rd and Girard Street address and then moved with them to the Lexington Avenue address.

She stated that about a week prior to the shooting which occurred while they were living at the Lexington Avenue address, Pat Cherington moved in with them and one or two days later her sister, Opal Cherington, or Long, also moved in with them; that John Hamilton, Opal and Pat were all living there with them when the shooting occurred, but that on the morning of the shooting, Hamilton, Pat and Opal had gone out for groceries, and were not present during the shooting, that the only persons in the room at the Lexington Avenue address at the time the officers arrived were Dillinger and herself; that she was the person who opened the door and then slammed it in the officer's face; that she and Dillinger then went out. She got the car and they then left, going almost immediately to 3300 Fremont Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, where Eddie and Bessie Green lived under the name of P. J. Handell; that she is not positive whether Green and Dillinger left and went to a doctor or not; that in the shooting affray at the Lexington Avenue address Dillinger was shot through the side of the left outer leg about three or four inches above the knee, but the wound was not serious; that she dressed said wound on the evening of the shooting and put in the country; that if they did go to a doctor she does not know what doctor, as Dillinger never told her. She was so highly excited that her memory on those details is not clear.

Evelyn Frechette further stated that about the last of March, the exact date she does not remember, there came a snow in St. Paul, and on that afternoon she and John Dillinger, she being known as Billie, left their apartment and visited Eddie and Bessie Green at 3300 Fremont Avenue, Minneapolis, for a short time, and that on the

Following day, as she recalls it; Eddie and Bessie came over and visited them in their apartment.

Evelyn Frechette was directly questioned as to her knowledge of the blond wig which was found in the vacated apartment at the Lexington Avenue address, and as to the woman called Pearl; but stated that she knew absolutely nothing of such a wig or of anyone called Pearl being there.

Evelyn Frechette stated that after she and Dillinger had gone to Eddie and Bessie Green's place after the shooting, very soon thereafter, they got in their car, the Hudson sedan, and drove away out on the edge of Minneapolis until dark, and then drove back into the edge of town and got a newspaper and read of the shooting. They then proceeded south and at an unknown point spent the night in the car on a country road, and spent the two following nights sleeping in the car; that they then arrived at the home of John Dillinger, Sr. near Indianapolis, Indiana, where she remained with John Dillinger and his parents three days and nights; that while at this place John Dillinger took the Hudson sedan one afternoon, stating that he and another man, unknown to her, had to make a trip and that Dillinger did not return until about daylight the following morning, and then informed her that they had had a wreck and demolished the Hudson, and at this point gave her approximately \$750.00 in cash. Evelyn Frechette stated that she, accompanied by John Dillinger's brother, Hubert Dillinger, and Hubert's wife went to 625 North Capital Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, where she, Evelyn Frechette, purchased with this money a 1934 Ford V-8 Deluxe sedan with black body, black wheels and a spare on the rear; that she gave the name of Fred Penfield and the address as 409 North LaSalle Street, Indianapolis, the motor number being 751673 and the dealer caused to be placed on the car, 1934 Indiana license tags No. 86389. The address 409 North LaSalle Street, she advised, is the home of Hubert Dillinger, brother of John Dillinger.

Evelyn Frechette further stated that about noon Sunday, April 8, 1934, she and John Dillinger left Indianapolis, Indiana, in the above described Ford sedan and drove to a tourist camp, which is located on Highway No. 75, about twenty-four miles before reaching Chicago; that at this point there is a tourist camp on the right hand side of the road with a white building in front; that she and John Dillinger spent Sunday night, April 8th, at this tourist camp; that they did not have to register and that she does not know the name of the camp; that the following day, Monday, April 9, 1934, she and Dillinger left this camp in the Ford sedan shortly after noon and drove around over the country until about dark, when they came into Chicago, Illinois; that she made contact with Larry Streng on the

evening of April 9, 1933, and had an appointment with him at the Anstis and State Street drinking parlor about 8:00 P.M. She stated that Larry is a friend of hers, but that Dillinger does not know him; that her purpose in seeing Larry was to get him to arrange for a place for them to hide out in Chicago; that Dillinger drove her to the parlor about two or three car lengths of this drinking parlor, and parked behind another car, and she got out and went in to see Larry, and was picked up for questioning; that she has not seen or heard from Dillinger since, although she feels positive that Dillinger observed her being taken away.

Evelyn Frechette stated that at the present time she had no idea where Dillinger might be, nor does she know what address Pat and Opal Cherington were living in St. Paul.

It is noted on page 53 of the report of Special Agent D. L. Nicholson at St. Paul, 4/9/34, that a receipt dated 4/5/34 to Mr. Irwin Olson, had been found in the apartment on South Lexington Avenue in St. Paul, which had been occupied by Dillinger and Evelyn Frechette. Evelyn when interviewed about this in Chicago, stated that this was the name she used in renting the apartment located at 33rd and Girard Streets in Minneapolis, when she and Dillinger first went to the Twin Cities. It is interesting to note that Dillinger escaped from Crown Point on March 3, 1934, and apparently was in Minneapolis with Evelyn Frechette on March 5, 1934.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Chicago, Illinois**

**Case No. 2777-679**

**St. Paul, Minn.**      **Chicago**      **St. Paul, Minn.**

**JOHN BILLINGER**, aliases: **John Hall, John Demoye**  
**Hall, Clarence Bruce, Joseph J. Marlar, J. M.**  
**Demoye, Kirby, Frank Sullivan, Carl T. Boland**

**FUGITIVE, I.O. 11847; HERBERT YOUNGLOOD**  
**ERNEST BLINK; JOHN HAMILTON**, alias: **XXXXXXXXXXXX**  
**John Campbell - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1240; EDWARD GREEN**,  
 aliases: **Eddie Green, Harry Green, George Green,**  
**George Graham, Eugene Green, Charles Ryan, Frederick**  
**Riley, Fred Riley, S. A. Stevens, Fred Rogge, Fred Graham**  
**EVELYN FROCHETTE**, aliases: **Billie Spark, Ann Martin,**  
**MARY Evelyn Frochette, Evelyn Spark, Evelyn Paschetti**  
**Billie, Mrs. J. Hughes - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1281**  
**MRS. BESSIE SKINNER**, aliases: **Mrs. E. J. Randall, Bessie**  
**Green, Mrs. S. A. Stevens, Mrs. Edward Green, Bessie Wilson,**  
**Bessie Moore, Bessie Randall, Bessie Green, Elizabeth**  
**Kline, Hester Hinds; SUMER VAN MEETER**, aliases:  
**Kenneth Jackson, Kenneth R. Jackson; DR. CLAYTON E. MAY**  
**MRS. AUGUSTA SALT**, alias **MRS. GURLIATH LA BELLE**

**NAT'L MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT -  
MADISONVILLE, TENN. FROM JUSTICE**

**SUBSIDIARY REPORT**

The title of this report is being changed and the names of  
**DR. CLAYTON E. MAY** and **MRS. AUGUSTA SALT**, alias **MRS. GURLIATH LA BELLE**, are being  
 substituted for **JOHN** and **JANE DOE**.

On March 5, 1934, **JOHN BILLINGER** and **HERBERT YOUNGLOOD** escaped  
 from the Lake County Jail, Crown Point, Indiana. In making their escape these  
 individuals stole a Ford Vee, Four Door Sedan, bearing Motor No. 256,447, the  
 property of Lake County, Indiana, the car having been used by **SHERIFF LILLIAN**  
**HOLLEY** and stolen from her possession. This car was discovered abandoned in  
 Chicago, Illinois, on Saturday evening, March 3, 1934.

On March 7, 1934 the United States Attorney at Chicago, Illinois,  
 authorized the issuance of a complaint and warrant for **JOHN BILLINGER** and **HERBERT**

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: *[Signature]*

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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YOUNGBLOOD for the theft and interstate transportation of this automobile. Accordingly, and on the same day, a complaint was signed and sworn to by Special Agent T. F. Mullen before United States Commissioner Edwin L. Walker at Chicago, Illinois. The warrant was issued the same day and is now in the hands of the United States Marshal at Chicago, Illinois, the warrant having never been served on JOHN DILLINGER and HERBERT YOUNGBLOOD.

On March 19, 1934 a woman rented Apartment No. 303 in the apartment building located at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, which apartment was subsequently occupied by two men and two women. On March 21, 1934, when Special Agent E. C. Coulter and St. Paul Police Officer Henry Cummings attempted to question the occupants of this apartment, the officers were fired upon and the occupants escaped, Agent Coulter exchanging pistol shots with an individual later identified as HOMER VAN MEYER, on the first floor of the building, while Officer Cummings was fired upon with a machine gun, and shot at an individual on the third floor, who was later identified as JOHN DILLINGER.

Subsequent investigation disclosed that Apartment No. 303, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, had been occupied by EVELYN FRECHETTE, JOHN HAMILTON, JOHN DILLINGER, and another woman; that Subject EDDIE GREEN and BESSIE GREEN, with aliases, had visited EVELYN FRECHETTE and JOHN DILLINGER in this apartment, and had been visited by them in GREEN'S apartment, being Apartment No. 307, 3300 Fremont Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota; that following the shooting at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue on the morning of March 21, 1934, at which time DILLINGER was wounded, EVELYN FRECHETTE and JOHN DILLINGER departed from this address; EVELYN FRECHETTE obtaining from a garage in the rear of the apartment building a 1934 Hudson Sedan, she starting the motor of this automobile and backing it out of the garage, at which time DILLINGER entered the automobile and they proceeded to Minneapolis, Minnesota, where EVELYN FRECHETTE contacted EDDIE GREEN. EDDIE GREEN, in turn, communicated with DR. CLAYTON W. MAY, with offices in the Mesquin Temple Building, and arrangements were made whereby DILLINGER, with the knowledge of EDDIE GREEN, BESSIE GREEN, EVELYN FRECHETTE, and DR. MAY, was admitted to the home of MRS. AUGUSTA SALT, 1935 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, where he was treated by DR. MAY and cared for by MRS. SALT until the evening of April 4, 1934, at which time he, accompanied by EVELYN FRECHETTE, departed from MRS. SALT'S apartment.

