

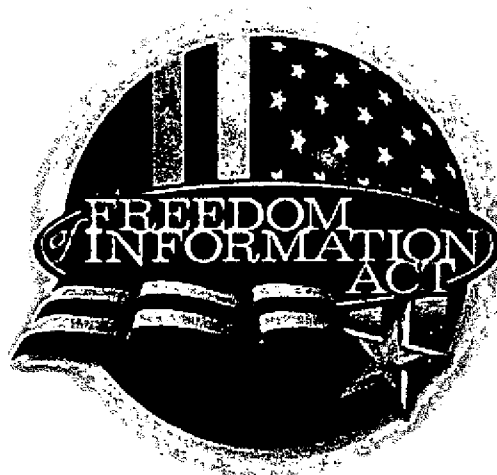
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Special Agent in Charge
United States Bureau of Investigation
900 Ezra Thompson Building
Salt Lake City, Utah

Dear Sir:

RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE
(Endeavor to Deliver Federal Prisoner
Frank Nash)
K.C. File 62-760

Referring to the report of Special Agent A. R. Gere, dated at Salt Lake City, June 26, 1933, it is believed that Vernon C. Miller, South Dakota State Penitentiary #4240, may be the individual to whom the informant refers as "Verne."

There is enclosed, herewith, a photograph of Vernon C. Miller and it is requested that same be identified, if possible.

Further endeavor will be made, as suggested in Agent Gere's report, to identify the other individuals referred to by the informant.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPERAR, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

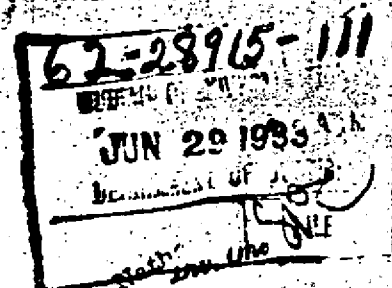
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1900 BANKERS BUILDING,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

June 27, 1933.

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

Dear Sir:

In re: FRANK NASH, I. O. #1166
ESCAPED FEDERAL PRISONER
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With reference to the long distance telephonic communication of Mr. Gus Jones from the Kansas City office on June 24, requesting that inquiry be made at the Bismarck Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, relative to Vincent C. Moore, who posed as an official of the Educators Finance Corporation of Oklahoma City, which in fact he was not, in this connection, please be advised that through Mr. C. E. McGarrity, Credit Manager of the Bismarck Hotel, it has been ascertained that under date of April 23, 1933, a V. Moore, together with S. Siegel and F. L. Ross, registered at the Bismarck Hotel and occupied a suite consisting of rooms 1737-38-39. At the time of registration, Moore gave his address as 201 West 85th Street, New York; Siegel as 49 East 85th Street, New York and Ross as 201 West 85th Street, New York. Under date of April 25th these individuals checked out. However, on the same date, namely April 25th, V. Moore again registered, registering on this occasion as V. Moore and wife. He occupied room No. 1838, and under date of April 29th he checked out.

Neither Ross, Moore or Siegel left any forwarding address at the Bismarck Hotel at the time of their respective departures. In this connection, inquiry at the Post Office disclosed that there is no forwarding address for any of these individuals at that place.

Mr. McGarrity advises that the records of telephone calls made by the guests of the hotel are destroyed at the expiration of thirty days. However, he produced the records of the hotel with reference to Moore, Siegel and Ross. From an examination of these records it was ascertained that under date of 4/23 two long distance telephone calls were made. Long distance telephone calls were also made under dates of April 24, 25, 28 and 29. With reference to these long distance telephone calls, arrangements have been made with the Illinois Bell Telephone Company whereby an effort will be made by that company to trace these long distance communications.

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With reference to the inquiry made by the Bismarck Hotel at the Educators Finance Corporation relative to cashing checks of V. Moore, Mr. McGarrity advises that Moore filled out a credit card requesting credit, giving at the time the West End Finance Company, 806 Colcord, Oklahoma City, as the firm by whom he was employed. Mr. McGarrity, however, advised that a reply from that firm disclosed that V. Moore was not employed by the West End Finance Company. In this connection, it is to be noted that Moore stated he was employed by the West End Finance Company. However, the reply relative to the inquiry made by the Bismarck Hotel was on stationery of the National Educators Finance Corporation, 806 Colcord Building, Oklahoma City. The reply from that firm is signed by J. R. Barton.

There is enclosed herewith a tracing of the signature of V. C. Moore taken from the credit card filled out by Moore at the time of making application for credit.

The inquiry of the Bismarck Hotel relative to the financial standing of V. C. Moore, which inquiry was addressed to the West End Finance Company, is the usual form letter used by the Bismarck Hotel, according to the information furnished by Mr. McGarrity.

With reference to Siegel, Moore and Ross occupying a suite at the time of their registration under date of April 25th, Mr. McGarrity advised that it was the practice of the Hotel not to rent suites to guests unless they were acquainted with them. In this connection, he states that Mr. H. E. Corcoran, day clerk at the hotel, appeared to be acquainted with Mr. Siegel.

In an interview with Mr. H. E. Corcoran at the Bismarck Hotel, he advised that he was not acquainted with Siegel, but that Siegel had stopped there on prior occasions, and that because of the fact that he had stopped there previously he had informed Mr. McGarrity that Siegel was financially responsible, as a result of which the suite was rented to these persons. Mr. Corcoran advises that he is not acquainted with, nor does he recall ever having seen, Moore or Ross prior to the day they were with Siegel. Further, that he could furnish no description of either Ross or Moore, although he described Siegel as follows:

Age 37 or 38
 Height 5' 9 1/2"
 Weight 165 or 170
 Complexion Medium
 Build Medium
 Hair Dark
 Nationality Jewish

Photographs of Vernon C. Miller alias Verne, Harry Carlton alias Larry O'Keefe, Frank Nash alias Frank F. Nash alias Charles B. Edgar, John J. Brennan alias John J. Brown alias William Bailey, Alvin Karpis alias George Haller, Fred Barker, Mary Phillips alias Mary Karpis alias Mary Courtney, and Bernard Phillips alias B. A. Courtney were exhibited to Mr. McGarrity, Credit Manager, Mr. H. E. Corcoran, day clerk, and Mr. C. H. Wealing, night clerk, and to Mr. H. Funst, Assistant Manager, each of whom advised that they could not recognize the photographs of any of the above named persons as anyone that they had seen at the hotel. However, Mr. Wealing stated that, with reference to the photograph of Vernon C. Miller, he thinks he has seen this individual around the hotel. However, he was not positive of this, nor could he advise the approximate time when he had seen Miller, assuming that he actually had.

