

CHARLES "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD
KANSAS CITY MASSACRE
62-28915
SECTION 14

CHARLES "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD
FRANK NASH
VERNE MILLER
ADAM RICCHETTI
KANSAS CITY MASSACRE

SUBJECT

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Director

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent W. F. Trainor, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, July 28, 1933.

On July 29, 1933, Federal Judge Otis at Kansas City ruled on the habeas corpus petition to the effect that Mrs. Nash should be held for preliminary hearing. However, her bond was reduced to \$2,500.00. On July 31, 1933, before the United States Commissioner, Mrs. Nash, Herbert Allen Farmer and Mrs. Esther Farmer appeared and upon motion of the Government a continuance was secured until August 14, 1933. The bonds were on this date fixed, as follows: Herbert Allen Farmer, \$10,000.00; Mrs. Esther Farmer, \$5,000.00, and Mrs. Frances Nash, \$2,500.00. None of these bonds were furnished.

In order to avert the release of any of the individuals in question it was believed advisable to file state charges of murder against them. Special Agent L. G. Turrou conferred with First Assistant Prosecutor Michael O'Hearn of Jackson County and after a discussion of the facts Mr. O'Hearn expressed the desire to institute prosecution in State Court against Mrs. Nash, Herbert Allen Farmer and Mrs. Farmer. On his authorization and based upon authorization by me, Special Agent W. F. Trainor of this office, on July 31, 1933, filed complaint before Louis J. Mazuch, Justice of the Peace, charging these three individuals with murder in the first degree, alleging the murder of Special Agent Raymond J. Caffrey. The Missouri penal statute does not recognize an accessory to the act of murder, but fixes the charge against all parties connected with such an offense as principals. A copy of the complaint is, herewith, enclosed for the Bureau's file and one is retained in the Kansas City office.

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Mrs. Nash and the Farmers were arraigned before Justice of the Peace Mazuch on July 31, 1933, on murder charges and on that date they entered pleas of not guilty. They were held for preliminary hearings at Kansas City on

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these charges which will occur August 24, 1933. They were committed to the Jackson County Jail without bond on the charges of murder.

Under my instructions Special Agent Turrou turned over to First Assistant Prosecutor Michael O'Hearn, for his information in this matter, one copy of the report of Special Agent W. F. Trainor, dated at Kansas City, July 29, 1933, which gives a resume of all facts pertaining to the charges on which the County Prosecutor will act. It was definitely understood with Mr. O'Hearn that the report in question shall never become public and same was locked in Mr. O'Hearn's safe where it will remain, except for examination by members of his office, who are interested in this prosecution.

Very truly yours,



R. E. VETERLI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - All Field Offices.

(Murder, First Degree, by Shooting)

COMPLAINT

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STATE OF MISSOURI

vs.

BEFORE

Frances Nash alias Mrs. G. W. Miller
and Herbert Allen Farmer and Mrs.
Esther Farmer

Hon. Louis J. Mazuch

Justice of the Peace, in and for Kaw Township,
Jackson County, Mo.

W. F. Trainor

being duly sworn, upon his oath states, that on the
17 day of June 1923 at the County of Jackson, State of Missouri, one
Miller and Herbert Allen Farmer and Mrs. Esther Farmer
Frances Nash alias Mrs. G. W. in and upon one Raymond J. Caffrey

then and there being, feloniously, willfully, deliberately, premeditatedly, on purpose and of their
malice aforethought, did make an assault, and a certain shot-gun, which was then and there loaded
Miller and Herbert Allen Farmer and Mrs. Esther Farmer
with gunpowder and leaden bullets, and by them the said Frances Nash alias Mrs. G.
Miller and Herbert Allen Farmer and Mrs. Esther Farmer
in their hands then and there had and held they the said Frances Nash alias Mrs. G.

did then and there feloniously, willfully, deliberately, premeditatedly, on purpose and of their malice afore-
thought, discharge and shoot off at, upon and against him the said Raymond J. Caffrey
Miller and Herbert Allen Farmer and Mrs. Esther Farmer
and they the said Frances Nash alias Mrs. G.W. with the leaden bullets aforesaid, out o
shot-gun
the shot aforesaid, then and there, by force of the gunpowder aforesaid, by the said Frances Nash
Herbert Allen Farmer and Mrs. Esther Farmer
alias Mrs. G. W. Miller and shot off and discharged as aforesaid, then and there, feloniously

willfully, deliberately, premeditatedly, on purpose and of their malice aforethought, did strike, penetrat
and wound the said Raymond J. Caffrey in and upon the body of him the sa

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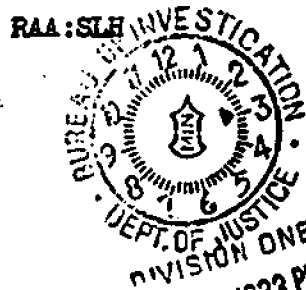
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U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

6-B, Atlantic National Bank Annex Building,
Jacksonville, Florida

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July 31, 1933

Director, AUG-2-1933 PM
United States Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated
July 22, 1933, advising that Identification Orders Nos. 1197
and 1198 were forwarded to this office on July 21, 1933.

Identification Order No. 1197 was received on
July 24th, but No. 1198 has not yet been received.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,
Acting Special Agent in Charge

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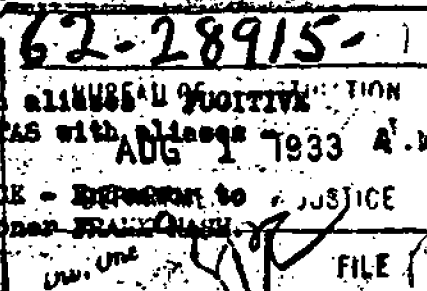
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Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
905 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON O. MILLER with aliases, FUGITIVE;
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS with aliases, FUGITIVE; ET AL
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - Efforts to
Deliver Federal Prisoner FRANK CHASE
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Reference is made to letter from the Birmingham office dated July 25, 1933, in connection with the above case and in which letter it was advised that one Hugh M. Martin, formerly of Montgomery, Ala., and to whom the scholastic records of Pat Cardelle Sturney, University of Alabama student, and probably a step-son of Galatas, were being sent, had moved to Long Beach, Calif.

Investigation to date at Montgomery, Ala., has resulted in learning that a Mrs. Galatas, undoubtedly the mother of subject Galatas, about ten years ago operated a boarding house at 505 Dexter Ave., Montgomery, which premises are now occupied by the State Board of Education. This information was obtained from Mr. R. L. Grant, present station-master at the Union Depot in Montgomery who was interviewed by special agent L. DeHette. Grant also advised that Hugh M. Martin married a Galatas girl. He also advised that there is still another Galatas girl who is married and living in Long Beach, Calif., but that the name of this woman's husband or her address is unknown. It was also learned from him that still a third Galatas girl is now deceased, but that her husband was one Ed Sherman, an engineer for the IAN Ry. Co., running between Montgomery and Mobile, Ala. Efforts will be made to secure from Sherman, under suitable pretext, the full relationship and addresses of the Galatas family. Other sources also are being sought for this information.

It was also learned by special agent DeHette, thru the cooperation of the postal authorities, that Pat Cardelle Sturney is now in Montgomery, Ala., and is living at the home of Mrs. Myrtle G. Duncan, 109 Woodley Terrace. Others living at this address are Paul Duncan and Misses Myrtle and Frances M. Duncan. It will be noted from letter dated July 18, 1933, from the Birmingham office that Sturney while a student at the University at Tuscaloosa, Ala., telephoned Walnut-1368-M, Montgomery on June 13, 1933, also that on June 18, 1933, he telephoned Myrtle Duncan, C/o W. W. Duncan, Macon, Ga., phone 865. This latter call undoubtedly was for the Myrtle Duncan mentioned

above and now known to be residing at 109 Woodley Terrace, Montgomery, Ala. A check at Montgomery has also revealed that telephone Walnut-1368-M is listed in the name of Mrs. Myrtle Gibson Duncan. Special agent DeHette has arranged for a cover on all mail, telegrams and telephone calls going to Sturney at this address. It was also learned that the Duncans formerly lived at 1215 South Court Street, Montgomery. It will be recalled that letter from this office dated July 18, 1933, indicated that on September 22, 1931, the University of Alabama directed a letter to Mr. R. Calatas at that address. The relationship existing between the Duncans and Sturney, as well as Calatas, has not yet been established, but will be secured in the immediate future.

It will be noted also from letter of the Birmingham office dated July 18, 1933, that Sturney when at Tuscaloosa, Ala., telephoned on June 24, 1933, to Walnut 1316-M, Montgomery, at which time Sturney talked for seven minutes. Inquiry at Montgomery has resulted in learning that that telephone number is listed in the name of Rosie Rivers, Negress, No. 2 Sharp Street. The city directory lists Rosie Rivers, negress as living at 326 Clay Street and shows that Rosie Fingers, negress, lives at No. 2 Sharp Street. Special Agent DeHette is endeavoring to ascertain the identity of this party, as well as what connection she might have with Sturney, as well as subject Calatas.

Difficulty has been encountered in securing the telephone company records for long distance calls made from the above two telephones in Montgomery, as well as for collect calls, due to the fact that the telephone company records have been in the process of billing for the past telephone month. It is expected that these records will be available in the immediate future when a check will be made of them.

In response to a telegram from the New York office dated July 21, 1933, special agent Chapman Fletcher at Atlanta, Ga., ascertained that 1933 Georgia license plates 5662A were issued to Mrs. Blanche G. Wellhouse, Georgian Terrace Hotel, Atlanta, Ga., for a 1931 model Cadillac Sedan, motor No. 1004459. At the Credit Service Exchange in Atlanta it was ascertained that Mrs. Wellhouse is a millionaire widow of Louis Wellhouse, Sr., Atlanta industrialist and that she has an excellent reputation. This information was telegraphed to the New York office on July 23, 1933.

Letter from the Birmingham office dated July 21, 1933, indicated that subject Calatas' brother Albert was reported to be living in Atlanta, Ga. It has been learned by special agent Chapman Fletcher thru the assistance of the post office authorities that in December 1932 one J. Albert Calatas left an order to have his mail delivered to No. 9 Cain Street, N.W., which address is occupied by the Masonic Temple. Mr. B. D. Christian, Custodian of the Masonic Temple Building advised special agent Fletcher that in November 1932 J. Albert Calatas advised him that he was in poor financial circumstances whereupon Christian offered Calatas the use of the former's apartment in the Masonic Temple, that since that time Calatas who is a city salesman for some Atlanta concern has been living in the apartment sharing the place with Mr. Christian's

assistant; further that Galatas daily receives mail from a girl at Albany, Ga., but that he gets no other mail, has received no telegrams and has placed no long distance telephone calls from the Masonic Temple. Christian also advised that Galatas has no visitors and when shown the photograph of subject Galatas stated that he has never seen him. The mail to J. Albert Galatas is being covered and further efforts made to secure information at that place as to subject Galatas' whereabouts.

Mr. Blaine Danley, probation officer, U.S. District Court, Memphis, Tenn., has advised special agent E. M. Peterson, that an acquaintance of his who is a crook, but who has given him valuable information in the past, voluntarily came to him saying that one B. Nelson, 408 Ridge Road, Park Hill, North Little Rock, Ark., a bootlegger operating between Little Rock and Hot Springs, Ark., has a sister named Grady Schwartz; that this sister operates a tourist camp about five miles out from Long View, Texas, on the Shreveport road; that this Schwartz woman has been endeavoring to get in touch with Lou Connors; further that the Schwartz woman and Lou Connors formerly operated a liquor place together at El Dorado, Ark. Danley's informant thought that the Connor woman might have information about the Kansas City case as he advised that the Connor woman and Mrs. Frank Nash were warm friends. He further advised that information as to Lou Connor's whereabouts could possibly be secured thru the Schwartz woman or thru her brother, B. Nelson, who he added could possibly be better contacted thru J. A. Pitcock, chief of detectives, Little Rock, Ark.

No leads for other offices are being set out by the Birmingham office as a result of the above information, this being left to the discretion of the office of origin, but copies of this letter are being sent to offices to which the data contained herein might be of interest.

Yours very truly,

T. D. QUINN, Special Agent
in Charge.

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CC
Bureau
Oklahoma City
Dallas
Los Angeles

313 Old Post Office Building
Portland, Oregon

July 29, 1933

Special Agent in Charge
United States Bureau of Investigation
905 Federal Reserve Bank Bldg.,
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Sir:

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases - FUGITIVE
RICHARD TALLMAN CALATAS with aliases -
FUGITIVE, et al
Obstruction of Justice (Endeavor to
Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)

This will refer to your letter of the 18th instant, concerning the possible connection of one N. La Voy, 7361 21st Avenue N.W., Seattle, with Richard T. Calatas.

You are advised that the full name of the above mentioned individual is Nicholas La Voy, and that he resides at the address which is correctly stated above. It has been ascertained that La Voy's family consists of a wife, Hannah, and one son, and that he has resided at the above address for more than fifteen years. La Voy was formerly in the real estate brokerage business in Seattle, but for the past two or three years has not been so engaged. He owns his home and an automobile. His family are members of the Catholic Church and attend regularly and are well thought of in the community.

Special Agent W. K. Bowling observed La Voy and noted that he is a man of about fifty years of age, 5 feet 8 inches in height, weight 175 pounds, dark hair, dark complexion and wears shell rimmed glasses. Discreet inquiry in the neighborhood developed that no one has been observed as a visitor at the La Voy premises of recent date. Appropriate arrangements have been made with the Post Office Department for a thirty day mail cover on mail addressed to La Voy's residence, and appropriate arrangements are being made through the telephone company to check telephone

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calls received there. Intermittent surveillance is being maintained over the premises and you will be immediately advised of any information of interest which may be developed.

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C. C. SPEARE,
Special Agent in Charge.

Room 1403
370 Lexington Avenue
New York City

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July 29, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
United States Bureau of Investigation
Hurley Wright Building
Washington, D.C.

Re: Unknown subjects
Obstruction of Justice in Delivery
of Federal Prisoner Frank Nash.

Dear Sir:

The Kansas City office has requested that appropriate steps be taken through the Passport Division of the Department of State and through the U. S. Customs Service, to secure information concerning the present location of Richard Tallman Galatas with aliases. In this connection, it is desired that the Passport Division of the Department of State, Washington, D.C. be requested to place a stop order in their files as to Galatas and to immediately advise the Bureau in the event Galatas makes application for passport.

It is also requested that you communicate with the Commissioner of Customs, Washington, D.C. requesting that he circularize a list of collectors and deputy collectors of customs which will be furnished herein with photographs and description of Galatas, with the request that those officials immediately advise the Bureau of any information as to the location of this individual. It is desired that a surveillance of Galatas be maintained, but the Kansas City office has specified that he not be detained in any way or placed under arrest, unless the circumstances make such action imperative.

It is suggested that the necessary number of photographs of Galatas be secured through the Bureau.

The list of Customs officials whom it is desirable to circularize is as follows:

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| " | Albany, N.Y. |
| " | Oswego, N.Y. |

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| Collector | - Buffalo, N.Y. |
| Deputy | - Niagara Falls, N.Y. |
| Collector | - Rochester, N.Y. |
| Deputy | - Alexandria Bay, N.Y. |

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Deputy - Cape Vincent, N.Y.
" Malone, N.Y.
" Morristown, N.Y.
" Houses Point, N.Y.
" Greenwich, Conn.
" New London, Conn.
Collector- Portland, Maine
Deputy Belfast, Maine
" Eastport, Maine
" Portland, N.H.
" Gloucester, Mass.
" Provincetown, Mass.
" Perth Amboy, N.J.
" St. Albans, Vt.

Clayton, N.Y.
Moore, N.Y.
Nyando, N.Y.
Bridgeport, Conn.
New Haven, Conn.
Norwalk, Conn.
Bangor, Maine
Calais, Maine
Jonesport, Maine
Boston, Mass.
Deputy New Bedford, Mass.
" Newark, N.J.
Collector Providence, R.I.
Deputy Alburg, Vt.

The New York office has requested the Bureau to furnish fifty gloss photographs of Subject Calatas for the use of the Gold embargo Unit of the U. S. Customs Service, to be used by the representatives of that Unit who come in personal contact with all persons who make their departure from the port of New York via steamship.

Very truly yours,

T. F. CULLEN
Special Agent in Charge

cc: Bureau
Kansas City

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905 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

July 30, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
1900 Bankers' Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases, IO #1195, FUGITIVE
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases, FUGITIVE
ET AL
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to deliver Federal
Prisoner Frank Nash).
K.C. File #62-760-

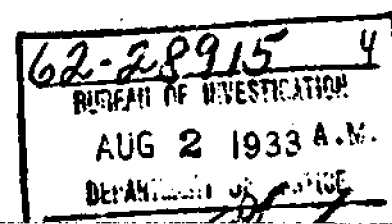
There is enclosed one copy of report dated 7-29-33
from this office. One copy of report dated 7-29-33 was also forward-
ed from this office to you.

It is requested that photostatic copies be made, and
two copies each of these reports be forwarded to all field offices,
except that only one copy should be furnished those offices which are
shown to have already received one, and no copies for this office are
requested.

Very truly yours,

R. E. VETTERLI
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc-Bureau
Encl.



201 Liberty National Life Bldg.,
Birmingham, Alabama,
July 31, 1933.

Postmaster,
Atlanta, Ga.

Re: Birmingham file 62-626.

Dear Sir:

For a period of thirty days it will be greatly
appreciated if you will place a cover on all mail going to

J. Albert Galatas,
9 Cain Street,
Atlanta, Ga.

This is desired in connection with an official
investigation, and your cooperation in connection therewith
will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

J. H. HANSON, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

JHH:EM

CC: Bureau

Re: Vernon C. Miller, with aliases, fugitive, et al.
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to Deliver Federal
Prisoner Frank Nash).

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Room 1403
370 Lexington Avenue
New York, N. Y.

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July 31, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge
United States Bureau of Investigation
224 Federal Building
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Dear Sir:

Please refer to your file in the matter of **VERNON C. MILLER**
with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1195, et al.

The New York City office has succeeded in locating Vivian Matthews, the paramour of fugitive Miller. It has been found that for the past month or so she has been traveling in the company of Mrs. Betty Buckwalt, who resides at the Majestic Apartments, 115 Central Park West, New York City. Vivian Matthews is using the aliases Vivian Allan and Vivian Allen. Mrs. Betty Buckwalt is the wife of one Louis or Philip Buckwalt (also known as Bucholtz, Buchouse or Buchalter). Preliminary investigation with respect to him has disclosed that even though he resides in luxury, he is somewhat of a notorious character.

On July 4, 1933 Vivian Matthews and Mrs. Betty Buckwalt were in Atlantic City, N.J. At this time there was a convention of movie men thereat. One David K. Coplan of Toronto, Canada, was in attendance at this conference and through a New York City movie man met Mrs. Betty Buckwalt and later Vivian Matthews. Arrangements were made whereby the women would drive to Montreal, Canada, and to be there July 15, 1933. The women drove to New York City and resided for a few days at the apartment of Mrs. Betty Buckwalt. The long distance telephone calls made out of this apartment have been checked by this office and it appears that at 8:24 P.M. on July 13th a telephone call was placed to 627 at Hugo, Oklahoma. Mrs. Sam Finkel of Valiant, Oklahoma, was asked for. It is presumed that Valiant is a suburb of Hugo. The party asked for came to the phone and the conversation consumed four minutes. The charge was \$7.50 plus a messenger service charge of 25¢. At 11:56 P.M. that night the women made another call to Toronto, Canada and presumably talked to David C. Coplan. The women arrived at Montreal, Canada at 6:30 P.M. July 15th.

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It is believed that immediate investigation should be made at Hugo and Valiant, Oklahoma. It is possible that Mrs. Betty Buckwalt made the telephone call but it is not believed probable inasmuch as so far as can be ascertained she has no connections in Oklahoma. It is felt by this office that it is more likely that Vivian Matthews made the call.

Kindly immediately undertake appropriate investigative action at Hugo and Valiant, Oklahoma. The fact that the Bureau is aware that such a telephone call was made should not of course be made known.

This is in confirmation of the telephone conversation of this date.

Very truly yours,

F. L. FAY, Assistant
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc-Kansas City
AIRMAIL.

905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri
July 31, 1933

Special Agent in Charge
United States Bureau of Investigation
900 Ezra Thompson Building
Salt Lake City, Utah

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1195, et al
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to
Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash).
K.C. File 68-760-DIA

It is noted by the morning press that a party, believed to be Verne Sankey, used a machine gun at Denver, Colorado, yesterday. Apparently there may be some connection between Sankey and the instant matter and for the purpose of making a ballistic test it is requested that you secure immediately from the police at Denver specimens of the slugs and cartridge cases found at the scene of the shooting. It is requested that this be given your immediate attention and that these specimens be forwarded to the Kansas City office appropriately protected so that they may be analyzed here.

Very truly yours,

R. E. VETTERLI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri
July 31, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge
United States Bureau of Investigation
801 Title Guaranty Building
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Sir:

IN RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases, FUG.
I.O. 1196, ET AL - OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE (Endeavor to deliver Federal
Prisoner Frank Nash)
Kansas City File 62-760

It has been ascertained, confidentially, through the Federal Reserve Bank at Kansas City that a check dated July 28, 1933, by Mrs. F. B. Mulloy, written on the Commerce Trust Company bank, Kansas City, Missouri, in the amount of \$750.00, to Harry Morgan, was endorsed by Harry Morgan and Abe Steinberg, and paid through the Security National Savings & Trust Company, St. Louis, Missouri, July 28, 1933.

Frank B. Mulloy and his wife have an apparent implication in the instant matter. The supposition would be that the check was made in payment for liquor, since Mulloy is in that business.

However, it is deemed advisable to ascertain the identities of Harry Morgan and Abe Steinberg, at St. Louis, to determine their business and any possible connection in this matter. Incidentally it may be stated that the check was returned for insufficient funds with protest charges.

The source of this information is to be treated as confidential.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPRAE
ACTING SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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and the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof,

which are hereby agreed to

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Kansas City, Missouri. August 1, 1933.

R H. COLVIN
UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
224 FEDERAL BUILDING
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA.

CHEVROLET COACH MOTOR THREE THRENAUGHT NAUGHT TWO FOUR ON SERIAL FIVE NA NAUGHT SIX DASH
TWO EIGHT TWO NAUGHT FIVE SHIPPED ~~ON~~ OCTOBER ELVENTH LAST BY CHEVROLET PLANT
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625 Lafayette Building,
Detroit, Michigan,
August 1, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
201 Liberty National Life Bldg.,
Birmingham, Alabama.

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BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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Dear Sir:

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases - FUGITIVE,
et al.
Obstruction of Justice (Endeavor to Deliver
Federal Prisoner Frank Nash). Det. #62-690.

In accordance with request contained in your communication of July 26, 1933 to ascertain the identity of the writer of a letter addressed to Mr. Pat Sturney, University of Alabama, which bore the return address of #208, The University Club, 105 Fir Hill, Akron, Ohio, investigation was immediately conducted at Akron by Special Agent W. E. Peters of this office with the following results:

Mr. J. B. Casey, Manager of the University Club at the above address, was interviewed and it was determined that room 208 had been occupied since June 4, 1933 by David C. Peebles who was registered from Athens, Ala. It was ascertained that this individual was attending the school held by the Firestone Tire & Rubber Co., for prospective salesmen. It was further determined from the records at the University Club that Peebles was formerly a student at the University of Alabama.

In a discreet manner, Peebles was interviewed and stated that he had met Pat Sturney, alias Bill Sturney, during the summer of 1933 while both were students at the summer session of the University of Alabama. He advised that his contacts with Sturney had been more or less limited as they belonged to different fraternities and it was only casual meetings which brought them together. That just prior to the closing of the school in 1933, at which time Peebles graduated, several of the students, including Sturney, engaged in a game of cards as a result of which Sturney became indebted to Peebles in the amount of \$30.00. Peebles went on to state that he recently became in need of this money and, hence, wrote to Sturney in an attempt to collect this debt. To date he has received no reply to his letter.

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Peebles advised that he had never met any members of the Sturney family but that he was familiar with the fact that formerly Sturney spent several week-ends at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and Peebles believes also that he often went to Montgomery, Alabama. Beyond this, he was unable to give any information.

Very truly yours,

Wm. Larson,
Special Agent in Charge.

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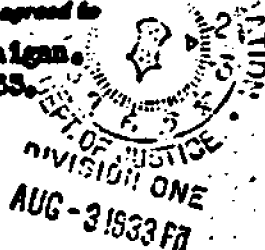
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TELEGRAM

Detroit, Michigan.
August 1, 1933.

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R. E. Vetterli
United States Bureau of Investigation
905 Federal Reserve Bank Bldg.,
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U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice
Oklahoma City, Okla.,

July 29, 1933.

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Director,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D.C.

Re: Obstruction of Justice
Attempt to liberate Frank Nash.

Dear Sir:

There have been held in Jail at Oklahoma City, some persons charged with Bank robbery at Black Rock, Ark., and efforts are being made to extradite them.

This week, typewritten letters were received here purporting to have been written by Wilbur Underhill, Harve Bailey, Bob Brady, Ed. Davis and Jim Clark, escapees from the Lansing prison and who are suspects in the Kansas City massacre. These typewritten letters purport to be a confession by the signers that it was they who robbed the Black Rock bank, and that the men who are held in jail are innocent.

The letters were signed by Underhill, Bailey, Brady, Clark and Davis in their own handwriting with the finger prints of each opposite his signature. The finger prints and signatures have been checked and found to be genuine.

We have located a typewriter in Oklahoma City on which it is believed the letters were written and have made a fac-simile copy thereof and also had made a photostat copy of the original letter, both of which are enclosed herewith.

It is desired to have Mr. Appell make a comparison of the photostat and of the typed copy made on the suspected machine for the purpose of determining if the two instruments were made on the same machine. The original letter is not immediately available; but efforts will be made to procure it later.

If Mr. Appell is satisfied that the photostat letter was written on the same machine as the accompanying typed copy of same, kindly advise by wire, as we are maintaining a 24 hour surveillance on the house where the letters are believed to have been written.

Very truly yours,

R.H. Colvin
R.H. Colvin

Special Agent in Charge,

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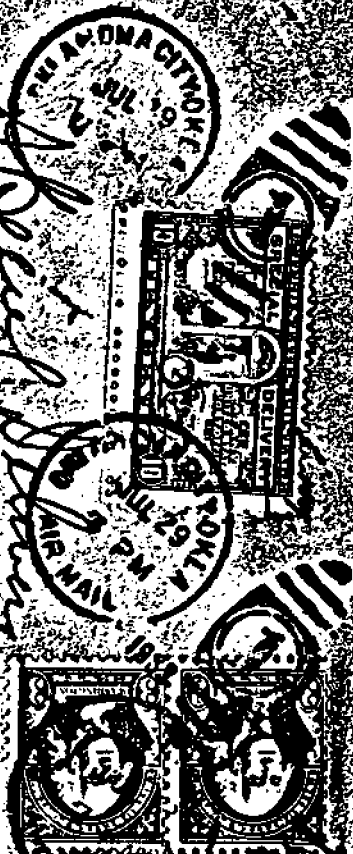
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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Mr. Neal

DIRECTOR

United States Bureau of Investigation

WASHINGTON, D. C.



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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA.

If it is your desire to see justice done you will deny extradition papers on the accused parties, of the Black-Rock, Arkansas Bank.

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It is apparent that the Oklahoma Officers have been misled to believe that certain innocent parties (some of whom are now being detained in jail) are guilty of participating in the robbery of the Black-Rock, Arkansas Bank on June 16, 1933 at about 8:45 A.M./O'Clock. We the undersigned are the perpetrators of the robbery.

Our principal reason for believing the Oklahoma Officers have been misled is that according to Newspaper reports the Bank Officials have exaggerated regarding the loss suffered in the robbery. Actual proceeds netted by us was approximately \$1,500.00 in currency, about \$1,500.00 in American Express Money orders, and to the best of our ability to judge \$1,500.00 or \$1,600.00 in silver. All the Silver was hidden by us together and none of which was ever recovered. Newspaper statements compared to these figures will be self-explanatory.

As a further testimonial of these facts the 1932 Model Chevrolet coach abandoned by us was the same car we commandeered on our flight from the Kansas State Prison on May 30, 1933. The car was commandeered about 12 or 15 miles from Lansing, and it is our desire that the same be returned to the rightful owners. Another car, a 1932 Model Chevrolet Coupe was purchased by us for \$1,000.00. The other car, either a 1931 or 1932 Model Plymouth sedan which we left on the East side of the river, we took from one man near Newport, Arkansas.

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All the American Express checks were cashed in Southern Oklahoma, and North-east Texas Bank except two of \$50.00 denomination that were denied by a Banker of Pauls Valley, Oklahoma who remarked that that was too much money for one man to carry around.

As an explanation of our apparent desire to see justice done we state that one of our party (Wilbur Underhill) was given a life sentence in the Oklahoma State Prison for a murder that he was innocent of. Three others (Ed Davis, Frank Sawyer and Jim Clark), were innocent of the robbery of the Bourbon County Bank at Fort Scott, Kansas, therefore; we sympathize with accused who are innocent, and want no man to suffer for our acts.

P.S. In case of publication please space between words as our typewriter is worn out.

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FINGERPRINTS INSTEAD OF NOTARY

SEAL ON OPPOSITE

SIGNED

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FINGER PRINTS INSTEAD OF NOTARY SEAL ON OPPOSITE SIDE.

SIGNED

Harvey Bailey
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W. H. Bailey
Harvey Bailey

I also cashed American Express Checks that came out of Black Rock

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ОКРУЖНОСТЬ

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1. The first step in the process of the investigation is to determine the scope of the problem. This involves identifying the specific areas of concern and the objectives of the study.