On April 10, 1934, at St. Paul, Minnesota, before United States Commissioner Goddard, and upon authority of Assistant United States Attorney Heisey, Inspector H. H. Clegg swore to a complaint, and warrant was issued charging EDDIE GREEN and BESSIE GREEN with conspiracy to harbor a fugitive from

justice. EDDIE GREEN and BESSIE GREEN were apprehended at St. Paul, Minnesota, on April 5, 1934, at which time EDDIE GREEN was shot and removed to Angler Hospital, St. Paul, where he subsequently died on April 11, 1934.

On April 10, 1934, following the issuance of the above warrant, BESSIE GREEN was arraigned before United States Commissioner Goddard, waived preliminary hearing, and upon default of bond in the amount of \$25,000.00, was committed to the Ramsey County Jail to await trial.

On April 9, 1934, EVELYN FRECHETTE was apprehended at Chicago, Illinois, and on April 12, 1934, at Minneapolis, Minnesota, before United States Commissioner Abbott, upon the authority of Assistant United States Attorney Heisey, Inspector H. E. Slegg swore to a complaint, and warrants were issued charging JOHN HAMILTON, BESSIE GREEN, EVELYN FRECHETTE, and EDDIE GREEN, with conspiracy to harbor a fugitive from justice. A non est return was made on the warrant for EVELYN FRECHETTE, and certified copies were forwarded to the United States Attorney at Chicago, Illinois. On April 13, 1934 at Chicago, Illinois, EVELYN FRECHETTE waived removal hearing, and in default of bond in the amount of \$60,000.00, was ordered removed to St. Paul, Minnesota, forthwith.

On April 14, 1934, upon authority of Assistant United States Attorney Heisey, St. Paul, Minnesota, Inspector W. A. Rorer swore to a complaint before United States Commissioner Goddard at St. Paul, Minnesota, charging EDDIE GREEN, BESSIE GREEN, EVELYN FRECHETTE, JOHN HAMILTON, JOHN DOE, and JANE DOE, with conspiracy to harbor fugitive JOHN DILLINGER. One of the overt acts charged harboring DILLINGER on or about March 31, 1934. JOHN and JANE DOE, as set out in the complaint referred to above, had reference to DR. CLAYTON E. MAY and MRS. AUGUSTA SALT, whose identity at that time had not been established.

DR. MAY and MRS. SALT were apprehended at Minneapolis, Minnesota, on April 17, 1934, and when arraigned before United States Commissioner Goddard on April 18, 1934 demanded a hearing, which was set for May 2, 1934, and in default of \$50,000 bond, each, were remanded to the Ramsey County Jail. Subjects JOHN HAMILTON and HOMER VAN METER have not as yet been apprehended.

WITNESSES:

To present evidence against Subject EVELYN FREQHETTE:

MRS. D. S. COFFEY, 93 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota. This witness will testify that she is the manager of the apartments located at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, and that on March 19, 1934 she rented Apartment No. 303 at this address to an unknown woman; that two men and two women occupied this apartment until the morning of March 31, 1934; that on that date the men in Apartment 303 at the above address fired on a police officer and a Special Agent of the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, with a machine gun; that these men escaped and have not been seen since.

MR. D. S. COFFEY, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, will testify to the same facts as set out above under the witness MRS. D. S. COFFEY.

E. F. MEIDLINGER, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota. This witness will testify that during the month of March 1934 he was the caretaker and janitor in the apartment building at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, and that on or about March 31, 1934, he took a meat roaster and a towel rack to Apartment 303 in this building, and handed these articles through the door to a woman occupant of the apartment. This witness will identify EVELYN FREQHETTE as being the woman in Apartment 303 on this occasion. This witness will further testify that on or about March 28, 1934, he observed the same woman entering the building at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue.

R. C. COULTER, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, 303 Post Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota. This witness will testify that on the morning of March 31, 1934, he accompanied by Detective Henry Cummings of the St. Paul Police Department, went to the apartment house located at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue; that he entered the building with Detective Cummings, knocked on the door of Apartment 303, which door was opened about two inches by a woman. The witness will further testify that the woman refused to allow him to enter; that she closed and locked the door. This witness will further testify that about ten minutes later, while he was still in the building, he observed a man coming up the back steps; that this man passed Detective Cummings and proceeded to the front steps; that this man proceeded to the ground floor by way of the front steps, and when witness descended to the ground floor this man pointed a pistol at him and started shooting.

HENRY CURTINGS, Police Detective, St. Paul Police Department, Safety Building, St. Paul, Minnesota, will testify that he, accompanied by Special Agent R. C. Coulter, proceeded on March 31, 1934 to the apartment house located at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, and that in response to Special Agent Coulter's knock on the door of Apartment 303, a dark complexioned woman came to the door and refused to allow them to enter; that she closed and locked the door. This witness will further testify that after Agent Coulter proceeded to the first floor of the building, the occupant, or occupants, of Apartment 303 fired upon him with a machine gun, and that he returned the fire.

WERNER HANNI, Special Agent in Charge, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, 803 Post Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota, will testify that on March 31, 1934, at about noon of that day, he entered Apartment No. 303 in the building at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue and found therein, in addition to other firearms and personal belongings, a woman's light tan coat with a platinum fox collar, bearing a Young-Quinlan Company label, and a Getaway Chart written in ink, which he forwarded to the Division at Washington, D.C.

MRS. VEE GLANCY, in care of Young-Quinlan Company, 9th and Nicollet Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, will testify that on March 27, 1934 she was present at, and assisted in the sale of the coat that was found in Apartment 303, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, by Special Agent in Charge Hanni, to a woman who stated that her name was MRS. J. HUGHES. MRS. GLANCY will identify EVELYN FRECHETTE as the woman who purchased this coat under the name of MRS. J. HUGHES on March 27, 1934.

MR. JOHN TIERNEY, Identification Division, St. Paul Police Department, Safety Building, St. Paul, Minnesota, will testify that on March 31, 1934, he entered Apartment No. 303 at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, immediately after the shooting and escape of the occupants, and obtained from this apartment a listerine bottle on which he found a fingerprint which he identified by records of the St. Paul Police Department, Bureau of Criminal Identification, as being a fingerprint of JOHN DILLINGER. The witness will identify this bottle and will present the latent fingerprint taken therefrom, together with technical comparison with complete prints of JOHN DILLINGER.

FREDERICK R. O'ROURKE, assistant to JOHN TIERNEY, Bureau of Criminal Identification, St. Paul Police Department, Safety Building, St. Paul, Minnesota, will corroborate the testimony of JOHN TIERNEY.

W. T. DEMPSEY, Fingerprint expert of the Dayton, Ohio, Police Department, Dayton, Ohio, will testify that on September 22, 1933 he took the fingerprint impressions of JOHN DILLINGER. This witness will produce the

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original prints of DILLINGER taken by him and introduce them, together with a comparison of the latent fingerprint found on the listerine bottle at Apartment 303, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue.

RAY CUTTING, 964 Grand Avenue, in care of Brown-Day Surgical Supplies Company, 68 East 5th Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, will testify that on Saturday, March 24, 1934, while he was delivering papers in the neighborhood of 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, he was stopped by a man who requested that he leave a paper at Apartment 303, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue. This witness will further testify that on March 27, 1934, he called at Apartment 303, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, to obtain the name of the occupant for his customers list; that a woman answered the door and gave the name of J. HELLMAN. This witness will identify EVELYN FRECHETTE as being the woman who answered the door at Apartment 303, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, and gave the name of J. HELLMAN. He will identify photographs of JOHN DILLINGER as being the man who approached him, requesting a paper be left at Apartment 303.

PAUL HALLER, E 12, Fort Snelling, Minnesota, in care of Eisenmenger Meat Company, 455 Wabasha Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, will testify that on the morning of March 31, 1934, at about 10:30 or 11:00 A.M., his truck was parked in the rear of 93-95 South Lexington Avenue; that when he approached his truck he was about one hundred feet away from the garage in which the occupants of this apartment building keep their cars; that he noticed a large sedan being backed out of the garage by a woman, and that a man was standing on the opposite side of the car. Witness will further testify that the car was backed up first with the rear door hanging open, and then was immediately driven back into the garage, at which time the man got into the car. The car was then backed out again and driven out of the alley in a westerly direction.