Very truly yours,

D. O. SMITH, Acting
 Special Agent in Charge.

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905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri
June 27, 1933

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

Dear Sir:

RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE
(Endeavor to Deliver Federal
Prisoner Frank Nash)

Recalling the investigation of the Keating-Holmes matter, the name of Vernon C. Moore appeared frequently. He apparently was one of their associates and considerable information was obtained by tapping his telephone.

In the investigation at Kansas City of the recent shooting, we have come across the name of V. C. Moore. It is possible that this may be Vernon C. Moore, the initials being identical. Please endeavor to ascertain all information concerning Vernon C. Moore and where he may be located at the present time.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

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1900 Bankers Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: Frank Nash, with aliases, I. O.
1166. Escaped Federal Prisoner.
Chicago File 76-116.

Reference is made to your telephonic communication to-day regarding the location of Mrs. Frances Luce, who was married to Frank Nash about three months ago.

Investigation here through George A. Knuti, Attorney, 160 North La Salle Street (Burnham Building), disclosed that Mrs. Frances Luce was born at Aurora, Minnesota, her maiden name being Frances Mikulich; that she married Wayne Luce, a Malrose Park policeman, April 16, 1924, and secured a divorce from him May 4, 1930, on charges of cruelty; that Attorney Knuti was personally acquainted with Mrs. Luce and represented her in the divorce action, however he has not seen or heard from her for the past two years; that one of the witnesses in the divorce case was Anna Mikulich, a sister of Frances; that Wayne Luce, former husband of Frances, later married her sister Anna Mikulich; that one child, Dan Ella Lee Luce, a girl, was born to Mrs. Frances Luce and the child supposedly resides with its grandparents at Aurora, Minnesota; that Attorney Knuti will be able to advise definitely tomorrow if the child is with its grandparents at Aurora.

Mary Black, 8303 West Adams Street, Chicago, another sister of Frances Luce, testified for the latter in the above divorce action, at which time Frances obtained custody of the child, which is now about six years of age.

Efforts thus far have failed to locate the two sisters of Mrs. Luce, who were last known to reside in Chicago, however this office will endeavor diligently to obtain the addresses of these women, in order that Frances Luce may be located.

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b7D The informant mentioned in my letter to you under date of June 20, 1933, received information from an underworld character, [redacted] to the effect that the murders in Kansas City were committed by Pretty Boy Floyd and his associate, Adam Richetti; that Adam Richetti has a brother, Joe, an auto mechanic, who is employed in Bibber's at Bolivar, Missouri, at which point Pretty Boy Floyd kidnaped the Sheriff last week; that Harvey Bailey, previously mentioned in this file, is reported to have proceeded to Tulsa, Oklahoma, immediately after his escape from the Kansas State Penitentiary, where he was protected in a reputable home.

b7D The informant assures me that he will be able to locate Harvey Bailey through underworld sources and advises that he will immediately furnish this office any information of value indicating the location of Bailey. The informant also informed me that he would have [redacted] contact the Kansas City Office of this Bureau at the earliest possible date, to submit any information of value he has received.

Very truly yours,

D. O. SMITH, Acting,
Special Agent in Charge.

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905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri
June 26, 1933

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Special Agent in Charge
United States Bureau of Investigation
1216 Smith-Young Tower Building
San Antonio, Texas

Dear Sir:

RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE
(Endeavor to Deliver Federal
Prisoner Frank Nash)

It is requested that you immediately ascertain and advise any record in the identification files of the El Paso, Texas, Police Department concerning HERBERT A. FARMER, alias Harry A. Garner, alias Snyder, alias Herbert Black, alias "Deafy". This individual's finger print classification is shown both as

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It is believed that the former classification is correct.

The Joplin, Missouri, Police Department has a fragmentary record, which may not be reliable, that Farmer, under the alias Herbert Black, was arrested at El Paso, Texas, March 14, 1914.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPENCER, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

W.F.:MJ

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Mrs. R. J. Caffrey,
3218 Linwood Boulevard,
Apartment #6,
Kansas City, Missouri.

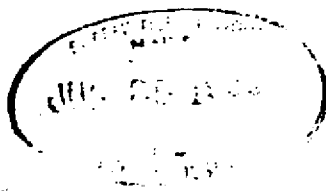
Dear Mrs. Caffrey:-

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter which I have received from Professor Benjamin A. Martinez, Director, Criminal Identification Laboratory, Police Department, Mexico City, Mexico, in which he expresses his sympathy to you in your bereavement.

Sincerely yours,

Director.

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Mr. Nathan	✓
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Mr. Clegg	

June 27, 1933.

MEMORANDUM of Telephone Calls re FRANK NASH

Mr. Vetterli at Kansas City advises he thinks the story told by Ingraham of meeting Harvey Bailey and the others on the street in Henderson, Kentucky, looks good. I advised that I was going to call Birmingham and get them started on checking the story, and if it seems to be true it might be necessary to have a couple of the men from Kansas City go there by airplane. Mr. Vetterli stated he has a man checking the matter at the Jefferson City Penitentiary, and will telephone as soon as he received information in this regard.

I advised Mr. Quinn of the telegram received last night from E.C. Ingraham of Henderson, Kentucky, and of the information given this morning by Mr. Ladd in this regard, as related by Mr. Ingraham to Agent Maynor. I informed Mr. Quinn that of the men partially identified as being at the shooting in Kansas City, Harvey Bailey appears to be the only one in the group to which Ingraham refers. I also informed Mr. Quinn that the Bureau was today preparing I.C.'s for the six men who were partially identified. I instructed Mr. Quinn to proceed to Nashville as soon as possible, accompanied by a couple of his best Agents, but not to go after this crowd improperly armed. I supplied Mr. Quinn with a description of Bailey as of 1932, and advised him I would mail the same to him at Nashville, in care of General Delivery. I advised I would also forward the records of the other individuals mentioned by Mr. Ingraham when received from the Identification Division, together with the descriptions and prints of the other five persons suspected. I requested Mr. Quinn to keep me fully advised of developments.