Wilbur Underhill

On the way home, I thought of the life of the people of the South. I thought of the sympathy and the type of

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Jim Clark

Wilbur Underhill

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August 18, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
224 Federal Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

The additional specimens of the writing of the Remington typewriter found in the Shannon house in Texas have been examined. As previously indicated, this is not the typewriter which wrote the Urschel kidnaping ransom notes. The Urschel kidnaping ransom notes, however, were written on a Remington typewriter on which is mounted the same kind of type as that on the typewriter in the Shannon house and the typewriter on which the statement addressed to the Governor of the State of Oklahoma in regard to the Black Rock bank robbery by R. G. Brady and others was written.

It thus appears that this gang, which is also involved in the Frank Nash Kansas City murder case and a great many other crimes, probably including additional kidnapings, has been using at least three Remington typewriters, all probably Model 12, with very much the same kind of type. This fact may be of assistance in the investigation, and the purpose of this letter is to suggest that immediate steps be taken to trace the typewriters, the possession of which has already been obtained, and at the same time ascertain whether other similar machines have been purchased, with the view to procuring leads.

There are two methods - one, to trace the Remingtons by number from the factory, and the other - to circularize new and second-hand typewriter dealers, giving the numbers. As these are old machines, possibly manufactured as early as 1923, they were probably purchased from second-hand dealers. While, of course, this may not have been done, it is possible that all three of them and perhaps more were purchased at the same time.

An examination of the typing indicates the probability that some person connected with the gang is doing most of the typing, this person being, comparatively speaking, more or less educated. Compare, for instance, the handwritten note by Brady at the bottom of the letter to the Governor of the State of Oklahoma with the language used in that letter.

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SAC, Oklahoma City.

8/18/33.

If one person is doing the typing, this would account for the fact that the same kind of typewriter is used more or less consistently. Please give this phase of the matter prompt attention.

Copies of this letter are being forwarded to the Kansas City and Dallas Offices, in order that they may carry out promptly whatever method of procedure is decided upon.

It is believed by the Division that an effort should be made to trace the two machines from the factory at the same time that the dealers are circularized. The method of circularization and the location of the dealers is left to your judgment.

Very truly yours,

Director.

VIA AIR MAIL

CC - Kansas City
Dallas

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August 2, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
224 Federal Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

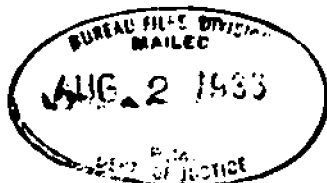
Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of July 29, 1933, in the case of Obstruction of Justice in the Attempt to Liberate Frank Nash, and confirming telephonic conversation between Mr. Appel and Mr. Nathan, the type-writing appears to have been written on the machine from which the specimens were made. For the purposes of investigation it is believed this statement may be made, but the original should be compared if testimony is to be used.

The original also should be examined for the reason that a photostat does not show any shadings of the letters or other characteristics which prove the identity of the machine.

Very truly yours,

Director.



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Telephone Your Telegrams to Postal Telegraph

905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri
August 1, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge
United States Bureau of Investigation
203 Post Office Building
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases,
POSITIVE, I.O. 1195, et al - OBSTRUCTION
OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to deliver Federal
Prisoner Frank Nash). K.C. File 82-760

In various offices certain mail covers are pending
pertaining to correspondence of the more intimate friends and
relatives of parties sought in this case.

It is suggested that contacts be had with the Post
Office Inspectors in those territories in order that the mail
of those parties be appropriately read. The instant matter
being of such great importance it is believed that this action
is desirable wherever it appears that information of value could
be thereby secured.

Very truly yours,

M. O. SPEAR
ACTING SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Chicago and New York

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326 1/2 Post Office Building,
New Orleans, Louisiana.
August 2, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation
Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.



Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases-
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1195; et al;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (ENDAVOR TO
DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER FRANK NASH).

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from the Chicago office
dated 7/27/33, relative to the location of Barney Siegel.

On 7/31/33 Special Agent L. A. Kindell, at the office
of the Louisiana Iron and Supply Company, (previously reported
the Louisiana Hardware & Supply Company) 2900 Mansfield Road,
without disclosing his identity, learned that Barney Siegel is
located at the Gladewater, Texas, branch of the company.

Very truly yours,

R. Whitley,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc-Chicago

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August 2, 1933.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Pat Crow, at one time a kidnaper and now a first-class panhandler and chiseler, was in the office on two occasions yesterday. On the first occasion I had no time to give to him as I was busy and he agreed to return in the afternoon. I stated very frankly to him that the Bureau would not pay him for any alleged information; that it would not bear any of his expenses and would not promise him any remuneration for information. He claims to know the ring leader of the kidnaping racket in Chicago and states that he can put his finger on the man who held the machine gun in the Kansas City massacre. However, in spite of all efforts, I was unable to get from him the name of anyone. He wanted transportation to Chicago. He stated that if he were given an Agent to work with him he could point the man out. I told him there was absolutely no chance of the Bureau entering into any such agreement with him; that the Bureau would be glad to conduct an investigation in the event he would give it such information as he had but it was not taking on any additional employees at this time.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes.

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619 Federal Building
Los Angeles, California
July 29, 1933

Mr. F. W. McCullah
Postmaster
Long Beach, California



Dear Sir:

Re: L. A. File 62-284

Pursuant to your conversation with Special Agent C. D. White of this office on July 28, 1933, it is respectfully requested that a thirty-day cover be placed on all first-class mail addressed to

524 East State Street
Long Beach, California.

and tracings of same be furnished this office.

Assuring you that your cooperation in this matter, as in kindred matters in the past, is most highly appreciated, I am

Very truly yours,

J. E. P. DUNN,
Special Agent in Charge.

CDW:AB

cc Bureau

Re: Vernon C. Miller, et al
Obstruction of Justice

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605 Federal Reserve Bank Building,

Kansas City, Missouri.

August 2, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
203 Post Office Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases, FUGITIVE, IO #1195,
ET AL
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to Deliver Federal
Prisoner Frank Nash) - K.C. FILE #62-760-

With reference to the above entitled matter, there is inclosed to each office receiving copies of this letter, a copy of memorandum indicating the residence here of a party known as E. M. Goldman, who resided at the Ellison Apartments, Kansas City around the time of the Union Station massacre on June 17, 1933, and made numerous long distance calls of a suspicious nature.

It is requested that offices check the identities of the parties called as listed in this memorandum in the respective territories and ascertain the characters of those individuals, and if it is deemed advisable to ascertain directly from them the nature of the calls and the business of E. M. Goldman.

Very truly yours,

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R. E. VETTERLI
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc-Bureau

2 cc: Pittsburgh, Chicago, St. Louis, Philadelphia,
New York City, Salt Lake City, Jacksonville,
Cincinnati.

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Special Agent in Charge
United States Bureau of Investigation
318 Hewes Building
San Francisco, California

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IN RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases - FUGITIVE
et al - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor
to deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)
Kansas City File 62-760

In connection with the above captioned matter, it
is reported there is an individual at Kansas City, Missouri, in
a Dodge Sedan, bearing California 1933 License number 9 Z 4344,
of whom we are suspicious, and who may not have any connection
at all with this case. However, I suggest you check and advise
me to whom the above license was issued, and any other data you
may secure regarding the man's occupation, etc.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
R. E. VETTERLI
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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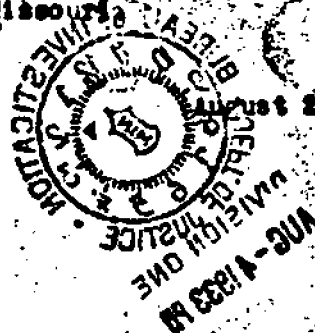
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905 Federal Reserve Bank Building,

Kansas City, Missouri,

August 2, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
224 Federal Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.



Dear Sir:

In compliance with telegraphic request from the Detroit office on August 1, 1933, contact was made by telephone with Mr. John Dahlen of the Chevrolet Motor Company, Kansas City, Missouri, regarding a Chevrolet Coach with the following numbers:

Motor #3300241
Serial #5EA06-28205
Transmission #CJ-95021
Rear Axle #3615307.

Mr. Dahlen stated, after checking his records, that Chevrolet coach bearing the above motor and serial numbers was shipped by the Chevrolet plant of Kansas City, Missouri, to the Greenlease-Moore Chevrolet Company of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. He stated that the records at Kansas City were not available as to the transmission and rear axle numbers, but the same could be obtained from the consignee at Oklahoma City.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR
Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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203 P.O. Bldg., St. Paul, Minn.

August 2, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
905 Federal Reserve Bank Bldg.,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases -
FUGITIVE, et al. OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE (Endeavor to Deliver
Federal Prisoner Frank Nash).
St. Paul File No. 62-888.

Reference is made to your letter of July 18, 1933, requesting investigation at Luverne, Minnesota, from which place on February 2, 1933, a telephone call was made to V. C. Mason at the Newbern Hotel, Kansas City, Missouri. Investigation developed that telephone number 399 is a pay station located in the lobby of the Manitou Hotel, the principal hotel in Luverne. Special Agent E. E. Thomas examined the hotel register and ascertained that no person by the name of Brown registered at that hotel on February 2, 1933, or for several days prior thereto. Employees of the hotel were questioned but none could recall a Mrs. Brown who was a guest at or frequented the hotel at about the time the telephone call was made.

For your information, Deputy Sheriff Boyle of Huron, South Dakota, advises that the wife of Vernon C. Miller is now living at the home of her parents, George C. and Myrtle F. Attwooll, who live at 1119 Kansas Avenue Southeast. Miller's wife is known as Mildred M. Miller. She has been separated from Subject Miller for several years and it is not believed that she will have any information concerning his whereabouts.

Reference is made to your letter of July 26, 1933, giving information to the effect that Lillian Holden, the wife of Thomas J. Holden, and Vivian Mathis visited the home of Vivian Mathis' father near Brainerd, Minnesota, about the last week in June, 1933. In that connection, attention is invited to the report of Special Agent O. G. Hall dated July 27, 1933, in this case which sets forth result of several inquiries at Brainerd, Minnesota, regarding Vivian Mathis and her family.

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For the assistance of this office, it is requested that a photograph of Lillian Holden be secured and forwarded to the St. Paul office in order that same can be used in future investigations contemplated.

Very truly yours,

WERNER HANNI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS



Investigation at 524 East State Street, Long Beach, Calif., discloses that premises are occupied by LUTHER RAINES, brother-in-law to subject GALATAS. Mother of subject GALATAS previously resided at above address, having left there with subject GALATAS sometime in March of 1933, ostensibly for subject GALATAS' home at Hot Springs, Arkansas. Subject GALATAS has another sister residing at Long Beach, whose identity has not as yet been ascertained. Investigation presently being conducted to check incoming and outgoing telephone calls at RAINES' residence from date of massacre to date. Premises under observation. Surveillance being conducted at 761 Caviota Avenue, Long Beach.

REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent D. W. Magee, Los Angeles, 7-24-33, and letter from Kansas City Bureau office 7-19-33.

DETAILS:

The writer, accompanied by Special Agent H. E. Roberts, proceeded to Long Beach, California, at which place Lieutenant MURPHY, Chief of Detectives, was interviewed in an effort to ascertain the identity of the individuals occupying the premises at 524 East State Street, mentioned in report of reference, and letter of reference.

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A review of the Long Beach City directory for the years 1930, 1931 and 1932 reflects that the premises have been occupied during that time by LUTHER RAINES, an oil worker, and his wife ANGELINA. LIEUTENANT MURPHY advised that although he was acquainted with numerous individuals in the neighborhood, the above named were unknown to him. A further review of the City Directory reflects the name of H. M. VOISARD residing at 530 East State Street, and ARTHUR H. BREER residing at 525 East State Street; both of the above named being well known to LIEUTENANT MURPHY. Inquiry on the part of LIEUTENANT MURPHY and the writer, however, disclosed that both individuals have moved from the above named addresses, but that MR. VOISARD is presently residing at 1437 Elm Avenue, telephone 646375. LIEUTENANT MURPHY advised that MR. and MRS. VOISARD are particular friends of his, highly intelligent, absolutely responsible and trustworthy; that no individuals living in the vicinity of 524 East State Street at the present time, in the opinion of LIEUTENANT MURPHY, could be trusted for inquiry of any nature concerning the individuals residing at 524 East State Street.

The writer, accompanied by Special Agent Roberts, proceeded to the residence of MR. and MRS. VOISARD above described, and upon exhibiting to them the photograph of subject GALATAS, same was immediately identified by them as being the owner of the premises at 524 East State Street, and known to them by the name of GALATAS. MR. and MRS. VOISARD advised that LUTHER RAINES married the sister of Subject GALATAS, Angelina; that Subject GALATAS' mother for sometime had been residing with MR. and MRS. RAINES at 524 East State Street, and that GALATAS had made a practice of visiting his mother on an average of two or three times a year; that they had had some transactions with Subject GALATAS in an effort on their part to dispose of their property at 530 East State Street to Subject GALATAS, but in view of the fact that it was next to impossible to contact subject GALATAS, who resided at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and efforts in this respect ceased.

MR. and MRS. VOISARD further advised that the GALATAS family is composed of the mother, whose name they believe to be ELIZABETH, the wife to LUTHER RAINES, ANGELINA, a sister to Subject GALATAS, and another sister who at the present time is residing at Long Beach, California, but whose name and address informants were unable to supply at the time of interview; same, however, will be secured by them in the immediate future, and immediately furnished to the Los Angeles Bureau office. MR. and Mrs. Voisard further advised that subject GALATAS has made a practice of visiting his mother at the above address about three times a year; that he on all occasions was accompanied by a woman whom they presumed to be his wife, and on only one occasion was accompanied by a man who appeared to be of foreign extraction, dark complexioned, medium build and middle aged.

Informants further stated that during the earthquake period, which had its inception on March 10, 1933, subject apparently became quite concerned

about the safety of his mother, and proceeded by airplane from Hot Springs, Arkansas to Long Beach, California, where he remained for approximately a week or ten days; that in view of the continuance of the temblors at Long Beach, subject GALATAS persuaded his mother to return to Hot Springs, Arkansas with him.

It should be stated at this time that the premises at 530 East State Street are presently owned by informants, and at this time are occupied by renters of informants; that the above information was obtained through the renters by informants, as well as by informant's personal contacts with the RAINES family. It is the information of informants that subject intends to return with his mother to Long Beach, California in August of this year. Informants further advised that they had not been on the premises at 530 East State Street during the past month, but that the house and grounds need attention at this time; that in view of the circumstances of the instant matter, they will make it a point immediately to be on the premises at 530 East State Street, and contact the RAINES family, as well as the renters of their premises for any information of value in the instant matter.

Arrangements have been made whereby any information of value secured by informants will be immediately given by them to LIEUTENANT MURPHY of the Long Beach Police Department who in turn will relay the information to the Los Angeles Bureau office. It should be also noted, with reference to the visit made by subject GALATAS to his mother at the above premises at the time of the earthquake, that the telephone call mentioned in reference letter from Long Beach--telephone 60552--on March 17th to the telephone of RICHARD TAILMAN GALATAS, 3842, listed in the name of GEORGE W. BATES, 107 Harold Street, Hot Springs, Arkansas, was made during the time subject GALATAS was with his mother at Long Beach, California.

MRS. VOISARD in this connection advised that the RAINES family at that time had no telephone. They do, however, at this time have a telephone, the number of which is 645279. Investigation conducted with respect to the above mentioned telephone number at Long Beach, California, namely 60552, on the part of LIEUTENANT MURPHY, through the Associated Telephone Company of Long Beach, disclosed that the records of the telephone company presently reflect that this instrument was not placed in service until June 19, 1933. It is presently a pay-station telephone located at the Carter Cannon Drug Store, 1201 East 7th Street. The officials of the telephone company advised that it is entirely possible that the telephone in question was in service on March 17, 1933, as a pay phone, but their records do not reflect at what point the telephone in question was located at that time. Informants advised that the nearest pay phone to the RAINES' residence at that time was located in a drug store approximately one block from that residence. It is obvious, therefore, that the call in question was undoubtedly placed by subject GALATAS during the time of his visit with his

mother. It was further ascertained that the Associated Telephone Company of Long Beach, California, is an independent association and is not connected with the Southern California Telephone Company of Los Angeles. Arrangements, however, have been made by Special Agent in Charge J. E. P. DUNN, through MR. CLAUDE PETERS, Special Agent of the Southern California Telephone Company, whereby all long distance calls to the telephone of the RAINES family--645279--will be checked through the Associated Telephone Company of Long Beach. If such check reveals that calls of a pertinent nature to the instant investigation have been made, subsequent arrangements will immediately be made to cover phone at the RAINES address.

A survey of the neighborhood at 524 East State Street reflects that the same is a semi commercial and residential district. Arrangements are being made at this time to keep the premises under observation. Said premises were kept under observation by the writer and Special Agent Roberts during the period of investigation. Nothing, however, concerning the movements of the RAINES family were of importance to the matter at hand.

Arrangements were made by the writer with the Postmaster at Long Beach, California for a mail cover at the above address.

During the period of the instant investigation, Special Agent D. W. Magee, en route to San Diego, California on other matters, passed the premises at 671 Gaviota Avenue, at which time he noted a Lincoln Sedan bearing 1933 New Mexico license 19-698. The San Antonio office was immediately requested by the writer to supply the name of the legal owner of the above mentioned plates. Said office subsequently advised that same were issued to NEAL M. SCHUSTER, Artesia, New Mexico. This car has been observed at the above premises by the writer, since being reported by Special Agent Magee, but same has not left its parking place during the period of observation; therefore, no description of occupants of same could be obtained. A surveillance, however, is being maintained at the above address, and a description of the individual in possession of the car in question will be obtained.

Informants above mentioned advised that the premises at 530 East State Street are presently occupied by MR. and MRS. ZENIA GREEN, who appear to be on intimate terms with the RAINES family, and who, in view of their relationship as landlord and tenant to informants, have been very friendly with them. That further in view of informants' acquaintance with the RAINES family, and the intimacy of that family with the GREEN family, and conversation on occasions wherein informants go to the premises at 530 East State Street, naturally turns to the RAINES family; that they anticipate no difficulty in obtaining information concerning subject GALATAS' mother, without creating any suspicions on the part of their renters or the RAINES family.

As a result of cover placed on the mail at 761 Gaviota Avenue, the following additional tracings have been received:

Mrs. Guy Campbell
Green City, Mo.

Green City, Mo.
7/19 - 11:30 AM

Mrs. A. L. Schuster
761 Caviota Ave.
Long Beach, Calif.

From Mrs. Guy Campbell
Green City, Mo.

Green City, Mo.
7/19 - 11:30 AM

Mrs. A. L. Schuster
761 Caviota Ave.
Long Beach, Calif.

From Mrs. J. L. Young
Warrendale, Pa.

Warrendale, Pa.
7-20 - 3 PM Air

Mr. Henry Schuster
761 Caviota St.
Long Beach, Calif.

Mrs. J. L. Young
Warrendale, Pa.

Warrendale, Pa.
7-20 - 3 PM Air

Mr. Henry Schuster
761 Caviota St.
Long Beach, Calif.

No return

Green City, Mo.
7-21 - 11:30 A

Mr. Milton Garrison
761 Caviota Ave. Long Beach, Calif.

Parker Rooms
Artesia, N. Mex.

Artesia, N M
7-21 12:30 PM

Mr. Neal Schuster
Long Beach, Calif.
761 Caviota Ave.

O. M. Quigley
700 Howard, Burlingame, Cal.

Burlingame, Calif.
7-21 3 PM

Mrs. A. L. Schuster
761 Caviota Ave.
Long Beach, Calif.

No return

Winigan, Mo.

7-21-33

Mrs. A. J. Posey
761 Gaviota Ave.
Long Beach, Calif.

No return

Stodard, Minn.

7-24 - 10:30 AM

Mrs. H. W. Schuster
761 Gaviota Ave.
Long Beach, Calif.

No Return

Artesia, N.M.

7/25 - 12:30 PM

(Personal)

Mr. Neal Schuster
Long Beach, Calif.

761 Gaviota Ave.

Equitable Insurance Co.
of Calif. 9th fl Tribune Tower
Oakland, Cal.

Mr. Luther Raines
524 E State
Long Beach, Cal.

(Typewritten)

J. H. Bryson & Co. Inc.
Insurance Adjusters
Pac. Finance Bld
621 So. Hope St.
Los Angeles, Cal.

Luther Raines
524 E State
Long Beach, Cal.

All mail tracings received to date in this case are attached to
copies of this report for the Kansas City office.

As being possibly significant, and for future reference in the instant matter, the following is noted:

On July 27, 1933, the following message was telephoned to this office by the state teletype service from Madison 1271, local 206:

"Please advise information Charles A. Floyd will keep home relatives under surveillance if information reliable party in south Anyone else reported with him on this trip

(s) W. C. Rhodes
Sheriff Madera"

Accordingly, SHERIFF W. C. RHODES, Madera, was contacted by the writer by phone, who advised that he had seen a recent press report reflecting that CHARLES A. FLOYD was thought to be in California. In this connection, SHERIFF RHODES advised that some time ago in connection with a matter in which the Burns people were interested, concerning a robbery thought to have been perpetrated by FLOYD and one CHARLES BIRDWELL, he conducted considerable investigation and maintained a lengthy surveillance on MR. and MRS. ELMER EDWARDS, alleged to be the aunt and uncle of FLOYD, residing in what is known as the Chowchilla country in the northern part of Madera County, Sheriff RHODES was desirous of ascertaining whether or not this Bureau had any information to the effect that FLOYD was in this section of the country, and if such was the case, would immediately place a detail for the purpose of maintaining surveillance on the above named individuals. Sheriff RHODES was advised that no official information had been received by this office to the end that FLOYD was in the vicinity, and was requested that in the event he received any information of value concerning that individual, or his whereabouts, that this office be immediately notified.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE LOS ANGELES OFFICE at Long Beach, California, will conduct appropriate investigation at 524 East State Street and 761 Caviota Avenue, in line with the facts as set out in the instant report, and will conduct investigation as requested in report of reference.

THE SAN ANTONIO OFFICE is respectfully requested to ascertain the identity of NEAL N. SCHUSTER, Artesia, New Mexico, relative to any possible connection he may have with the instant matter.

THE KANSAS CITY OFFICE will use its discretion as to what action shall be taken relative to any investigation suggested by mail tracings set out in the instant report.

A D D E N D U M - (following page)

Subsequent to the dictation of this report, MR. CLAUDE PETERS, Special Agent of the Southern California Telephone Company, advised that the following calls had been made from the telephone listed at the home of LUTHER RAINES, 524 East State Street, Long Beach, California:

- 6-19-33 Call - Los Angeles Vandyke 3111 - which is the Pacific Indemnity Co., 621 So. Hope Street;
- 6-26-33 " San Pedro 4921-W, now changed to 1335-W, located at 658 McArthur St., in the name of Otto Eckhoff;
- 7-14-33 " Monrovia, Calif., 11723 - Mrs. Emma McGraw, 244 East Lemon St.;
- 7-17-33 " Los Angeles Michigan 2844, listed under the name of Sparling & Teel, 417 So. Hill St., Room 1105.

Discreet and appropriate investigation will be conducted relative to the above outlined telephone calls.

LIEUTENANT MURPHY, Long Beach, California, advised that informants above mentioned submitted the following information to him. That the mother of subject GALATAS has returned to Long Beach, California, arriving at that place about one week ago, and is presently residing at 524 East State Street. As far as could be ascertained, she returned alone; more definite information, however, is expected in the near future on this particular point.

Informants further ascertained that the family is composed of the mother, subject GALATAS, a daughter Angelina--the wife of Luther Raines--and another daughter, name Ida May, last name has not as yet been ascertained. This daughter at the present time is operating a beauty parlor on East 10th Street in the 1000 or 1500 block, Long Beach; that during the year of 1932, she resided with her husband and daughter in the rear of 524 East State Street.

According to informants, the property at 524 East State Street was purchased in June of 1932 by subject GALATAS for the mother; that the mother has a brother, name at this time unknown, who resides with his wife and five small children in Pasadena; that during the year 1932, this brother was out of work and subject GALATAS, according to informants, put him to work on a farm owned by subject GALATAS somewhere in the middle west - location of this farm has not as yet been secured, but it is hoped that said location can be obtained. This brother has returned to California and is presently residing in Pasadena.

Informants further advised LIEUTENANT MURPHY that subject GALATAS had visited the premises at 524 East State Street numerous times during the year 1932, on which occasions he appeared in two different Cadillac Sedans, and was

always accompanied by an individual known to the occupants of the premises at 530 East State Street as "MIKE". No description was given by the informants of this individual, but same will be obtained. Informants further advised that GALATAS has not been at Long Beach since March of this year.

Informants will be contacted immediately so that they may be instructed as to what information in particular they should endeavor to secure - namely, whether or not the mother returned to Los Angeles alone, from what point, as to specific location, she returned to Los Angeles, the whereabouts of subject GALATAS, and the location of his farm in the middle west; the full name of the sister operating the beauty parlor in Long Beach, and a more definite address of that business; also a description of the individual who accompanied subject GALATAS on the occasion of his visits to Long Beach during the year 1932.

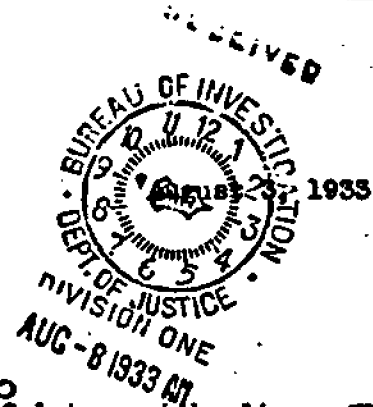
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Director,
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Richard Tallman Galatas, with aliases-FUGITIVE
Re: Vernon C. Miller, with aliases-FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1195, et al
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to
Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)

Dear Sir:

Special Agent F. E. Hurley advises me in memorandum, as follows:

"Detective Cecil Ezell, Auto Theft Bureau, Louisville, Kentucky, Police Department, informed me today that a Mrs. Thomas (Pearl) Shipman, a next door neighbor, rushed into the Ezell home late yesterday afternoon and reported that a man had attempted to gain entrance and demanded food and lodging. Mrs. Shipman was very much excited and deathly pale. Detective Ezell investigated as best he could. It developed that Thomas Shipman, the lady's husband, went to the door in order to inquire as to who the man was and why he had stopped at the Shipman home. The man in mind thereupon left the premises and ran down 19th Street. He disappeared and nothing has been seen of him since. Detective Ezell further stated that Mrs. Shipman gave a description of the man she had reported. The description answered so closely to that of ED DAVIS, Subject in the above captioned matter, that he secured a complete set of the photographs of each of the Subjects in the above matter. Mrs. Shipman instantly stated that the one of Ed Davis appeared to be that of the man she had reported. In this connection, she described the man believed to be that of Davis, as follows:

About 30-35 years
About 5' 10"
Dark brown hair;
Dark brown eyes
High forehead
Medium build
Peculiarly sharp eyes

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Mrs. Shipman also stated that the man in question wore dark blue serge trousers, well dressed, tan colored shirt, brown felt hat. He was neatly dressed. He also carried a loaf of bread in his hand, recently purchased from all appearances. Mrs. Shipman spoke particularly about the peculiarly sharp and searching eyes.

In addition to the above stated facts, Mrs. Shipman informed Mr. Ezell that she recognized the photograph of WILBUR UNDERHILL as being that of the brother of BOB UNDERHILL, a resident of Louisville, Kentucky, at the present time.

In this latter connection, Mrs. Shipman stated that she is the daughter of one Joe McNall, a former convict, sentenced to the U. S. Penitentiary, Atlanta, Ge., from Frankfort, Ky., a year ago last March. McNall received a two year sentence but has been out on parole for nearly a year. He is now living in the Clifton Heights district of Louisville. McNall had been convicted on a liquor charge, that of running a still owned by the Bob Underhill, mentioned above. Underhill beat the case against him and since that time, McNall and Underhill have not been on good terms. Both men reside in the same neighborhood in Louisville at the present time.

Detective Ezell continued to state that when Mrs. Shipman saw the photograph of Fugitive WILBUR UNDERHILL, she instantly remarked, "My God, that looks like Bob Underhill. He and my father were caught in a liquor scrape nearly two years ago. My father got two years in Federal Court and Underhill beat his case". At this point, Mr. Ezell added that Mrs. Shipman had not seen the photographs before and had not seen the name of the man written on back of the photograph. She had no way of knowing who the man was unless she positively recognized him from past association. As it happened, the photograph was that of Wilbur Underhill, instead of Bob Underhill. However, from an investigative point of view, the incident aroused Ezell to action and he made plans to follow the matter through. Mrs. Shipman told Ezell that she did not know Bob Underhill's brother, but knows Bob very well. She says that the photograph resembles Bob Underhill very closely. Her identification and unfeigned exclamations in the presence of Ezell and Mrs. Ezell speaks for themselves.

Agent questioned Mrs. Shipman today in the presence of Mrs. Ezell and her husband, Detective Ezell. Mrs. Shipman confirmed the statements as made above by Mr. Ezell in detail. She is very certain of the fact that Bob Underhill resembles very closely the photograph of Fugitive Wilbur Underhill. She also identified the photograph of Ed Davis as being a very close resemblance of the man who called at her home last evening and demanded food and lodging. She referred particularly to his sharp, piercing eyes. She admitted that the man frightened her to such an extent that she pulled back into the house as fast as possible. However, her husband saw the

men run rapidly away. Why he did so could not be explained by Mrs. Shipman. The latter's husband works off and on. The theory is now advanced that Underhill may have told Davis that the latter might get information as to Underhill's whereabouts from Mrs. Shipman. When he saw Mr. Shipman, Davis may have thought better not to make any inquiries whatever. He then ran.