BESSIE GREEN, in care of The Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota, will identify JOHN DILLINGER and EVELYN FRECHETTE as being occupants of Apartment 303, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, who were visited by herself and EDDIE GREEN on or about March 30, 1934. She will further testify that on March 31, 1934, EVELYN FRECHETTE came to her apartment, being No. 207, 3300 Fremont Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota, at about 11:00 A.M., and stated that they had been "jumped out" of their apartment; that JOHN DILLINGER had been shot in the leg. At this time EVELYN FRECHETTE requested that EDDIE GREEN accompany her in order to see that DILLINGER was cared for; that EDDIE GREEN did immediately leave the apartment, in company with EVELYN FRECHETTE. This witness will further testify that during the evening of March 31, 1934, she proceeded to the office of DR. CLAYTON E. MAY, on the 7th floor, Masonic Temple Building, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and drove DR. MAY in his car to 1836 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota; that she placed DR. MAY'S car in a garage in the rear of 1835 Park Avenue and went to

the apartment of MRS. AUGUSTA SALT; that she entered the apartment of MRS. SALT and that during the time she was in this apartment there were also present DR. CLAYTON E. MAY, who gave medical aid to JOHN DILLINGER; EDDIE GREEN, EVELYN FRECHETTE, and MRS. SALT; that JOHN DILLINGER was lying on a bed in a small room in the rear of this apartment.

MRS. AUGUSTA SALT, in care of The Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota, will identify EVELYN FRECHETTE as the individual who came to her apartment at 1835 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, between 11:00 and 11:30 P.M. on the morning of March 31, 1934, and remained at her apartment with DILLINGER until the evening of April 4, 1934, at which time they departed. This witness will further testify that EVELYN FRECHETTE and JOHN DILLINGER came to her apartment in a dark colored automobile, which was placed in the garage in the rear of 1835 Park Avenue.

DR. CLAYTON E. MAY, in care of The Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota, will testify that at approximately 11:00 A.M. on the morning of March 31, 1934, EDDIE GREEN called him at his office, and immediately came to his office, saying that he had a friend who had been hurt; that he went with GREEN to 1835 Park Avenue, where he saw a party lying on the bed who had a bullet wound in his left leg; that he treated this individual; that he remained in the house for approximately ten or fifteen minutes, when he departed; that BESSIE GREEN came to his office at approximately 8:30 or 9:00 P.M. on the evening of March 31, 1934 and drove him in his car to the apartment at 1835 Park Avenue, where he again treated the patient, and at this time he figured that the patient was JOHN DILLINGER. This witness will further testify that on his first visit to the apartment at 1835 Park Avenue on March 31, 1934, there were in this apartment in addition to the patient, a black haired woman and EDDIE GREEN, as well as MRS. SALT, alias MRS. LA DELLE, who maintains the apartment; that on the second visit to the apartment on March 31, 1934 he was there for about ten minutes, and there were present on this occasion EDDIE GREEN, BESSIE GREEN, the black haired girl, and JOHN DILLINGER. This witness will identify EVELYN FRECHETTE as being the dark haired girl who was present in his apartment with JOHN DILLINGER.

M. C. FALKNER, K. D. DEADRICK, and H. H. REINECKE, Special Agents, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers' Building, Chicago, Illinois. These witnesses will testify that EVELYN FRECHETTE made statements to them in Chicago, Illinois, that she was in Apartment No. 205, 95-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, on the morning of March 31, 1934, with JOHN DILLINGER, at which time DILLINGER engaged in a gun fight with police officers and fled.

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AARON KOHN, Fingerprint Expert, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Washington, D. C. This witness will testify to the receipt at the Division in Washington, D. C. of the Getaway Chart, written in ink, which was obtained by Mr. Werner Hanni at Apartment No. 303, 95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, and will further testify that there was developed on this Getaway Chart, three latent fingerprints, which fingerprints correspond to those of JOHN DILLINGER. This witness will introduce charts prepared at the Division of Investigation of the latent fingerprints, and a comparison will be made with the latent fingerprints found on the Getaway Chart and the fingerprints of JOHN DILLINGER.

THE UNITED STATES MARSHAL, Chicago, Illinois, will produce the original warrant issued for JOHN DILLINGER, showing a non est return made on April 8, 1934.

Witnesses to present evidence against  
DR. CLAYTON E. MAY.

MRS. AUGUSTA SALT, care of Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota. This witness will testify that she has for the past year and a half been employed as a practical nurse; that on March 31, 1934, she was residing in an apartment at 1835 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota; that at approximately 11:15 A.M., on the morning of March 31, 1934, DR. CLAYTON E. MAY came to her apartment, entering the apartment through the back door, and stated that he was bringing in a man; that he immediately went out and returned with an individual, whom the witness afterwards learned to be JOHN DILLINGER, and a dark haired girl; that she put DILLINGER in the second room and brought water, alcohol, and a pillow; that DILLINGER was wounded in the left leg, and she assisted DR. MAY in dressing this wound. On this occasion, DR. MAY remained at her apartment for approximately ten or fifteen minutes and then he departed, saying that he would be back later.

This witness will further testify that DR. MAY returned to her apartment on Saturday evening, March 31, 1934, about 8:00 or 8:30 P.M., and that shortly after his arrival, an Auburn haired lady, whom the doctor called BETH, also entered the apartment; that DR. MAY had returned alone in the evening and it was approximately ten or fifteen minutes after his arrival that the Auburn haired girl came into the apartment, and that on this visit by DR. MAY he again treated DILLINGER'S wounded leg; that the next visit by DR. MAY to her apartment was on Sunday evening, April 1, 1934, between 8:00 and 8:30 P.M.; that on Tuesday night, April 3, 1934, DR. MAY again visited her apartment at approximately 8:30 P.M. and remained until about 10:00 P.M.; that on this occasion when DR. MAY entered her apartment, she asked whether the patient was MR. DILLINGER, to which



DR. MAY replied, "Sure. Didn't you know?"

This witness will further testify that about 10:30 P.M. on Tuesday, April 3, 1934, she heard a radio report that EDDIE GREEN had been shot in St. Paul, Minnesota, and that on Saturday, April 7, 1934, DR. MAY stated that possibly the girl who had been taken into custody at the time GREEN was shot, who was known to her as HETH, might say something, and that they had better move, and suggested that she obtain another apartment, which she did on that day at 131 East 14th Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

BESSIE GREEN, care of Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota, This witness will testify that on March 31, 1934, at approximately 8:30 or 9:00 P.M., she proceeded from her apartment at 3300 Fremont Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota, to the office of DR. CLAYTON E. MAY on the 7th floor of the Masonic Temple Building in Minneapolis and accompanied DR. MAY in his Chevrolet automobile to 1835 Park Avenue, Minneapolis; that after arriving at this address, it was found that DR. MAY'S car could be properly parked in the garage; that after parking his car in the garage, she entered the apartment at 1835 Park Avenue; that during the time she was there, there were also in the apartment DR. CLAYTON E. MAY, who gave medical aid to JOHN DILLINGER; EDDIE GREEN; EVELYN FRECHETTE, and a woman whose name is unknown to her but who is the individual who occupied the apartment and whom she will identify as being MRS. AUGUSTA SALT; that there was also present in this apartment, lying on a bed in a small room in the rear of the apartment, JOHN DILLINGER.

MISS BONNIE SANDERS, 1525 LaSalle Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, This witness will testify that until April 18, 1934, she was employed by DR. CLAYTON E. MAY as office girl in his office located at 712 Masonic Temple Building, Minneapolis, Minnesota; that she had been employed in that capacity since July, 1933; that for about twelve days preceding April 18, 1934, DR. CLAYTON E. MAY had not been in his office, and that it had always been his custom to call daily at his office except for considerably shorter intervals; that during his absence prior to April 18, 1934, she received telephone inquiries from him as to who had called at the office for him, and on these occasions when he telephoned, his voice sounded normal and she did not consider that he was away from his office on account of drunkenness.

This witness will further testify that during the period of her employment by DR. MAY, she knows of no telephone calls that DR. MAY has received which threatened him with bodily injury or physical violence, and that she herself had never received any such calls on behalf of DR. MAY, nor had she ever informed him that any such calls had been received from individuals who had

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telephoned to the office. It should be noted that DR. MAY has stated that the reason he did not report his treatment of JOHN DILLINGER was that he had been threatened with bodily harm if he did so. The testimony of the above witness will be introduced to rebutt this defense on the part of DR. MAY.

HAROLD NATHAN, Assistant Director, and H. H. CLEGG, Inspector, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, 503 Post Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota, will testify and introduce into evidence a signed statement voluntarily furnished by DR. MAY on April 17, 1934, in which he admits treating JOHN DILLINGER in the apartment of MRS. SALT, 1835 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, on the morning of March 31, 1934, between 11:00 A.M. and 12:00 noon, and also on the evening of March 31, 1934, between 8:30 and 9:00 P.M.

Witnesses to present evidence against  
MRS. AUGUSTA SALT, alias MRS. GURNLATH  
LADLIE.

DR. CLAYTON E. MAY, Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota. This witness will testify that on March 31, 1934, between 10:30 and 11:30 A.M., EDDIE GREEN came to his office and stated that he had a friend who had been hurt; that he went with EDDIE GREEN to 1835 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, the home of MRS. AUGUSTA SALT, where he saw an individual lying on a bed, this individual having a gun shot wound in his left leg; that he treated this individual for the wound, put on an antiseptic pad, and shortly thereafter left the apartment of MRS. SALT; that at approximately 8:30 or 9:00 P.M. on the same evening, he, accompanied by BESSIE GREEN, again returned to MRS. SALT'S apartment at 1835 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, where he again attended the patient and changed the dressing on the patient's leg; that on his second visit, he felt that the patient resembled JOHN DILLINGER a great deal.