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ASUNTO:

Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director
U.S. Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Hoover:-

Kindly accept my deep sympathy for the
loss of Mr. Raymond J. Caffrey, one of your men.

This indeed was a shock to me as well as
the people of all Mexico.

Also kindly express my heartfelt sympathy
to his loved ones in their hour of bereavement.

I am,

Sincerely yours,

Benjamin A. Martinez
Prof. Benjamin A. Martinez, Director
Criminal Identification Laboratory.

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DATOS CONTENIDOS EN EL CUADRO DEL ANGLULO
SUPERIOR DERECHO

*Recd. by Caffrey
Mr. Hoover
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Professor Benjamin A. Martinez,
Director, Criminal Identification
Laboratory,
Police Department,
Mexico City, Mexico.

My dear Professor Martinez:-

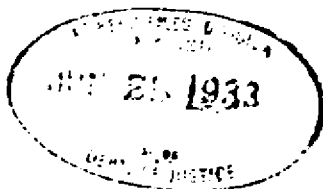
I am indeed grateful to you for your communication of recent date in which you express sympathy in the loss by this organization of Special Agent Raymond J. Caffrey, who was killed at Kansas City on June 17, 1933, and I am forwarding a copy of your letter to the widow of Special Agent Caffrey, who I know will appreciate your thoughtfulness and expression of sympathy at this time.

I am most appreciative of the many evidences of cooperation which have been received from you and I trust that you will not hesitate to call upon me at any time that I may be of any assistance to you.

With expressions of my high esteem and best regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

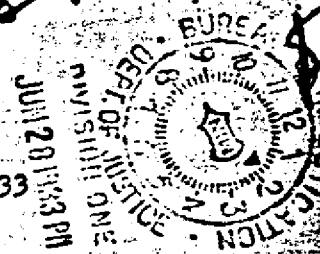
Director.



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re: Telephone Call re FRANK NASH

Mr. Ladd telephoned from St. Louis and advised that Maynard contacted Ingraham in a hotel in Henderson last night, and finds that he claims to be a graduate doctor and served in Leavenworth Penitentiary in 1919 from Santa Fe, N. Mexico, for a liquor violation and impersonation; that he knows Post Office Inspector Nolan (?) there in town very well and endeavored to reach him before wiring the Bureau; that he, Ingraham, met three men in Henderson, Ky. on Saturday at 3:30 p.m.; that they talked for about half an hour and then left; that the three men were Harvey Bailey, Clement Braley alias F. C. Barnes (served time in Lansing, and his home is in Pabaska, Okla.), and Roy Sherrill (served time in Leavenworth at same time as Ingraham); that when Sherrill came into the penitentiary he was all shot up, and Ingraham was a nurse at the penitentiary and treated him becoming very friendly with him; that there were two other unknown men with these parties, who appeared to be small-time racketeers, but he did not know them; that these men were driving a black sixteen-cylinder Cadillac sedan, having two spare wheels in the fenders; that the car appeared to be new but he did not get the license number nor the state in which it was registered; that he just happened to meet these men on the street; that he claims to be selling advertisement for the World Fair along Highway #41; that he has been in Henderson a couple of weeks in that connection and accidentally met these men on the street; that Sherrill told him that he and the others had just killed Nash as they were afraid Nash was going to talk when arrested; that Ingraham asked why they killed all the others and they (Sherrill) said "One or a hundred, it didn't make any difference, it's all the same thing"; that they said they were then leaving for Nashville, Tennessee; that Sherrill said he could be reached in care of General Delivery as Roy Roberts at Nashville; that they were going to get in touch with Nigger Nolan, who runs a cheap hotel at Nashville; that after leaving there they were going to Memphis, Tennessee, and could be reached there through a gambler and bookmaker at that place named Lase Nathan; that from there they were going to Harlan, Kentucky, on the West Virginia border, and were going to rent a shack and hide out in the hills there; that Sherrill said they had two cars when they were in Kansas City, but Ingraham did not believe that the car they had with them was one of the cars, but thinks they have acquired that since; that Ingraham said he saw a large supply of arms in the car, consisting of machine guns, sawed-off shot-guns, et cetera; that Ingraham stated that this man Sherrill is well known to a Post Office Inspector who used to be stationed

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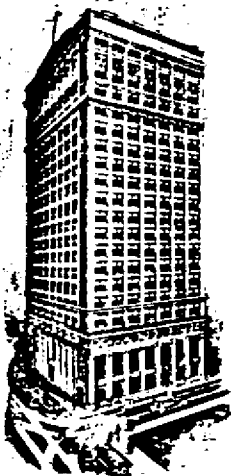
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at Kansas City but now believed to be stationed at Washington, D. C., the name of whom is Jeff Donaldson; that Ingraham had no further information relative to further proceedings, but when they made the remark "One or a hundred" he became frightened that they might do something to him after giving him the information; that Mayne seemed to be impressed with the story, stating that Ingraham was a fairly respectable looking man and fairly intelligent.

Mr. Ladd stated he would advise of any further developments.

I requested that he contact the Kansas City office and give them this information.



TELEPHONE MAIN 1230

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KANSAS CITY, MO.

June 19, 1933

R. BRYSON JONES
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

Hon. Homer S. Cummings, -
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Cummings:

Our newspapers have recently informed us that it is your intention to take in hand the matter of crime prevention and suppression.

Saturday morning, as you know, a massacre occurred on our Station Plaza. Four officers out of the seven who were escorting a prisoner to Leavenworth from Hot Springs, Arkansas, were killed, as was the prisoner. The three things that contributed most to the success of this surprise attack on the part of the gangsters were:

1. The unrestricted sale of fire arms, including machine guns--notwithstanding the laws that are supposed to prevent such unrestricted sales.
2. The universal custom of the officers of the law paying no attention to the crime of carrying concealed weapons by people not authorized to do so.
3. The lack of training of the officers who are supposed to do such work as this and which results--as in this case, all of them being huddled close together between parked cars, like a covey of quail--in their being utterly unable to repel an attack of this character.

Today almost any citizen of our community can, within a few minutes, buy any sort of fire arm - including a machine gun. All he needs to have is the money, no references or anything else being required by most of the retail dealers of these weapons in Kansas City.

Furthermore, our officers are daily arresting men suspected of crimes and find them well armed with revolvers and other concealed weapons, but if they do not find them guilty of the particular crime for which they were arrested we never hear that they are fined or incarcerated because of the law preventing the carrying of concealed weapons.