With reference to Mrs. Shipman, agent reached the conclusion that she is telling the truth. She is a well balanced young woman and had no reason for making wild statements. Furthermore, Mrs. Ezell stated that Mrs. Shipman was white and extremely frightened when she called at the Ezell home and made her report. In addition, she recognized the photograph of Wilbur Underhill as being one closely resembling the likeness of Bob Underhill, whom she knows very well and for cause. She has arranged with Mr. and Mrs. Ezell to make a trip in the Ezell's car tomorrow evening with the view to pointing out the house in which Underhill (Bob) lives. She could not make the trip this afternoon or evening. Ezell is following the matter through and means to keep in close touch with this agent. I am not submitting this information as positive. However, the voluntary information as furnished by Mrs. Shipman deserves close attention. Whatever develops I shall cover closely and report immediately. I believe that this matter, as it stands, should be treated quietly, confidentially and with close attention. Ezell and his partner are the only persons besides Mrs. Ezell and Mr. and Mrs. Shipman who know about this affair. The police, at large, have not been notified as yet. It was deemed better for Ezell and me to work out the preliminaries before notifying the Chief of Police or the Chief of Detectives. If the facts and circumstances warrant, they will be instantly notified and their cooperation sought. Will report progress tomorrow. Also will work on the theory that Wilbur and Bob Underhill may be the same person."

In this connection, Agent Hurley has been advised to give this matter very close careful attention and to keep me advised of any and all developments. Should anything develop which would indicate that these are the persons we are seeking, or if there is any possibility of apprehending any of them at Louisville, I will proceed there myself in order to handle the investigation, together with Agent Hurley.

Very truly yours,


E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge

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201 Liberty National Life Bldg.,
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August 8, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
905 Federal Reserve Bank Bldg.,
Kansas City, Mo.

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RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases - FUGITIVE;
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases -
FUGITIVE, et al.
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - Endeavor to
Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash.
Birmingham File 62-826.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the above case, also letter from the Birmingham office dated July 29, 1933 concerning investigation being conducted by this office concerning relatives and associates of subject Galatas at Montgomery, Alabama.

Special Agent Louis DeNette has contacted Mrs. Henry H. Jones, 100 Forest Avenue, Montgomery, Alabama, who is the former wife of Jules Galatas, Jr., a cousin of subject Galatas, which latter person, as has previously been reported by the Birmingham office, is supposed to be operating a gambling game at the Morrison Hotel in Chicago. From this woman, whom Special Agent DeNette interviewed under a pretext, the following was learned.

Jules Galatas, Jr., alias B. E. Gerson (ex-husband of informant), who was last heard of by her as living in Chicago, Ill. with Mrs. B. E. Gerson, a married woman of Montgomery, Ala., with whom he ran away some years ago. This is the individual who is said by Chief of Detectives Paul Rapport, Montgomery, to be conducting a gambling game in the Morrison Hotel, Chicago, probably under the name of B. E. Gerson, as he is reported to frequently use the name of the woman. This man is a cousin of subject Galatas, and information has been received that several years ago he left Montgomery, Ala. with a Jewish woman named Gerson who was reported to be worth approximately one hundred thousand dollars.

Sidney Galatas, now living in Montgomery, Ala., making a precarious living by gambling and operating such games. He is also a cousin of subject Galatas. He has no listed permanent address, but stays in cheap hotels.

Mrs. Ruth _____ (informant does not know her married name), who lives in Long Beach, Calif., address unknown to informant. She is a cousin of subject Galatas.

Albert Galatas Sr., is dead, but his widow, Mrs. Ida Galatas, is reported living in Long Beach, Calif., with a married daughter, either Mrs. Hugh M. Martin or Mrs. Angelina _____ (informant does not know her married name). Albert Galatas, Sr., was the father of five children, these being:

Subject Richard T. Galatas, usually known as Dick Galatas in and around Montgomery, Ala., where he was born and reared. Between 15 and 20 years ago, Richard Galatas married a woman who is remembered by informant only as "Rose". She was not a Montgomery girl, but Richard Galatas brought her to Montgomery, this being about 1910, and she died and is buried at Montgomery, Ala. Thereafter, Richard Galatas left Montgomery and only returned at infrequent intervals. He took up his regular residence at Hot Springs, Ark., but was heard from at Los Angeles, Long Beach, Chicago, winter resort points in Florida, and elsewhere. His mother, Mrs. Ida Galatas, continued to reside in Montgomery until about ten or twelve years ago when Richard Galatas came and took her to Long Beach, Calif. She had been conducting boarding houses at 505 Dexter Street, and on Lee Street, in Montgomery, but had made a failure and owed everybody, and Richard Galatas solved the situation by taking her to California. On arrival in California, she there was introduced by Richard Galatas to a woman whom he claimed to be his wife, and who had been living for some time with Richard Galatas in Long Beach and Los Angeles. This woman, as she learned, had been a Mrs. Bettie Sturney, and Richard Galatas told her he had married Mrs. Sturney at Philadelphia, Pa. This Mrs. Sturney had a young son by her previous husband, and Richard Galatas thereupon became stepfather to the boy. Informant states she gained this information from Mrs. Ida Galatas, subject's mother, on a visit Mrs. Ida Galatas made to Montgomery, and Mrs. Ida Galatas further informed her that she had not known of her son's marriage to Mrs. Sturney until she met her in Los Angeles or Long Beach, nor did Mrs. Ida Galatas appear at all certain that any marriage had actually taken place. In any event, Mrs. Richard Galatas (Mrs. Sturney) also made a visit to Montgomery, this being about seven years ago, at which time she had her son with her. At that time, according to informant, Richard Galatas was unusually fond of his stepson and lavished many gifts on him. Mrs. Richard Galatas (Mrs. Sturney) arranged to, and did, place her son in Starke's School at Montgomery, and he remained there several months, transferring to Lanier High School, Montgomery, and thence to the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa, Ala. Meanwhile, Mrs. Richard Galatas (Mrs. Sturney) had returned to her husband in California, and informant heard of them from various places, they seemingly spending part of the year at Hot Springs, Ark., and the winter season in Florida. Informant states Richard Galatas more frequently than not went under the name of T. J. Gray. The stepson, young

Sturney, whose full name (as will be shown hereinafter) is Pat Cardelle Sturney, boarded at Starke's School while attending it, but while attending Lanier High School he first stayed with Mr. and Mrs. Hugh M. Martin, 211 Church Street, Montgomery, Mrs. Martin being a sister of subject Galatas. When the Martins moved to Long Beach, Calif., about two years ago, young Sturney went to board with Mrs. Myrtle G. Duncan, then living at 1215 South Court, Montgomery, but now living at 109 Woodley Terrace, Montgomery. Informant stated there is no family relationship whatever between the Galatas and the Duncans or the Sturneys, and that young Sturney stayed with the Duncans merely in the capacity of a boarder, and informant assumes all his bills were paid by his step-father, subject Galatas. Informant never saw Mrs. Sturney except on the two or more times she visited Montgomery, and she never discussed with Mrs. Sturney her meeting and marriage to subject Galatas, and all she knows about it is what Mrs. Ida Galatas, subject's mother, told her. Informant said subject Galatas is exceedingly fond of his mother, so much so that after the Los Angeles earthquake subject flew from Hot Springs to Los Angeles, and took his mother back with him to Hot Springs, Ark., though she heard later that the mother had returned to Long Beach, Calif. It is informant's belief that subject Galatas will communicate with his mother and with his stepson, young Sturney, possibly also with other relatives at Long Beach, Calif., but she doubts very much if he will come to Montgomery, Ala. Informant is confident that subject Galatas and his wife (Mrs. Sturney) will be found together, as she said they always travelled together and were seldom separated for any length of time.

J. Albert Galatas, whereabouts unknown but last heard of at Atlanta, Ga., was a son of Albert Galatas, Sr., and is a brother of subject Galatas. He married a Miss Chlora Compton of Montgomery, who divorced him some years ago. She is the owner of, and occupies Apt. No. 1 of, The Galatas Apartments, 1105 South Perry, Montgomery. She has one son, Joseph Galatas, who lives with her. He is about 17 years of age and works at the Strong Drug Store. This lady goes under her married name of Mrs. Chlora Galatas, but informant states she hates the "whole Galatas tribe", and has nothing whatever to do with any of them. Informant states that if Mrs. Chlora Galatas had any information that would be helpful she would give it and say nothing to anyone else. She has not been interviewed by Agent.

Mrs. Hugh M. Martin, now reported residing with her husband at 1827 East Tenth Street, Long Beach, Calif., was a daughter of Albert Galatas, Sr., and is a sister of subject Galatas. She was Miss Ida Mae Galatas before her marriage to Mr. Martin, who was station master at the Union Station, Montgomery, for several years, resigning in 1931 because of failing eyesight due to cataract, and moving with his wife to Long Beach in the early spring of 1932. They lived at 211 Church Street, Montgomery, and young Pat Sturney lived with them until they left for California. Mrs. Ida Galatas, mother of Mrs. Martin and of subject Galatas, may be living with them at Long Beach.

Mrs. Capitola Castleberry, wife of William Castleberry, was, before her marriage, Miss Capitola Galatas and was a daughter of Albert Galatas, Sr. She is a sister to subject Galatas. She and her husband, the latter a solicitor for calendars and lithographic work, live at 414 Finley Avenue, Montgomery, Ala. She herself is a stenographer by profession.

Mrs. Angelina Raines (informant does not know her married name) is a daughter of Albert Galatas, Sr., and a sister of subject Galatas. She lives in Long Beach, Calif., address unknown to informant. Informant believes it possible that Mrs. Ida Galatas, subject's mother, may be living with this daughter.

Special Agent DeLette has also checked the records of the Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies at Montgomery, Alabama, from the middle of June to the present time, and ascertained that on June 26, 1933, a telegram was sent from Meridian, Miss. to Mrs. Myrtle Duncan, 109 Woodley Terrace, reading: "Be home tonight ten o'clock. Wait up for me", which message was signed "Bill", and which is undoubtedly a telegram from Pat Sturney, who has also used the name of Bill. This undoubtedly explains the reason that the records of the Post Office Department indicate that mail for Sturney was being sent to him at 109 Woodley Terrace, which is the Duncan home.

On the night of August 2, 1933, Mr. H. E. Baird, manager of the Southern Bell Telephone Co., Montgomery, Alabama, advised the Birmingham office that about 9 P.M. that evening a long distance call had been made to telephone number Walnut 1368-M, Montgomery, which is the Duncan residence, the call having been made by Pat Sturney at Tuscaloosa, Ala., which of course indicates that Sturney has again returned to Tuscaloosa.

No other information of interest was obtained as a result of checking the telephone company records, other than that on June 12, 1933, W. W. Duncan, Macon, Ga., telegraphed \$20.00 to Miss Frances Duncan, 109 Woodley Terrace, Montgomery, and on June 27, 1933 this same party forwarded \$15.00 to W. W. Duncan, Jr., at this same address. The telegraph company ascertained for Special Agent DeLette that W. W. Duncan is employed by the Royce Quano Company, Macon, Ga., and postoffice records at Montgomery indicate that this party is the husband of Mrs. Myrtle C. Duncan.

A check of the telephone company records as to telephones Walnut 1368-M and 1316-M, at Montgomery, from June 1 to July 16, 1933, indicate that no incoming long distance calls were charged to these phones, and that only one outgoing call was made from Walnut 1368-M, which was on July 6, 1933 to Broughton's Ranch near Letahatchie, Ala., which is reported to be a summer fishing resort.

No results have been obtained to date from the covers placed on the mail of Sturney at both Tuscaloosa and Montgomery, Alabama, or as a result of the cover placed on mail of J. Albert Galatas, who is believed to be a brother of subject Galatas, and who is living at #9 Cain Street, Atlanta, Ga. In the event that any tracings are received, efforts will be made to carry out the suggestion contained in letter from the Kansas City office and St. Paul office dated August 1, 1933.

Special Agent Louis Dallette at Montgomery, Alabama, has also interviewed Rosie Rivers, a negroess who lives at #2 Sharp Street, and in whose name telephone Walnut 1316-M in Montgomery is listed. It will be recalled that Pat Sturney is supposed to have telephoned to that number from Tuscaloosa, Ala. This woman, who it was learned is a domestic, was interviewed under pretext, and she denied having received a telephone call from Tuscaloosa, Ala. It is believed that the telephone company at Tuscaloosa erred in stating that Sturney had telephoned to this number, and efforts are being made at the present time to check this.

At Atlanta, Ga., Special Agent Chapman Fletcher has obtained no information of interest as the result of investigation to ascertain if J. Albert Galatas has received mail, telephone calls or telegrams from subject Galatas. He has learned, however, that J. Albert Galatas formerly represented a wholesale grocery company in Atlanta, and that it is believed that he is representing a similar organization at the present time. From an application blank that J. Albert Galatas filed with the Georgia Railroad, Atlanta, Ga. on March 8, 1917, it was learned that he gave his name as Joseph Albert Galatas Jr., saying also that he was born on October 24, 1892 at Montgomery, Ala., his wife being Clara E. Compton, his father dead, his mother, Mrs. Ida M. Galatas, 833 North Street, New Orleans, La. In his application he also mentioned that a relative in railroad service is Ed Sherman, Engineer, L. & N. Railway, Montgomery, Ala. This information, it will be noted, corresponds with that given above, as well as in previous letters forwarded by the Birmingham office, and undoubtedly indicates that J. Albert Galatas, is a brother of subject Galatas.

Mr. Paul Rapport, Chief of Detectives, Police Department, Montgomery, Ala., who it will be noted from previous letters of this office, has furnished some of the general information formerly transmitted concerning subject Galatas, has advised Special Agent Dallette that a possible source of information concerning subject Galatas might be one Al Reynolds, who operates a hotel at Hot Springs, Ark. Rapport claims that he and Reynolds are intimate friends and that Reynolds recently visited him in Montgomery when they renewed their old acquaintanceship. Rapport believes that if Reynolds was informed that Rapport would appreciate any assistance that he, Reynolds, could furnish to agents of the United States Bureau of Investigation in connection with this case, and that if Reynolds were assured that such information would be kept confidential, that it is his

opinion that Reynolds would cooperate. Rapport also claims Reynolds to be friendly with many persons of the underworld, and that if he himself does not know where subject Calatas is, that he could learn without much trouble. Chief of Detectives Rapport, of his own volition, gave Special Agent Dellette the attached letter, which it is noted is addressed to Mr. Albert Reynolds, Hot Springs, Ark., advising Reynolds that this letter will be handed to him by an Agent of the Department of Justice, and that he himself would appreciate any assistance that Reynolds could give to such an Agent. This letter is being transmitted to the Kansas City office in the event that it should desire to make use of it.

Copies of this letter are also being transmitted to the Los Angeles, Chicago and New Orleans offices for their information.

Very truly yours,

J. H. HANSON, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

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Mr. Gandy ✓
Forwarded up to
R. C. H.

PLEASE SEE ME _____

H. N.
HAROLD NATHAN
ROOM 318

Mr. Hughes;
Room 318

Respectfully referred
to as per
telephone conversation

W/ps
J. H. Hall

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POST OFFICE BOX 7

Prisoner's Mail Box
Leavenworth, Kansas, 7-1-33

Let Kansas City
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Mr. Cumming,

Dear Sir I am writting you again in regards to the propisition I made you conserning the parties that did that killing in K.C. of corse I know the reason. I have not heard from you. You can not exactly make up your mind whether to take a chance on me or not.

Now Mr. Cumming you are not taking any chance on me at all. I am giving you facts and can prove it by reliable people. Whos factor can not be denied. If I dont do just what I say I will I will come back like a man and do my time. But I know I can do that for you.

For I know the underworld. I am there like a book. I have mixed with them all my life and can make connections with any of them. Now the parties you beleave did the killing May not be the right ones at all. If they are not I can find out just who the ones are in my oppenion Charles Floyd was connected with it. There is no use spending a lot of money and time trying to catch them. I can do this for you in a few days.

For I know some of them Okla. boys did it. Now I am not coming to you with a lot of that Sob Sister stuff saying I was frained and got a bum rap. I did not. I am making you a propisition which I consider is a buisness one.

I am trying to trade you some big men for a little one. I beleave you will have to admit yourself that to have them men in your hands would be worth more to you than I have me here. You know the old saying "it takes a crook to catch a crook. Well I can do this for you.

I am to much looser for me to continue to do crooked work for I have tride to much I no I cant win. Now I got my self in this and I am willing to pay to get out by doing this for you. You would be getting the best of the deal but I will make the trade with you. I will go futher than this with you. After I get out I will still do some work for you. If you will make it worth my while.

I can do things for you all that you dont thing I can. Now I dont think you would loose by dealing with me for there is no telling how many people they will kill. W. all know they are killers if there was any.

Of corse I guess you get so many propisitions like this one that you dont consider th worth while at all. But the referances I give you will show you that I can do this a will. It would be with all ease for me to do that. If I could not prove to you that I had the ability to do this then it would be differant but I can do it. Now am not trying to tell you I am a Sherlock Homes or anything of the kind. But Mr. Cumming it is just like you would be your self. You would know just how to make contact with your asocates. Well that is just the way with me. I know just how to make connections.

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through the underworld. down there for I am in good standing with them all. they know nothing of what I did for the Governors office, and if you all will deal with me and follow my plans you can have them all in side of 15 days and not get any of the officers killed.

Now if you will trust me I will insure you I will never give you any cause to regret doing so.

I hope we can get together on this. for the good of our selves and all so the country For they are a dangerous bunch and mean no good to any one.

Mr. Cumming why not let me do this for you I swear I will fill fill my part of the contract. I wish you would write these men and find out. I am telling you the truth.

Mr. M. M. Trapp. Patrolmen Bldg - Okla City former governor

Mr. W. H. Halloway Cotton grane exchange Bldg. Okla City Former Governor

Mr. Alva McDonald c/o Governors office Okla City Former U. S. Marshall

Mr. Charles McCloud, Bell Telephone Bldg., Okla City
Chief Dect. for Governors office

Mr. Edward M. Box Cotton Grane Exchange Bldg., Okla City
Former executive Clerk for Governor

Parker Lemore Akron Times Press, Akron, Ohio
Former secretary of Governor

Mr. W. H. Kee, Kee Bldg. - Okla City
Former Warden at McAlester Okla

Now these men can tell you all you want to know. Will you please let me hear from you through the warden here

Yours most truly,

(Signed) Gillie Jack Madding No 43320 ()

P. S. Mr. Cumming if you will let me come and talk with you I am sure you will agre with me and we will lay our plans and you will have your men in a short time.

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Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
905 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

CONFIDENTIAL - 1-1-33

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the case entitled UNKNOWN SUBJECTS,
Obstruction of Justice (Endeavor to deliver Federal prisoner
Frank Nash).

There are enclosed herewith copies of a letter dated
July 1, 1933, addressed to the Attorney General by Ollie Jack
Madding, No. 43320, a convict at the United States Penitentiary,
Leavenworth, Kansas, from which it will be noted that Madding
states if he is given an opportunity he can readily cause the
apprehension of the individuals who committed the murders at
Kansas City on June 17, 1933.

It is requested that an Agent of the Kansas City office
interview Madding for any information he may have in this
connection.

Very truly yours,

Encl. #668138

Director.

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905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri
August 3, 1933

Special Agent in Charge
United States Bureau of Investigation
601 Title Guaranty Building
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I.O. #1195, et al
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to
Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)
K.C. File 62-760

Please refer to page three of the report from the Kansas City office, dated July 28, 1933. It is suggested that appropriate investigation be made at the Jefferson Hotel and at the establishment of Tom Carney at St. Louis in order to obtain any available information relative to the whereabouts of Galatas. If any reliable informant can be utilized for the purpose of contact with Carney, it is suggested that same be done.

Reference is also made to page eight of the same report. It is requested that Sister Fidelis at Webster Groves, Missouri, be interviewed for information as to the whereabouts of Janice Kobbe, who is supposedly the daughter of Mrs. Conner. It is desired in this connection to locate Mrs. Conner.

With further reference to page eight of this report, attention is called to the mention of a farm probably located at Knobel, Arkansas, wherein Galatas has an interest. Mrs. Conner is believed also to have connection at Knobel, Arkansas. The point at Knobel, Arkansas, in question may be either on the Arkansas or Missouri side of the line. However, that town is more accessible through the St. Louis office and it is, therefore, requested that appropriate investigation be made by your office at Knobel.

Very truly yours,

H. E. WETTERLI,
Special Agent in Charge

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905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri
August 3, 1933

Special Agent in Charge
United States Bureau of Investigation
625 Lafayette Building
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1195, et al
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to
Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)
K.C. File 62-760

Please refer to page seven of the report of Special Agent W. F.
Trainer, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, July 28, 1933.

It is requested that appropriate inquiry be made at Detroit to
determine the identities of parties residing at 1624 Putnam Street and
having telephone number Garfield 3183, if such be a Detroit number.
This investigation is requested for the purpose of locating Calatas and
Mrs. Connor. It appears that these Detroit contacts may be those of
Mrs. Connor whose whereabouts is also being sought, although no process
of arrest has been issued for her.

Very truly yours,

R. E. VETTERLI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri
August 3, 1933

Special Agent in Charge
United States Bureau of Investigation
Atlantic National Bank Building Annex
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Sir:

RE: WERNON C. MILLER with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I.O. #1195, et al
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to
Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)
K.C. File 62-760

Please refer to the report of Special Agent W. F. Trainor, dated at
Kansas City, Missouri, July 28, 1933, page three, paragraph one. This
report will have reached you in photostatic form from the Chicago office.

It is suggested that direct or indirect contact be had with Charles
Vogel, Daytona Beach, Florida, to determine his connections with Galatas
and all available information which may indicate the whereabouts of that
fugitive. It is suggested that the character and reputation of Vogel be
considered as a means of determining whether or not he should be directly
interviewed in this connection.

Very truly yours,

R. E. VETTERLI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri
August 5, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge
United States Bureau of Investigation
1900 Bankers' Building
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

IN RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
et al - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor
to deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash),
Kansas City File 62-760

Today Sheriff Thomas B. Bash, of Kansas City, Missouri, was in this office, at which time he stated that he has learned from a confidential source, which he does not wish to divulge, that John Hagan, now of Chicago, is seeking employment as a Deputy Sheriff of Jackson County, Missouri, for the purpose of causing the apprehension of Vernon C. Miller. Sheriff Bash states his informant advises him that Hagan has made the statements that he has been personally acquainted with Miller for many years, knows Miller's woman - Vi Gibson - and other unnamed women friends; that Vi Gibson has a safe deposit box and a fur coat in storage in Chicago.

Sheriff Bash stated that for reasons of economy he is not in a position to employ Hagan in this matter, and for this reason he has furnished the information indicated to this office. Sheriff Bash stated his informant advised him that Hagan is known to the Chicago Bureau Office.

Hagan is a notorious character in Kansas City, as well as in other places, and at one time was the subject of Bureau Identification Order number 340A. He has served a term in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth.

Sheriff Bash stated that according to his informant Hagan is using the name of Jack Evans, 4614 North Paulina, Irvington Apartment, Room 208, Chicago, Illinois.

The foregoing information is being furnished you for such action as you deem appropriate.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR
ACTING SPECIAL AGENT

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905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri
August 3, 1933



Special Agent in Charge
United States Bureau of Investigation
326 Post Office Building
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1195, et al
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to
Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)
K.C. File 62-760

Please refer to pages ten and seventeen of the report of
Special Agent W. F. Trainor, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, July 28,
1933.

It is requested that appropriate investigation be had to
determine whether or not Mrs. E. B. Conner or her supposed brother-in-
law, A. J. Conner, are related to the present or any past Governor of
Mississippi. All investigation possible along that line should be
conducted in an effort to locate Mrs. Conner through any of her
relatives.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Vetterli
H. E. VETTERLI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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900 Extra Thompson Building,
Salt Lake City, Utah,
August 4th, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
905 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Mo.



RE: VERNON C. MILLER with aliases - FUGITIVE.
RICHARD TALIMAN GALATAS with aliases FUGITIVE, et al
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - Endeavor to Deliver
Federal Prisoner FRANK NASH - S.L. File 62-474.

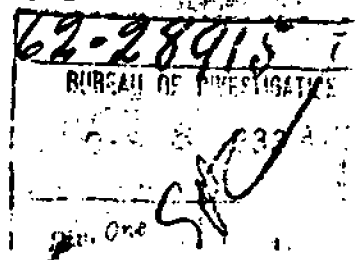
The August 1933 number of the "American Bankers Association Journal", Protective Edition, apparently the organ of the William J. Burns International Detective Agency, carries on page four thereof, a photograph of Robert Loftis and Bernard Phillips, the latter being subject of the Bureau's Identification Order No. 1196, and I note that Loftis and Phillips are alleged to have robbed a non-member bank at La Crosse, Ind., during which the Cashier was slain without provocation, it appearing that the photograph of Robert Loftis has been identified as the actual slayer, and that Bernard Phillips was named as the second bandit.

In this connection, the thought comes to me that possibly the name of Robert Loftis may not have come to the attention of your office as an associate of Bernard Phillips, and possibly an associate of the others mentioned as suspects in the killings at Kansas City, Mo., on the morning of June 17th, 1933. If not you may wish to give some attention to Robert Loftis, and his location, as a possible means of locating Bernard Phillips and others wanted in this matter. A photograph of Robert Loftis, bearing the number C 33511, identity of Police photograph not known, together with his description and other information of value, appears on page four of the above named publication. In this publication he is described as being age 32; height 5ft 8 1/2 in; weight 155 lbs.; dark chestnut gray hair, gray blue eyes, fair complexion, nose bands to left, born in Illinois. Attached hereto you will find page four of the publication mentioned.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. DOWD,
Special Agent in Charge.

JAD:J
cc - Bureau.



THT:EK
62-4949

Room 1403,
370 Lexington Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

August 7, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
905 Federal Reserve Bank Bldg.,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent T. H. Tracy dated August 2, 1933, in the investigation of the matter of VIVIAN M. MATHIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1195, ET AL.

The exhibits referred to therein were not enclosed with the report. Therefore, attached hereto you will find two gloss photographs of Louis Bucholtz and three photostatic copies of the Western Union money order referred to dated July 26, 1933.

The Birmingham Office will find attached to its copy of this letter one gloss photograph of Louis Bucholtz and the Chicago Office will find two photostatic copies of the photograph of Benjamin Siegel.

For your information I have to inform that this office has again located Vivian Mathis. She is at present in Atlantic City, New Jersey, with the Bucholtzes where she is being kept under proper surveillance.

Very truly yours,

T. F. CULLEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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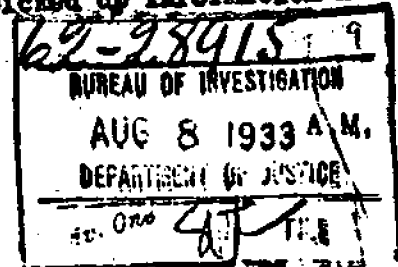
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August 3, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
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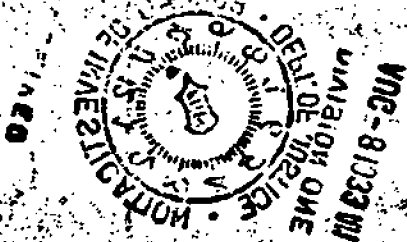
RE: VERNON C. MILLER with aliases - FUGITIVE.
RICHARD TALLMAN & LATAS with aliases - FUGITIVE et al
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - Endeavor to Deliver
Federal Prisoner FRANK NASH - B.L. File 62-474.

Dear Sir:

For your general information I have to advise you that one James H. Hunter of the Metal Mines Inc., Denver, Colorado, and residing at the St. Elmo Hotel, Denver, Colorado, informed Agent Val C. Zimmer of this office, stationed at Denver, Colorado, that he, when employed as a private investigator, once arrested Harvey Bailey at Cleveland, Ohio; that about a week before the killings at Kansas City, Mo. he was at the Main Greyhound Bus Depot in Kansas City and saw a 1931 or 1932 Studebaker Sedan drive around the block containing four men, three of whom he identified, from the Identification Orders prepared in this case, as being Davis, Bailey and Brady. He stated the Studebaker carried 1932 Ohio License plates on it and he knew that all Ohio cars are required to carry the new year's license with the beginning of the year, and that he considered that fact suspicious; that he recognized the three above mentioned subjects in the car and called the Police Department at Kansas City, and asked that they send a squad to the vicinity of the Main Greyhound Depot to arrest the men and the car, believing the men in the car were undoubtedly planning some job. Mr. Hunter stated that the police car did not arrive, and the Studebaker again circled the block; that he called the Police again and informed them who the men were and their reputation, and advised that the men should be picked up, since he, Hunter knew that Brady was wanted in Cleveland for a murder; that the police squad did not arrive, and after waiting an hour and a half he left on his bus for Denver, Colorado. Mr. Hunter claims that he saw the same Studebaker with the 1932 Ohio license plates on it in Denver, when he was at Denver a short time, and that there were then five men in the car; he said that he called the police and advised that these men should be picked up since he knew they were up to some trouble. However, he advised that the Studebaker got away before the Police car arrived. Hunter claims that he has picked up information here



and there and knows that there are eighteen in Pretty Boy Floyd's gang and that eight of them are Italians. He also said that Floyd had a "sweetie" in Pueblo, Colorado, but he could not furnish her address. Hunter also said that a Mr. George Bangroft with whom he is associated in some dealings, told him that his son was driving west of Denver in the Mountains and saw a smashed car with a dead man in it, and when he stopped to see what was wrong found four Italians there who ordered him to leave.

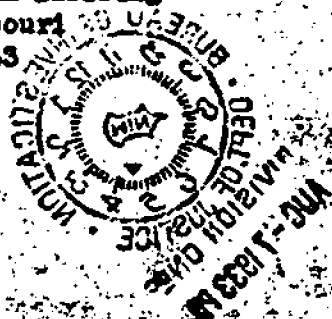


Very truly yours,

JOHN A. DOWD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - Bureau.