This witness will further testify that when he first called at the apartment at 1835 Park Avenue, there were present in the apartment a black haired woman, a photograph of whom he has identified as being EVELYN FRECHETTE; EDDIE GREEN, and MRS. SALT; that on the second visit to the apartment he remained about ten minutes, and there were present on this occasion EDDIE GREEN, BESSIE GREEN, EVELYN FRECHETTE, and JOHN DILLINGER.

BESSIE GREEN, Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota. This witness will testify that on the evening of March 31, 1934, at approximately 8:30 or 9:00 P.M., she went to the office of DR. MAY on the 7th floor of the Masonic Temple Building, from which place she proceeded with DR. MAY in his

Chevrolet automobile to 1835 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota; that after parking the car in a garage, she entered the apartment at this address, at which time there were present in the apartment DR. MAY, EDDIE GREEN, EVELYN FRECHETTE, MRS. SALT (being the individual who occupied the apartment), and JOHN DILLINGER.

✓ VERNER HANKE, Special Agent in Charge, and HAROLD NATHAN, Assistant Director, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, 203 Post Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota. These witnesses will testify and introduce into evidence a signed statement furnished by MRS. AUGUSTA SALT, alias MRS. GURKLATH LADELLE, which statement was furnished voluntarily by MRS. SALT, and in which she admits that on the morning of March 31, 1934, at approximately 11:15 A.M., DR. MAY came to her apartment at 1835 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, bringing to this apartment JOHN DILLINGER and EVELYN FRECHETTE; that JOHN DILLINGER had a gun shot wound in his left leg for which he was treated by DR. MAY; that at this time, DILLINGER was placed by her in a second room and she brought water, alcohol, and a pillow; that on the following Sunday, April 1, 1934, DILLINGER was moved from the room in which he had been placed to the back room of her apartment; that from Saturday, March 31, 1934, until Wednesday, April 4, 1934, EVELYN FRECHETTE and JOHN DILLINGER remained in her apartment at 1835 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, departing therefrom at approximately 6:00 P.M. on the evening of April 4, 1934; that during this time she cared for JOHN DILLINGER, preparing and serving him with food; that on Monday evening, April 2, 1934, DILLINGER gave her \$100.00, all in \$5.00 bills, at which time DILLINGER said, "This is for your services"; also, that on Wednesday evening, April 4, 1934, shortly prior to the departure of JOHN DILLINGER and EVELYN FRECHETTE from her apartment, he gave her an additional \$10.00.

Witnesses who will present evidence  
against BESSIE GREEN.

✓ DR. CLAYTON E. MAY, Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota. This witness will testify that on March 31, 1934, at approximately 8:30 or 9:00 P.M. BESSIE GREEN came to his office on the 7th floor of the Masonic Temple Building, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and drove him in his Chevrolet automobile to an apartment located at 1835 Park Avenue, Minneapolis; that shortly after he entered this apartment, BESSIE GREEN also entered, at which time there were present in the apartment EDDIE GREEN, BESSIE GREEN, EVELYN FRECHETTE, and JOHN DILLINGER.

MRS. AUGUSTA SALT, Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota. This witness will testify that on March 31, 1934, between approximately 8:00 and 9:00 P.M., DR. MAY came to her apartment at 1835 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota; that shortly after DR. MAY entered her apartment a red haired lady, whom the doctor called BETH, entered the apartment and handed her (MRS. SALT) two keys and told her to give them to the doctor; that at this time EVELYN FRECHETTE was also in the apartment; and when the girl known as BETH, whom she will identify as BESSIE GREEN, appeared at the door, EVELYN FRECHETTE said, "Come on in, Beth"; that on this occasion there were present in her apartment BESSIE GREEN, EDDIE GREEN, DR. MAY, EVELYN FRECHETTE, and JOHN DILLINGER.

HAROLD NATHAN, Assistant Director, and H. H. CLEGG, Inspector, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, 403 Post Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota. These witnesses will introduce into evidence the voluntarily signed statement furnished to them on April 14, 1934, by BESSIE GREEN. In this statement, BESSIE GREEN admitted that she was acquainted with JOHN DILLINGER and EVELYN FRECHETTE; that she was also acquainted with the fact that DILLINGER was being sought by law enforcement officers of certain cities, as well as by officers of the Federal Government; that on Thursday, March 29, 1934, she, together with EDDIE GREEN, visited the apartment of JOHN DILLINGER located at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, at which time EVELYN FRECHETTE was also present in the apartment; that on the night prior to this visit, JOHN DILLINGER and EVELYN FRECHETTE had visited EDDIE GREEN and herself in their apartment at 3300 Fremont Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota; that during the morning of Saturday, March 31, 1934, she was in her apartment at 3300 Fremont Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota, with EDDIE GREEN, when EVELYN FRECHETTE entered and stated that they had been "jumped out" of their apartment on Lexington Avenue, and that JOHN DILLINGER had been shot in the leg; and that EVELYN FRECHETTE requested EDDIE GREEN to accompany her, which he did.

The statement of BESSIE GREEN further related that between 8:00 and 9:00 P.M. on the evening of March 31, 1934, she (BESSIE GREEN) proceeded to DR. MAY'S office on the 7th floor of the Masonic Temple Building in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and accompanied by DR. MAY in his Chevrolet automobile, proceeded to 1835 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, at which time there were present in the apartment DR. MAY, JOHN DILLINGER, EDDIE GREEN, EVELYN FRECHETTE, and MRS. SALT, who occupied this apartment.

Witnesses who will present evidence  
against HOMER VAN METER.

R. C. COULTER, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, 803 Post Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota, will testify that the photograph of HOMER VAN METER is a likeness of the individual who shot at him on the morning of March 31, 1934, at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, and is the man who accosted him in the hall of the apartment building at the above address.

HENRY CUMMINGS, Police Detective, St. Paul Police Department, Safety Building, St. Paul, Minnesota, will testify that the photograph of HOMER VAN METER is a likeness of the individual who approached him in the hall of the apartment house at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, which individual Special Agent Coulter later followed to the ground floor, and with whom Agent Coulter exchanged pistol shots.

R. L. NALLS, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, 803 Post Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota, This witness will testify that at approximately 10:20 A.M. on the morning of March 31, 1934, he proceeded to the apartment building at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue; that Special Agent Coulter entered the building, while he remained on the outside. Witness will further testify that he observed the green Ford V-8 Coupe, bearing 1934 Minnesota license B-44-706, stop on the North side of Lincoln, directly opposite the apartment building at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue; that he observed the man leave the Ford Coupe and enter the building at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue. Witness will further testify that the Ford V-8 Coupe above described by him, is the same automobile which was disabled by Agent Coulter, and from which he (witness) later took the Thompson sub-machine gun with the number obliterated, and a 100-shell capacity drum for the machine gun, and a Winchester repeating rifle, .851 caliber, Model 075L, No. 46190. The machine gun and the 100 shell capacity drum were contained in a large leather case.

OPAL MILLIGAN, Junior Hotel, St. Paul, Minnesota, will testify that on March 10, 1934, she met an individual who gave the name as WAYNE; that the photograph of HOMER VAN METER is a likeness of this individual; that during the week of March 24, 1934, she stayed with this individual, known to her as WAYNE, in an apartment house at 2214 Marshall Avenue, St.

Paul, Minnesota; that this individual had a greyish-green Ford V-8 Coupe, in which car he always carried a long leather zipper bag, similar to the one described above as having been found in the Ford Coupe; that on one occasion she jokingly remarked that this case probably contained a machine gun.

Witnesses who will present evidence against JOHN HAMILTON.

MR. D. S. COFFEY, 93 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota. This witness will testify that a photograph of JOHN HAMILTON is a likeness of the individual he saw coming in the rear door of the apartment building at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, on Sunday, March 24, 1934, and that this individual was occupying Apartment No. 303 in the above mentioned building.

MRS. D. S. COFFEY, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, will testify that the photograph of JOHN HAMILTON is a likeness of one of the men seen by her in Apartment No. 303, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

R. C. COULTER, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, 205 Post Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota, will testify that he obtained latent fingerprints from articles contained in Apartment No. 303 at 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, on March 31, 1934, one of which prints is identical with the left thumb print of JOHN HAMILTON.

This witness will testify that there was obtained from this apartment a peroxide bottle from which he obtained a latent fingerprint impression which he forwarded to the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. He will produce the peroxide bottle and identify the fingerprint taken therefrom.

HAROLD WEITNER, Sergeant, South Bend Police Department, South Bend, Indiana, will testify that on March 16, 1934 he took the fingerprint impressions of JOHN HAMILTON. This witness will produce the original prints of HAMILTON taken by him, and introduce them, the fingerprints being South Bend Police No. 2151.

AARON KOHN, Fingerprint Expert, Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Washington, D. C. This witness will testify to the receipt of the latent fingerprint impression taken from a peroxide bottle found in Apartment No. 303, 93-95 South Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, and which had been obtained by Special Agent R. D. Coulter at the apartment on March 31, 1934.

This witness will further testify that the fingerprint impression obtained from the peroxide bottle is identical with the left thumb print of JOHN HAMILTON. With the use of charts prepared at the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, he will illustrate the similarities of the latent fingerprint found on the peroxide bottle and the original fingerprints of JOHN HAMILTON.

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The following individuals have no known criminal records: DR. CLAYTON E. MAY; MRS. AUGUSTA SALT, alias CURNIATH LADKLE, and BESSIE GREEN.

The criminal record of EVELYN FRECHETTE, as obtained from the Identification Unit of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., is as follows:

As ANN MARTIN, #2376, arrested Police Department, Tucson, Arizona, January 25, 1934; charge, fugitive from justice; disposition, released January 30, 1934.