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#2—Hon. Homer S. Cummings

I cannot imagine a squad of trained soldiers putting themselves in the position that these officers put themselves last Saturday morning. In the first place, the car that was intended to take this prisoner to Leavenworth should have been an armoured car. In the second place, it should have been parked on the curb directly in front of the entrance to the station and not across the street, subjecting these men to a walk of some seventy-five or hundred feet. Furthermore, no other cars should have been allowed to park any where near the car that was intended to transport this prisoner. Three of our officers were standing within a space of about three feet wide by ten feet long, such space being between the officers' car and the next car belonging to some member of the public that had been parked directly next to and ~~with~~ west of the officers' car.

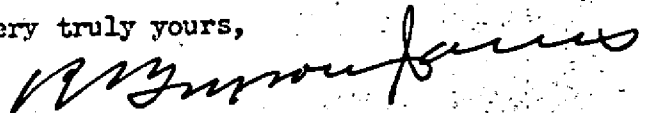
A squad of soldiers would have handled this matter in a way that would have prevented a surprise attack and certainly, since only two of these officers escaped unhurt, the evidence that the surprise must have been very great is conclusive. I even understand that the guns of some of these officers were stacked against the motor car—otherwise it would seem that these two officers who were unhurt could have returned the fire, particularly after the men had gotten into their automobile and were driving away.

I would not be allowed to manufacture cannon and any other ordnance. Why should I be allowed to manufacture revolvers, sawed-off shotguns, and machine guns and sell them indiscriminately. Cannot the Government take over the entire manufacturing of such arms and sell them only under certain conditions that will require a report of their location and the owner at least twice a year. We parole prisoners and have them report at stated intervals. Why not parole the fire arms that the Government alone ~~can~~ should sell and require a report?

In my opinion the adoption of the three measures mentioned above would do more than any possible laws or other restrictions to make crime unsuccessful.

I submit these suggestions not because I think they are original, but just simply for the purpose of again emphasizing these facts.

Very truly yours,



R. Bryson Jones

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GUN TOTERS OFF EASY

IN SIX MONTHS 149 ARE CAUGHT
AND ONLY 29 GO TO JAIL.

Gangsters Have No Difficulty in
Keeping Armed and Machine
Guns Are Readily
Obtained.

Police were continuing a lookout last night for gun toters. Records show 149 men have been arrested in the last six months for carrying concealed weapons. Only twenty-nine convictions resulting in jail sentences were obtained and 109 of the cases were dismissed by the prosecutor's office. Eleven of the cases still are pending in the courts. A machine gun was not among the weapons seized.

Desperadoes wanting machine guns have little trouble procuring them. An underworld traffic in the rapid-firing weapons has existed several years, with the principal retail centers in Chicago and New York.

MIDDLEMAN SELLS TO GANGS.

Consignments of machine guns are obtained from sporting goods houses in those cities, who in turn sell to a middle dealer contacting gangsters.

T. A. J. Mastin, county prosecutor, said yesterday that he did not know of any place in Kansas City where machine guns could be bought. In Missouri, only peace officers are allowed to buy the weapons, and few cases have been revealed where gangsters bought weapons from dealers here.

In many cases, gangsters go to country towns temporarily, and posing as sheriffs, order guns from New York. As soon as the shipments arrive, they are taken to cities.

AN ORDER FROM CAPONE MEN.

Once a downtown Chicago sporting goods store received an order for four machine guns to be delivered to a kennel club, a Capone headquarters. Learning the guns were for Capone's men, the store refused to send them to the kennel club. Then this order came over the telephone:

"Well, send them to the Cicero police station. Is that good enough for you?"

The guns were sent there, and there the trace was lost.

Bandits pay high prices for the machine guns. Illegitimate dealers often charge three times the regular price.

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Mr. R. Bryson Jones,
Federal Reserve Bank Building,
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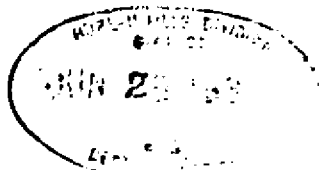
Dear Sir:-

By reference from the Attorney General, this Bureau has received your communication dated June 19, 1933, in connection with the murder of the law-enforcement officials at Kansas City on Saturday, June 17, 1933.

I desire to thank you for the suggestions contained in your letter, which will receive careful consideration.

Very truly yours,

Director.

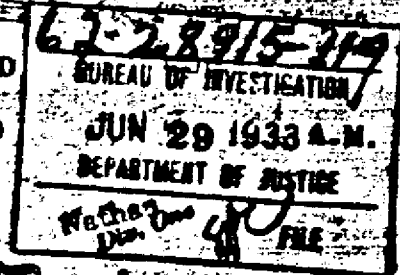


1900 Bankers Building,
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Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
1906 Law and Finance Building,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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Dear Sir:-

Re: FRANK NASH, I. O. #1164,
Escaped Federal Prisoner
Chicago File 96-118

[redacted] colored, a former narcotic informant in this district, called at this office and related substantially the following story:

While enroute from New Orleans, Louisiana to Chicago, he boarded an Illinois Central freight train in Fulton, Kentucky at about 10 or 11 P. M. June 10, 1933. He arrived in Cairo, Illinois about 11 A. M. June 11, where four men entered the same box car and did not see him as it was dark. He overheard parts of their conversation, which indicated that three of them had escaped from the Lansing Penitentiary recently, and the fourth man was the one who helped them escape. Later in the morning, at about 5 o'clock at Centralia, Illinois, they observed [redacted] for the first time. He noticed then that all four of them were armed. They questioned him closely and he informed them that "he had been hanging around New Orleans making rosters (marijuana cigarettes), and getting a little "coke" now and then". One of them had some cocaine which he offered to [redacted] took a sniff of it to gain their confidence. Two of the men also took the cocaine, one of them sniffing it, and the other, using a hypodermic needle. After some conversation, they made a proposition to [redacted] to come to Pittsburgh with them, where he could make easy money selling cocaine for them; that the man who helped them escape from Lansing, is connected with a colored fellow in Pittsburgh, who is a "big shot" in the dope racket. [redacted] told them that he was going to stop off at Birmingham, Illinois, to see Father Doyle, a Catholic priest with whom he stayed for a week about a year ago when he was ill; that he was then going to Chicago, and that if he was unable to make a connection there he would go on to Pittsburgh and join them. They told him that when he got to Pittsburgh, to contact Eagle Harris, half Indian and half Negro in the "14th block", on Wiley Avenue, who would put him in touch with Pat McCutty, who is their leader.