905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri
August 4, 1933



Special Agent in Charge
United States Bureau of Investigation
203 Post Office Building
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1195, et al
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to
Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)
K.C. File 62-960

Referring to your letter of August 2, 1933, there is
enclosed a photograph of Mrs. Lillian Holden, Kansas City,
Missouri, Police Department #20396.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
R. T. VETTERLI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri
August 4, 1933

Special Agent in Charge
United States Bureau of Investigation
370 Lexington Avenue, Room 1403
New York City, New York

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1195, et al
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to
Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)
K.C. File 62-760

Your attention is directed to pages twelve to sixteen and twenty-seven to twenty-nine of the report of Special Agent W. F. Trainor, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, July 29, 1933. It is noted that friends of Miller evidently reside at various points in and about New York City, particular attention is directed to page fifteen wherein various automobiles, probably belonging to Miller's friends, are listed.

It is noted that telephone calls were made from Hot Springs, Arkansas, to one Ben Siegal, telephone number Eldorado 63100, New York City. Through the Pinkerton's International Detective Agency at Kansas City, Missouri, information was secured with reference to William Weissman, who has been frequently mentioned in correspondence between the New York City office and the Kansas City office as a possible participant in the slayings in this case. The Pinkerton reports from New York City indicate that Benjamin (Bugs) Siegal was a part of the same "mob" which included Weissman prior to the legalization of beer last spring. That one Maxie Gordon was a co-leader in that mob and that the group of racketeers have separated since beer was legalized; that Maxie Gordon's group includes Weissman and that Siegal heads an opposing group. That both of these groups have vowed to exterminate each other. It is possible that Ben Siegal, mentioned in the report referred to, may be identical with Benjamin (Bugs) Siegal.

Your attention is also invited to pages nineteen and twenty of the same report. It is noted that telegrams were sent to Bennie Weber, Palace Hotel, New York City, New York. It is possible that the Bennie Weber mentioned may be identical with one Weber, who associated with Francis L. Keating and Thomas Holden, formerly escaped federal prisoners, in bank robberies during 1931 and 1932, and would, therefore, be considered a part of the Nash gang.

Very truly yours,

H. E. VETTERLI.

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905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri
August 4, 1933

Special Agent in Charge
United States Bureau of Investigation
Post Office Building
Dallas, Texas

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1193, et al
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to
Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)
K.C. File 62-760

Please refer to pages ten and seventeen of the report by
Special Agent W. F. Trainor, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, July 28,
1933. It is requested that investigation be made at Dallas to locate
May Hanley, presumably a close relative of Mrs. Conner, with a view
to ascertaining the whereabouts of the Conner woman, who is being
sought as an important source of information in this case.

Also your attention is directed to page fourteen of the same
report and in this connection it is requested that efforts be made
through Grady Swarts at Long View, Texas, to locate Mrs. Conner.

Very truly yours,

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R. F. VETTERLI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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1900 Bankers Building
Chicago, Illinois

Special Agent in Charge
United States Bureau of Investigation
905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri

In re: VERNON C. MILLER with aliases,
I. O. 1195, et al.
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (ENDEAVOR
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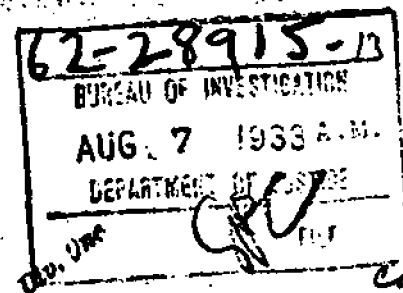
Dear Sir:

The Chicago Bureau office would like
to be furnished with two copies each of photo-
graphs made from the negatives taken of Mary
Phillips, Kansas City, Missouri Police Department
No. 20399, Mrs. Francis Keating nee Marge McGuire,
and Mrs. Lillian Holden, all of whom were photo-
graphed by the Kansas City Police Department
shortly after the arrest of Keating and Holden
in that city.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS
Special Agent in Charge

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203 P.O.Bldg., St. Paul, Minn.

August 5, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
905 Federal Reserve Bank Bldg.,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1195, et al.
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor
to Deliver Federal Prisoner
Frank Nash).
St. Paul File No. 62-888.

In connection with this office's efforts to locate Vernon C. Miller, I. O. 1195, a mail cover has been maintained upon mailed received by John Gibson and family, Brainerd, Minnesota, the father of Vivian Mathis, girl friend of Miller; and a mail cover is now being maintained upon the mail of Robert Steinhardt, alias Doc Jones, alias Frisco Dutch, gambler at the Plantation Inn, White Bear, Minnesota.

Recently, a letter was received by Steinhardt which, according to the mail carrier, appeared to be in the handwriting of Miller, said letter being from the Biltmore Hotel at Atlantic City, New Jersey. The New York office was advised by telegraph to endeavor to locate Miller.

As an aid to this office to determine if mail was sent by Miller, it is requested that every available handwriting specimen of Miller in your file be forwarded to the St. Paul office.

As an aid to the New York office, it is requested that a photograph of Vivian Mathis be immediately transmitted to that office by air mail. From the mail covers maintained, it appears that Miller and Vivian Mathis are in the East.

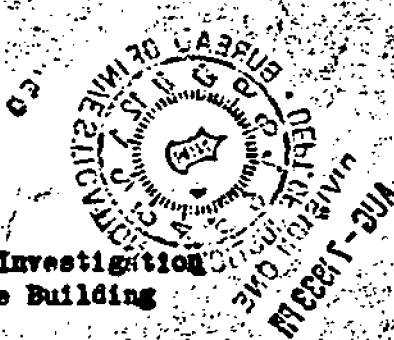
Kindly forward the handwriting specimens requested at the earliest possible date.

Very truly yours,

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BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri
August 5, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
United States Bureau of Investigation
201 Liberty National Life Building
Birmingham, Alabama



Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1195, et al
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to
Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)
K.C. File 62-760

Referring to your letter of August 3, 1935, wherein mention
is made of \$3,000.00 received by telegraph from Chicago by one
"Golf Bag" Hunt, I suggest appropriate inquiries at telegraph offices
in Birmingham to ascertain who forwarded the \$3,000.00 to Hunt and
the date thereof.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
R. B. VETTERLI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri
August 5, 1935



Special Agent in Charge
United States Bureau of Investigation
224 Federal Building
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1195, et al
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to
Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)
K.C. File 62-760

There is transmitted herewith copy of letter from the
Birmingham office, dated August 3, 1935, with enclosure, which is
a letter from Chief of Police Paul Rapport, Montgomery, Alabama, to
Albert Reynolds, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Will you please contact Reynolds at your earliest convenience
in an endeavor to locate Galatas.

Very truly yours,

H. T. Vetterli
H. T. VETTERLI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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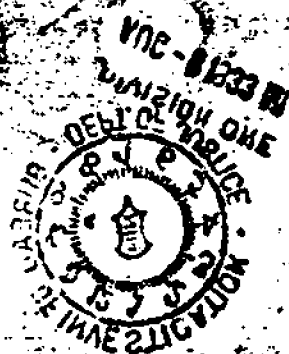
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **KANSAS CITY, MO.**

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| TITLE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases, I.O. #1196 - FUGITIVE, et al. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE. ENDAVOR TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER FRANK NASH. |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Ascertained that Vivian Mathis, paramour of Fugitive Miller, has been for the past month traveling around in the East in the company of a Mrs. Betty Bucholtz of New York City. She is using the aliases Vivian Kallen and Vivian Kallen. Mrs. Betty Bucholtz is the wife of a New York City racketeer who is definitely connected with the group who was in Hot Springs, Ark. in February of this year and apparently of the same group which travels in a Cadillac, armor plated, bearing N. Y. tags 3-K-8966. The two women were definitely located at Burlington, Vt. on 7/29/33. While at Burlington, Vt., Vivian received \$100 through Western Union sent to her by one Clarence Allen from Newark, N.J. on July 26, 1933. Fugitive Miller partially identified as the party who sent this money. Galatas believed to be with him. Vivian Mathis now reported to be in Atlantic City, N.J., still in the company of Mrs. Bucholtz. Latest indications are that Fugitive Miller is at that point also.



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Reports of Special Agent Trainor, Kansas City, Mo., 7/28/33, 7/21/33, 7/15/33, 7/3/33 and 6/26/33. Report of SAC Quinn, Birmingham, 7/3/33.

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DETAILS:

On July 19, 1933, the St. Paul Bureau office addressed a letter to this office, in which it advised that Betty Mathis, daughter of Vivian Mathis, received a package postmarked Atlantic City, New Jersey, 9:38 A.M. July 6, 1933.

Special Agent J. M. O'Leary immediately proceeded to Atlantic City and interviewed Mrs. Scovilla Clark, 22 South Georgia Avenue, clerk at Fralinger's Store D. She advised that she does not have any recollection of the person who made the purchase of salt water taffy and addressed it to Betty Mathis. She was shown a photograph of Fugitive Miller and she advised she could positively identify this photograph as being that of a man whom she had seen recently around the store, however, she was unable to connect up the photograph with the purchase in question. The copy of the customer's receipt was secured and the same shows the handwriting of the purchaser. The receipt is #D0964 dated July 6, 1933. Photostatic copies were secured and two were furnished the Kansas City office and two the St. Paul office under date of July 22nd. As will be noted later, the handwriting on this receipt has been identified as that of Vivian Mathis.

Special Agents O'Leary, Starr, Arms and Saltsman, at Atlantic City, made a canvas of all the garages, parking spaces, hotels, night clubs, Western Union and Postal Telegraph offices for the purpose of securing information with respect to Fugitive Miller and Vivian Mathis. Many large suspicious looking cars were examined and the registrations run out but the full details of the investigation at this point are not being set forth inasmuch as the information is primarily negative in character and Vivian Mathis was located at a future date.

On July 22, 1933, the New York Bureau office received a telegram from the St. Paul office, advising that the cover maintained on the mail of Vivian's father and daughter has disclosed the receipt at Brainerd, Minnesota, of a package showing it was mailed from Ausable Chasm, New York, and bore the label Joseph S. Sterling, Alaska Silver Fox Farms.

Agents Tracy and Soucy immediately proceeded to this point. It was found that Ausable Chasm is a showplace, though quite small, and thereat was located one of the retail stores of Joseph S. Sterling. Sterling's other store is at Lake Placid, New York. He sells novelties, fur pieces, and in the rear has about fifty live animals, such as muskrat, mink, silver foxes, etc. The agents interviewed the proprietor,

Robert Hendry, Mrs. Robert Hendry, his wife, and a clerk, Miss Rose Cummings. They were interviewed on two separate occasions and the following statement was secured:

On Sunday morning, July 16, 1933, to the best of their recollection sometime around 11:00 a.m., two women came in the store and were waited on by both Mrs. Hendry and Miss Cummings, one who has since been identified as Mrs. Betty Buckwalt being about 36, 5'8" tall, weighing 160 pounds, very stout, very broad shoulders and heavy chest, very dark throughout, dark hair, dark complexion, dark eyes and very dark skin, looked Jewish and wore a yellow sweater ensemble with a very large green pin - a pin about two and one-half inches in diameter; that this woman was accompanied by a blonde who wore a tan, possibly a white tan, and had a blue silk ensemble, having a cape effect and reaching to her knees; that the companion was a straw blonde, had considerable makeup on and her eyelashes were heavily mascaraed. Photograph of Vivian Mathis was shown to these two women and they stated this was the blonde woman. They said that these women spent a lot of time in the store and made a purchase amounting to \$8.90; that the Jewish woman made all of the purchases except one and that one was made by the blonde. They said that the Jewish woman paid the entire bill of \$8.90 with a \$10.00 bill. Miss Rose Cummings recalled distinctly that the blonde bought a pencil set which is merely a pad of paper with a pencil inside with a leather or suede cover and the words "Ausable Chasm, N. Y." burnt thereon, and the set also contained a ruler, an eraser and a very small dictionary. She said she also recalled that the blonde wrote out the name and address of the person to whom she desired to send the package. She said that it is the practice in the store to have the customer write out the name and address of the person to whom it is to be mailed and then this information is later transcribed on a label on the typewriter. She said that the original notes in the handwriting of the purchaser are destroyed. Miss Cummings stated she recalls the name of the person who received the package was Betty Mathis and she also recalls distinctly that it went to Brainerd, Minnesota, because the next day, Monday, when the package was taken to the post office by the boy there, he noticed it was being sent to Brainerd, Minnesota, and being from Minnesota he stated that he knew where Brainerd was and inquired as to what was in the package, whereupon the boy was informed.

They also said that the Jewish woman bought a felt hat and a banner, both of which contained the words "Ausable Chasm, N. Y.", and that these two items were sent to someone in South Fallsburg, New York.

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evidently a small boy, for it was for a boy about ten. They could not recall the name of the addressee but said they believed it went to Box 835, South Fallsburg, New York, and that the name was somewhat similar to Aronstep. They said that when the women left they said they were going to Canada and would return Tuesday, July 18th, but they did not return. They said neither one would give her name and that when the Jewish woman was asked for her name with respect to the merchandise going to South Fallsburg, she said "never mind" as they had just come from there and that the addressee would know who sent the presents.

The information with respect to South Fallsburg, New York, was immediately telephoned to the New York City Bureau office, whereupon Agent Seykora proceeded to South Fallsburg and there tried to locate the recipient of the present, presumed to be a nephew or son of Mrs. Betty Buckwalt. He ascertained there that Box 835 is held by Mrs. S. Dubin who operates Dubin's Villa, a cheap boarding house. Apparently the recollection of the two women at Ausable Chasm was faulty with respect to the box number, however, it was later ascertained just what connection there exists between Mrs. Betty Buckwalt and South Fallsburg, New York.

While at South Fallsburg, however, Agent Seykora talked to Sergeant Mangin of the New York State Police. Sgt. Mangin advised that he assisted in the apprehension of Waxy Gordon at North White Lake, Sullivan County, New York, on May 21, 1935, and on that date he is quite certain that William Weisman was stopping at the Mansion House at North White Lake under the name of Sam Rappaport. At this time he represented himself to be in the clothing business under that name at Yonkers, New York.

In telephone conversation with the Kansas City office on July 22nd, the latter office, among other things, advised that information had been received that the daughter of Vivian Mathis had received a package from Lake Placid, New York. Lake Placid is about forty miles west of Ausable Chasm and Agents Tracy and Soney proceeded to that point. The hotels and garages were checked without result. At the Western Union office Lillie Burns, manager, and Elizabeth Stearns, an employee, were interviewed and photographs of the parties to this investigation shown to them. With respect to the photograph of Vivian Mathis, they stated that, as they recalled, on Monday morning, July 17th,

this woman came in to their office and started to write a message; that before completing the message she made inquiry as to how long it would take to get money from either Baltimore or Washington, they do not recall just which but think it was Baltimore, and also asked if a wire were sent from Lake Placid asking for money could the money be received at Lake George, New York. They recall that after advising her that such could be done she went to the door and spoke to some parties in the car. They did not get a good look at the car and recall only that it was a large car, sort of sandy colored with green trimmings; that it was filled with baggage; that there was a woman in the back and a man in the front but they did not get a fair look at either; that after she spoke to the parties in the car she returned and tore up what she had written and departed. They stated that she was a blonde and that she had a suede jacket or windbreaker on and a handkerchief over her hair and recalled a large diamond on the little finger of the right hand. They said that she was evidently in a hurry and that she had a gaudy appearance.

Investigation was conducted for the purpose of ascertaining where the two women stayed on the night of July 16th, without result. The Post Office Department was covered - both General Delivery and Money Order - the Bank of Lake Placid checked; Postal Telegraph was checked for wires to St. Paul, Hot Springs, Kansas City, etc.; the newsstands were checked but it was learned that no Kansas City or St. Paul papers could be bought at Lake Placid. Agents went to the garage of John Brown where registration is permissive, to the bob aled where registration is mandatory, to the arena where registration is permissive, but no record could be found of the parties. All these places were checked without result. The golf courses were likewise checked.

Chief of Police Francis J. Canfield of Lake Placid was recommended to the agents by State Troopers as being reliable.

The Fawn Inn at Lake Placid is operated by one Joe Williams. Attached to the hotel is a golf course and a night club known as "The Barn". It is the only night club in Lake Placid and is quite popular. Before talking to Williams, Chief Canfield warned agents that Williams is the President of the Ananias club of Upstate New York and that he would undoubtedly identify some of the fugitives in this case as being patrons of his club with the hope that agents would spend sometime at his club and leave some money there.

Williams was interviewed in the company of Chief Canfield and he could not identify any of the photographs, including that of Vivian Mathis. With respect to Galatas, however, when he saw his photograph he said that Galatas was at the club the night of July 22nd and, as he recalls, was there the next night, Sunday, July 23rd. He said he was accompanied by a girl but could not describe the girl. He said he was absolutely positive in his identification. He said he was not exactly sure whether Galatas returned Sunday night, July 23rd, but believes he did and that he was in a foursome that night and in this foursome there was a blonde, but he could not identify Vivian Mathis as being the blonde. He called in the manager of the night club, William Ward, and under the promptings of Williams, Ward stated that Galatas was at the night club on the night of July 22nd, but with whom he does not recall and that he had a light suit on. With respect to the party of four at the night club on July 23rd, Ward said that he believes Fugitive Miller was included in the foursome but he does not recall any of the three. It was thereupon felt desirable that the waiters be immediately interviewed before Williams or Ward had a chance to talk to them, but inasmuch as they could not be seen at that time, Chief Canfield recommended that one Pat McKewn, a young man of 22 who resides at 66 Parkside Street, Lake Placid, be interviewed as he was at the night club on the night of July 23rd. Chief Canfield said that McKewn is also reliable and his word may be accepted. He was interviewed and when he saw the photograph of Miller, stated that Miller was at the night club on the night of July 23rd and that he is positive that Miller was one of a party of four at the club that night. He could not describe any of the others in the foursome.

Frederick O'Brien, a waiter at the night club, when interviewed and shown photograph of Galatas, said he was fairly certain Galatas was there on the night of July 22nd in a light suit, but he could not recall with whom. He could not identify Vivian Mathis. He said that the person who he thinks is Galatas was not at the club on the night of July 23rd. He said that on the night of July 23rd there was a party of four strangers there but he cannot say that Miller was one of the four.

Tom Daly, a waiter, stated that the photograph of Galatas looked familiar but he could not say he ever saw him at the night club.

Bill Dodds, a waiter, could not identify any of the photographs as being those of persons who frequented the night club, although he said the photograph of Galatas looked familiar, but does not know in what connection he looks familiar.

Mal Ford, a waiter who waited on the party of four strangers on the night of July 23rd, could not identify any of the photographs as being those of persons who were in the foursome. He said that in the foursome was a man who looked somewhat like Miller but he is quite sure it was not Miller. He said that the four strangers looked like Germans and he described one man as being 32 years of age, 5'6", 140 lbs., dark complexion, tortoise shell glasses, light brown suit, well dressed. He said this man was not Galatas by any means. He said the other man was about 40 years of age, 5'8", weighed 160 lbs. and was quite dark. He said that one woman was dark complexioned and heavy but that is all he can say about her and, with respect to the other woman, he does not remember anything about her. He said he listened to their conversation and it had to do mostly with taxicabs. He was quite positive that Miller was not one of the foursome. He could not identify the photograph of Vivian Mathis.

All of the above waiters are young men and reside at Dutton's Cottage. It should be noted that it was impossible to ascertain who it was that waited on the twosome on the night of July 22nd, that is, who waited on the man who Williams thought was Galatas.

On the night of July 24th Agent Soucy and this agent attended the night club without result.

William Ward, manager of the night club, was again interviewed outside the presence of Williams, and he said that the photograph of Galatas resembles a person who was there the night of July 22nd and that he remembers it because of the curl in his hair in front.

Ted Hughes, another waiter, was interviewed and when he saw the photograph of Galatas, he stated it looked familiar but he could not place him as being in "The Bar" the night of July 22nd. With respect to the photograph of Miller, he said that it resembles a person who was in the party of four strangers at the club on the night of July 23rd, but he does not recall what any of the other three looked like.


Not much credence was placed in the above tentative identifications for the reason above set forth.

Agents then checked all tourist camps between Lake Placid and Wilmington, N. Y., went to Silver Lake and Au Sable Forks, checking hotels, etc., also checked all so-called night clubs between Lake Placid and Lake Saranac, and night clubs, roadhouses and eating places

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in the vicinity of Lake Saranac, Western Union, Postal Telegraph and General Delivery at the Post Office at the latter point, without result. The Cadillac Agencies at Saranac Lake and Plattsburg, New York were checked and it was ascertained no V-16 has been put in either place for repairs during the past two months.

At this point Agent Tracy proceeded into Canada inasmuch as it was recalled the woman stated on June 16th that they were going into Canada, and Agency Soucy proceeded to Lake George and South Hillsburg, N. Y. No additional information was secured at the latter two points.



At Montreal, Canada, agent checked in at the Mount Royal Hotel and talked with House Officer G. M. Simpson and his assistant, Mr. Laurin and House Officer Armstrong. None could identify any of the photographs as being those of parties seen around the hotel.

On the night of July 27th, agent interviewed Phil Maurice, a New York showman who is at present operating the Villa Maurice in Montreal. The photograph of Vivian Mathis was shown him and he said that this woman had just checked out of the Mt. Royal Hotel 5:30 P.M. that day and that she met certain Montreal men at Atlantic City around

the fourth of July and that she and another woman had been at the Mt. Royal Hotel since the 15th of July, and he told agent other facts which it is unnecessary to set out herein inasmuch as he fully corroborated what an informant later told agent and the fact that it was through this informant that Maurice met Vivian Mathis.

Upon returning to the Mt. Royal Hotel, the various registration cards were produced by Mr. Lauria. The first card discloses that at 6:27 P.M. on July 15th Mrs. Vivian Allen, 10 West 72nd Street, New York City, and Mrs. Betty Wilson, 115 Central Park West, New York City, registered in Rooms 6060 and 6061 and that they checked out at 4:04 P.M. on July 17th. The registration is not in the handwriting of Vivian Mathis.

David M. Coplan registered in Room 6059 at 7:28 P.M. on July 15th and checked out at 4:36 P.M. on July 17th.

At 10:26 P.M. on July 21st, Mrs. A. J. Allan and Mrs. Buckwalt, both from Chicago, registered in Rooms 4125-7 and checked out at 5:13 P.M. on July 24th. This registration is in the handwriting of Informant #1.

At 5:57 P.M. on July 26th, the same parties registered and took Suite 4014-5-6 and checked out at 5:29 P.M. on July 27th. Here again the registration is in the handwriting of the informant.

At the Royal Garage, which is the official garage for the Mt. Royal Hotel, it was found that a Lincoln Sedan had been stored therein for a party by the name of Allen at the Mt. Royal Hotel. Their records show that a Lincoln Sedan bearing 1933 New York plates #3C 7860 was checked in at the garage at 11:07 P.M. on July 21st and checked out at 7:29 P.M. on July 23rd; that the car came in again on July 26th at 8:58 P.M. and went out again on July 27th at 12:44 P.M.

Informant #1 was interviewed. He said that Mrs. Betty Buckwalt is from New York City and that Vivian Allen - he promptly identified the photograph of Vivian Mathis - has been traveling around with her for the past month. He said that sometime around the first of July, there was a convention of movie men at Atlantic City, N. J. and one movie man who has an office in New York City and Detroit, Michigan, knew Mrs. Betty Buckwalt, hereinafter referred to as Betty. He did not care to mention the name of this man but said that this man introduced one David M. Coplan to Betty. Coplan is the General Manager of Columbia Pictures in Canada and at this dictation he is traveling in British Columbia. He said in some way Coplan prevailed upon the girls to

drive up to Montreal; that the girls reached Montreal on July 15th and checked in at the Mt. Royal Hotel; that the next day, Sunday, he, Coplan and another prominent Montreal man drove in the girls' car, which was a Lincoln Sedan, to his campsite of Plattsburg where they spent the day and that they all came back to Montreal Sunday night. He said that on July 17th the girls checked out and he, Coplan and the girls drove to Kingston, Canada, where all four stayed overnight and that he returned to Montreal and the two girls and Coplan went on to Toronto; that returning from Toronto the girls again stopped in Kingston and he and this unnamed friend of his went to Kingston and all four drove back to Montreal where the girls checked in at the Mt. Royal Hotel on July 21st and that they stayed at the hotel until July 24th when they checked out and drove to Milton, Vermont. He said that near Milton, Vermont is a girls' camp which is operated by Betty's mother-in-law and that, as he recalls, Betty has a daughter by a former marriage in this camp; that the girls stayed at this camp for two nights and then returned to Montreal on the 26th and checked out on the late afternoon of July 27th. Agent asked whether there was any connection between Agent's arrival in Montreal and the fact that the girls checked out of the hotel an hour later, for investigation disclosed they were in a great hurry and rush when they checked out. Informant stated that there was absolutely no connection and they checked out of the hotel because he asked them to and he asked them to check out as quickly as possible.

Informant stated that Betty and Vivian were apparently close friends and they were never outside the company of each other. He said that he has no idea how they met but that Betty calls her "Vi" and is exceedingly chummy with her. He said that he and his associates gave the girls a great time while they were in Montreal and took them out to all the night clubs, etc. and there was considerable drinking; as a matter of fact, the girls were quite heavy drinkers and intoxicated a great portion of the time, however, that so far as he could see, Vivian appeared to have nothing on her mind. He said Vivian evidently "fell" for David Coplan. He said that on the night of July 26th, while they were out with the girls, there was considerable drinking and Vivian, while quite drunk, asked him to tell David that she might not be able to keep an appointment with him at the camp (informant's camp) on August 15th inasmuch as she might have to leave town. Informant said that no town was mentioned but that Vivian was always talking Chicago. He said Vivian always drove the Lincoln and that she drives at the rate of sixty miles an hour, drunk or sober, and that she mentioned the fact that she had a V-16 Cadillac car in Chicago which she tried to sell and that she also had a \$40,000.00 home there that she was trying to sell.

Informant said that on one occasion he and the party were out and they stopped at a shooting gallery and Vivian shot ten ducks out of ten. He said that all persons in the party expressed amazement that Vivian was such an expert shot and he asked her how she became so proficient whereupon she said she had done considerable hunting in Illinois. He said that to his mind Vivian was quite a lovely and decent girl and quite unlike Betty. He said that although she drank considerably yet she was the perfect gentlewoman at all times. He said that she had somewhat of a lisp when she talked which he felt was quite becoming to her particular type. He said that although Betty made quite a few phone calls, Vivian did not make any calls and did not send out any telegram and he said that she did not contact anyone else in Montreal while she was there and implied that he was with her practically all of the time. He said that Vivian at all times was very quiet and subdued and apparently was under the domination of Betty inasmuch as Betty had plenty of money with her and it would appear that Vivian had none.

As to baggage, he said that Betty had a great amount of baggage but Vivian, so far as he could recall, had only four or five outfits with her and that practically all of her outfits are polka dot affairs and that she invariably wears a beret, particularly while driving, and that the only other hat she has is a white hat with a sailor effect. He said the square diamond on her little finger was quite noticeable and it appears to be a very valuable stone. He said Vivian was so quiet and gentle he never at any time suspected anything, but one thing occurred which did give rise to suspicion. He said that one night he and his friend went with the girls to a night club known as "Connie's Inn" which is operated by one Eli Hill and Charlie the Chauffeur, who also operate the El Chico night club in Montreal. He said he has nothing against Eli Hill and Charlie the Chauffeur, but he knows that they are underworld characters and that when any of the "big shot" thieves come into Montreal, they first contact Hill and Charlie the Chauffeur in order to see how the land lies in Montreal. He said that when the party went into Connie's Inn, Vivian spoke to Eli Hill and Charlie the Chauffeur, and, as a matter of fact, went off into a corner with them and that he thought this was rather strange and the prominent man who was with him was highly indignant and wanted to leave right then and there. He said that he is not given to asking questions and at no time did he ask Vivian any questions about herself except that night when he asked her how she knew those two men when she was supposed to be a stranger in Montreal, she replied that she met Eli about two years ago and also met his girl and that disposed of the matter. He said that Edie is a chorus girl and out of Montreal and is either the wife of Eli Hill or lives with

With reference to the appointment which she had with Coplan at the camp on August 15th, informant said he was somewhat astounded at her asking him to do this for her inasmuch as it was clear to him she was in correspondence with him.

Informant also stated that Betty had a ten year old son at some boys' camp in South Fallsburg, New York.

This conversation with informant was had on July 28th and he stated that he was expecting a telephone call from the girls that very afternoon. He said that at that time the girls were stopping at the New Sherwood Hotel, Burlington, Vermont, which is but a short distance away from the Camp at Milton, Vermont, whereat Betty's mother-in-law was staying. The telephone call came through from Betty that afternoon and she advised that her husband was coming up from New York City the next day, Saturday, July 29th, and according to present arrangements she and Vi would drive him back to New York City and then they would return and stay around the camp for two weeks. Betty said that she would telephone informant just before they left for New York City and give him further facts. He said that Betty resides at the Majestic Apartments, 115 Central Park West, New York City.

With reference to his camp, informant advised that the following directions should be followed in order to get to it:

Drive south from Plattsburg until you reach the Hotel Champlaine at Bluff Point. (Incidentally informant stated that it was originally intended that the girls would put up at this hotel on July 29th and 30th which is near the camp, but the fact that Betty's husband came up to Burlington, Vermont, changed this arrangement.) From the Hotel Champlaine, drive two miles south and a small tourist hotel will be observed on the right hand side of the road about two miles south from Hotel Champlaine. Just beyond this hotel will be found a road on the left hand side leading in to Lake Champlaine. The camp is on the waterfront about five hundred yards from the main road. The camp is dark in color and has a second story. Follow the road in and you will pass one camp, then you will come into the camp in question on the water's edge. There will always be two or three cars parked outside the camp.

This information was immediately telephoned to the New York City office, whereupon Agents Anderson, Arms, Sinsel and O'Leary proceeded to Burlington, Vermont and maintained a surveillance on the two

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girls. The girls left the New Sherwood Hotel at Burlington, Vermont, at about 11:30 A.M. Sunday, July 30th. The car was a Lincoln Sedan, black in color, bearing New York plates #3C 7860. Vivian Mathis was driving; Betty and her husband were in the back seat. The baggage, consisting of four pieces, was tied on the rear of the car and covered the rear window of the car. Vivian was hatless and had on a light green cotton dress, cut low in the back.