The following is the criminal record of JOHN HAMILTON, as obtained from the Identification Unit of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.:

As JOHN HAMILTON, #251, arrested Police Department, South Bend, Indiana, March 15, 1927; charge, auto banditry (bank robbery); sentence, 25 years.

As John Hamilton, #16844, received Indiana State Reformatory, Pendleton, Indiana, March 19, 1927; crime, auto banditry; sentence, 25 years; ESCAPED September 26, 1933, from Indiana State Prison, Michigan City, Indiana.

The following is a criminal record of HOMER VAN METER, as obtained from the Identification Unit, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C. :

As KENNETH R. JACKSON, #309, arrested Police Department, Aurora, Illinois, June 23, 1923; charge, larceny; changed to disorderly conduct, June 29, 1923; sentence, 41 days, fine \$200.

As KENNETH JACKSON, #6124, received State Prison, Menard, Illinois, January 11, 1924; crime, larceny; sentence, 1 to 10 years, paroled December, 1924.

As HOMER VAN METER, #4851, arrested Sheriff's Office, Crown Point, Indiana, March 12, 1925; charge, robbery (2 charges); sentence, 10 to 21 years on each charge.

As HOMER VAN METER, #14991, received Indiana State Reformatory, Pendleton, Indiana, March 25, 1925; crime, robbery (2 charges); sentence, 10 to 21 years on each charge.

As HOMER VAN METER, #11561, received State Prison, Michigan City, Indiana, July 23, 1926; transferred from Indiana State Reformatory; paroled under Reformatory jurisdiction, May 19, 1933.



The following is the criminal record of JOHN DILLINGER, as obtained from the Identification Unit of the Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

As JOHN DILLINGER, #14595, received State Reformatory, Pendleton, Indiana, September 16, 1924; crime, assault and battery with intent to rob and conspiracy to commit a felony; sentence, 8 to 14 years and 10 to 20 years respectively.

As JOHN DILLINGER, #15225, received State Prison, Michigan City, Indiana, July 16, 1929; transferred from Indiana State Reformatory; paroled under Reformatory jurisdiction, May 10, 1933; parole revoked by Governor - considered as delinquent parolee.

As JOHN DILLINGER, #10587, arrested Police Department, Dayton, Ohio, September 22, 1933; charge, fugitive; turned over to Allen County, Ohio, authorities.

As JOHN DILLINGER, received County Jail, Lima, Ohio, September 22, 1933; charge, bank robbery; ESCAPED October 12, 1933.

As FRANK SULLIVAN, arrested Police Department, Tucson, Arizona, January 25, 1934; charge, fugitive; turned over to Lake County, Indiana, authorities.

As JOHN DILLINGER, #14487, arrested Sheriff's office, Crown Point, Indiana, January 30, 1934; charge, murder - bank robbery; escaped March 3, 1934.

The following is the criminal record of EDWARD GREEN, as obtained from the Identification Unit of the Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

As EUGENE GREEN, No. 7561, arrested by Police Department, Milwaukee, Wis., 8-11-16; charge, grand larceny; six months House of Correction.

As GEORGE GRAHAM, St. Paul No. 17483, on 7-7-31; charge, investigation.

As FRED ROOPE, No. 19005, arrested 9-20-21, Minneapolis, Minnesota, charge, suspected auto thief.

As FREDERICK HILBY, No. 5484, arrested 2-8-22, Police Department, Des Moines, Iowa; charge, investigation, suspected auto thief and safe blower, turned over to St. Paul Police 2-15-22; charge, grand larceny & auto theft, released 12-4-22; lack of evidence.

As BESSIE GREEN, true name EUGENE GREEN, No. 3774, received 11-15-21, Minnesota State Reformatory, St. Cloud, charge, robbery in first degree; 30 years and 5 years.

On 7-20-22, No. 7529, received at the Minnesota State Prison to serve an indeterminate term for robbery in the first degree.

(One copy of the signed statements as well as the following is attached to the copies of the report for the Division and for the United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota.)

- BESSIE GREEN
- DR. CLAYTON E. MAY
- MR. A. GALT
- FRAN BERGSON
- TOM WILSON
- DR. W. E. MONTGOMERY
- DONNIE SANDERS

PENDING

STATEMENT OF TOM P. FILBY

St. Paul, Minnesota  
April 25, 1934

I, TOM P. FILBY, do hereby make the following voluntary statement:  
I am 45 years old, and have been a resident of St. Paul all my life. I own the Federal Acceptance Corp., located at 210 Baltimore Building, and my brother and I own and operate the Patrick Novelty Co. at 515 St. Peter Street, which is a business dealing in slot machines. We have been in the slot machine business about twelve years.

On or about March 14, 1934, during the afternoon, a woman came into my office at 515 St. Peter Street, and asked for me. I had never seen the woman before. I am positive of this. This woman did not state her name. She was about thirty-five years old, I imagine, about 5'7" high, about 120 or 130 pounds, medium build, wavy hair, between wading and light complexion. All I can remember as to her description is that I recall she was wearing a dark cloth coat, with fur trimmings. She was carrying a long purse, about 12 inches long, and the purse was dark. There was nothing flashy about the woman. She appeared to be educated, there was no dirt or slang to her. She was smart and looked intelligent, and from her general appearance she may have been a nurse. She wanted to know if I could borrow her money on a new car. She said she had a car she wanted to turn in to the car bank. She said she had a Plymouth, I don't know whether it was a coupe, coach or a sedan. She knew the color of this car, but a Plymouth coupe which she wanted to turn in. She said she had been over to the O'Donnell Motor Co. in Minneapolis. She said she wanted a Hudson Sedan and a Terraplane Sedan, I believe. She had written a check of \$1000.00 for the car she wanted. I told her that I could not do this for her. I said I would try to sell it. This Plymouth had a California license plate, and the number of which I don't remember. She left the Plymouth in my yard with the California certificate of title, which was over the name of MASH, or some similar name. I recall that she had a check for \$1000.00.

I called JOHN O'DONNELL and he had charge of the Federal Acceptance Corp. at the Baltimore Building and told me to get what she would get on the car. I went in for a Hudson Sedan over at O'Donnell's. I think she had the car for a few days. I think she had the car for a few days. I think she had the car for a few days. I think she had the car for a few days.

The money was in two packages, one \$500 and one \$100. The \$500 package was in five \$100 bills and the \$100 package was in ten \$10 bills. The money was brought to the parking lot at my place of business at 315 1/2 Street. I couldn't say for sure how many were brought over to my place. I believe the money to one of the cars was brought to my office and the bills for them immediately after that. The delivery was made between 8 and 10 p.m. I do not know the name of the man who was delivering the money. The man was taken care of at the Federal Reserve Bank at the O'Donnell Motor Co. in Minneapolis. I do not know why the name of the man was given his address as 315 Baltimore Building, which is the address of the Federal Reserve Corporation.

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The woman who brought the money to my office was a woman of about 40 years of age, of medium build, with dark hair. She was wearing a dark coat and a hat. She was driving a car on the right side across the street from my place of business. I received the \$100 bill over to Edwin H. H. Manager of the Federal Reserve Corporation. The money was delivered following the delivery of the money to my office.

About a week after the delivery of the Hudson Sedan and the Terraplane, the woman came back to my office and told me she wanted to purchase a Hudson Sedan; she had written on a piece of paper the kind of car, the wheel base, and a super power dome, was a part of the specifications. The name of Hellman was written on the paper, but I don't remember the initials, and she said she wanted the car purchased in that name. This was a cheaper car than the first Hudson. She said the party who wanted the car was out of town. She apparently knew that such a car was not in stock in the Twin Cities. She

left about \$1,040.00 in bills with me for the payment of this car. She did not ask for a receipt and I did not give her one. I asked Gleeman to go to the Hudson Dealer up on the Block, see the boss, and see what he could do. I told him to turn in on this car a Chevrolet Coupe, which the Federal Acceptance Corp. owned. Gleeman, with my permission, closed a deal with the Potthoff Motor Co. on March 29, 1934, getting an allowance of \$375.00 on the Chevrolet Coupe and giving me checks in the total amount of \$675.00. The Potthoff Motor Co. delivered the Hudson Sedan to the rear of 518 St. Peter Street, about 7:00 p.m., March 29, 1934, then both Potthoff and Gleeman came in and Gleeman gave me the keys. I did not furnish the address of Hellman or have anything to do with procuring the license. On or about 9:00 p.m., the woman called for the car, and I gave her a refund of \$45.00 and the keys to the car. I never saw her after that. I gave the woman my telephone number, but never did learn where she lived. She never did tell me who sent her to me. I do not know the identity of the men with whom she was associated. For my own benefit, I would not be inclined to tell who they were if I did know.

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

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

(Signed) THOMAS F. FILBIN

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

(Signed) THOMAS F. FILBIN

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

Statement read to FILBIN who  
verified correctness but refused  
to sign.  
H. C. COULTER, Sp. Agt.,  
S. G. HALL, Sp. Agt.,  
Agents of Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Dept. of Justice, Room 203,  
Post Office Bldg., St. Paul, Minn.

STATEMENT OF EDDIE GREEN

I am known as MRS. EDDIE GREEN, also, as MRS. T.J. RANDALL, and I make my home during the past several years, for the most part, in Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota. I desire to make this statement freely and voluntarily to Inspector H.H. CLUGG of the Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice.