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[redacted] saw Father Doyle in Effingham and told him the story, and Father Doyle suggested that he tell the Sheriff. [redacted] then saw Sheriff John J. Ross, who telephoned the penitentiary in Lansing (Lansing 155), and verified that the escapes in the recent break, were still outstanding, and that there was a reward of \$300.00 offered for each escaped convict. [redacted] states that the Sheriff informed him that the penitentiary at Lansing was in Leavenworth County and was therefore the Federal penitentiary, which accounts for [redacted] calls at this office. He states he first called at the Post Office in Chicago, and was there referred to this Bureau.

[redacted] Enroute from Effingham, to Chicago, [redacted] got off the freight train at Murvey, Illinois, about 9 A. M. June 21, and he happened to see one of the allegedly escaped convicts, who said he had been to Chicago, and was on his way to Pittsburgh; that he would bent his way into Indiana, and buy a ticket at some small station for the rest of the trip. He again suggested that [redacted] go to Pittsburgh and work for them, and gave [redacted] surface to come into Chicago.

b7D [redacted] further stated that when the men got on at Cairo, they said they had come from St. Louis; that they had started to go south, and intended to come up through Louisville, Kentucky to Pittsburgh, but that one of the men wanted to come to Chicago, so they all took the Illinois Central north from Cairo.

Harvestic Agent in Charge Cummings and Harvestic Agent George Taylor, colored, were contacted and confirmed the fact that [redacted] had been an informer working with Taylor a couple of years ago; that he was considered very reliable, and on one occasion had engaged in dangerous physical combat to protect the officers with whom he was working.

[redacted] was without funds and telephoned Father Doyle at Effingham, who sent him \$4.00 by Western Union telegraph. [redacted] advised that his only living relative is a cousin, named Louis Baingire, 625 Governor Nicholas Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, which is his only permanent address.

[redacted] was shown photographs of the eleven convicts who escaped from Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, on May 30, 1934, he appeared in the CHICAGO AMERICAN of May 31, copies of which are attached to this letter. With very little hesitation, he picked out Wilbur Underhill, and William Woods as being two of the allegedly escaped convicts, but was somewhat undecided as to whether the third one was Murvey Taylor or James Clark, but was inclined to believe that he was the former. [redacted] stated that he would like to cause the apprehension of these men and collect

the rewards offered by the State of Kansas. He was, of course, advised that the Bureau had nothing whatever to do with rewards, but in this case, would inform the proper authorities as to the source of information resulting in a capture.

In view of the history and character of these fugitives, the locality where they were observed, and the circumstances under which they were travelling, it would appear to be at least possible that they could have been involved in the murder of Special Agent Gaffney and others at Kansas City on June 17, and consequently, in the event of their apprehension, an effort should be made to establish their whereabouts at that date.

With a view to causing the apprehension of the allegedly escaped convicts, [redacted] stated he would proceed to Pittsburgh, and in accordance with their instructions, he would contact Angie Harris and Pat McCoutly; that under the circumstances, however, he would not work with the Pittsburgh police, except through some Federal agency, because he was not sufficiently acquainted with the Pittsburgh police Department to know its connections.

[redacted] further explained that he was convalescing from a recent operation for appendicitis and would be unable to proceed to Pittsburgh without money for food along the way. He was advanced \$1.00 by the undersigned. [redacted] should arrive in Pittsburgh in two or three days, and will immediately call on you. He stated that he will be guided explicitly by your advice and instructions in this matter.

It is requested that copy of report of any developments be furnished the Kansas City Office, and Oklahoma City Office, and to this Office.

[redacted] is about 30 years of age, 5'9" in height, slender build, brown skin, fairly regular features.

[redacted] was unable to give a complete description of the two men involved, but stated that one of them was about 5'9" tall, weighed about 180#, wore a dark gray suit and no hat; that the man who helped them escape, was a little over 5', weight 120#, medium build, wore a dark blue suit, blue shirt, no necktie, and a channel's cap.

Very truly yours,

D. O. SMITH, Acting,
Special Agent in Charge

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cc Bureau
Kansas City
Oklahoma City.



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**WILBUR
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**EDWARD
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WOODS**



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**LEWIS
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**FRANK
SAWYER**

**JAMES
CLARK**

**HARVEY
BAILEY**

905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri
June 27, 1933

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

Dear Sir:

RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE
(Endeavor to deliver Federal
Prisoner Frank Nash)

Mr. Gill, ballistic expert, Kansas City, Missouri, advised that he understood that the State Bureau of Identification, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, has certain shells and slugs which were reported to have been shot from the gun of "Pretty Boy" Floyd in some bank robbery down there. If possible, will you please obtain a slug and shell so that they might be compared by the ballistic expert, here, with shells and slugs on hand here to see if they are identical so that, if possible, we might definitely determine whether Floyd was in on the shooting.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPER, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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REPORT MADE AT St. Louis, Mo.	DATE WHEN MADE 6-29-33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 6-26/27-33	REPORT MADE BY D. M. Ladd
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECTS			CHARACTER OF CASE OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to deliver Federal prisoner Frank Nash)

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

H. C. Ingraham interviewed at Henderson, Ky.; states he accidentally met Harvey Bailey, Slim Braley and Roy Sherrill on the streets in Henderson, Ky., on 6-24-33; that Sherrill advised him that they had killed Frank Nash a few days prior to this, fearing that he would talk upon his apprehension; that it was necessary in killing Nash to kill the others who were also present. Itinerary furnished for Bailey, Braley and Sherrill, who were accompanied by two unknown persons.

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DETAILS:

Acting upon instructions of the Director of the Bureau, Special Agent H. G. Maynor proceeded to Henderson, Kentucky, at which place he interviewed H. C. Ingraham relative to the shooting at Kansas City. In order that the files may reflect the complete data as to this interview, the memorandum submitted by Agent Maynor is being quoted in full:

"Agent went at once to the Kingdom Hotel at Henderson, Kentucky, and contacted H. C. Ingraham who was registered at that hotel with his wife.