It was ascertained by the agents at Burlington, Vermont, that on the morning of July 29th Vivian Mathis, under the name Vivian Allen, received a money order of \$100.00 from Newark, New Jersey. In this connection the following memorandum submitted by Agent O'Leary is quoted herewith:

" Agent contacted Mr. E. F. Laddon, Manager of the Western Union Telegraph Office at Burlington, concerning any telegrams which may have been sent or received by Vivian Mathis, alias Miller, or Betty Bushols. At this time the photograph of Vivian Mathis was exhibited to Mr. Laddon. He stated that it was his practice to review all outgoing telegrams and that he did not recall that any telegrams had been sent by either of these women under their known aliases. Mr. Laddon then directed agent to a young lady in the office, whose duty it is to wait upon the counter.

Upon being shown the photograph of Vivian Mathis and describing her, the young lady informed that Vivian Mathis had received a money order on that morning, July 29, 1933, under the name of Vivian Allen. Mr. Laddon emphatically refused to allow agent to examine the money order or to give out any information concerning same unless the company was protected by a subpoena duces tecum.

Agent contacted United States Attorney Joseph A. McNamara concerning this matter, and Mr. McNamara and agent immediately went before United States Commissioner Judd C. Ladd, where Mr. McNamara filed a "John Doe" complaint alleging that on or about June 17, 1933, John Doe did wilfully, knowingly and feloniously obstruct justice

by interfering with a Federal Agent in the performance of his duties. Commissioner Ladd immediately issued a subpoena duces tecum to the Western Union Telegraph Company, directing them to produce all information concerning Vivian Mathis, alias Allen.

Mr. Laddon appeared before the United States Commissioner forthwith, and produced the original of the telegram received forwarding the money order, which indicated that the money order was sent from Station K, Newark, New Jersey, on July 26, 1933, at 11:55 A.M. The order was in the amount of \$100.00, to Mrs. V. Allen, and further indicated that the identification to be furnished by the recipient was to be her husband's name, namely, Clarence. The address of Mrs. Allen given in this telegram was Camp Allegro, Milton, Vt. The name of the sender was given as Clarence Allen.

The notations on the money order indicate that Camp Allegro was notified of the arrival of this money order on July 26th at 1:00 P.M., and that the same was paid to Mrs. Allen at 9:00 A.M. on July 29th.

Both Mr. McNamara and Commissioner Ladd informed that Camp Allegro is a very reputable camp for Jewish girls and is conducted by Rebecca Lubetkin and Sarah F. Moss.

The information concerning the receipt of the Western Union money order was telegraphically communicated to the New York Bureau Office by Special Agent H. E. Anderson.

On July 30, 1933, at about 11:15 A.M., the writer and Special Agent Lloyd Arms were informed by Special Agent H. E. Anderson that Vivian Mathis alias Allen, Betty and Lou Bucholz were checking out of the Sherwood Hotel. The writer and Agent Arms followed them. They were driving a Lincoln Sedan, bearing 1933 New York license plates 3-C-7860. Due to the heavy Sunday traffic it was deemed expedient to follow the Lincoln Sedan, inasmuch as the same could be done without arousing the suspicions of the occupants. The Lincoln was followed from Burlington, Vt., to Troy, N.Y., where a flat tire on the automobile driven by Agent Arms

caused considerable delay, with the result that the Lincoln was lost, and although a subsequent search of the highway leading from Troy to New York was made, no further sign of the Lincoln Sedan was seen.

At Troy, New York, as soon as the trace of the Lincoln Sedan was lost, the New York Office was immediately advised by telephone and requested to cover the Majestic Apartments in New York City, also the Riviera Hotel, Newark, New Jersey, inasmuch as it was thought that the occupants of the Lincoln Sedan might possibly go to either one of these two places.

Immediate investigation was conducted in this matter at Newark, New Jersey, by Agent Bush, and there is set forth herewith his memorandum covering his investigation:

With reference to one hundred dollars telegraphed to Mrs. V. Allen, at Camp Alegon, Milton, Vt., by Clarence Allen at Newark, N.J. on July 26, 1933, the writer endeavored to locate Miss Louise M. Smith, 65 South 10th Street, Newark, N. J., who, according to officials of the Western Union Telegraph Company at Newark, N.J. was on duty at Station "K" at 1060 Broad St., Newark, N.J. on July 26, 1933, however, it was ascertained from a neighbor that Miss Smith had left Newark on Saturday afternoon for either Delaware or Maryland and probably would not return before Monday morning the 31st of July.

On July 31, 1933 Miss Smith was interviewed by the writer at Station "K", 1060 Broad St., Newark, N.J. but after referring to her records stated that at the time the aforementioned telegram was dispatched she had been relieved by Miss Florence Buchs of 23 Hensler Street, the relief operator, who goes from station to station to relieve the regular operators during the lunch hour.

Miss Smith further stated that on 7/26/33 the Western Union Inspector, Mr. R. Rebhorn, also spent the day at Station "K" while conducting an inspection at that office and that probably he was there at the time the aforementioned telegram was sent.

Photographs of Vernon C. Miller; Wilber Underhill; James Clark; Robert G. Brady; Bernard Phillips; Charles Arthur Floyd; Arthur J. Bailey; Ed Davis; William Weisman; Richard Tallman Gelatas and Vivian Mathis were exhibited to Miss Smith as it was thought possibly that some one of these individuals might have been in the building either prior to or subsequent to the time she left for lunch, however, she stated she did not remember having seen anyone of them at any time.

At the main office of the Western Union Telegraph Co., 832 Broad St., Newark, N.J., agent interviewed Mr. Rebhorn, who stated that although he was inspecting the office of Station "K" on July 26, 1933, he did not pay any particular attention to individuals who were sending the telegrams on that date and could not identify any one of the aforementioned photographs as that of an individual he had seen and did not recall any of the circumstances with respect to the one hundred dollars transmitted to Milton, Vt. as all messages were handled by the girl on duty at that time. He further stated that it is possible that he had gone out to lunch at the time.

It was ascertained from Mr. W. C. Bigley, manager of the office at 832 Broad Street, that Miss Buchs was at the time agent called working at the Western Union office at 1000 Springfield Ave., Newark, N.J., however, he did not know how long she would be at that address and therefore sent a message requesting that she remain there until the writer called.

Miss Buchs was thereafter interviewed by the writer and upon being asked whether she remembered the details with respect to the aforementioned telegram of July 26, 1933, she stated that two individuals called at that office while Miss Smith was having lunch but that she did not notice them until after they had written the telegram at the desk and came to the desk where she was stationed at which time the younger of the two gave her the message and a \$100 bill. The sender then walked to the rear of the building and around the corner

to the right where there are five telephone booths. She said that the other individual remained in the vicinity of her desk and mumbled a few words which she did not understand as the sender was leaving the desk but that thereafter he had nothing to say. She stated that it took about ten minutes for her to get certain information regarding the Western Union office at Milton, Vt. and make out a receipt during which time the sender remained around the corner in the rear of the lobby of the building where he was evidently making a telephone call, however, she could not say definitely that he did enter one of the telephone booths. She stated that after the expiration of about ten minutes the sender returned to her desk at which time she advised him that Milton, Vermont, was a very small place and inquired whether he wanted the money delivered to Mrs. V. Allen by messenger, as it probably would not be delivered immediately unless a messenger was sent out with it. He replied "That is perfectly all right; it isn't necessary to send a messenger with it." She also asked him whether he had previously sent telegrams to Milton, Vt. and was familiar with the service there, to which he replied in the negative. Miss Buchs stated that she had no further conversation with the two individuals nor did she see anyone else with them and that the sender did not appear particularly concerned as to whether Mrs. V. Allen received the money immediately and that it was necessary for her to ask him upon his return from the rear of the building to sign the telegram and that she saw him sign the name "Clarence" to it; however, she could not say whether the sender who signed his name Clarence was the one who wrote the body of the telegram as she did not see the telegram until the sender appeared at her desk with it. She remembered distinctly that the younger individual who signed his name as Clarence stated that Mrs. V. Allen was his wife, and that he was the one who gave her the one hundred dollar bill and two one dollar bills to cover the charge.

Upon being asked for descriptions of these individuals and before the writer exhibited any one of the photographs to Miss Buchs, she stated that neither of them

wore hats but that both of them were well dressed and "not bad looking". She could not say whether they arrived at the building in a car, and stated that immediately after the sender had obtained a receipt they both walked out the Broad Street entrance to the building.

Miss Buchs stated that it is difficult for her to estimate the weight and height of anyone, therefore the weights and heights shown in the following descriptions were arrived at after comparing their weight and height with that of agent.

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| Age | 35 | 45 |
| Height | 5'7" | 5'10" - 5'11" |
| Weight | 165 | 185 |
| Complex. | Slightly tan | Dark |
| Hair | Light brown, thin | Dark and heavy; believed to part it on side. |
| Eyes | Believed to be blue | Dark |
| Mustache | None | None |
| Dress | Light grey suit; medium size diamond tie pin. | Grey suit |

Miss Buchs stated she could not remember anything unusual or peculiar about either of these individuals but believed that one of them carried a black brief case and could furnish no further details with respect to their clothing or appearance.

After the writer had obtained the information from Miss Buchs, photographs of all of the individuals previously mentioned herein were exhibited to her and after a careful examination of each photograph, she stated that the photograph of Vernon C. Miller resembles the sender of the telegram who she previously stated is the younger of the two and that the photograph of Richard Tallman Galatas looks something like the older individual, however, that neither of the individuals looked as "tough" as these photographs and that the face of the older individual did not look quite as full as that of Galatas. She said that she could not remember having previously seen either of these individuals.

The writer returned to 1060 Broad Street and obtained the numbers of the telephones in the five booths in the rear of the lobby of that building which are as follows:

Market 2-8961
 " 2-8936
 " 2-8640
 " 2-8649
 " 2-8588

Efforts were made to obtain a record of all calls made from these pay stations during the period from 11 A.M. to 2 A.M. 7/26/33, however, upon arrival at the main office of the Bell Telephone Company at Newark, N.J. about 5:30 P.M., Mr. Todd, the general manager, stated that owing to the hour of the day it would be absolutely impossible to obtain any information regarding calls made from these telephones and advised the writer that it would be necessary to return on the following morning to obtain said information from Mr. Bittig of the Legal Department.

It will be impossible, of course, to trace local telephone calls made from any one of the five above mentioned numbers inasmuch as they are dial telephones, however, investigation is going forward to determine whether any long distance calls were made from the phones in question.

At New York City, the original of the Western Union money order was secured. A photostatic copy was made and additional photostatic copies are being prepared in order that the office of origin may have some copies as it is believed at this point that the handwriting is that of Fugitive Miller.

At Burlington, Vt., Agent Anderson made a check of long distance telephone calls from the room at the New Sherwood Hotel where the woman were staying. It was ascertained that the only long distance telephone calls made were to agent's informant at Montreal, Canada, in which he was called twice after 10:00 P.M. on July 27th and once in the afternoon of July 28th.

Agent Anderson also reported that on the morning of July 30th a telegram was handed in to the office of the hotel to be dispatched but later was withdrawn by the sender and was not sent out. The telegram reads:

" Arbeiter
Sarah Geobula Villa
So, Fallsburg, N.Y.

Will not phone tonight at six may stop by later
tonight

(signed) Betty

At the Mt. Royal Hotel, Montreal, agent attempted to secure a list showing long distance telephone calls and local calls made by the two women from July 15th to July 27th inclusive. Assistant Chief House Officer Laurin reported that the only calls made was one on July 27th at 3:18 P.M. to the camp at Milton, Vermont, and one at 3:19 P.M. to Fallsburg. The numbers called could not be secured and they are not on the long distance slips at the hotel. With respect to the latter call, it is believed that it went to South Fallsburg, New York. Laurin advised that according to his investigation no long distance or local calls were made by the women from July 15th to July 26th; also, that no telegrams were received by them as every time a telegram was delivered to a guest in that hotel, that guest had to sign a receipt, and an examination of the receipts failed to show any telegram delivered to these two parties. Agent cannot vouch for the information that no local or long distance calls were made by the women while at this hotel from July 15th to July 26th, as in this hotel all information must be obtained through the house officer. In other words, it was impossible for agent to make a personal examination of the records. However, the New York Bureau office will attempt to secure accurate information through the medium of Vernon G. Cardy, managing director of the Mt. Royal Hotel.

On July 31st Agent Anderson telephoned this office from Plattsburg, N. Y. to the effect that he had also ascertained that at Burlington, Vermont, while the women were at that point, were a Dr. Paul Mann and a Dr. Manual Buchalter, and that these two persons had checked into another hotel at Burlington, Vermont, a short time prior to the arrival of the women there and that these two men associated with the women while they were at Burlington, Vermont, and checked out of their hotel a short time after the two women left Burlington.

Upon receipt of information that Vivian Mathis was traveling in the company of Mrs. Betty Buchwalt, Assistant Agent in Charge Fay, through the medium of confidential informant, secured the following information:

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Louis Bucholtz, alias Buchalter, alias Buckhouse, alias Buchwalt, alias Louis Cohen, alias Louis Kaiver, alias Philip Wilson, alias Lepke, was residing in Apartment 17J at the Majestic Apartments, 115 Central Park West, New York City, since November 17, 1931. He lives there with his wife, Betty, whose maiden name was Wasserman. He has one son, aged about 11, who wears glasses (this is undoubtedly the son who was in the camp at South Fallsburg, N. Y.). He has not been seen around the apartment for the past five months. Around July 7th a young woman who gave the name of Miss Allen arrived at the apartment and lived with his wife and this same woman was in New York City at the apartment about four or five months ago.

The informant stated that this Bucholtz owns two Lincoln Sedans, one bearing New York tags S C 8455 and S C 7860, and that he also owns a new Chevrolet Sedan, black or dark blue, but the license number is unknown and this car has not been around during the last two weeks of July.

Informant also said that around July 18th Miss Allen was supposed to obtain an operator's license in New York State. Around July 15th Mrs. Bucholtz, Miss Allen and the Bucholtz boy left town in a Lincoln Sedan; furthermore, that Bucholtz has a brother who is supposed to be a doctor in Brooklyn, and that he has another brother who is supposed to own some cabarets around Bridgeport, Connecticut; that Bucholtz also is supposed to be the big boss with respect to strong arm methods used in labor unions. Bucholtz is also supposed to be implicated in the murder of Hymie Marks but this information is strictly confidential. Bucholtz has a chauffeur by the name of Flitelbaum (sic) who also acts as a bodyguard, whose description is:

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| Age | 38 |
| Height | 5'8" |
| Weight | 195 |
| Build | Heavy |
| Hair | Brownish, partly bald. |
| Complexion | Dark |
| | Smooth shaven but heavy beard |
| | Jewish features. |

Criminal Record Supposed to have record in New York City Police Department.

The informant also said that in June Bucholtz was arrested in New York City, together with "Trigger Mike" Coppola.

Following is his description of Bucholtz:

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| Age | 38 |
| Height | 5'7" |
| Weight | 165 lbs. |
| Hair | Dark, thin, bald in center, brushes hair across head. |
| Complexion | Sallow and pesty |
| | Clean shaven but dark bearded |
| | Wears good clothes |
| | Mild mannered |
| | New York City P.D. #B46043. |

The following is the criminal record of Bucholtz, as secured from the files of the New York City Police Department:

Louis Buchhouse; aliases - Louis Buchalter,
Louis Kaiver,
Louis Cohen
"Lepke".

9/12/15 - as Louis Buchalter, NYC, Burglary & Assault,
9/20/15 Discharged by Grand Jury.

11/12/16 - as Louis Buchalter, NYC, Burglary.
1/14/16 Discharged, Mag. Levy, 1st Court off.

2/29/16 - as Louis Kaiver, Bridgeport, Conn., Theft.
5/16/16 Cheshire Reformatory, Judge Curtis.

9/28/17 - as Louis Buchalter, NYC, Grand Larceny.
1/11/18 - 1½ years Sing Sing Prison.

4/23/19 - as Louis Buchalter, NYC, Attack/ Burglary.
4/25/19 Discharged by Mag. Frothingham.

1/22/20 - as Louis Cohen, NYC, Burglary.
6/21/20 - 2½ yrs. Sing Sing Prison.

2/ 2/20 - as Louis Buchalter, NYC, Burglary.
2/26/20 Discharged Grand Jury.

9/11/25 - as Louis Buchalter, NYC, Robbery.
9/12/25 Discharged by Mag. Oberwager.

- 10/19/25 - as Louis Buckhouse, NYC, Robbery.
10/23/25 Discharged by Mag. Silberman.
- 10/25/27 - as Louis Buckhouse, NYC, Homicide (gun)
11/4/27 Discharged by Mag. McGreevy.
- 7/17/29 - as Louis Buckhouse, NYC, Burglary & Mal. Mischief.
8/1/29 Discharged by Mag. Goodwin.
- 11/11/31 - as Louis Buckhouse, Disorderly Conduct.
12/24/31 Discharged by Mag. Gottlieb.
- 11/11/31 - as Louis Buchalter, Bronx, Extortion.
6/15/32 Discharged, Consent of District Atty.
- 6/12/ 33 - as Louis Buckhouse, Manhattan, 722 P.L.
Discharged.

The last charge, that is, the arrest as of June 12, 1933, was the charge of consorting with known criminals.

A photograph of Bucholtz has been secured and is in the possession of the New York City office.

The following is the criminal record of Michael Coppola with aliases "Trigger Mike", "Little Mike", Michael Marino, Michael Coppola, Michael Russo, Michael Ross, Michael Banno, John Gross, Mike Copolas, Mich Russo, Mich Coppola - New York City P.D. #B-54888:

- 1914 - Truant school.
- 1917 - 9 months N.Y.C. Reformatory, Petty Larceny.
- 7/21/17 - As Michael Coppola, NYC, Burglary - Dismissed.
- 6/19/18 - As Michael Coppola, NYC, Disorderly Conduct -
1 month Workhouse.
- 7/ 6/19 - As Michael Coppola, NYC, Disorderly Conduct -
60 days Workhouse.
- 1/26/21 - As Michael Coppola, NYC, Grand Larceny - Discharged.
- 12/8/31 - As Michael Marino, Boston, Mass. - Pickpocket -
Discharged.

- 2/6/23 - as Michael Coppola, NYC, Grand Larceny, P.B. - 3 1/2 to 7 yrs. Sing Sing. (after workhouse sentence)
- 4/2/23 - as Mich Russo, NYC, Pickpocket - 6 mos. 29 days Workhouse.
- 3/10/26 - as Mich Cappola, NYC - Robbery - Discharged.
- 10/15/26 - as Michael Coppola, NYC - Fel. Assault & Burglary - Discharged.
- 6/ 6/27 - as Michael Coppola, NYC - Fel. Assault - Discharged.
- 10/ 4/27 - as Michael Coppola, NYC - Homicide (Gun) - Discharged.
- 8/14/28 - as Michael Ross, NYC - Harman Act (Federal) - Dismissed.
- 2/ 7/29 - as Michael Bruno, NYC, Grand Larceny - Discharged.
- 10/16/30 - as John Grosso - NYC - Assault & Robbery - Discharged.
- 1/15/31 - as Michael Cappola - NYC - Fel. Assault (Gun) - Discharged.
- 2/ 9/32 - as Michael Cappola , NYC, Homicide - Discharged.
- 6/12/33 - as Mike Copola, NYC, 722 P.L. - Discharged.
- 6/16/33 - as Michael Ross, NYC, 722 P.L. - Discharged.

Photographs and accurate description of this individual will be secured.

It is also important to note that Betty has a bank account at the Corn Exchange Bank Trust Company, 72nd Street and Columbus Avenue branch, under the name B. L. Buchalter.

With further reference to the activities of Bucholtz, it will be reported that in connection with the investigation in racketeering, this Office, on July 12, 1933, had occasion to interview one Stanley Zwick, 9419-35th Avenue, Corona, Long Island, Apartment 3A. Zwick

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furnished some information about racketeering and mentioned the fact that he is in the fur business at present with one Soldier (Barthfield, who is supposed to be the right hand man of one "Lapho" who is alleged to be the leading light in connection with strong arm methods used in the fur business. It is assumed that this "Lapho" referred to is none other than Bucholtz or Buchwalte.

When it was learned that Vivian and Betty were actually in Atlantic City, New Jersey over the fourth of July at the Ritz Carlton Hotel, Agent Soucy immediately proceeded to that point in order to check telephone calls. Full details with respect to the registration of the parties are not available as yet, however, Agent Soucy has advised that the following long distance telephone calls were placed by the two women while at the hotel:

On July 5, 1933 Miss Allen called Columbus 5-4907, New York City. It was ascertained that this telephone is listed in the name of Duart Film Art Laboratory, 245 West 55th Street.

At 8:15 P.M. on July 5th, Miss Allen called Schuyler 4-4329, New York City. It was ascertained that this telephone is not listed and is in the name of Max Zweivel, 115 West 86th Street, New York City.

At 5:30 P.M. Mrs. Buchalter called Endicott 2-0669, New York City. This is her apartment.

On the same date Mrs. Buchalter called Vanderbilt 3-3755, New York City, which is the office of the International Paper Company, 220 East 42nd Street.

Numerous local calls were made by the women from this hotel and Agent Soucy at the present time is employed on that phase of the investigation.

Agent Soucy's investigation at Atlantic City thus far has disclosed that the women were at the Ritz Carlton Hotel in Atlantic City, N. J. from July 1st to July 5th. According to David B. Peterson, Assistant Manager of the hotel, the women had a chauffeur by the name of Ben Arbiter who is described as follows:

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| Age | 29-30 |
| Height | 5'8" |
| Weight | 140 lbs. |
| Build | Medium |
| Hair | Dark |
| Eyes | Dark |
| Complexion | Tan |

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Mustache - small, dark, twisted.
Neat looking and does not wear
a chauffeur's uniform.

As will be observed later on, Arbiter is related to either one of the Bucholtzes.

Agent Soucy also informed that when Arbiter registered at the Ritz Carlton Hotel, he gave as his address 2077 Wallace Avenue, New York City.

Agent Soucy at Atlantic City, N. J. advised over the telephone on August 1st that he interviewed a manicurist in the barber shop at the Ambassador Hotel and she stated that she manicured the nails of a man who resembled Fugitive Miller sometime between July 1st and July 4th. She recalls specifically that on this individual the lower joint on the ring finger of the left hand was missing. She said she studied this man closely and so closely in fact that he inquired as to why she was looking at him so intently and she stated she was doing so because she felt he resembled Ralph Bellamy, a movie actor, and he thanked her for this remark. She said further that this party was quite dirty and had apparently driven a long distance and, as a matter of fact, he told her he had driven from Chicago. Later on this person who resembled Miller told the barber who was taking care of him that he was from Missouri but when the barber inquired as to what city, he refused to discuss the matter further. Agent Soucy reports that according to the manicurist and the barber, this person who resembled Fugitive Miller was accompanied by a person who resembled Bucholtz. Agent Soucy is continuing his investigation at that point.

The telephone number of Bucholtz at the Majestic Apartments, 115 Central Park West, New York City, is Knickerbocker 2-0669. A list of calls made from this telephone was secured from April 10, 1933 to date. This list shows that the Ritz Carlton Hotel, Atlantic City, N. J. was called on April 10, May 13, May 15, May 15 again, May 15 again, May 24, May 30, May 31, June 5, June 12, June 14, June 15, June 17, June 30 and July 3.

The list shows that Bigelow 3-5210 at Newark, N. J. was called at 8:31 P.M. on April 11th and at 7:03 P.M. on April 12th, also at 7:31 P.M. on April 12th. It was ascertained that this telephone is a non-published number and was formerly in the name of S. Jacob, 440 Elizabeth Avenue, Newark, N. J. and the number was discontinued May 29, 1933.

Bigelow 3-4533 at Newark, N.J. was called at 9:45 A.M. April 18th. It was ascertained this telephone is listed in the name of Joshua Finkel, M.D., 368 Clinton Avenue, Newark, N. J.

#5-9380, Atlantic City, N.J. was called at 10:45 P.M. April 27th, also on the following dates and time:

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| 10:50 P.M. | - April 27 |
| 9:15 P.M. | - May 25 |
| 11:58 P.M. | - June 5 |
| 12:13 A.M. | - June 9 |
| 3:25 A.M. | - June 10 |
| 11:07 P.M. | - June 25 |
| 12:38 A.M. | - June 26, |

on which calls Ben Sipers was asked for.

At 4:59 A.M. June 28th it was ascertained that this telephone is listed as Bennie Sipers' Cafe, 4 South Mississippi Street, Atlantic City, N. J.

#1388, Cedarhurst, Long Island, was called at 4:08 P.M. on May 3rd. It was ascertained that this is a non-published telephone for Walter Allendorf, 95 Pinga Avenue, Atlantic Beach, Long Island.

#2589, Rockville Centre, Long Island, was called at 6:03 P.M., May 9th. It was learned that this telephone is listed in the name of Anita Ehrlich, 368 Demott Avenue, Rockville Centre, Long Island.

#8-2000, Fort Lee, New Jersey, was called at 1:54 A.M. on June 8th. It was learned that this telephone goes into two places, the Riviera and the Villa Richard, two night clubs at Hudson Terrace, Fort Lee, New Jersey.

#1937, Long Beach, Long Island, was called at 10:10 P.M. on July 9th and Sonia Joseph asked for. It was learned that this telephone is listed in the name of Samuel Joseph, 54 East Beach Street, Long Beach, L. I.

At 6:24 P.M. on July 15th a telephone call was made to #627, Hugo, Oklahoma, and Mrs. Sam Finkel of Valient, Oklahoma asked for. From the telephone records it appears that Mrs. Finkel came to the telephone and talked four minutes. The charge was \$7.50 plus a messenger service of twenty-five cents. In this connection the

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Oklahoma City office was telephoned on July 31st and requested to perform immediate investigation at Hugo and Valient, Oklahoma. A letter went forward to the Oklahoma City office that night in confirmation of the telephone conversation.

At 11:58 P.M. July 13th, a station to station call was made to Waverly 7474, Toronto, Canada, which is the King Edward Hotel. It is clear that this particular call was made by Vivian Mathis to David Coplan and undoubtedly contained information to the effect that she and Betty would be in Montreal on the afternoon of July 15th.

On July 14th a telegram was sent over the telephone to Mrs. Claire Arbeiter, South Fallsburg, N. Y. This telegram read:

"Stop in about eight thirty"

(signed) Betty and Vi.

The contents of this telegram was learned by Agent O'Leary at South Fallsburg, N. Y. In connection with the receiver of this telegram, the correct spelling of the name Arbeiter is not known. Neither is the relationship, although it is believed at this point that Mrs. Claire Arbeiter is the mother of Betty and that Ben Arbeiter is Betty's brother.

While at South Fallsburg, N. Y. a cover was placed on the mail of Mrs. Claire Arbeiter who is at the Sarah Colub's Villa (possibly operating the same), and Postmaster Clairmont advised under date of August 2, 1933 that his office is in receipt of a letter addressed to Mrs. Claire Arbeiter, South Fallsburg, N. Y., with the return address D. Stern, 1143 43rd Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Bucholtz or Buchwalt has been given considerable attention as it is believed that he is involved in the case further than the mere fact that his wife has been a traveling companion of Vivian Mathis for the past month.

Reference is made to the report of SAC Quinn, dated Birmingham, July 3, 1933. On page five of the report in question, it is noted that on June 8, 1933 a V-12 Cadillac Town Sedan, 1933 model, equipped with six wire wheels, Motor #1000032, bearing New York tags 3-K-8966, was stored in the Peabody Garage, Memphis, Tennessee. It is this car which was steel plated and had accommodations in the plate and glass for a machine gun. This Cadillac car is "V-12, series 370".

It is observed that the car was taken out of the garage about noon June 8th and three white men and one negro were in possession of it. Shortly after the departure of this car from the garage, a doctor arrived at the Cadillac Motor Agency in Memphis and stated he knew the occupants of the V-18 Cadillac which was in the garage that morning. As noted, however, the armor plated car is a V-18, series 370. Also it appeared that a Mr. S. L. Quisenberry of the Cadillac Agency at Memphis reported that while he was in the Little Rock, Arkansas, Agency of that company on June 26th, he was informed by one of the salesman there that during the previous week a 370 Cadillac Sedan had been at the garage and that that particular car was equipped with bullet proof glass, etc. From the description of the latter car, it does not appear as though it is identical with the car which was in the Peabody Garage on June 8th, however, it is believed very desirable that the doctor in question be located and interviewed as to the identity of the person he had in mind and inquiry be made at the Little Rock, Arkansas, agency of the Cadillac Company with reference to this 370 Cadillac.

The Birmingham office, in attempting to learn the identity of the persons who had this car at Memphis on June 8th, ascertained that a Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Saya of New York City registered at the Peabody Hotel at 342 A.M. on June 8th and they were presumably accompanied by one I. King. A search of the New York City directories has disclosed that the only Joseph Saya listed therein is at 1781 Lexington Avenue, New York City. Inquiry at this address by Agent O'Leary disclosed that this person was a laborer and has been dead for the past few months. I. King could not be located in any of the directories. The armor plated V-18 Cadillac car in question bore New York tags 3 K 8966, and this office was requested to conduct appropriate investigation.

At the Motor Vehicle Bureau, it was learned that this car is a 1931 Cadillac Town Sedan bearing Motor #1000032 and on January 4, 1933 was registered to Margherita Celetta, 516 East 18th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y. and the above named tags were issued to this person. The applicant gave her age as being 32 years. Inquiry at this address has disclosed that it is fictitious and no such person could be identified in any of the city directories.