I am acquainted with one, JOHN DILLINGER, concerning whom there has, in the past several months, been quite a bit of publicity and I have from time to time observed newspaper stories to the effect that DILLINGER was being sought by law enforcement officers of certain states as well as by officers of the Federal Government. To my certain knowledge, JOHN DILLINGER has been in St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minnesota, for at least a part of the time during the months of March, and April, 1934. On, or about Thursday, March 29, 1934, which date I fix because it was the date of a snow storm, I, together with EDDIE GREEN also known as T.J. RANDALL, visited the apartment of JOHN DILLINGER located in the apartment house at 93-95 Lexington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota. On that occasion, I feel sure that JOHN DILLINGER was not wearing a bullet proof vest because I saw him in his shirt sleeves and some of the conversation that followed indicated that he, together with the girl known to me as BILLIE, and who is identical with the photograph which has been exhibited to me on which appears the name of EVELYN FRECHETTE, had been to certain picture shows in St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minnesota. I also observed on a table in the apartment, in which DILLINGER and BILLIE lived, some photographs which were said to be photographs of DILLINGER taken when he was younger, one of them showing the photograph of a boy in a tree and another the photograph of a young man in a sailor suit and I also saw in this same apartment what was humorously referred to as "the wooden pistol" with which, according to stories I have heard, DILLINGER effected his escape from a jail in Indiana.

On the night before this visit, made by EDDIE GREEN and myself, to the apartment occupied by JOHN DILLINGER and BILLIE, or, at least, one night during the same week, JOHN DILLINGER and BILLIE visited the apartment where EDDIE GREEN and I were living together under the name of Mr. and Mrs. T.J. RANDALL in the building located at 2300 Fremont Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Some time during the morning of Saturday, March 31, 1934, I was in my apartment at 2300 Fremont Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, with EDDIE GREEN when the girl known to me as BILLIE, and whom I have identified by photograph as being identical with EVELYN FRECHETTE, came to my apartment and stated that they had been "jumped out" of their apartment on Lexington Avenue and that JOHN DILLINGER had been shot in the leg and the girl, BILLIE, wanted EDDIE GREEN to go with her. EDDIE GREEN did accompany BILLIE and I was informed that arrangements were made whereby JOHN DILLINGER was afforded medical treatment by DR. CLAYTON E. MAY in a flat located in the building at 1635 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Later that day, I was informed that Dr. May was to attend DILLINGER again and it was somewhat difficult for him to make a proper disposition of his automobile

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while attending JOHN DILLINGER and I, therefore, proceeded to Dr. May's office on the seventh floor of the Masonic Temple Building, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and accompanied the aforesaid Dr. May, in his Chevrolet automobile, to the above-mentioned address, 1835 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota. It was found that this car could be properly parked in a garage and so I entered the flat and in this flat, during the time I was there, was Dr. Clayton May, who gave medical aid to JOHN DILLINGER; EDDIE GREEN; the girl, BILLIE, or EVELYN FREEMAN; a woman, whose name is not known to me, but who, I understood, occupied this flat, and I am sure I would be able to identify her if I should see her again; and, likewise, present, lying on a bed in a small room in the rear of this flat, was JOHN DILLINGER. His presence was obviously known to all of them whom I have mentioned as being present.

I have read the above statement. It is true and correct in every detail.

Signed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1934.

Mrs. Eddie Green

WITNESSES:

H.H. Clegg, Inspector

Division of Investigation, U.S. Dept. of Justice

Harold Nathan

April 27, 1954.

My name is CLAYTON E. MAY, located at 718 Marconi Temple, Residence 5032 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota. I am giving this statement voluntarily, and know that I am making it to an officer of the Federal Government, no threats or promises having been made.

Between 10:30 and 11:30, March 31, 1954, EDDIE GREEN called me at the office and immediately came up saying he had a friend who had been hurt. I went with him to 1835 Park Avenue, where I saw a party on the bed. I took a pair of scissors and cut his trousers and underwear, exposing his leg, and on the lower third there was a perforated bullet wound, entrance and exit, just beneath the skin. It did not touch the muscle. I treated the man antiseptically with 5% SW. I inserted a probe from the entrance to the exit, and this wound went underneath the skin, and would not impair his walking. I put an antiseptic pad, saturated with 5% SW, over the external portion of the wound and fastened it down with adhesive. I remained in this place for about ten or fifteen minutes. Very little loss of blood was noticed. He could walk and had the full use of his legs.

I was to return and give him Anti-Tetanic Serum. I didn't go out there, and EDDIE GREEN'S wife came to the office at approximately 8:30 to 9:00 on the evening of March 31, 1954. She took me out there and I injected this serum into the patient's leg and changed the dressing, and there was very little seepage on the dressing. At this second visit I felt as though the patient resembled JOHN BILLINGER a great deal, but he has changed so much. He is fatter than the pictures show.

I have known of this flat for two to three years. It is located at 1835 Park Avenue.

I have known EDDIE GREEN for a period of from twelve to fifteen years, knowing the entire family and having taken care of them as patients of mine. I have always been told that he was a steel worker, that is as far as I know what his occupation was. EDDIE has been to the office several times.

The first time I called at the apartment at 1835 Park Avenue on March 31, 1954, the patient was there, and a black haired woman, whose photograph has been exhibited to me and it is marked EVELYN FRECHETTE, and EDDIE GREEN. I cannot really tell about MRS. GREEN, I don't know if she was there. The nurse, MRS. LADELL, who maintains this flat, was also in the flat at the time. This first time I remained in the apartment not over ten or fifteen minutes.

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The second time I called at this flat on the night of March 21, 1934, I was there for about ten minutes, and there were present on that occasion EDIE GREEN and MRS. GREEN, MRS. GREEN having driven me to this place; the black haired girl, and the patient.

I received no money for this but EDIE had promised to see that I was taken care of. I went to EDIE'S apartment on Tuesday morning April 3, 1934, at about 10:30, and asked EDIE about it and he said he would pay me that night, but he did not pay me.

I have received two telephone calls threatening me with bodily violence if I disclosed any information relative to visiting on this man at 1835 Park Avenue. They used vile and threatening language over the telephone. One party was out to my mother's house in the late evening and threatened me, and it was my understanding that if I told about the treatments I had administered to this man at 1835 Park Avenue that I would be in danger.

Wednesday night GEORGE MURPHY called my house a number of times. He came up to the house with a load of fellows and told my mother that they had been in an accident and wanted to get hold of me, wanted to know where I was, and if I was home. This party has been threatening me on various occasions, and would do whatever he possibly could to get even with me. He is the man with whom I was formerly in business. He has threatened me a number also coming to office & beating me up.

I told GREEN on Saturday evening that I would not treat this party again whom I had been taking care of, and whom I considered on the occasion of my second visit to be JOHN DILLINGER.

Signed, this 17th day of April, 1934.

signed: S. E. MAY

Witnesses:

H. H. Clegg - Inspector

Division of Investigation, U.S. Dept. of Justice

Harold Nathan

G. F. Hurley,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Dept. of Justice.

St. Paul, Minnesota,  
April 17, 1936.

My name is Mrs. L. GULLY. I reside at 1235 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota. I am a practical nurse.

At 11:15 on the morning of March 31, 1936, Dr. Florian May came in and said he was bringing a man in. He didn't say he was wounded or anything. Then he asked me if I would get some water, alcohol, and cotton to take care of the wound. Dr. May came in the back way. I didn't see anybody until he rapped at the door. He came in, went out, and returned with a man, whom I afterwards learned to be JOHN BILLINGER, and a dark haired girl. They came in a dark car. I put this man in the second room, and brought water and alcohol and a pillow. The doctor took care of him. I assisted with wrapping the packs. Then I left the room and continued my dinner.