Ingraham first stated that he served a term in Leavenworth Penitentiary for impersonation of a government official, having been sentenced at Santa Fe, New Mexico in the year 1919 to serve two years; that due to the fact that he was a graduate in medicine he was assigned to work in the hospital of that institution; that he was paroled after eight months and has since followed advertising and managing circuses and carnivals; that soon after he was

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received at the U. S. Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, one Roy Sherrill was received there on a postal violation; that Sherrill had been wounded in the legs when arrested and that his wounds had been poorly cared for while awaiting trial; that he, Ingraham, being a convict nurse, waited on Sherrill until his wounds were completely cured, and at that time Sherrill was made chauffeur for the head doctor of the prison, which position he held until he was released from that institution; that Post Office Inspector Jess Donaldson, formerly of the Kansas City Office, knows Sherrill well and he is of the opinion that Mr. Donaldson was the Inspector who made the case against Sherrill upon which he was sentenced; that Sherrill is an Oklahoma product, but he does not know what town in Oklahoma Sherrill came from, but knows that Sherrill served time in Leavenworth under his correct name of Roy Sherrill.

Ingraham also stated that he personally was not in Leavenworth under the name of H. C. Ingraham, but that this is one of the aliases used by him and that this name is shown on the records of that institution; that he was successful in dodging the government officials for some time but was finally caught in Tucson, Arizona, by a government operative by the name of Sharp; that Post Office Inspector Noah and also Post Office Inspector Ward of St. Louis, Missouri, are well acquainted with him; that he has been in other trouble but that the sentence in 1919 was the only time he ever served. He was reluctant in giving his right name for the reason he was married and that no one known to his wife knows that he ever served time.

Ingraham further stated that while in Leavenworth, Kansas, one Harvey Bailey was also an inmate of that institution and he became well acquainted with him.

He further stated that he became acquainted with one Elin Braley, alias S. L. Barnes, in Ponca City, Oklahoma, about four years ago while he, Ingraham, was managing the 101 Ranch Shows in Oklahoma, and that he had met him in Chicago, Illinois the year before last when he was conducting a rodeo at the Chicago Stadium; that Braley is an Oklahoma product whose home is Pawhuska, Oklahoma; that Braley, either under the name of Braley or Barnes, served a term in the State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas.

Ingraham further stated that on last Saturday afternoon, July 24, 1933, about 2:30 P. M., he was walking east on Green Street in Henderson, Kentucky; that his attention was attracted by a large car coming down that street from the east; that as the car got even with him one of the five occupants of said car hailed him and that Sherrill stated "I know you by your walk," and then stated to the other men in the car with him that "this is the man who saved my life while I was in Leavenworth"; that he then recognized Bailey and Elin Braley but did not know the other two men in the car; that Bailey was driving the car and stated that they needed some

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gas and asked where the nearest filling station was; that he directed him to the Diamond Filling Station on the corner of Green and Second Streets; that all four of the other men got out of the car and Bailey proceeded to get gas while Braley, Sherrill and the two unknown men stayed there and talked to him; that while Bailey was gone to get gas Sherrill talked freely to him and after taking him to one side informed him that they had been in a killing scrape in Kansas City, Missouri a few days before and told him that they had to kill Nash, as he had done one of the boys dirty and besides knew too much on the bunch and they were afraid he would squeak when he got back to the penitentiary; that he then asked Sherrill why they did not just kill Nash and not the other men who had him in custody and that Sherrill replied that "it didn't make any difference whether they killed one or a hundred and that it was impossible to kill Nash without killing some of the officers as they were all around Nash"; that about this time Bailey returned from getting gas for the car, and that he, Ingraham, remarked something about the fine car they had and observed that it was a sixteen cylinder Cadillac, black color, with a spare wheel on each front fender; that he did not get the license number on the car as he did not want to appear to be trying to get any information which could be used and did not want to excite their suspicion as he knew they were bad men and would kill him should they ever learn he had given any information concerning them.

Ingraham further advised that Sherrill had complete confidence in him from the way he talked and told him they were going to Nashville, Tennessee that night; that he, Ingraham, intimated he would like to join them later and Sherrill told him that they would be in and out of Nashville, Tennessee, for the next few days; that they never stayed at hotels but at tourists camps; that at Nashville they expected to contact "Nigger" Nolan, who runs a cheap hotel there, and that if he, Ingraham, wanted to get in touch with them to write to him under the name of Roy Roberts, care of General Delivery, Nashville, Tennessee, and that he would get it; that they also had it in mind to go to Memphis, Tennessee, and if so, he could get in touch with them through Lefe Nathan, a bookmaker and gambler at Memphis, Tennessee, who is well known there; that Sherrill also stated that after going to Nashville and probably Memphis it was their present plan to go out in the hills from Harlan, Kentucky, and live in a cabin for a while; that he had an opportunity to see the inside of this Cadillac Sedan and saw machine guns, sawed-off shotguns, and pistols; that he also talked to Bailey and Braley but only enough to renew acquaintance as Sherrill seemed to be especially glad to see him after so long a time since he had attended his wounds in the Leavenworth Prison Hospital.

Ingraham stated that after these men left him he was surprised about the information they had given him; that Sherrill had told him that all five of them were in the Kansas City shooting and had used two cars of

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that time; that the other two men were strangers to him but that he feels sure he would know them if seen again. Ingraham stated he could not give an accurate description of the two unknown men but that they seemed to have very little to say and were not as smooth appearing men as Sherrill, Braley and Bailey.

Ingraham stated that photographs of Sherrill and Bailey can be obtained at Leavenworth Prison, and one of Braley can be obtained at the State Prison at Lansing, Kansas, but he can give no information as to the identity of the other two men, but feels sure all five men will stay together.

Ingraham stated that the remark that Sherrill made when he said it didn't make any difference whether one or a hundred were killed was on his mind so forcibly he could not sleep Saturday night, and he felt he should give the information he had obtained to some one in authority; that he knew Post Office Inspectors Noah and Ward of St. Louis, Missouri, and decided to call that office, knowing that the matter was not a post office matter, but that these men would give the information to the Department of Justice, and that his name would be safe guarded; that he called the Post Office Inspector at St. Louis by long distance telephone and was advised that Mr. Noah or Mr. Ward was not in; that he thinks he was informed that the party with whom he talked was named Burley; that he informed the party that the matter he wanted to report was a matter for the Department of Justice and that he was given the telephone number Central 1650 to call, but that not knowing anyone in the office of the U. S. Bureau of Investigation at St. Louis, Missouri, or elsewhere, but knowing that John Edgar Hoover was the Director of this Bureau, he decided the best thing to do was to wire the Director at Washington, D. C.; that he went to Evansville, Indiana, which was only twelve miles from Henderson, Kentucky, and went a day later to the Director about 3:30 P. M. on June 26, 1933, and requested that an agent of the Bureau call upon him at the Kingdom Hotel that night or early the next morning at Henderson, Kentucky.