The main office of the Cadillac Motor Company at Detroit, Michigan advised that the car was shipped on September 25, 1930 to the Cadillac Agency at Portland, Maine. Through the Automobile Underwriters Detective Bureau, the New York Bureau office has learned that this car was sold by the last named agency to the Fellsway Motor Mart, Boston, Massachusetts, and on June 6, 1931 that mart sold the car to the Alfa Auto Exchange, 134 West 52nd Street, New York City. This Exchange then sold the car to May O'Rourke, 668 Franklin Avenue, Brooklyn, New York,

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but it appears this car was turned back to the vendor on August 11, 1931 and the Exchange then sold the car (date not available) to Arthur Fischer, 146 South Ninth Street, Brooklyn, N. Y. Fischer sold the car to the Knickerbocker Warehouse, Broadway and 53rd Street, New York City (date not available). The Knickerbocker Warehouse sold the car to one Louis J. Basil, 172 West 97th Street, New York City (date not available). Letters addressed to Basil in 1932 have been returned not found, it is reported.

Now what is the most important thing in connection with this car is the fact that it was at Hot Springs, Arkansas on February 20th and on the day before four persons from New York City checked in to the Arlington Hotel, Hot Springs, Arkansas, and while there they made at least five telephone calls to Bucholtz in New York City and also telephoned other well known underworld characters in Newark, New Jersey and New York City.

Referring to report of Agent Trainor, Kansas City, July 28, 1933, on page twelve it will be noted that on February 19th the following persons registered at the Arlington Hotel, Hot Springs, Arkansas:

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| A. Long | - | Newark, N. J. |
| Ben Kutlow | - | New York City |
| A. Spitzel | - | Broad St., Newark, N. J. |
| Louis Saffer | - | New York City. |

Apparently they remained at the hotel until March 6th and during the interim it is recorded that they were joined by the wife of Saffer. On pages 27, 28 and 29 of the same report will be found a list of telephone calls which this party made to Newark, N. J. and New York City.

Investigation has been conducted with reference to these calls and the following is noted:

ENDICOTT 2-0669
New York City

This is the telephone number of Bucholtz and aliases. This number was called by Kutlow on February 20th, by Kutlow on February 24th, by Saffer on March 7th and by Saffer on March 5th.

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PLAZA 3-3024
New York City

This telephone was listed in the name of Walter Woolen, 400 West 57th Street, New York City. It was called by Kutlow on February 20th. This was a non-published number at the time. The telephone was cancelled on July 28th.

ORANGE 5-3398
Orange, N.J.

This telephone was in the name of J. P. Harris, 32 South Munn Avenue, East Orange, New Jersey. The phone was disconnected on May 24th. This number was called by Kutlow on February 20th.

BIGELOW 3-8635
Newark, N.J.

This number was called by Long on February 20th. At the time it was listed in the name of B. Richmand, 25 Johnson Avenue, Newark, N. J. This phone was disconnected February 24th and a new phone - Bigelow 3-7191 - was installed. In this connection, note that on February 26th Long sent a telegram to Miss Evelyn Richman at the above address, advising that he tried to get her on the phone and could not account for the telephone number's being changed and asked her to wire him or call him at 7:00 P.M. February 27th. The number Bigelow 3-8635 was a non-published private line. The New Jersey Bell Telephone Company, which furnished the information as to the names and addresses of all the numbers called, advised that Richmand is a gunman of Joseph Juliano, who will be mentioned below. It is also noted that Long called Bigelow 3-8635 on February 23rd.

DAYTON 9-8728
New York City

This telephone is listed in the name of Edythe Pragen, 1765 Vyse Avenue, Bronx, N. Y. It is noted that Kutlow called this number on February 20th, February 22nd, February 27th and on March 5th.

GLENDORA 4-9486
New York City

This is a private line and is listed in the name of Sol Walker, 485 New Jersey Avenue, Brooklyn, New York. It is noted this number was called by Kutlow on February 20th and on March 5th. Subsequent thereto, the exact date is not available, the number was changed to Dickens 2-4114 and it is still a non-published number.

CHelsea 3-3149
New York City

This is a non-published number in the name of Charles Gold, 566 Seventh Avenue, New York City. This number was called by Long on February 20th, by Kutlow on February 23rd, on which date apparently he asked for Mr. Shapiro, and by Saffer on February 27th.

8-1097
Hasbrouck Heights, N. J.

This is a non-published number listed in the name of J. Grippi, 301 Roosevelt Avenue, Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey. This number was called by Kutlow on February 21st and apparently William Moore was asked for.

ESSKI 3-0635
Newark, N.J.

This is a private, non-published number in the name of J. Capene, 647 South 18th Street, Newark, New Jersey. This number was telephoned by Kutlow on February 21st.

2-0308
Rutherford, N. J.

This is the telephone number of John J. Breslin, Jr., attorney-at-law, 312 Watson Street, Lyndhurst, N. J. This number was called by Kutlow on February 21st.

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2-3494
Rutherford, N. J.

This is the law office of Breslin & Breslin, 296 Ridge Road, Lyndhurst, N. J. This number was called by Long twice on March 1st.

COLUMBUS 5-0528
New York City

This was a private, non-published number. It was listed in the name of Charles Saunders, Room 1010, 1860 Broadway. It was disconnected on April 6, 1933. This number was called by Long on February 24th and on February 25th and apparently Frank Costello was asked for.

JEROME 7-8766
New York City

This is listed in the name of H. Albert, 1709 Fulton Avenue, Bronx, N. Y. This number was telephoned by Kutlow at 6:10 P.M. on February 24th and apparently one Tytlebaum was asked for. It is important to note that this Tytlebaum might be identical with the chauffeur and bodyguard of Bucholtz whose name, as the New York City office has it now, is Flitelbaum.

BIGELOW 3-7191
Newark, N. J.

This is listed in the name of B. Richmand, 25 Johnson Avenue, Newark, N. J. This is a private, non-published number and the telephone was installed on February 25th or 26th. Long called this number on February 26th and twice on March 1st.

UNDERHILL 3-2165
New York City.

This was a private, non-published number listed in the name of one Arberter, 2077 Wallace Avenue, Bronx, New York. The date when it was discontinued is not of record here. Saffer telephoned this number on March 3rd. Note that Arberter may be identical with Arbeiter, a relative of Bucholtz.

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ESSEX 3-1398
Newark, N.J.

This is listed in the name of J. Robinson, 301 Clinton Avenue, Newark, N. J. The phone was installed on February 7th. This number was called by Long on March 3rd.

TRAFALGAR 7-1249
New York City

This was a private, non-published number issued to M. Neumann, Majestic Apartments, 115 Central Park West, New York City. The phone was disconnected on May 6, 1933. This number was called by Mrs. Saffer on March 4th.

PENNSYLVANIA 6-5900
New York City

This number is that of the Belvedere Hotel, 319 West 48th Street. This number was called by Kutlow on March 6th.

BRANCHBROOK 2-2928
Newark, N. J.

This is a private, unlisted number. The exchange has been changed and it is now Humboldt. The number is that of Joseph Juliano, 541 Roosevelt Avenue, Newark, N. J. Juliano is a gangster. About three years ago there was a murder at the Reid Ice Cream plant and this Juliano and his younger brother were indicted. The younger brother got the chair and apparently Joseph Juliano was acquitted. It should be noted that this number was called by one Casey, from Room 544, February 28th. From present indications, Long and Kutlow et al did not occupy Room 544 during their stay there. However, it is believed that the call was placed by them and every effort should be made to prove the fact and from the floor sheets of the hotel ascertain who was in Room 544 on February 28th.

ELDORADO 5-3100
New York City

This is the telephone number of the Waldorf Astoria Towers. The Waldorf Astoria Hotel is Eldorado 5-3000. There is no distinction, however, as the same switchboard is used. This number was called by Kutlow on February 21st, by Long on February 23rd and February 26th, and by Kutlow on March 2nd. It would appear that Ben Siegel was the person called. Information with respect to this phase of the investigation will be covered later on in this report.

From the above it is observed that it is quite probable that Long is none other than B. Richmond. It may be that Kutlow is Bucholtz calling home although it is noted that Saffer and Mrs. Saffer called the Bucholtz number. It may be that Flitelbaum or Tytlebaum was also one of the group and called home. It is noted that on February 22nd Long called one Victor Mason at Valentine 7821, which is the Newbern Hotel, Kansas City, Missouri.

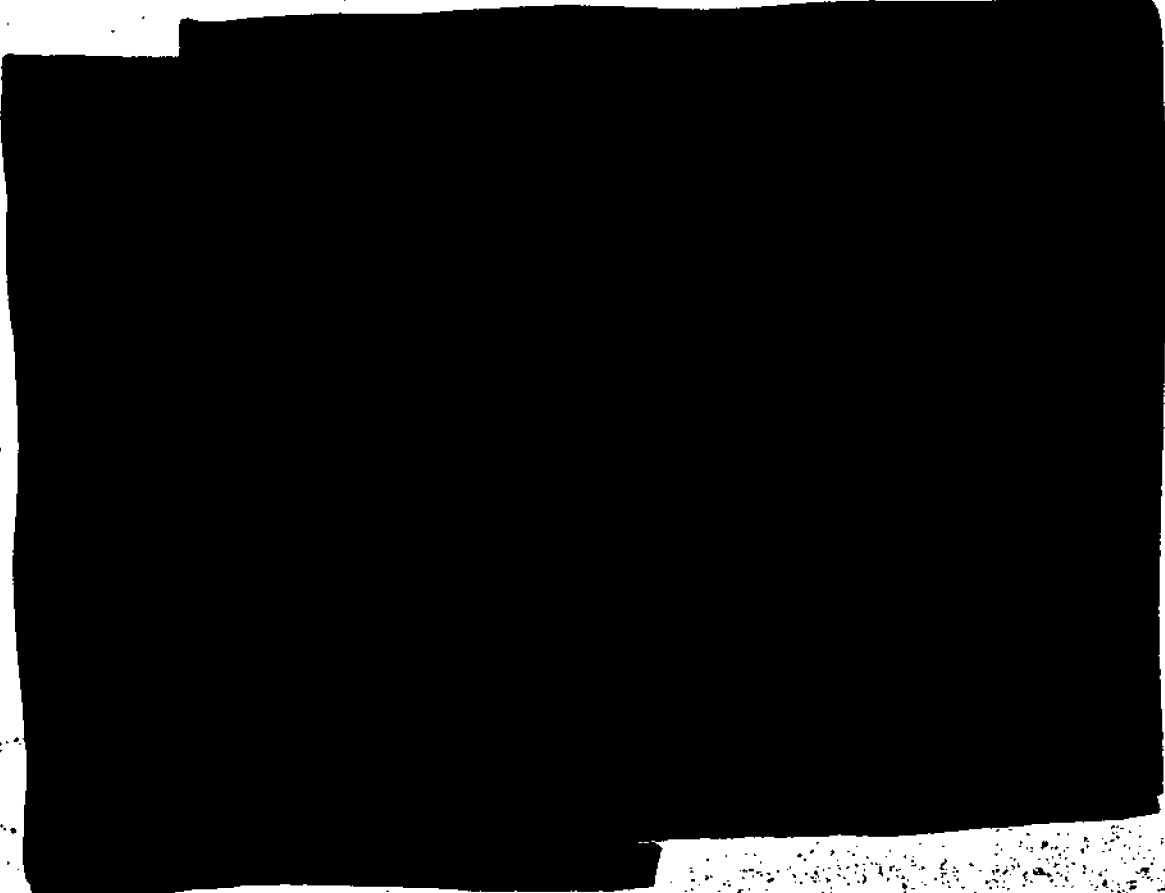
Bucholtz is known to Frank Gregory, Chief House Officer at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel. Gregory says that he may be found at the following places:

At the cigar store, southeast corner of 50th Street and Broadway; at the hotel at 203 West 54th Street which holds Ownay Madden's night club; at a speakeasy at 40 West 47th Street and at the Forrest Hotel, although he cautioned that no inquiries for Bucholtz at these places would be productive.

Photographs of Bucholtz are being forwarded the Kansas City office, together with photograph of Michael Coppola. The desirability of obtaining further information at Hot Springs, Arkansas, with respect to this group, is suggested, such as obtaining photographic copies of the registration and at the Arlington Garage making every effort to tie the V-12 Cadillac with New York plates 3-K-8966 up to this group.

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The report of SAC Quinn, Birmingham, Alabama, July 3, 1933, also requested this office to check a V-16 Cadillac with New York plates #1 Y 7978, which was in the Paige Garage at Nashville, Tennessee, on the night of June 21, 1933. Inquiry at the Motor Vehicle Bureau has disclosed that this car is a 1928 V-16 Cadillac Sedan bearing Motor #703203, was registered in the name of Rudolph C. Loewenstein, at 28 Ferry Street, New York City. He furnished his age as 26. It would appear that this person resides at 40 East 10th Street, New York City, Apartment 10, and is in the leather business on Ferry Street referred to. He has not been interviewed as yet inasmuch as he appears legitimate and preference has been given to other important features of this case.



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The file in this case holds statements that possibly one William Weisman may be one of the murderers or involved in some way. Information received from the Kansas City Bureau office has brought

forth that that office has no information implicating Weisman to such an extent as to justify an extensive investigation looking towards his location. However, the Kansas City Police Department has made statements to the effect that Weisman was implicated in the affair but apparently they are unwilling to divulge the source of their information. No investigation was undertaken in this district in order to locate Weisman. As a matter of fact, Weisman has been a fugitive for about ten years. From the Bureau records and the Police Department records at New York City, the following record was secured:

11/22/18 - as William Weisman, St. Louis, Mo., burglary and larceny, discharged 1/6/19.

5/28/21 - as William Weisman, St. Louis, Mo., grand larceny. No final disposition at present.

4/23/23 - as William Westerman, arrested PD, Kansas City, Mo., #12354; charge investigation, Grand larceny. Bond forfeited on June 11, 1923. Wanted for jumping bond.

As William Westerman, Wanted by Los Angeles, Cal. Police for hold-up and shooting of David Antick on 5/21/23.

As William Weisman, Wanted for murder on 9/19/30 by Police Department, Elizabeth, N.J.

Wanted by Federal authorities in the killing of four officers and their prisoner, Frank Nash, at the Union Station, Kansas City, Mo. on June 17, 1933.

The last notation is one taken verbatim from the files of the New York City Police Department.

Under date of July 27, 1933, the Bureau advised this and the Kansas City offices to the effect that appropriate Wanted notice has been placed against William Weisman in favor of the Kansas City office.

Under date of July 21, 1933, the New York Bureau office distributed to Kansas City, St. Louis, St. Paul, Detroit, Philadelphia and the Bureau a copy of a memorandum prepared by Pinkerton's National

Detective Agency at New York City with respect to Weisman. Apparently this Agency has been searching for Weisman for some time. This office has a file on Weisman - #62-2721 - which has to do with the abduction of two Prohibition Agents at Camden, New Jersey on May 28, 1930 and the murder of John G. Piniello at Elizabeth, N. J. on September 19, 1930. On October 24, 1930 the State records of Elizabeth, N. J. show the following were indicted for the murder of Piniello:

SAMUEL E. GROSSMAN, who was subsequently killed in
 ↑ a gang war in Philadelphia, Pa.

JOHN NEWMAN, alias Jack Newman, alias Jeff Newman,
 × PD, NYC, #61651, and who is now
 serving a life sentence in the
 Stillwater State Prison,
 Stillwater, Minnesota.

ALBERT I. SILVERBERG, New York City PD #66453, who is
 × now serving a life sentence in the
 Stillwater State Prison, Stillwater,
 Minnesota.

NICHOLAS DELMORE, alias "Nick", a notorious New Jersey
 × character, who comes from the
 vicinity of Berkeley Heights, N. J.
 Delmore is a fugitive.

WILLIAM WEISMAN, alias Bill Weiss.

MARTIN PODOLSKY, apprehended June 3, 1932 and released
 × on \$20,000.00 bail.

RICHARD ROE (Unidentified)

MICHAEL ROE (No identification)

County Detective Michael Tevman, Elizabeth, N. J. is in charge
 of the investigation.

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The William Weisman file at this office also indicates that on June 18, 1931 in the United States District Court of New Jersey, Grosman, Newman, Silverberg, Delmore, Weisman, Michael Roe, one Sam Brownstein and one Harry Goldberg were indicted, charged with obstructing the service of a warrant, and the file also indicates that the case was to be presented to the U. S. Grand Jury at Newark, N. J. in May, 1932, for the purpose of seeking a superseding indictment. This office is not informed as to the status of each and every defendant in this Federal case, however, the United States Attorney was communicated with on July 21st and a complete statement showing the status of each and every defendant was requested.

In a memorandum prepared by the Pinkertons, it is noted that Silverberg and Newman were arrested at St. Paul, Minnesota, on July 26, 1932, on the charge of murder, on which case they are now serving a life sentence; also, that one Gus Berger on May 15, 1921 was operating a restaurant at St. Louis, Missouri with Weisman and he was arrested with Weisman, charged with murder, and that several weeks prior to July 20, 1933, an attempt was made to kill Gus Berger at Newark, N. J. and since that time he has been confined in the Essex County Jail. On June 29, 1933, one Murray Marks, reported to be an intimate associate of Weisman, was killed in New York City. It is recalled that the confidential informant imparted the information contained in this report that Bucholtz is supposed to be mixed up in some way in this murder. It should be observed that almost all of Weisman's connections are in Newark, N. J.

It should be particularly noticed that in 1930 Weisman was keeping company with one Nellie Connors who, at that time, resided at 321 West 55th Street, New York City, and that Nellie Connors is about 35 years of age, 5'8", medium build, red bobbed hair probably hennaed. It is also noted that Weisman and the Connors woman were supposed to be living in St. Paul in July, 1932, under the name of Mr. and Mrs. William Stern, and that Delmore at that time was in St. Paul, using the name Nick Hager.

It is believed desirable that photograph of Weisman be displayed at Hot Springs, Arkansas to determine if he is connected in any way with the parties to this investigation. It may be that he was one of the group who was at the Arlington Hotel on February 19, 1933.

No active investigation has been undertaken by the New York City Bureau office as yet with respect to Weisman.

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On July 15, 1933 the St. Paul office advised the Kansas City office as to certain telephone calls made from the New Bismarck Hotel from April 23 to April 29, 1933. It appears that on April 23rd the following persons registered at the New Bismarck Hotel:

J. L. Ross
V. Moore
B. Siegel ;

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and took rooms #1837-8-9. The registration cards show that all three registrations were made by the same person. All three persons gave fictitious addresses in New York City. The handwriting of the person who registered is not identified as yet.

Fugitive Miller has been identified as the person who used the name V. Moore, and Samuel Schrager with aliases has been identified as the person who used the name J. L. Ross. The identity of B. Siegel is unknown.

On April 24th Siegel, from Room 1838, telephoned the Copley-Plaza Hotel, Boston, Massachusetts. Special Agent Keefe conducted appropriate investigation at Boston, Massachusetts, at this hotel, but the identity of the person who received the call could not be learned, due to the fact that this hotel keeps no record of incoming calls. Agent Keefe learned, however, that on April 24th there was staying at this hotel one W. Miller of the Mt. Royal Hotel, Montreal, Quebec, who made numerous suspicious appearing telephone calls. At Montreal, however, agent learned that W. Miller is a so-called bootlegger or exporter and has maintained an office in the mezzanine of the Mt. Royal Hotel for the past few years. He meets the New York buyers and exports the liquor to St. Pierre Island.

On April 23rd from Room 1838, B. Siegel telephoned the Waldorf Astoria Hotel, New York City. This call commenced at Chicago, Illinois at 6:00 A.M. or 7:00 A.M. Eastern Standard Time. At the Waldorf Astoria it was learned that they keep a record of incoming calls.

Operator #30, a Miss Hylan, was the only operator on duty that morning, outside of the supervisor. The incoming call sheet disclosed that at 4:39 A.M. one M. Harrison, Room 2741, received a call. This person Harrison was checked and it was found that he has been

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coming to the Waldorf Astoria Hotel for some time; that he is from Quebec City and is a member of the Canadian Club.

The next item on the incoming calls sheet is 6:51 A.M. It is being assumed that this is the call in question inasmuch as there were no other calls listed on the sheet and the operator works until 8:00 A.M. The sheet does not disclose any name, which is unusual, but it does show a call going to Suite 2733-5-7. Also there is no "O.K." alongside of the Suite number as is customary when the call is completed. Directly under this incoming call is a notation "Luc Sullivan, 67 West 52nd St., 5-0090". The following was ascertained with respect to the occupants of that suite:

One Maximillian Stein registered at the hotel on April 7, 1933 from Berlin, Germany, and has been a permanent guest since that time. When he came in he took rooms 2735-7. The hotel had no credit file on this Maximillian Stein and knew very little concerning him. Credit Manager McDermott interviewed Treasurer Nulle and McDermott reported back that Nulle had advised that Stein was a wealthy brewer from Berlin operating three or four breweries over there and that he has been in the States since April for the purpose of making business contacts and in order to set up an organization to import and distribute and sell his beers. Stein's account card was thoroughly examined but contained no suspicious entries. His long distance calls were examined with the result that at 11:44 A.M. April 23, 1933, he made a person to person call to Chicago to Central 0123, calling a man by the name of Pallmann, according to the operator's note, and that he talked twelve minutes at a cost of \$16.00. The Chicago office advised the New York office by wire that the telephone number Stein called is that of the Bismarck Hotel.

It was learned that on April 8, 1933 one Arthur M. Kallmann checked in at the Waldorf Astoria into Room 2733 and a suite was made of 2733-5-7. The registration card of Kallmann was printed and not written. He gave as his address Hotel Dorset, 30 West 54th Street, New York City. The card indicates that he was a nephew of Maximillian Stein. Kallmann checked out of the hotel on May 10, 1933. His account card was thoroughly examined but it would appear he made no long distance telephone calls during the period he was there. He made a vast number of local calls and suburban calls and a representative

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number were checked which disclosed that they were the numbers of attorneys, malt product distributors, beer machinery companies, etc. In other words, there was no apparent connection between him and any of the groups under investigation. It could not be determined definitely whether he spent the night of April 23rd in the hotel, however, he made a number of local telephone calls on April 22nd and 24th.

On April 13th the hotel paid out to one of its employees \$13.38 covering work performed in Washington, D. C. for Kallmann. It would appear that Kallmann sent someone to Washington to do some work for him the day before, which consisted of trucking work, and the hotel paid the truckman's expenses. One of the hotel employees named Willy arranged in some manner for the truckman to do the work in Washington, D. C.

It was also learned at the hotel that one Herman Stein checked in at the hotel on June 23rd and occupied Room 2741 until July 14th when he departed. This Herman Stein stated he was a cousin to Maximillian Stein and was from Berlin, Germany.

It is suggested that inquiry be made by the Chicago Office at the New Bismarck Hotel in order to determine whether on April 23rd there was a person registered there by the name of Kallmann or Pallman. It might be that there was a Kallmann there at that time, a brother to Arthur M. Kallmann, or it may be that the person who registered as B. Siegel at the New Bismarck Hotel is really Kallmann. If no person by the name of Kallmann was registered at that hotel on that date, it is suggested the incoming call sheets be reviewed for the purpose of determining who received the call from New York City.

The person who registered as J. L. Ross at the New Bismarck Hotel has been identified by the Chicago office as Samuel Schrager, New York City P.D. #B-51668. His criminal record, as secured from the New York City Police Department, is as follows:

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| Name | - Samuel Schrager, alias Samuel Martin, alias Louis Tessler, alias William Cohen, alias J. L. Ross. |
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- 5/15/18 - as William Cohen, arrested Grand Larceny;
Discharged 5/20/18.
- 4/ 1/20 - as Sam Schragor, arrested Burglary at Loft;
Discharged 4/1/20.
- 10/30/20 - as Sam Schragor, arrested Robbery, and on
3/18/21 sentenced to serve from 6 1/2 to 12 years
Sing Sing.
- 12/18/20 - as Sam Schragor, Burglary. Sentence of 3/18/21
takes in this indictment.
- 2/ 4/26 - as Louis Tessler, arrested unlawful entry.
On 2/26/26 sentenced to serve indeterminate term
in Penitentiary.
- 11/19/28 - as Samuel Martin, arrested with revolver. On
7/26/29 acquitted but on 7/29/29 returned to
Sing Sing for violation of parole.

His incomplete description is as follows:

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|-------------|--------------------------|
| Present age | 36 |
| Height | 5'5 1/2" |
| Weight | 138 lbs. |
| Hair | Dark chestnut |
| Eyes | Brown |
| F.P.C. | 1 1/2 U 10 10 17 U 10 |

It could not be ascertained from the New York City office of the Division of Parole whether this individual is at present a parole violator from Sing Sing inasmuch as a few years ago there was a consolidation of various departments and the present office of the Division of Parole does not have any records prior to 1930, however, this matter is being taken up by correspondence and his status will be determined.

Referring to the above investigation at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel, reference is further made to the report of Agent Trainor, Kansas City, July 28, 1933, in which it is noted that the group which was at Hot Springs, Arkansas on February 19th made some telephone calls to a Ben Siegel at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel, New York City. Inquiry at this hotel has disclosed that Benjamin Siegel, registering from Brooklyn, N. Y., came to the hotel on February 1, 1933 and took Apartment 30F in what is called The Towers, and that he is a permanent guest there, paying

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\$500.00 a month. It would appear that he resides in this apartment with his wife and a nurse. He was introduced to Mr. Farrell, Assistant Manager of the hotel, by one W. L. Jarvis, who is known to Credit Manager McDermott as being a confidence man. There is no credit information on Siegel as he pays his bills promptly in cash. He is suspected at the hotel of being a confidence man.

On April 11, 1933, one Margaret Bellinger registered at the hotel as a nurse to Mrs. B. Siegel. One Mrs. A. Lansky from Brooklyn registered in Room 23 H 3 of the Towers from May 2 to 6, 1933, as a guest of Siegel. The registration cards at this hotel are printed. Siegel is rarely seen in the lobby of the hotel. A list of local and long distance calls which he has made has been secured and is being checked by this office.

First of all, it is noted that Siegel called Bigelow 3-6000, Newark, N. J., which is the telephone number of the Riviera Hotel, which number was called from the New Bismarck Hotel on April 24, 1933 by one of the three who were there. It was also observed that Siegel telephoned Schuyler 4-4329. As noted above in this report, this is a non-published telephone at 115 West 86th Street in the name of Max Zweibel and is the same number which was called by Vivian Mathis from Atlantic City, New Jersey on July 5th. A tap is being placed on this wire, with the arrangements being perfected on the afternoon of August 3rd. The telephone calls made by Siegel are being analyzed further. No record has been found of his calling Bucholtz. This Benjamin Siegel, however, is believed to be identical with one Benjamin Siegel who is one of Bucholtz's men. His nickname is "Bugs". He was arrested November 11, 1931, together with Bucholtz, Harry Tietelbaum, New York P.D. #B98015, and six other of Bucholtz's men on a charge of consorting with criminals. Benjamin Siegel, alias "Bugs" is described as follows:

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| Age | 31 |
| Height | 5'9" |
| Weight | 160 lbs. |
| Build | Stocky |
| Hair | Dark brown |
| Eyes | Blue |
| Complexion | Dark |
| Born | United States |
| F.P.C. | $\frac{9}{2}$ $\frac{aA}{aA}$ $\frac{12}{7}$ |
| NYC P.D.# | B98014. |

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He is included in Group Picture #11313 by the New York City Police Department and in this group is found Bucholtz and Teitelbaum. He was acquitted on the charge and his picture was blacked out. However, this office has in its racket file a photostatic copy of the group picture and photostatic copy thereof is being furnished the Chicago office.

At this dictation - August 3rd - the advisability is being considered of putting a cover on the mail of Benjamin Siegel and making arrangements whereby his telephone calls will be listened to.

The officials at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel are not aware of any connection between Maximillian Stein and Arthur M. Kallman and Ben Siegel. However, they are securing additional information with respect to Stein and Kallmann.

At the Waldorf Astoria Hotel it was also learned that on April 29, 1933, one Joseph Bonds registered at the hotel, Benjamin Siegel recommending him. He lived first in Apartment 10 U in the Towers but is now living in Room 2416 and is considered a permanent guest at the hotel. He was joined by his wife shortly after April 29th. He is considered to be a confidence man by the officials at the hotel. He is paying \$200.00 a month and pays in cash. He registered from 140 West 44th Street, New York City. The following is his description:

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| Age | 35 |
| Height | 5'5"-4" |
| Weight | 185 |
| Hair | Black |
| Eyes | Brown |
| | Heavy eyebrows and lashes |
| Complexion | Swarthy |
| | Flashy dresser; wears bright ties, pinchback suits and a soft gray hat. |

A list of his telephone calls is being analyzed and will be reported upon.

It was further ascertained that one James Marone registered at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel on June 15th and checked out on June 17th. He occupied Room 10 L and his bill was paid by Joseph Bonds. No description of Marone is available although the telephone calls he made are being analyzed.

With further reference to this Benjamin Siegel, attention is directed to report of Agent John J. Keating, Chicago, Illinois, 7/31/33, particularly to pages 25 and 26, wherein mention is made of Herman Siegel and Barney Siegel. The Chicago office should ascertain whether this Barney Siegel is identical with this Benjamin Siegel and whether Benjamin Siegel was the person who was in the New Bismarck Hotel on April 23rd with Fugitive Miller.

With reference to the Long and Kutlow group who were at Hot Springs, Arkansas on February 19th, the New York City office is obtaining a record of all long distance telephone calls made from the Newark, N. J. and vicinity telephones which they called from June 1st to date. These will be analyzed and reported upon.

With further reference to the armor plated V-12 Cadillac bearing New York tags 3K 8966, the New York City office is making an investigation with respect to the three armor plated cars which were found abandoned after the murder of Hymie Marks in New York City on June 29, 1933.

Since all of the above has been dictated, it has been learned that Bucholtz is one of the leading racketeers in New York City. It is recalled that Abe Wagner was murdered in St. Paul, Minnesota in July, 1932, by Silverberg and Newman of the William Weisman mob. Abe Wagner was a member of the Waxey Gordon gang and his brother was murdered in New York City a short time before July, 1932.