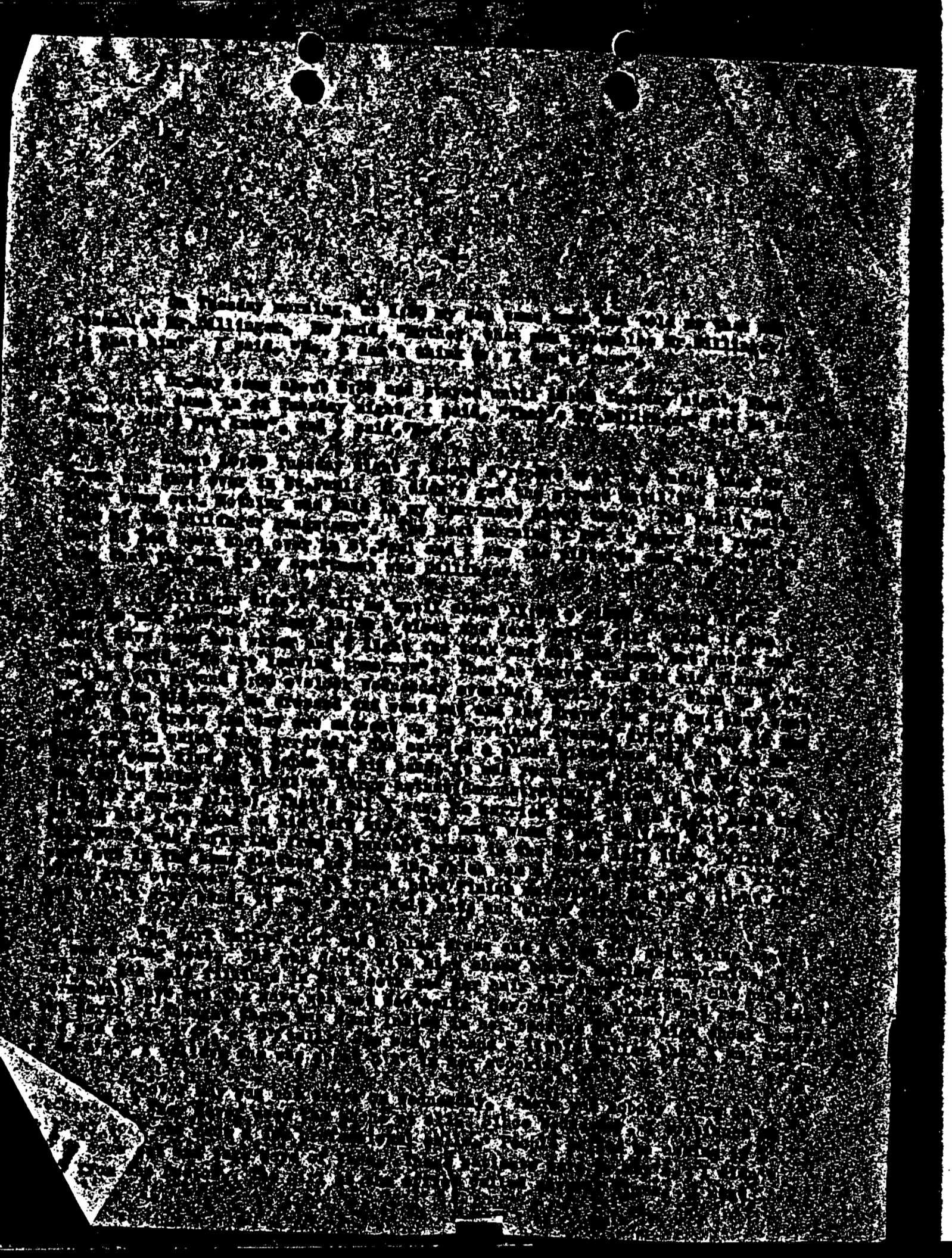
When the black haired girl, mentioned above, came to my apartment with the man now known to me as BILLINGER, she also brought a black leather bag in. They drove the car in the garage when they arrived. As far as I know, they all came together, that is, DR. MAY, BILLINGER, and the woman, and they all entered at the rear entrance of my house. She came in (the black haired woman) then she went back and got her black bag.

We dressed the sore, and washed the blood off his leg. I didn't see anything until they got his underwear off and then I saw the wound. Dr. May wrapped packs and put a little alcohol on it. He didn't have the wound dressed when he arrived and there was nothing on it. I guess maybe they had a towel around it but they had that off when I came in. I was present when Dr. May dressed the wound. Dr. May went away about 11:45 or 12:00 o'clock. He was there only about ten or fifteen minutes. The doctor just said, "I'll be back later" and went out the front way. He called a cab and went away. It was a yellow cab and it took him away from the house. The doctor had his medicine kit with him at the time.

The man, now known to me as BILLINGER, remained in that room until the following Sunday when I moved him in the back room. That was on Sunday afternoon.

On Saturday, the day this man arrived at my house, I took him a tray about 1:15 and then she (the black haired woman who came with him) asked if she could wash some clothing out; which she did in the bathroom; also she did some pressing. This girl hung the man's trousers up in the closet. She wiped them off and put a damp cloth over them and ironed them out. His trunks had blood on. She asked for some gray thread with which she darned a couple of holes in his overcoat.

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I left for town, called on my dentist, and got a few groceries. Then, when X returned, I made him a tray for supper. Dr. May came down on Saturday night, about 8:00 or 8:30. I do not know how long he was later on a red haired lady came in and gave me a bunch of keys. Dr. May called her "Beth". Dr. May had returned alone in the evening and it was about ten or fifteen minutes later that the girl came in the red hair girl and handed me the keys. She came in, then went out and came back with the keys and told me to give them to the lockers. This girl was tall, slim girl with Auburn hair. She didn't have glasses on. The girl with Auburn hair (who is the girl referred to above as having red hair and who handed me the keys) came to my door and was talking with me and said, "Is there a dark haired girl here by the name of Hillinger and I said, there is a dark haired girl here but I don't know her name. The girl with black hair called, "Come on in, soon as you get in later a fellow came in. This fellow said, "I've a picture of the man I want to see or have never seen this man drink before in my life. I showed him his picture in the paper and it is the same man who gave me the keys. I had not seen before and all I know is that the man's face is the one that handed me the keys, and a black, the hair is short and dark, he has a plain face, just a little narrow eye, thin nose, thin lips, and a small chin, only for a few minutes. He took this girl, and she went to the middle bedroom where BILLINGER was and she stayed there for a while. I didn't hear any conversation between them or the girl in the house and Billinger.

A picture, marked "St. Paul Police 2 207" was shown to me as a picture of the dark haired lady who was with the man who had never left the house from the time she came in the house until she left, March 21, 1934, until she left with BILLINGER in the morning.

They didn't call me or my family the night of the murder. I didn't have breakfast until 10:30 or 11:00 and then I had my lunch. He said he didn't drink any more.

I was in town and was looking for a man who had been with the man who had the keys for about an hour. I had a man who was with the man who had the keys for about an hour. I had a man who was with the man who had the keys for about an hour.

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with Dr. May on Thursday. I didn't see him until Saturday. Dr. May called me down to the office about 11:30. Dr. May brought a girl in and asked me if I knew her and he wanted to know if I would assist in taking care of her and I said I would. This was a girl different from those parties. She lived over Northeast. This was on Saturday, April 7, 1934. The doctor then told me to get an apartment and I rented an apartment at about 1:30 and was there about 3:30 Saturday afternoon. I asked this girl if she had a place to stay and she said, "No". I asked her if she had some friends to stay with and she said she would get an apartment and she could stay there, at 121 East 14th Street.

Dr. May said that maybe the girl, who had been taken into custody, meaning the amburn haired girl referred to previously, will say something and we better move for a while. This was the girl whom he called Beth. I said, "Alright", and I went and got the other apartment.

Dr. May called on the telephone about noon, Wednesday, April 4, 1934, and asked how the patient was and I told him that he was leaving.

I have worked off and on for Dr. May for the last three years. I have also worked for Dr. Lins and Dr. Olson. I haven't had many cases. I went on several calls but I don't have many people at the house because I had my teeth pulled. Since January 1, 1934, I took care of about ten or fifteen abortion cases. At the present time, I have a girl at 121 East 14th Street for the same purpose. She came last night. She is a patient of Dr. Clinton May. The girl gave me her name as Joan and she is presently under treatment and staying at my apartment at 121 East 14th Street.

I have made the above statement and I have read same and find that it is correct and true and that they are my own statements made of my own free will and accord without threats, or promises, or any sort having been made, and having been made so, and in the presence of, Wesley Hough, whom I know to be a Special Agent of the Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 1934.

WITNESS

Wm. H. Lins  
Charles H. Hough

Pa. Della  
Mrs. A. Latt

St. Paul, Minnesota.  
No. 130.

I, Hals C. Mortensen, physician and surgeon, office 348 Brown Arcade, residence 2255 Fairmont Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, declare that this is purely voluntary and of my own accord. I have known Pat Heilly for approximately two years and have known Harry Sawyer for approximately four years. On or about March 14, 1934, around midnight, I discovered the doorbell and four or five persons were admitted to my home, one of whom was Pat Heilly, the other three or four being unknown to me at that time. The other three men were later identified as John Dillinger, John Hamilton, and Homer Van Meter.

Pat Heilly explained that there had been a gun fracas in Minneapolis and two men were shot. The two men wounded were John Dillinger and John Hamilton. The wounds were in back of the right shoulder, both of them almost identical. The wound entry was clean and there was probably a dressing covering it. I did not explore for the wound exit, found none, and did not explore below the waist. I did not find any bullet under the skin. My statement was that I could not dress these wounds because I had nothing there at the residence; and that the wounds, in my opinion, were not so dangerous but that they could come to my office the next day if they wanted treatment.

The man identified as John Dillinger sat down because he felt faint, and I went into the kitchen to get a glass of water for him, and he drank the water, and after a few moments of resting in the chair, they all left and went across the street and entered two cars.

It seems to me that both wounds had been covered with gauze and bound down with adhesive tape. The wounds looked clean. I did not discover any iodine on them. I believe I put the dressing back in position, told them that there was no danger for them to go ahead, and told them to come down to the office in the morning. I told that to Mr. Heilly.

The man identified as Homer Van Meter, I discovered later, carried a machine gun. He removed his coat and I found out later that there was a machine gun under the coat.

I did not know any of these men by name that night except Pat Heilly.

*Hals C. Mortensen*

Witness:  
*Alb. C. [Signature]*  
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dinner at the time and receiving several telephone calls. While I was there, a man came in and talked to Mrs. Ladell, and Mrs. Ladell said, "Have your girl come up tonight."

At 8:30 p.m., Dr. Clayton May came in and talked to me about the abortion he was to perform. He asked me whether I had the money, and I gave him \$50. He said, "You ought to have \$10.00 to pay the nurse," and I told him that I thought \$50 would take care of everything. He then said, "Well, I will give Mrs. Ladell \$10.00 and if you get the money later you can pay me." As stated before, he came in Apartment 6, 181 East 14th Street at 8:30 in the afternoon and he immediately commenced to perform the criminal abortion on me after we had had the discussion related above.