Ingraham is of the opinion that with the information given him as stated above the guilty parties in the Nash murder at Kansas City may be apprehended if prompt action is taken. He stated that he will be glad to cooperate in every way possible, but is certainly anxious that his name be withheld from the press and from Subjects, when apprehended. Agent assured him this would be done.

Ingraham stated that his home was formerly in Kansas City, Missouri, but that he has no permanent place of abode. He stated he will remain at the Kingdom Hotel in Henderson, Kentucky for some time yet, but that when he leaves that city for any other point he will notify Special Agent in Charge B. H. Ladd either by letter or by telegraph as to where he may be reached, should his services be needed. He expressed himself as being ready to be used in any manner deemed necessary by the Bureau.

Agent's personal opinion of Ingraham, judging from the attitude disclosed, is that he is telling the truth. He is an educated man, was formerly a member of the Masonic Lodge, is a man of pleasing personality, between 45 and 50 years of age, and shows no sign of dissipation. He talks calmly and stated he would never feel right if he did not give the information which he incidentally obtained from Subjects last Saturday, because he feels that should he fail to give this information and Subjects later kill other people, which he feels sure that they will do, he would feel guilty because he did not give what information he received. He states there is no question as to the identity of the parties, and only regrets that he is not able to give the names of the remaining two who accompanied Sherrill, Bailey and Bralcy.

At the Diamond Filling Station at the corner of Second and Green Streets, Henderson, Kentucky, agent interviewed Tom Browder, Manager, who called the two attendants who were on duty last Saturday afternoon. None of the parties connected with this filling station remembered servicing a sixteen cylinder Cadillac car that afternoon. The two other Diamond filling stations further west on Green Street were visited by agent, but no information received about a Cadillac Sedan being serviced.

At the Brad Smith & Company Filling Station, located near the Diamond Filling Station, Mr. B. B. Smith, proprietor, stated that last Saturday P. M. about 8:30 or 9:00 o'clock, a man driving a large car bought gas; that he cannot say that the car was a Cadillac as he paid no particular attention, but does remember the car was a large one and that on the radiator cap was an emblem of a woman in a bathing suit with one hand extended forward; that to the best of his recollection the man driving this car was about 45 or 50 years old; that he never noticed the license on the car but believes same bore an Illinois license. He feels sure that the car was of black color.

Agent was accompanied by Deputy Sheriff Fred Henley of Harrisburg, Illinois, and after interview with Mr. Ingraham, agent called Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd by long distance telephone at St. Louis, Missouri, and gave him a synopsis of the information contained in this memorandum.

For the further information of the Kansas City Office, Special Agent George J. Gross of this office, who was recently in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, was approached by Mr. Ed Monroe, a Special Agent for the Missouri Pacific Railway stationed at Poplar Bluff, Missouri, and advised that Mr. Monroe had a very good informant at Paragould, Arkansas, a disbarred attorney who formerly used to defend Nash's brother. Mr. Monroe volunteered to meet an agent at Paragould, Arkansas for the purpose of contacting this informant, to ascertain if he was in possession of any information relative to this shooting. This information is being given to the Kansas City Office for their decision as to the proper use to be made of same.

Mr. Ingraham telephoned this office from Cincinnati, Ohio, on June 29, 1935, at about twelve o'clock noon, advising he did not have an address in Cincinnati at this time; however, he would drop a note to this office as soon as he was located, and he would at all times keep this office advised of any new address.

It is suggested that the Kansas City Office may desire to exhibit photographs of some of the other suspects in this case to Mr. Ingraham, in order to have him identify them as the two unknown men who accompanied Bailey, Bruley and Sherrill.

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1900 Bankers Building,
Chicago, Illinois
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Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
905 Federal Reserve Bank Bldg.,
Kansas City, Missouri.

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Dear Sir:-

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS,
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(Endeavor to Deliver Federal Prisoner
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Confirming our telephonic conversation of today, please be advised that Special Agent Charles Jenkins called me today from Wenona, Illinois, stating he is positive he has located Frances Luce, who is reported to have married Frank Nash about three months ago, at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Jacob Orsen.

Frances Luce is known in Wenona as Frances Harrison, and is reported to have frequented that vicinity previously, accompanied by one Frank, who was known as her sweetheart, with hoodlum connections in Chicago. Our investigation discloses that Frances Luce previously was associated with the wife of Mosco DeGrazzio (King of the Westside Bookmakers), and Mrs. Jack McGurn (wife of Machine Gun Jack McGurn, of Chicago).

Inasmuch as Wenona is located in Marshall County, which is just over the line in the St. Louis territory, I instructed Agent Jenkins to cover the lead at Wenona.

We will be able to furnish the Kansas City Office, and other interested offices the photograph of Frances Luce tomorrow. Agent Jenkins will maintain a surveillance at Wenona, with a view of covering telephone calls, mail, telegrams, or other communications received at the home of Mrs. Jacob Orsen, and in an endeavor to ascertain just how and when Frances Luce arrived in Wenona. He also will maintain a surveillance in event she leaves that vicinity. Agent Jenkins was instructed not to intergiew the woman in question, until further information is received from the Kansas City Office, as suggested by you today.

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The available physical description of Frances M. Luce, as obtained by Agent Jenkins from George A. Knuti, Chicago, follows:-

Age, 29-30
Height, 5'8"
Build, very thin
Hair, Dark brown
Eyes, Brown
Feet, very large

Reference is made to a letter from the Chicago Office to Kansas City dated June 27, 1933, regarding a long-distance telephone call from Melrose Park 645. It has just been ascertained that this call was completed at 8:53 P. M. on June 16, 1933, to one Fritz Mallory, at the Horseshoe Tavern, Kansas City, Missouri, telephone Jackson 9702.