Murray Marks, who was murdered in New York City on June 29, 1933, was Waxey Gordon gangster and Abraham Goldfeder, who was murdered shortly thereafter just out of Newark, N. J. was also a Waxey Gordon gangster, and, as stated above, William Weisman was always an associate of the Waxey Gordon gangsters although it is not known whether he was a member of the gang. It is known in New York City, of course, that for some time past a gangster movement has been under way which has for its purpose the elimination of the Waxey Gordon gang including Gordon himself whose true name is Irving Wexler. The leader of the opposition is Arthur M. Flegenheimer, who is known as "Dutch" Schultz and who is a Fugitive from Justice on an income tax indictment.

In conference with Inspector Lyons of the New York City Police Department, he asked if the Bureau had any theory as to why any of the killers in this investigation came East. He then said that about two months ago his Department received many rumors from underworld sources that a bunch of midwestern gunmen were to be imported into New York City for the purpose of completing the job of wiping out the Waxey Gordon gang. Agent mentioned the fact that one of Bucholtz's hangouts is the speakeasy operated by Waxey Gordon and Inspector Lyons stated that it was his theory that Bucholtz is to be the finger man when it comes time to eliminate Waxey Gordon.

At the present time Waxey Gordon is supposed to be in hiding somewhere in New Jersey.

On July 19, 1933 Acting Chief of Police Costa of Toms River, N. J. telephoned this office and inquired whether it was interested in locating Waxey Gordon. On July 24th Special Agents Starr and Saltsman then working on this case at Atlantic City, N.J. proceeded to Toms River and interviewed Costa. The memorandum submitted by these agents is not being set out herein but it is important to note that Costa believes that the hideout of Waxey Gordon is the Royal Pines Hotel, which is located two miles off the Atlantic City - Lakewood Highway about nine miles south of Toms River. At this point the hotel was found to be in an abandoned section, is a black building about six stories high and the hotel is apparently furnished and the agents observed that on the second floor of the building all the windows were open. Costa advised that although the hotel is supposed to be deserted, he has seen as many as five automobiles parked at this unoccupied hotel. The copies of all Identification Orders were left with Costa. Waxey Gordon is supposed to be driving a car which bears New York plates 3 C 7884.

On July 5, 1933 a person who gave his name as George Tompkins, alias Kelly, alias Red Carmody, called at this office and advised that he had just recently been released from the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, and was acquainted with Frank Nash, and that the men implicated in the murders are Harvey J. Bailey and Wilbur Underhill, and that these men can be located at Brielle, New Jersey, and that John Danick, George McIntosh and Roy Barrett are also implicated in the shooting and that the latter three may be located at 4160 Drexel Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois. Tompkins advised

that he met SAC Vetterli while he was confined in Leavenworth and SAC Vetterli advised the New York Bureau office on July 25th that he did have occasion to interview Tompkins in Leavenworth and on two occasions with respect to the Lindbergh kidnapping case concerning which he was supposed to have considerable information, and upon his release from Leavenworth he called upon the Kansas City Bureau office and stated he would endeavor to secure some further information in the Lindbergh matter.

Special Agent Leslie conducted an investigation at Brielle, N. J. and he submitted the following memorandum:

In accordance with memorandum submitted July 8, 1933, concerning information received from George Tompkins alias Kelly alias Carmody, in effect that Harry Bailey and Wilbur Underhill are located in Brielle, N.J., the writer interviewed Mr. M. P. Sherman, assistant Postmaster, Manasquan, N.J., the adjoining town to Brielle, and exhibited identification orders of the above named individuals. Mr. Sherman stated that he does not recall having seen either of the above named in or about Manasquan, N.J. although a number of residents from Brielle received their mail at the Manasquan, N.J. Post-office. Mr. Sherman agreed to watch the mail particularly in connection with this matter and in the event he learns any information of value, will communicate with Chief Longstreet of the Manasquan, N.J. Police Department.

Interviewed Judge Y. Y. Pettit, Municipal Building, Manasquan, N.J. and Chief Longstreet, and exhibited identification orders on Bailey and Underhill. Chief Longstreet had identification orders of both these individuals as well as the other subjects implicated in the Kansas City, Mo. shooting, which were displayed on a bulletin board in his office. Chief Longstreet and Judge Pettit advised that they have not observed either of the above named in or about Manasquan. Chief Longstreet advised that he would notify his men to be on the lookout for Bailey and Underhill in and about Manasquan and at the beaches.

Chief Longstreet accompanied the writer to Brielle, N.J. where Chief Legg was interviewed. Chief Legg stated that while he has not observed Bailey or Underhill about Brielle, there are a number of hangouts for bootleggers in and about this town and there is a tough mob that hang out in the Hotel Arnold at Point Pleasant Beach, N.J. He also advised that Waxeey Gordon is operating several rum running boats from Tenbach and Hansen's Boat Dock in Brielle, N.J. and that there are a number of questionable individuals that frequent this boat dock.

The writer accompanied Chief Legg to Tenbach & Hansen's Dock where it was observed there were seven rum running boats docked. There was only one individual, however, about the premises outside of the employees.

The writer next interviewed Mrs. A. H. Croh, Postmaster, Brielle, N.J. Mrs. Croh advised that she received identification orders for Bailey and Underhill, and that she watches all strangers that call for mail very closely, but that she cannot recall having seen either Bailey or Underhill visit the Post Office at any time and has not received any mail addressed either of the aforementioned under their correct names or aliases. Mrs. Croh agreed to keep a sharp watch for the above named individuals and in the event she observes them about town, will notify Chief Legg.

Accompanied by Chief Legg, agent proceeded to Point Pleasant Beach, N.J. and interviewed Chief Ridgway Lane, who was shown identification orders on Bailey and Underhill, and he agreed to determine whether either of the above named are frequenting the Arnold Hotel which is a hangout for racketeers, and will keep in contact with Chief Legg relative to same.

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As to the whereabouts of Vivian Mathis and Betty Buchwalt, it will be recalled that the trailing agents had a flat tire at the city limits of Troy, N. Y. in the early afternoon of July 30th and were unable to follow the car, although they ascertained that the two women chose to drive down the east side of the river after they left Troy, N. Y. The office immediately was telephoned and Agents McKee, Starr, Manning and Tracy covered the Majestic Apartments on the night of July 30th. Agents Bush and Moran covered the Riviera Hotel, Newark, N. J. and Agent Lott checked in to the hotel, but the cover was entirely unproductive and the women did not show up.

Special Agent O'Leary proceeded to South Fallsburg, N. Y. on the morning of July 31st and made investigation at the Sarah Colub's Villa. The New York State Troopers have their office directly across the street from this villa which is a camp. No record of the Lincoln car in which the two women were traveling could be found. At this place Agent O'Leary ascertained that Mrs. Claire Arbeiter (correct spelling) is the mother of Mrs. Betty Buchwalt.

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[REDACTED] The clerk reported that he was informed at the villa that Mrs. Betty Buchwalt was not there and had not been there but her mother, Mrs. Claire Arbeiter, was there and also Betty's son was there at the camp. The forwarding address Betty's mother left was the Majestic Apartments, New York City.

At 1:30 P.M. on August 1st, the confidential informant of Assistant Agent in Charge Fay advised that Betty arrived at the apartment house at 1:20 P.M. that day and that she came in alone, apparently on foot, and that no baggage came in with her and that she said the baggage was coming in later. At this time a tap was not in effect upon Betty's wire but it was ascertained that at 9:30 P.M. the night of August 1st, she made a telephone call to Montreal, Canada, to Lancaster 5233, which is the telephone number of Agent's confidential informant #1. The call was connected at 9:38 P.M. and completed at 9:40 P.M.

The Majestic Apartments was covered on August 1st with the result that at 10:30 that night Betty left the apartment house with her bags and two golf clubs and took a cab. A short distance from the apartments her husband got in the cab. The cab was trailed by agents to the Hotel St. Pierre, Fifth Avenue and 61st Street, but

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Bucholtz apparently got out of the cab in front of the Hotel St. Moritz on Central Park South. Apparently the Bucholtzes were suspicious of being followed and, therefore, the matter was not unduly pressed due to the fact that the confidential informant can be relied upon to apprise this office of the movements of the Bucholtzes. It was ascertained, however, that Betty did not check in to the Hotel St. Pierre. The taxicab driver was interviewed at this office and it was evident that he is mentally deranged. He advised first that he took the parties to the Hotel Dryden, 150 East 39th Street, but this proved untrue, and then he stated he checked the woman into the Hotel St. Pierre, however, as stated above, this proved untrue. He also stated that the man in the cab, whom he identified as Bucholtz, tore up the manifest. Full details with reference to this trailing may be found in the memoranda submitted by the various special agents.

About noon on August 2nd, the confidential informant advised this office that Betty had returned to the apartment alone and that the Bucholtzes were giving up their apartment for good on the morning of August 3rd.

From the tap maintained on the telephone of Betty, at 1:45 P.M. August 2nd, she made a call to Circle 7-2645. She asked for Natty. She said "this is Betty" and when asked which Betty she said "Louise Betty".

At 2:20 P.M. she received a telephone call from a man who had a husky voice. [REDACTED]

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At 2:50 P.M. she received a telephone call from an unidentified woman. The unidentified woman said everything was O.K. on that - a quarter to seven and a quarter to six tomorrow morning.

At 4:50 P.M. she received a telephone call from a woman and Betty made an appointment to see her at 6:30 or 7:00 that night.

At 4:50 P.M. she placed a call to Regent 4-7743. This phone is not published and it is in the name of John Manzullo, furniture, 305 East 63rd Street. She asked for Mr. Lepke and he was not there,

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and she asked the man to tell him the carpet man never came. It is noted that "Lepke" is an alias of her husband.

At 4:35 P.M. she called the office of the telephone company and asked that her telephone be disconnected at 8:00 A.M. August 3rd, and to send her bill to the Frances Beauty Shop, 149 West 47th Street. (A cover has been placed on mail coming to the 47th Street address.)

At 4:41 P.M. she called the gas company and asked that service be disconnected and to send her bill to the Frances Beauty Shop.

At 6:40 P.M. she received a call which was answered by the maid. The man calling asked for Betty and then asked to put Harry on, the man that was doing the packing. Harry came to the telephone and the outside voice said it was Marie. The inside voice said that "I took two trunks down to the Penn Depot as I would not trust anyone with them". The outside voice asked if he needs another man and the inside voice said that everything is gone and that the rugs are gone. The outside voice said that he told her not to worry, that everything would be O.K. as her brother-in-law was coming up in the morning to pack.

At 7:15 P.M. a man made an outgoing call but the number was not secured. However, it would appear that he called Underhill 3-3755, which is the number listed for Betty's brother, Benjamin Arbeiter, 2080 Wallace Avenue, Bronx, N.Y. This Arbeiter is listed as a chauffeur and his wife's name is Sylvia. It is recalled that Arbeiter was with the two women in Atlantic City around the fourth of July. He asked if Sylvia, Ben or Lucky was there and neither was there. He said to let him know he is in and that he will be in Bennie's after tomorrow and that he is alone where he is. The outside voice asked if Betty was there and the inside voice said that she is and she ain't and he cannot say over the phone.

At 9:05 P.M. a call was received and it was answered by a very old Jew who could not talk English so well. The outside voice called him Pop and advised that he just got home. The old man advised that he has been there since Monday and he has not been out of the house. The old man said he called for Irving to come. The outside voice asked if she was away and the old man said that no, she is moving tomorrow and when asked where, he said to storage, packing up everything. The old man then said he was checking in to an hotel tomorrow but would be up to see him tomorrow night.

On August 2nd the New York Bureau office received a telegram from the St. Paul office, in which it was stated that Fugitive Miller, under the name of Moore, is writing from Atlantic City, New Jersey, using the stationery of the Hotel Biltmore, to parties at White Bear, Minnesota, and that the last letter was received at that place in Minnesota on August 1st. As stated previously, Agent Soucy is in Atlantic City, N.J. making appropriate investigation.

The following memorandum was received from Agent Soucy:

* As previously made known, the writer ascertained that Mrs. B. Buchalter, Mrs. V. Allen and Mr. Ben Arberter registered at the Ritz Carlton, Atlantic City, N.J. on July 1st and remained at said hotel until July 6th, leaving during the A.M. of July 6th.

The two women referred to occupied room #1021, Ben Arberter occupying room #501. The bill covering the rental of these two rooms was consolidated, all charges being included in the one bill for room #1021.

This bill reflected telephone calls for the respective days to be as follows:

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| July 1 | total | .80 |
| July 2 | " | .20 |
| July 3 | " | 2.50 |
| July 4 | " | 1.30 |
| July 5 | " | 3.40 |

The various phone calls going to make up the totals listed were obtained and the long distance calls recorded were reported by the writer on July 31st via long distance. The local calls are in possession of the writer and have all been traced as to the respective subscribers. Briefly, they are composed of calls to Hairdressing Salons, night clubs, tailor shops, and various other hotels. Of this number and over a period of 5 days, 14 calls were made to the Ambassador Hotel. Since these were local calls from the Ritz it was impossible to definitely ascertain the individual or parties communicated with at the Ambassador.

However, arrangements have been made by the writer for future assistance and telephone covers in the event the individuals involved return to either the Ritz or Ambassador Hotels. Other contact has been made at both of these Hotels which should insure full cooperation if later needed.

Due to the number of calls made to the Ambassador Hotel it was thought that possibly Miller had been registered there during the first few days of July. Inquiry had at the Ambassador barber shop where interview was had with the manicurist, Miss B. Morgan, which indicates the possibility of Miller having been a visitor at said shop on two occasions. Miss Morgan fixes the approximate date of a visit by an individual minus two thirds of the left hand, ring finger, as of July 2nd or thereabouts.

The photograph of Miller was not identified by her as being the particular party whose hands she manicured. However, she stated that the person whom she has seen a second time, July 24th, was a man between the age of 40 and 50, about 5 feet 7 inches, medium build, light complexion, hair thin and graying slightly at the temples, well dressed. She definitely established the location of the missing portion of this individual's finger as being the left hand ring finger by the seating arrangement at her manicurist's table.

At the time the individual first visited her shop, which was during the first few days of July, she had noticed that his hands, though accustomed to manicuring, had apparently been neglected for a week or 10 days, the hands being rather dirty at the time. He apologized for the condition of his hands, adding that it was the result of a hurried trip from Chicago. Miss Morgan does not recall how long it took him to drive the distance but remembers it to have been extremely fast time and she recalled having asked him what type car he was driving but could not recall whether he stated a Cadillac or Lincoln.

This same man called a second time on July 24th and when Miss Morgan asked him where he'd been during the interim he answered Detroit, Mich. On this occasion he was accompanied by another individual who remained in the barber shop but a short while. However, he stood outside the shop during the whole time she was manicuring the nails

of the party mentioned. Miss Morgan was not able to describe the party who waited for her customer other than to fix his height at about 5'5" and to add that he was of medium build and dark. She did pass him in the corridor and believed she could identify a photograph of the individual. It was thought that the individual might be Buchalter and that since a photograph of the latter is on file at the New York Police Department it was thought advisable to consider procuring one for the purpose of having this individual, Buchalter identified and establishing more definitely the identity of the customer.

It appears significant to note that when this individual last visited the shop on July 24th he had said to Miss Morgan during the course of his manicure, that she had been looking at him as if she knew him or recognized him and wanted to know if she thought she knew him. She stated that she didn't believe she had looked at him more than casually and was somewhat surprised at being asked such a question but remembers telling him that she didn't remember seeing him anywhere but thought he looked like Ralph Bellamy the motion picture actor. She advised the writer at this juncture that he does resemble the actor in some respects and on viewing the photograph of Miller a second time concluded that there was a marked resemblance of the customer and Miller especially about the eyes, though, as stated, she could not definitely state that the photo of Miller was the same party or resembled the customer otherwise, but added that the customer was older than Miller and may have looked similar to him in his younger days.

At the time of this individual's last visit he told Miss Morgan that he expected to return to Atlantic City in about two weeks which places the date of his return, if it materializes, at about August 5th or 7th.

It has been arranged to have the New York office notified immediately of such a return and additional arrangements have been made with Miss Morgan, employer Mr. Arnold Fitton, at the Ambassador Hotel, to obtain a definite identification in a discreet manner of this individual and further to obtain the license number of the car or taxi taking the customer from the hotel. Mr.

Arnold Fitton will arrange to continuously shadow him in the event a departure is had by way of the boardwalk, but has been advised by the writer to exercise the utmost care and to avoid such procedure if the boardwalk is not crowded.

The writer is in constant touch with the registrations at both the Ambassador and Ritz Hotels and last evening, August 2nd, a survey of at least fifteen of the garages in close proximity of the larger hotels was made with a view of locating either auto bearing the known license plates of Buchalter's automobiles without results.

A complete list of the local calls made by the parties registered at the Ritz is in the writer's possession but inquiry will be had only in instances where it is believed the best results will be ascertained.

A check has also been made at the Postal and Western Union Telegraph offices and Post Office but no record of money having been received by any of the individuals under all known aliases was noted.

Confidential arrangements have been made for cooperation on the part of the Western Union, Postal Telegraph and Telephone Co. for future assistance if needed.

Agent Soucy further advised that the management of the Hotel Biltmore is not reliable but discreet investigation is being made thereat. He also advised that Mr. Peterson, the manager of the Ritz Carlton Hotel, advised him on the night of August 3rd that Mr. Martini had that night checked in to the Ritz Carlton and that Martini had, on several occasions, preceded Mr. and Mrs. Bucholtz in checking in at the Ritz Carlton. This matter is being given appropriate attention and Agent Anderson is joining Agent Soucy at Atlantic City, N. J.

Investigation was made for the purpose of locating Harry Teitelbaum, reportedly the chauffeur and bodyguard for Bucholtz. It is recalled that the group at Hot Springs, Ark. called him in February, 1933 at the telephone listed in the name of Herman Albert,

1709 Fulton Avenue, Bronx, N. Y. Agent Starr ascertained that Herman Albert is listed as a baker and his wife's name is Sylvia, and that the section is composed of poor people and that there are many Teitelbaums living in the vicinity. The postal carrier advised that he does not recall ever delivering any mail addressed to Teitelbaum at 1709 Fulton Avenue. Inasmuch as there are many Teitelbaums in the vicinity and a person to person call was made, it is probable that Albert has to leave the house in order to get Teitelbaum on the phone.

Adverting to the \$100.00 in money sent to Vivian from Newark, N.J. on July 26th at 11:55 A.M., it is recalled that the Western Union girl recalls the person who sent the money made a telephone call from one of the booths in the lobby of the building at 1060 Broad Street, Newark, N.J. during the time the application was made out.

Agent Bush at the New Jersey Bell Telephone Company at Newark, N.J. secured a list of all toll calls made from the five public pay telephones located in the lobby of this building around the time in question. The money order was sent at 11:55 A.M. Standard time, whereas the telephone records are kept according to Daylight Saving time. There were only two calls made around the time in question. One was made from Market 2-8961 to Susquehanna 7-0777 at 12:50 P.M. It was ascertained that this number is private and in the name of Mrs. B. Sims, 91 Central Park West, which address is practically next door to that of the Bucholtzes. From Market 2-8640 there was called at 12:53 P.M. Mayflower 9-6449, which is listed in the name of David Goldberg, 2483-86th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y. If the person in question made a local call, there would be no record of the same.

Report of Agent Trainor, Kansas City, July 28th, stated that a LaSalle car bearing New York tags 4-N-433 was in Hot Springs, Arkansas a considerable period of time in February, 1933, and at the same time the group which has been previously referred to were there. It has been ascertained that these plates were issued to Rufus King, 210 Madison Avenue, New York City, for a 1932 LaSalle, Motor #1101922.

It has been ascertained that 1933 New York plates 3-C-7860 on the Lincoln Sedan owned by Bucholtz were issued to Henry Teitelbaum of 72-78 Seaman Avenue, New York City. The motor number of the car was given in this instance as KB-879 and these plates were issued to cover lost plates 1-N-2837. It was also learned that when the car was registered in 1932 the motor number was given as KB-877.

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The telephone address directory discloses a Henry Teitelbaum at the above address with a private telephone number, but it was ascertained that this number is Lorraine 7-7485. It is believed that this Henry Teitelbaum is identical with Harry Teitelbaum mentioned as being the chauffeur and gunman for Bucholtz and without doubt he was the one in the Bucholtz apartment doing the packing.

With respect to New York plates 3-C-8455 supposed to be the plates on the other Lincoln Sedan of Bucholtz, it was learned that these plates were issued to Sol Cohen, 1920 Walton Avenue, Bronx, N. Y. for a 1932 Cadillac Sedan, Motor No. 1200636. The above plates were issued to cover lost plates 6-Y-5177. The telephone address directory does not show any Sol Cohen at 1920 Walton Avenue, however, at this address there is a J. Steinhaus, telephone Founation 8-2458, and this number was called by Benjamin Siegel from the Waldorf Astoria Hotel on July 27th.

On the afternoon of August 3rd it was learned that the Bucholtzes were shipping their trunks to the Pennsylvania Railroad and that Mrs. Bucholtz was supposed to be leaving for Canada on August 8th and was going to be there until October. Additional confidential information disclosed that the Bucholtz furniture was being stored at Charles A. Strang, 356 Coney Island Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

The trunks were located at the baggage room of the Pennsylvania Railroad. At this dictation Agents Starr and O'Leary are covering the trunks and will take the same train which the persons who claim the trunks take. The trunks are marked for Mrs. R. Buchalter, Essex Junction, Vermont.

At the same time Agent Soucy in Atlantic City, N. J. has been joined by Agents Anderson, McKee, Arms and Sinsel, as telephonic information received from that point indicates that it is possible Fugitive Moore, Vivian Mathis and the Bucholtzes might be there in the Ritz Carlton Hotel.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

CHICAGO OFFICE

Attached hereto the Chicago office will find a photostat of the photograph of Benjamin Siegel referred to in this report. It is believed important that it be ascertained whether this individual is identical with Barney Siegel, the brother of Herman Siegel.

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KANSAS CITY OFFICE

It is suggested that further investigation be conducted at Hot Springs, Arkansas, in an effort to learn whether Bucholtz was there with the group in February, 1933. Photograph of Bucholtz is attached hereto. Attached also the Kansas City office will find three photostatic copies of the Western Union money order sent from Newark, N. J. on July 26th to Vivian Mathis at Milton, Vt. It is also believed desirable that further investigation be conducted at Little Rock, Arkansas, with respect to the armored car seen there around the middle of June, 1933. It is requested that every effort be made to learn whether William Weisman is involved in any way in the massacre and determine if he can be identified as being in Hot Springs within the past few months and whether Mrs. E. B. Connor is identical with Weisman's woman. Attempt to learn at Hot Springs, Arkansas with what mob Eddie Connor was associated in New York City.

BIRMINGHAM OFFICE

At Memphis, Tennessee. Photograph of Bucholtz is attached hereto. It is suggested that every effort be made to learn who the parties were who were in possession of the V-12 Cadillac Sedan in the Peabody Garage in June, 1933.

NEW YORK CITY OFFICE is continuing the investigation in this district.

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Room 1403
370 Lexington Avenue
New York, N.Y.

THT:PB
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August 8, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
905 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of August 2nd, addressed to the St. Paul office, with respect to the investigation entitled VERNON C. MILLER with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1195, ET AL, wherein it was requested that certain telephone calls made by E. M. Goldman, Ellison Apartments, Kansas City, Mo., be traced.

It is observed that on June 12th and June 15th, Goldman called one Oscar Blackman in New York City at the Edison, Victoria and Lincoln Hotels, but apparently the calls were not completed.

Investigation in New York City at the Victoria Hotel has disclosed that Oscar Blackman is unknown there and has never been a registrant at that hotel. At the Edison Hotel, Assistant Manager Bolber advised that he has known Oscar Blackman for the past ten years and that Blackman is originally from Cincinnati, Ohio, but during the past few years has been in New York City and is a racetrack tout and otherwise a small time gambler. The records of the Edison Hotel disclosed that the last time Blackman was registered there was from March 30th to April 6, 1933.

Inasmuch as the memorandum attached to your letter of August 2nd discloses that Goldman ran a tipster sheet for race horses, and investigation here has disclosed that Blackman is a racetrack tout, no further investigation is being made into this phase of the case unless specifically requested.

Very truly yours,

T. F. CULLEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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U. S. Department of Justice

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625 Lafayette Bldg.
Detroit Michigan
August 4, 1933



Director
United States Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Re: VERNON C. MILLER, aliases, FUGITIVE, et al.
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to Deliver
Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my communication of July 25, 1933 concerning EARL SHELTON alias MALCOLM McNEIL who was arrested by the Sheriff at Monroe, Michigan on July 13, 1933 and who a few days following his arrest gave a long story to the effect that he had been traveling around the country with a Vern Miller and Bill Wiseman.

It has now been determined that the Chrysler Sedan from which Shelton was removing a battery when arrested at Monroe was stolen from Erie, Pa. on July 12, 1933. It will be noted in my referred to communication that Shelton claimed that he had been in Erie at one time. It therefore appears very definite that he stole and transported this car.

There is now every indication to believe that the story about being associated with Vern Miller and Bill Wiseman was manufactured by Shelton, based on a newspaper article which he had read while confined in the County Jail at Monroe. I have ascertained that he has told many conflicting stories since being interviewed by Agents of this office.

A complaint has been filed against him at Detroit and he is now in Federal custody awaiting grand jury action.

Very truly yours,

Wm. Larson
Special Agent in Charge

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cc. Kansas City
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:



Details as to checking Cadillac Sedan, 18-W, bearing 1933 California license plates, containing two men and a machine gun in the rear seat obtained from J. E. Simmons, Quarantine Officer at Calneva, California, checking station of California Agriculture Department. Mr. Simmons unable to identify or furnish description of two occupants of said car, nor is he able to identify either of them as Subjects of I.O. 1189 to 1196.

REFERENCE:

Report Special Agent Louis D. Wine, Salt Lake City, Utah, July 24, 1933.

DETAILS:

AT SACRAMENTO, CALIF.

George F. Moynahan, Assistant Chief of the California Highway Patrol, when interviewed informed that the teletype message No. 5 from Truckee, California, dated July 18, 1933, reporting Cadillac Sedan, California license 3-M-677, with a machine gun in the rear seat, which passed through the Calneva Checking Station, was sent to him by Inspector Everett H. McKee, who can be located at Tahoe City, California, c/o Beckthold, Tahoe Inn; that Inspector McKee could no doubt furnish the name of the person who checked the said Cadillac Sedan through the Calneva Checking Station.

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AT TRUCKEE, CALIF.

Beverett H. McKee, Inspector of the California Highway Patrol, who resides at Tahoe City, California, and works as a traffic officer on the road between the Calneva Agriculture Checking Station and Truckee, Calif., was met by Agent at the automobile checking station at Truckee, Calif., where he was interviewed. Inspector McKee informed that J. Edward Simmons, a quarantine officer of the California Agriculture Department, who is in charge of their checking station at Calneva, California, attempted to advise him by telephone on July 5, 1933, that he (Simmons) had checked Cadillac Sedan, bearing California license plates 3-M-677 through his station on that day, and wanted to inform him (Inspector McKee) that the said car had two tough looking individuals in the car and that a machine gun was set up in the rear seat of the car.

However, Inspector McKee advised he did not get this information until July 18, 1933, when Simmons happened to tell him that he attempted to telephone him this information on July 5, 1933, but on telephoning the residence (Tahoe Inn) of McKee, the telephone operator said he was not in. It so happened that the Inspector went to Sacramento on July 5th to have his motor cycle repaired, and did not return to Calneva until July 6, 1933, hence he did not get the above referred to telephone message from Mr. Simmons.

Immediately upon receiving the information on July 18, 1933, from Mr. Simmons regarding the machine gun being in the rear of Cadillac Sedan, California license 3-M-677, he sent a teletype message to his superior George F. Moynahan, Assistant Chief of the California Highway Patrol in Sacramento, California.

AT CALNEVA, CALIFORNIA.

J. E. Simmons, Quarantine Officer for the California Department of Agriculture, at their checking station on the California-Nevada State line, at a point known as Calneva, was interviewed in the presence of Traffic Officer McKee.

Mr. Simmons related that on July 1st or July 2d, a man who claimed he was with the Riverside Garage of Reno, Nevada, told him to be on the lookout for a 1931 Cadillac Sedan, 16-V, which would have a machine gun in the rear seat of the said automobile. The man who gave the above information to Mr. Simmons was unknown to him, and Mr. Simmons could not describe him to Agent. The only detail concerning the man, which Mr. Simmons could recall was that the said individual drove a coupe, with Nevada license plates, and that he had a woman with him.

Mr. Simmons stated he did not pay much attention to the story above related, told to him by the man who said he was from the Riverside Garage of

... because he thought the said individual told him that story because he thought he was trying to "square himself" after Mr. Simmons reprimanded him for driving past the Agriculture Checking Station on the wrong side of the road.

On July 5, 1935, during the early afternoon, Mr. Simmons advised that a Cadillac Sedan, 16-V, bearing California License Plates came along the road from the direction of Reno, Nevada, and stopped at the checking station. When Mr. Simmons saw this Cadillac, he thought of the story told to him several days previous, as above related. Mr. Simmons stated there were two men in this car, and he asked them where they were coming from, and they replied "Reno." The car having no hand baggage or camping equipment therein, it was not necessary to stop it for close examination, nor was it necessary to record its passing through the station. However, when the Cadillac started driving away from the checking station, Mr. Simmons observed the machine gun mounted in the rear seat, and this fact caused him to make a note of the California license number 3-M-677 on the car. About 15 minutes later he attempted to telephone Traffic Officer McKee, but was unable to contact him, and he did not remember to tell him about the incident until July 18, 1935.