Dr. May placed me upon my back and put an instrument into my vagina, which instrument dilated my vagina. He then put a gauze pack into my vagina and conducted other medical work which I can not describe. The gauze that he placed in me at that time is still in me. After he had worked on me, we (that is, Mrs. Ladell, Dr. May, and myself) had dinner. At this time I had cramps. After dinner, I rested for a while and about 10:00 or 11:00 p.m., Mrs. Ladell told me to go for a walk. I walked to 14th and Nicollet in Minneapolis where I entered a theatre and saw "Roman Scandal". I returned to Apartment 6, 181 East 14th Street at about 9:30 p.m. I had rather severe cramps at this time and I retired. At about 9:30 today, April 17, 1934, I awakened and noticed that I had commenced to bleed. I stayed in the house all day. Mrs. Ladell went downtown shortly after breakfast, and before she left she asked me whether I wanted some medicine to relieve the cramps and I told her I did not.

This evening, [REDACTED]

At the present time, the pack placed in me by Dr. Clayton May yesterday is still in me, and I have been informed that this must be removed from me within 24 hours after it was placed in me.

I have read the above statement and it is true and correct. I sign it willingly, knowing full well that it may be used against me or others named herein in a criminal prosecution.

Witness:

[REDACTED]

St. Paul, Minnesota.

April 17, 1934.

b I, [redacted] age 28, residing at [redacted] Minneapolis, Minnesota, make the following voluntary statement to G. S. Hall, whom I know to be a Special Agent of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, offices 203 Post Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota. I make this statement knowing full well that it might be used in a criminal prosecution against the persons named herein and that I might be called upon to testify as a witness.

As a result of having sexual intercourse with a young man in Minneapolis, whom I do not desire to name, I became pregnant two months ago. I told him that I was pregnant and we discussed the matter, finally deciding that I should have a criminal abortion performed upon me. He gave me the name of Dr. Clayton May, 7th Floor, Masonic Temple Building, Minneapolis, Minnesota. At about 9:00 a.m., on April 16th, I telephoned his office and inquired for Dr. May. I was told by the woman answering the telephone that he was not in but that he was expected at about 3:00 p.m. that day. She asked me what I wanted to see the doctor about, and I said that she ought to have some idea what I wanted to see him about, and she told me that she would make an appointment for me with Dr. Clayton May at 3:00 p.m. on that date. At 3:00 p.m., I called at his office and talked to the young lady whom I describe as being thin, about 30 years of age, with reddish hair. When I was in the office of Dr. Clayton May in the Masonic Temple Building in Minneapolis, a man came in and asked for Dr. Clayton May and was told by the young lady attendant that the doctor was in Rochester, Minnesota. The young lady attendant then asked me whether I had the money, and I asked her how much it would be to have an abortion performed, and she said \$50.00, and I replied that I had \$50.00 and would pay that much for a criminal abortion. The young lady attendant then said, "I might as well tell you the truth. Dr. May is in St. Paul, and you go to Apartment 6, 1251 East 14th Street in Minneapolis and tell the lady who meets you at the door that 'you are the girl that I sent'. The lady attendant at the office said that she would make the telephone call to Apartment 6, 1251 East 14th Street in Minneapolis and that I would be expected when I got there.

I went to Apartment 6, 1251 East 14th Street, having in my possession at the time a slip of yellow paper on which the lady attendant had written the address. I have since given this slip of paper to Special Agent G. S. Hall, to whom I make this statement.

When I arrived at Apartment 6, 1251 East 14th Street, I rang the doorbell and was met by a woman whom I know as Mrs. Ladell. I said to her, "I am the girl the nurse sent", and she said, "Come in". She was making

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... were alleged to be in Elkhart, Indiana. On Saturday, April 14th., the informant stated when communicating with me by telephone at Detroit that he was unable to

... further into the matter he stated that Temple or Templar who knew of the informant's close acquaintance with the Dillinger mob which he the informant had established while confined with them in the penitentiary, did not hesitate to talk over certain confidential matters. During these talks and particularly when Temple had been doing a little drinking he told the informant that he had been contacted by some persons to act as an intermediary in a proposed kidnapping of George Ball but that he Temple had turned down the offer.

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... in the presence of Special Agent in Charge, Connelley, he stated that he had been to Indianapolis with some gangster friends out of Muncie. That one of these persons were Mary Kinder and that upon their arrival in Indianapolis they called at Mary Kinder's home and took her to some night club. ... Mary Kinder had stated that she would see ... from the general conversation the informant concluded that she would visit one Hugh Berry at Muncie, a former inmate of the State Penitentiary, who is now operating a speakeasy in Muncie. ... it was concluded that he was not ... the other that the description furnished of her by the informant did not ... with her known description. Upon departing the informant stated that he would visit Berry's place which is located in the ... section of Muncie and secure further information with ... the informant ... which ... proceeded ... point ... Berry's place which ... out ... of the informant ... in the evening ... waited ... to ... de- ... ment ... er waiting for some ... we did not see the informant ... if ... assume ... he was ... us ...

... told him that we had a couple of men who we wanted planted for a couple of weeks, adding that we had a place on Main street, but that the negotiations for this hideout had fallen through. To this he remarked "yes, Russ has talked to me about taking care of a couple of men and I told him that I'll go for it, if there is enough money involved."

This conversation took place in the front part of Berry's speakeasy and I at this point told him that I would like to talk to him further in the back room. He agreed to this and upon entering the back portion of the building...

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... in order to avoid any suspicion it was not deemed advisable to try to determine just who the broken were and whether it was Dillinger and Hamilton Berry appeared to be friendly toward me in every sense and...

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Berry several openings to approach the subject concerning my visit, the night before, Berry did not say a word about it. The informant feels that this is favorable, stating that if Berry was in any way suspicious he would have called his (informant's) attention to me. The informant states that Berry, who is half Indiana and half negro, is a very closed mouth individual and if he were told to say nothing about my visit, chances are he would not do so to anyone.

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...was telling the above story asked him if they stranger could have been Dillinger or ...  
...Hamilton and Williams stated that he did not resemble pictures of either of these t ...  
...men which he had seen in the newspapers. It was learned that Gene Williams was ...  
...convicted about 10 years ago, evidently in Federal court in Indianapolis on a ...  
...post office robbery and sentenced to serve 5 years in eit er Leavenworth or Atlanta

It was also learned that Williams was disbarred from practicing law after this conviction but was reinstated about one year ago. The information is that he does not have much of a law practice and that he is considered by some as being a gangster. The doctor Smith above referred to, it was learned, was several years ago a member of the Board of the Safety Department of Muncie. That he had also been considered a close associate of gangsters and that about twelve or thirteen years ago he served a term in the Indiana State Penitentiary on a manslaughter charge which grew out of a high-jacking affair. There is also some indication that he was also convicted on a mail fraud or similar offense at Indianapolis and probably served a term in one of the United States Penitentiaries. The chief of police stated that both Smith and Williams are very capable of carrying out a kidnaping. Smith, it was learned, evidently is well acquainted with the movements of Mr. Ball and probably he was anticipating being the "finger-man." Collins and the chief of police informed agent Morton that they had talked to Ball regarding the matter in a confidential way, informing him to be careful in his movements. It was known to the police that Mr. Ball, although 70 years of age, is quite spry and usually goes to and from his place of business alone, which is a distance of approximately three miles and that he is frequently seen driving around alone during the night time. In view of the above, to kidnap him would be a very easy task to anyone familiar with his movements. The Ball estate is located on Lennoxville Blvd., which is on the outskirts of Muncie. At the request of the police, Agent Morton accompanied them to the office of Mr. Ball and he was again informed of the seriousness of the matter. Ball, however, did not seem to become greatly worried assuming that it was perhaps that it was just another wild rumor but stated that he would take precaution. The chief of police informed him that he would be glad to furnish him such guards as he might desire and stated that he would do everything in his power to prevent a kidnaping. Mr. Ball however did not feel that he needed a guard particularly at this time but would immediately report any persons whom he felt acted suspicious. Agent Morton, of course, did not divulge any part of the information regarding this proposed kidnaping which we had previously been furnished by the informant.

It will be significant to note that the informant called me at Detroit two days before Attorney Williams had related the incident to his attorney friend who reported same to detective Collins and in view thereof there is every indication that the informant's friend Temple was giving him correct information. One very interesting angle that when the informant called me on Monday, April 16th, in addition to talking about this proposed kidnaping of Mr. Ball he also stated that attorney Gene Williams was to be the payoff man. It seems that this information reached the informant before the stranger called upon Williams. It will be noted that the information furnished me by the informant regarding this proposed kidnaping on Monday, April 16th, was immediately dispatched by telephone to the Division and the Chicago office. When it was very apparent that the Muncie police were very desirous of turning the matter over to this division, and to cooperate in every respect, I arranged to call upon Chief of Police, Massey, and detective Collins for an interview. It was at first thought desirable to secure the name of the attorney who had confidentially related the matter to Collins for the purpose of securing any further details which he might have. This angle was carefully discussed with chief of police Massey and Collins.

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has always taken a liking to Collins and when he told him about this affair,  
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you will have a good lead to start on from the information which I have given you

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resides there and that he was an associate of Chapman and Anderson. In my letter  
to either the Division or the Chicago office prepared at that time, it will be noted  
that this house was suspicious to a neighbor and also to the mail carrier. Further  
details concerning this angle will be found in my letter and agent Mc Intyre's report  
above referred to .