Mr. Simmons stated there were two men in the front seat of the Cadillac 16-V Sedan, California License 3-M-677, and no one sat in the rear. However, Mr. Simmons stated he paid absolutely no attention to the description of these two persons in the car, and he could not furnish any description of either of the men. He has an impression they were heavy-set appearing men. Agent displayed I.O. 1189 to 1196 inclusive, but Mr. Simmons could not identify any of the photographs as being either of the two men in the Cadillac car with the machine gun.

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130 North, River St.
Commerce, Oklahoma
August 3rd 1933.

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 from me about two years ago & had no
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 to him that's her! then on August the 12th 1932
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 the name of Toust. Called at my home and ask
 if I would do housework & said yes and went
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When Jeff came in he told Vesper he would have to get up early in the morning she asked why and he said he was going to Vinitia. I did not see him next day until after dark I was doing the supper dishes when he came home. I set his supper and went back into the kitchen. he told his wife that Tommie Let had a funeral today. As she said who for Jeff said Kenneth she said nothing more until they went into the living room then she said did you make a coffin for Jeff said we bought one, Vesper said did you have a coffin all said no they used my car and I

Jeff said she was almost frustrated and a good old Pentecost woman kept repeating to her its the sins of the parents being visited on their children. Wees said where did you bury him in the sixkiller and he said yes I was in that cemetery a solid hour! I never felt so shaky in my life! I got right weak in my knees. she said ah you ought not care he said I never let my self in an anything like that before I guess I was scared! Wees said he was nothing to you! Not in your immediate family. Little Thomas said was he he any Papa? Several times and I ally said I'll bet he was but got no answer.

Wees told me next day that Fommie fit to be a died and Jeff had attended the funeral. but she had previously told me one Leto only had one child and it was a girl. and she introduced two young men to me that brought her a bag of turnips and a hog. they told her they stole the hog for her and kept her for themselves she said how did you keep it from squealing he said I RARRed it between the eyes with a pistol Wees said how did you get in in the car Let said I pulled it into the truck with a pair of falls and added now listen you folks wil never be suspected away up here! Jeff had a one armed milk dealer help him load half of it into his car she said he would take it to his father. he brought back two parts of whiskey. we put the other half in the closet in Jeffs bed room and on

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George Riches a step brother of Jeffs. one was
a full brother his name is Jim Foust.
another was Harter, Preston. who she had previously
told me lived by committing all kind of crime.
while I was cooking two geese weeper come in to the
kitchen and ask me to cook some of that Park. and
while I was in the closet cutting meat I heard her
say now draw! Com! I hurried out for I had just
overheard a conversation between she and a man
in the babies nursery when I come out of the closet
she and a slender fair man with blue expressionless
eyes was bath in the hall at Jeffs bed room door he
looked very Pale she was very flushed. I learned later
he was Harter, Preston.

The conversation I heard while setting the dining table
was this, weeper said you will get twenty five dollars
you know and it will help me! a mans voice said
how will it help you? weeper said I havent said
the man said then what will you do weeper said
I'll get another one and she laughed lightly. the man
said how will we get her out but weeper said in
that basket! Harter set facing the kitchen while at
dinner but he paid no attention to his surroundings and
kept very quiet he looked to be about forty his temples
were high his hair thin at the crown he looked sober
the rest half drunk including the women.
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we take her out? Wecker said in that tub.

Harper Raped out onto the back Ranch with both hands under his hat which he was carrying in front of his chest and said to me are you Annie's sister I said yes he is my baby brother his eyes dilated and his chin dropped down until mouth fell partly open I said I heard that Dimples brother was here I hardly know Dimples but Mrs. Faust says she is a fine little woman and I would like to get better acquainted with all of you youngsters though I have a very humble little home to ask you in to. he said well I sure haven't any home and almost ran out. Mrs. Faust sat at a window in the great kitchen wall until he was out doors then followed him and said oh come on back Dimples you aint a leering are you. and after they all left Jeff said you didnt make your little scheme work did you? Wecker said I dont know that I care I'll just wait and get them both. Jeff said theres no reward for the other one is there! Wecker said no but it will keep that one from hunting for this one. Jeff said yes but she is married and you will have her man on your hands. Wecker said I'll tell him they left with two men and Old Joe will strike right out looking for the man.

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Mrs. T. J. Foust has a daughter named Josephine who left Commerce for Wheeler Ridge California the day before I went to work for Mrs. Foust and in the late autumn I heard Vesper tell Jeff if we could get rid of Kenneth, Josephine could marry Carl. Someone named named Kenneth called after dark the week before Christmas. I did not see him but his voice was that of a man, he askeded little Thomas to read for him laughed a forced sounding laugh several times during the time Tommie was reading and left quickly after Tommie had read all he knew but while I was looking for the Primer I heard Vesper or Mrs. Foust ask him if he ever heard from Josephine? I didn't get the answer. Mrs. Foust told Jeff after Kenneth left that Kenneth only gave her \$3.00 of that \$6.00 a month he for Tommie's board and clothes.

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When Jeff come in he told Vesper he would have to get up early in the morning she asked why and he said he was going to Vinitj. I did not see him next day until after dark I was doing the supper dishes when he come home. I set his supper and went back into the kitchen. he told his wife that Tommie Let had a funeral today she said who for Jeff said Kenneth she said nothing more until they went into the living room then she said did you make a coffin Jeff said we bought one, Vesper said did you have a hearse? Jeff said no they used my car and I and three women were Pall bearers, Vesper said were any of his people there Jeff said his mother only. Vesper said what did she think about it? Jeff said she was almost prostrated and a good old Pentecost woman kept repeating to her its the sins of the parents being visited on their children Vesper said where did you bury him in the sixkiller and he said yes I was in that cemetary a solid hour! I never felt so shaky in my life! I got right weak in my knees. she said eh you ought not care he said I never let myself in on anything like that before I guess I was scared! Vesper said he was nothing to you! Not in your immediate family. little Thomas said was he heavy Papa? several times and finally said Ill bet he was but got no answer.

Vesper told me next day that Tommie Lets baby died and Jeff had attended the funeral but she had previously told me Lets only had one child and it was a girl and she introduced two young men to me that brought her a bag of turnips and a hog, they told her they stole the hog for her and kept hers for themselves she said how did you keep it from squealing he said I popped it between the eyes with a pistol Vesper said how did you get in in the car. Let said I pulled it into the truck with a pair of falls (?) and added now listen you folks will never be suspected away up here! Jeff has a one armed milk dealer help him load half of it into his car he said he would take it to his father he brought back two quarts of whiskey we put the other half in a clothes closet in Jeffs bed room and on Thanksgiving day Jeff was entertaining his father and eight other men that his stepmother introduced as all being her boys. Vesper told me one was George Richer a step brother of Jeffs one was a full brother his name is Jim Foust. another was Harper, Preston, who she had previously told me lived by committing all kind of crime. while I was cooking two geese Vesper come into the kitchen and ask me to cook some of that pork and while I was in the closet cutting meat I heard her say

now! now! now! I hurried out for I had just overheard a conversation between she and a man in the babies nursery when I come out of the closet she and a slender fair man with blue expressionless eyes were both in the hall at Jeffs bed room door he looked very pale she was very flushed. I learned later he was Harper Preston.

The conversation I heard while setting the dining table was this, Vesper said you will get twenty five dollars you know and it will help me! a mans voice said how will it help you? Vesper said I havent paid the man said then what will you do Vesper said I'll get another one and she laughed lightly the man said how will we get her out out Vesper said in that basket! Harper set facing the kitchen while at dinner but he paid no attention to his surroundings and kept very quiet he looked to be about forty his temples were high his hair thin at the crown he looked sober the rest half drunk including the women.

On leaving they all trooped out through the kitchen except Harper Preston. I hurried out onto the back porch and was washing for the Foust baby when he and Vesper entered the kitchen. Vesper said arent you going to do what I ask you to? Harper said now how will we take her out? Vesper said in that tub.

Harper Rapped out onto the back porch with both hands under his hat which he was carrying in front of his chest and said to me are you andie's sister I said yes he is my baby brother his eyes dilated and his chin dropped down until mouth fell partly open. I said I heard that Dimples brother was here I hardly know dimples but Mrs. Foust says she is a fine little woman and I would like to get better acquainted with all of you youngsters though I have a very humble little home to ask you in to. he said wel I sure havent any home and almost ran out. Mrs. Foust stood at a window in the West kitchen wall until he was out doors then followed him and said oh come on back Preston you aint a leaving are you. and after they all left Jeff said you didnt make your little scheme work did you? Vesper said I dont know that I care Ill just wait and get them both, Jeff said theres no reward for the other one is there! Vesper said no but it will keep that one from hunting for this one. Jeff said yes but she is married and you will have her man on your hands. Vesper said I'll tell him they left with two men and old Joe will strike right out looking for the man.

Then too Vesper told Jim Fousts wife she marked her baby by watching a baby bleed to death! Jims wife said yes sir right there is where the bullet went in. Vesper said look on the back and youll see where the bullet come out. And later Jeff come home and put on overalls to keep from being identified b. Bob Browns teen age daughter.

Very Respectfully yours

/s/ Mrs. Sadie E. Rhea.

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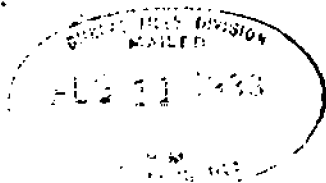
Mrs. Sadie E. Rhea
130 North River Street
Commerce, Oklahoma

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated
August 3, 1933, submitting information concerning
Frankie Keacock. The same has been forwarded to the
Oklahoma City Office of the Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice, for appropriate attention.

Very truly yours,

Director



Denver, Colorado
August 2, 1933

Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
905 Federal Reserve Bank,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sir:

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, et al.
Obstruction of Justice

Please be advised that in accordance with your telegraphic request on the Salt Lake City Office in the above-entitled matter, I have this day forwarded direct to you a registered package containing three slugs fired into the Ben Ellsworth home at Denver, Colorado, on the night of July 29, 1933.

I was advised by Acting Captain of Detectives Roy Mack of the Denver Police Department that the Ellsworths claimed that four shots had been fired. However, the officers and the Ellsworths were only able to find three of the slugs. These three slugs were recovered by various police officers and placed in envelopes which are labeled as to the date and place where found and also contain the officers names who found the slugs. No cartridges were found although a search was made for the same.

The slugs have been wrapped in cotton and then in their respective envelopes to prevent damage in shipping. The only request of Captain Mack is that the slugs be returned to him as soon as possible and in the respective envelopes in which they are being forwarded to you. I believe that Captain Mack would appreciate any findings from the ballistic test as to the calibre of the slugs.

Very truly yours,

CC-Bureau

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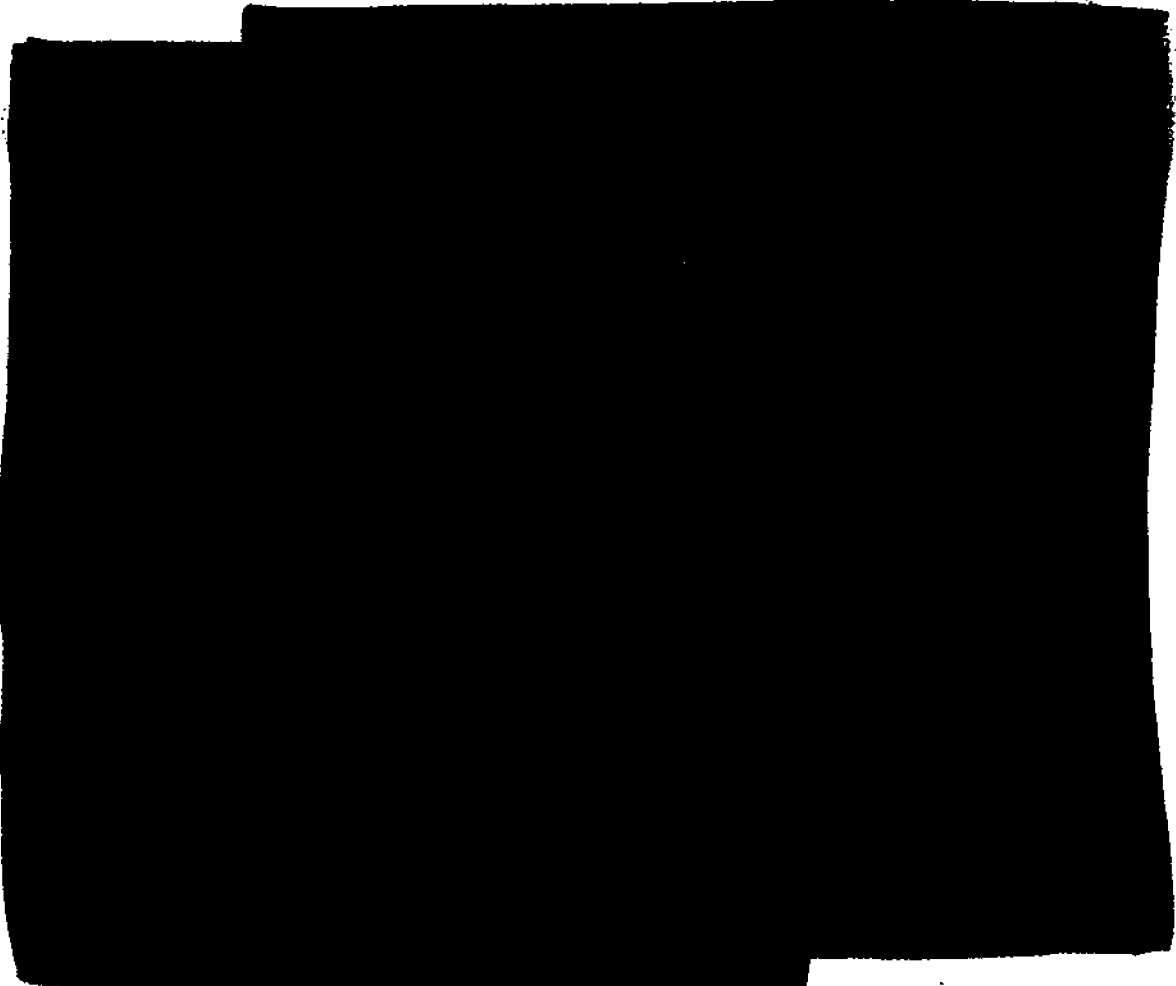
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| REPORT MADE AT: Portland, Oregon | DATE WHEN MADE: 8-4-33 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 7-26/8-1-33 | REPORT MADE BY: W. K. Bowling |
| TITLE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases - FUGITIVE RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS with aliases - FUGITIVE, et al | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: Obstruction of Justice (Endeavor to Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash) |
| SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>No record of passport having been issued to Richard Tallman Galatas at Seattle, Washington or Portland, Oregon. Investigation at Victoria, B. C., developed no information indicating that Galatas is or has been at Victoria.</p> <p>ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE 10-6-83 BY SP3 CCE/GR #220823</p> | | | |
| REFERENCE: <p>Letter Kansas City office to Bureau dated July 21, 1933, and letter of Kansas City office to Los Angeles office, dated July 10, 1933.</p> | | | |
| DETAILS: <p>Inquiry at the offices of the Clerk, United States District Court, Seattle, Washington and Portland, Oregon, failed to disclose any record indicating that Richard Tallman Galatas has applied for or received a passport at either of these points.</p> | | | |
| APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | | | DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES 62-28915-422 BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION AUG 8 1933 A M DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ROUTED TO: <i>[Signature]</i> |
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In connection with the information contained in the second letter of reference as to the possibility of Richard Tallman Galatas being at Victoria, B. C., investigation was conducted at that point, with negative results. In view of the fact that no information of value was developed, a brief summary of the investigation conducted is set forth below.



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This investigation is being held pending in this district awaiting outcome of surveillance over Nicholas La Voy, Seattle, Washington, referred to in letter of the Portland office to the Kansas City office dated July 29, 1933.

PENDING.

1806 First Nat'l Bank Bldg.
Charlotte, N. C.

Special Agent in Charge
United States Bureau of Investigation
370 Lexington Avenue, Room 1403
New York, N. Y.

August 7, 1933

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases,
et al. OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE -
Endeavor to Deliver Federal Prisoner
Frank Nash.

Immediately after the receipt of your telegram of the fifth instant, I got in touch with the office of the Director, Motor Vehicle Bureau, State Highway Department, at Columbia, South Carolina, and ascertained that 1933 South Carolina license #B-33,765 was issued on January 6, 1933, to Harold W. Struever, Hotel Columbia, Columbia, South Carolina, for a 1932 Ford Tudor Sedan Motor #5,163,217. It was ascertained that the records reflected that this car was purchased January 3, 1933, but other records apparently were misplaced in the Motor Vehicle Bureau, and no additional information could be secured.

In view of the fact that I did not have an agent in the vicinity of Columbia, and inasmuch as this office has always received splendid cooperation from the Columbia Police Department, I called Chief of Police W. H. Rawlinson and requested him to make discreet and appropriate inquiries regarding Struever. Later in the day Chief Rawlinson called back and advised that Struever at that time was not at any of the hotels at Columbia, South Carolina; that the automobile could not be located at Columbia; and that Struever apparently was not known in that city.

In view of your telegram of late yesterday, further active investigation is being discontinued. However, inasmuch as Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin departed for Columbia on other investigation today I instructed him to confer with Chief Rawlinson and secure from him a more detailed report of the investigation that was conducted in that city.

Very truly yours,

EXC/o
cc: Bureau
cc: Kansas City

E. E. Conroy,
Special Agent in Charge

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Div. One

905 Federal Reserve Bank Building,

Kansas City, Missouri.

August 7, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
203 Post Office Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases - FUGITIVE
I. C. #1195, ET AL
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to deliver
Federal Prisoner Frank Nash).
K.C. File #62-760-

In reply to your letter of August 5th, there is enclosed the original of a lease, being on the premises at 6612 Edgevale Road, Kansas City, Missouri, bearing the signature of Vernon C. Miller, under his alias "V. C. Moore." This is the only original signature authentically known to be that of Miller, available to the Kansas City office.

For your information, the signatures appearing on the registration cards of the Bismarck Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, as of April 23, 1933, when J. L. Ross, E. Siegel and V. Moore resided there do not appear to be in the handwriting of Miller. These registrations are mentioned in a letter from the Chicago office to the Kansas City office dated July 21, 1933.

The New York City office is being furnished by AIR MAIL with a copy of this letter, and therewith are forwarded two copies of the photograph of Vivian Mathis, alias Vivian Matthews, the paramour of Vernon C. Miller.

Very truly yours,

P. E. VETTERLI
Special Agent in Charge.

RFT-ebc
cc-New York City(Incl.)
cc-Bureau

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Dir. Ofc.

905 Federal Reserve Bank Building,

August 9, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
1900 Bankers' Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases - FUGITIVE
I. O. #1195, ET AL
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to deliver
Federal Prisoner Frank Nash).
K.C. File #62-760-

In reply to your letter of August 5th, there
are transmitted two copies each of the following photographs:

Mary Crawford, alias Mary Courtney,
alias Mary Phillips, Kansas City,
Missouri, PD #20399.

Mrs. Lillian Holden, Kansas City,
Missouri, PD #20398.

Mrs. Margery Kenting, alias Marge Mc Guirl,
Kansas City, Missouri, PD #20397.

Very truly yours,

H. E. VETTERLI
Special Agent in Charge.

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July 31, 1933.

MEMORANDUM - Telephone Call.

With regard to the O'Connell kidnaping case, Mr. Cullen advised he went up to Albany yesterday; that the Agents are getting no satisfaction at all from the family; that yesterday morning the boy was returned, and that the Agents stayed with Delaney in his office all night, and when Delaney received the call he insisted that the Agents remain at his office, and that he did not return to the office or send word to the Agents that O'Connell had been safely returned; that they are planning to pick up Manny , the contact man, and have already picked up James Coluccio, the man who bought a \$50 Durant automobile the day the boy was taken, in order that he may get a license plate, the automobile then being disposed of and the license used on a Pontiac car for the kidnaping; that the latest report is that they cannot locate Manny , but that plans are being made to pick up him and Oley; that the police were not going to take them to the District Attorney's office or the office of the State Police, but were planning to take them somewhere else to give them the "third degree"; that the Agents are working along with the police on the handwriting angle; that Delaney is using the Police Department, the State Police, and has Captain Oliver from the New York Police Department; that Delaney's attitude has improved somewhat in the last couple of days; that he, Delaney, is working quite close to the family and is quite critical of the publicity which has been given to the case, so far as the Agents and the New York Police are concerned in the case, and claims they have interfered with the handling of the matter somewhat; for instance, after information regarding the Pontiac car had been transmitted to several surrounding police departments by private telephone lines, an article appeared in the papers in New York regarding the fact that they were looking for such a car, and Delaney claims that some newspaper man advised him that Mr. Hoover in Washington gave the information out, having received the same from Mr. Cullen, but Mr. Cullen straightened him out on this point. It was decided that in answer to newspaper inquiries it should be stated that the facilities of this Bureau have been turned over to the District Attorney for such use as he sees fit, and that any further statement would have to come from him. Mr. Gates was given this information regarding publicity.

Incidentally, Mr. Cullen stated that New York agents are covering the girl of Varne Miller.

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From
Assistant Attorney General Bodds

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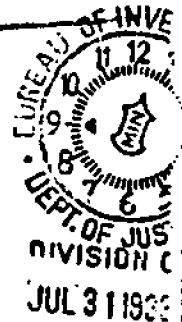
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Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Clegg.....

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The Attorney General.....
The Solicitor General.....
The Assistant to the Atty. Gen., O'Brien.....
Assistant Attorney General Richardson.....
Assistant Attorney General Sizoo.....
Assistant Attorney General Youngquist.....
Assistant Attorney General Rugg.....
Assistant Attorney General St. Lewis.....
Mr. Hoover, Dir. Bureau of Investigation.....
Mr. Bates, Dir. Bureau of Prisons.....
Division of Accounts.....
The Chief Clerk.....
The Appointment Clerk.....
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C O P Y

709 NO Broadway
Dayton, Ohio.
7/20/33.

Department of Justice.
Washington. D. C.

Gentleman.

In reading the daily papers I am often pained and shocked to read "one (or three) officers shot while trying to "_____". I cannot for the life of me understand what officers mean by going about this work in such a senseless way.

Perhaps it would not be amiss to tell you who and what I am.

I am 50 yrs old was an Officer in the late war and by one of the strange turns of fate found myself broke after the Florida boom — went to Chigo from Miami Fla with one of the largest (then) bootleggers to become his confidential man and do his collecting. that was when bootleggers confined thier activities to running and selling liquor.

During my three and one half yrs association with that carion I had lots of opportunity to know those people, and it is because I do know them that it "Burns me up" when I read of officers getting needlessly "shot up" while trying to arrest them.

Take that case in Kansas City for instance, five men huddled so closely that the gunman did not have to swing his gun in an arc of more 15 degrees to mow them down.

Let us set that case up differently, (and this goes for all cases) five men arrive at the R.Y station with one prisoner.

One officer goes outside of the station about 50 feet ahead of the prisoner who is not only handcuffed himself but is also HANDCUFFED TO the OFFICER (that is what any criminal dreads), then at an intervalle of say 25 ft two officers followed at the same interval by the last officer.

In other words gang your men up in one small crowd, that is what the germans did at thier last terrible offensive "mass formation" and they left hundreds of thousands of dead (of the finest trained soldiers that ever stood on two feet to be shot down) on the field and the stretch from thier bodies rose to the high Heaven in mute protest.

These outlaws of to-day are merely wolves who hunt in packs (and no other way) they are arrant cowards except when in crowds with protection assured from some rotten politician who is lower if such a thing is possible than the thug. — I would like to pay my respects to that moter-cycle cop at Kansas City who "emptied his revolver at the bandits as they drove away" — why in hell did he not follow them on his wheel?

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I feel better now that I have that out of my system.

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Now in the matter of guarding monies the same precaution should prevail, under any circumstances bunch your men in any small area -- keep them scat out so one can protect the others.

Of course you will understand this letter is to be treated as confidential

With kindest regards.

(Signed) Chas Bird
Capt Chas Bird.

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Captain Charles Bird,
709 North Broadway,
Dayton, Ohio.

Dear Captain Bird:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated July 20, 1933, concerning the murders of officers at the Union Station in Kansas City, Missouri on June 17, 1933, and I wish to thank you for the suggestions which you offer to avoid a recurrence of such a tragedy.

Sincerely yours,

Director.

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326 1/2 Post Office Building,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

August 7, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
905 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

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Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases-FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1195; et al;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to Deliver
Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my letter of July 21, 1935, on the above captioned case, wherein is set forth certain information given by Frank Leroy Hollis, a Federal prisoner now incarcerated in the Federal Jail, New Orleans, Louisiana, with reference to the whereabouts of subject Charles A. "Pretty Boy" Floyd.

Special Agent P. M. Breed, of this office, today again interviewed Hollis and he stated that when he had been in Coffeyville, Kansas, in June 1933, he talked with Floyd, as stated in that letter, and also with one, Frank Byrd, the latter having been a fellow convict with him when he was incarcerated in the Missouri State Penitentiary at Jefferson City, Missouri, in the early part of 1926. Byrd told him that Floyd habitually stays at a place in the northwestern part of Arkansas which can be reached as follows:

Proceed north on U. S. Highway #71, to Springdale, Arkansas, and take the first country road to the right after passing Springdale. Floyd's hangout is in an old lumber shack about twenty miles down this country road from where it leaves U. S. Highway #71, a short distance north of Springdale. Hollis stated he had never been there and knows nothing about the conditions, but that this was the way Byrd had told him it should be reached. Byrd had given him this information because he understood that Hollis was bootlegging and Floyd is supposed to like his liquor.

This information is given you for whatever value it may have. Hollis's motive in giving the information was a belief that it might help him when he came to be sentenced. Hollis, himself, is wholly untrustworthy, but is quite capable of double crossing any friend if he thought that he, Hollis, would be helped thereby.

Very truly yours,

cc-Bureau
cc-Oklahoma City

E. Whitley,
Special Agent in Charge.

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801 Liberty National Life Bldg.,
Birmingham, Alabama,
August 7, 1933.

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Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
370 Lexington Avenue, Room 1403,
New York, N. Y.

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases-
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1195, et al
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to
Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)
Birmingham file 62-826

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent T. H. Tracy, dated at New York City August 5, 1933, concerning the above entitled matter, from which it will be noted that a photograph of one Bucholtz was to have been attached thereto for the use of the Birmingham Office in covering the lead requested therein at Memphis, Tenn.

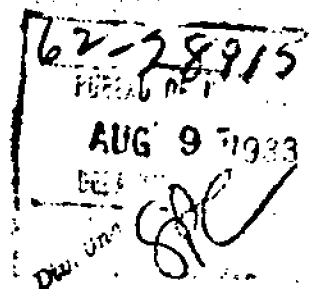
Please be advised that the photograph above referred to has not been received at the Birmingham office with the report in question, and it is respectfully requested that said photograph be forwarded to the Birmingham office at an early date in order that the investigation might be properly conducted.

Very truly yours,

B. F. FITZSIMONS,
Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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cc-Bureau
Kansas City.



201 Liberty National Life Building,
Birmingham, Alabama

August 9, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
905 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: ⁰VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1195, et al
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (endeavor to
Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank^o Nash)
Birmingham File: 62-826

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of August 5,
1933, in response to my letter of August 3rd, concerning the alleged
receipt of \$3,000.00, by telegraph, from Chicago, to one Sam Hunt, alias
"Golf Bag" Hunt.

In this connection, please be advised that as suggested in
your letter, appropriate inquiries were made at both the Western Union and
Postal offices at Birmingham, in an effort to ascertain whether such amount
of money had in fact been received, and the name of the sender thereof.
However, neither the records of the Western Union nor Postal reflect the
receipt of said amount of money, or of any money transfer to Sam Hunt,
throughout the month of July, and to the present date.

The Birmingham office will make further effort to ascertain
information of more definite value in this connection, and the Kansas City
Office will be immediately advised of the result thereof.

Very truly yours,

B. F. FITZSIMONS,
Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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T. F. CULLEN
UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
370 LEXINGTON AVE., ROOM 1403,
NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK.

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U. S. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois
August 8, 1935

T. P. CULLEN,
UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
370 LEXINGTON AVE ROOM 1403
NEW YORK CITY

KARMO SUGGEST AIRPORTS AT NEWARK AND MINNEOLA BE CHECKED RELATIVE MILLER.
ALSO GOLF COURSES VICINITY NEWARK AND ATLANTIC CITY STOP. PERUSE REPORT
AGENT GLASS JUNE TWENTY SEVEN NINETEEN THIRTY TWO PAGES SIX AND SEVEN KEATING
AND HOLDEN CASE INDICATING MILLER AS T. C. RYAN MADE NUMEROUS CALLS TO MONTREAL
AND NEW YORK CITY DURING SUMMER NINETEEN THIRTY ONE ESTABLISHING LOCATION AT
THAT TIME OF ROSS AND OTHERS

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6-B, Atlantic National Bank Building Annex,
Jacksonville, Florida

August 8, 1935

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Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
905 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER with aliases--FUGITIVE--
I. O. #1195, ET AL
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to Deliver
Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)

I am in receipt of your letter of the 5th instant
in which you refer to the report of Special Agent W. F. Trainor
dated at Kansas City, Missouri, July 28, 1935, page 5, paragraph 1.
This report was to have arrived at the Jacksonville office in photo-
static form from the Chicago office.

In your communication of the 5th instant you suggest
that direct or indirect contact be had with Charles Vogel, Daytona Beach,
Florida, to determine his connections with Galatas, and other inquiry
to be made of this man.

This is to advise that mentioned report of Special
Agent Trainor, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, July 28, 1935, has not
as yet been received.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,
Acting Special Agent in Charge

cc Bureau
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Jax #62-877

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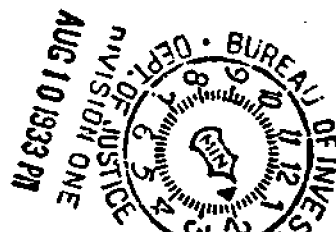
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