Very truly yours,

D. O. SMITH, Acting,
Special Agent in Charge.

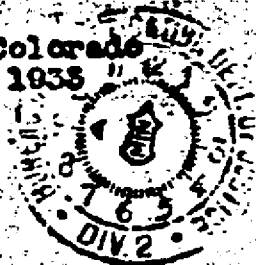
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Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation
900 Ezra Thompson Building,
Salt Lake City, Utah

Denver, Colorado
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Dear Sir:

Mr. K. A. Smith, an officer of the Texas Oil Company, University Building, Denver, Colorado, who has charge of all Texas Oil Stations in Denver, called me and advised that he had some information which he believed might be of assistance in determining the identities of the men who killed agent Gaffery at Kansas City recently.

I had a conference with Mr. Smith and he advised that while checking one of the Texas Stations at First Avenue and Federal Boulevard in Denver, a young boy about seventeen years of age appeared at the station and wanted to buy some coupon books to be sent to his sister at Kansas City; that the boy having no funds wanted credit and the local attendant believed it to be some sort of a fraud and referred the boy to him, Smith. According to the latter the boy had two letters in a pocketbook and produced one of them which he gave to him, Smith, as a reference. The boy then went out of the station to see about his car while Smith read the letter.

Mr. Smith said this letter was addressed to Mrs. Carrie McGris, 730 Julian Street, Denver, and was from her daughter in Kansas City; that as soon as he started reading the letter he realized the boy had given him the wrong one; that because of certain statements in the letter he read it all and made notes. From what he remembered and his notes, Mr. Smith stated that the writer indicated that she had driven her car from Denver to Kansas City to join a man named K. Drayton with whom she then lived at Kansas City; that Drayton beat her and lived with other women, and after one of their fights took her car and said

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he was in or was going to join Charles (Pretty Boy) Floyd's gang. The whole letter, according to Mr. Smith, concerned Drayton's abuse of the writer, who emphasized the fact that when the mother, Mrs. Morris, wrote her, she should address an outside envelope to Gertrude Carson, 904 East 13th Street, Kansas City (whether Kansas or Missouri was not indicated, and it is possible the letter was to go to General Delivery) and also address an inner envelope containing the letter to Freida Drayton, 904 East 13th Street, Kansas City.

After getting the above facts from the letter, Mr. Smith stated that he gave the same back to the boy, who appeared agitated on discovering his error and was reticent about furnishing any information, but did advise his sister, the writer of the above-mentioned letter, went to Kansas City about a week ago to marry Drayton. However, both have been married and neither divorced. Mr. Smith stated that he did not press his questions since he was afraid of placing the boy on guard and did not learn the lad's name. The part Mr. Smith could not understand was why the boy desired to obtain the oil coupons which were to be made out in the name of Gertrude Carson and forward the same to her at Kansas City.

Agent was advised that the fact, furnished might have no connection with the murder of Special Agent Gaffery, but due to the reference in the letter to Charles (Pretty Boy) Floyd, he, Smith, believed that Drayton might have information concerning Floyd. Incidentally, Mr. Smith stated that he picked up information similar to this in Oklahoma a few years ago, which resulted in the apprehension of Tom Blaghter, a notorious murderer.

An examination of the Denver City Directory shows a listing for William G. Morris at 730 Julian Street, occupation house mover and wife Carrie E. With the assistance of Mr. Fred Heindel, Deputy Chief of the State Auto Theft Bureau, the registration of automobiles for the State of Colorado were checked and no registration was found for Gertrude or Freida Carson or Gertrude or Freida Drayton or Gertrude or Freida Morris at 730 Julian Street. However, there were several registrations for Gertrude and G. Morris, one of which was at 755 Irving Street, which would be only one block from the residence of Mrs. Carrie Morris.

Other than from the press reports, I am not in receipt of information indicating that Charles (Pretty Boy) Floyd

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Floyd is implicated in the recent slaying at Kansas City. However, in view of the seriousness of the same and to expedite all possible investigation, I am forwarding a copy of this letter direct to the Special Agent in Charge at Kansas City, Missouri by airmail.

Very truly yours,

Val C. Zinner,
Special Agent.

cc Bureau
cc Kansas City

1900 Bankers Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

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June 27, 1933.

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

Dear Sir:-

Re: Frank Nash, with aliases,
I. O. #1166 - ESCAPED FEDERAL PRISONER.

While this office was actively engaged endeavoring to locate some of the fugitives in this case at Chicago, Illinois, and vicinity, during the Summer of 1932, it was ascertained that Bill Bailey, alias Brennan, alias Brown, who is now a fugitive from the State Penitentiary at Lansing, Kansas, had a daughter residing at Detroit, Michigan. It was further determined that the name of Bailey's daughter is Helen Bailey and during the Summer of 1932 she resided at 6303 Lawton Street, Detroit, Michigan. It is suggested that discreet investigation be made at Detroit, Michigan, in an endeavor to locate Helen Bailey. It is believed that Bailey is still associating with the remnants of the Keating, Holden, and Nash mob, and that possibly some of these men participated in the recent Kansas City massacre, in which one of our men was killed.

Enclosed you will find a group photograph of Bailey and some of his associates, which may assist you in any investigation you deem appropriate in your district.

Very truly yours,

D. O. SMITH, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

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205 Post Office Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

June 23, 1933.

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

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Dear Sir:

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
MISCELLANEOUS;
MURDER OF SPECIAL AGENT R. J. CAFFEY;
St. Paul File No. 62-388.

As per your request, there is enclosed herewith photographic copy of fingerprints of VERNON C. MILLER, being taken from the original fingerprints on file at the South Dakota Penitentiary, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

The photograph of MILLER, in your possession, is a very good likeness of this Subject. The Bureau has Subject's fingerprints on file, this Subject having been mentioned on various occasions in the NASH, KATING, HOLDEN file. Also, its being at one time carried in the St. Paul Office as a FUGITIVE, under the NATIONAL PROHIBITION ACT.

As per your request, the complete history, as the files in the St. Paul Office disclose, is being transmitted to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

WERNER HAGEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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June 29, 1933.

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

Dear Sir:

There is enclosed herewith a copy of a letter addressed to Mr. Fred R. Arnald, of Wytheville, Virginia, a County Detective, who has written to the Bureau expressing his sympathy for the officers who were shot at Kansas City, and requesting to be furnished with descriptive data concerning the persons who did the shooting.

Confirming oral instructions to Mr. Newby, it is desired that Mr. Arnald be furnished with copies of the Identification Orders issued by the Bureau for the several suspects in this case.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Clegg

U. S. Bureau of Investigation

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Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

June 30, 1933.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Kleinkauf called on the telephone about 9:00 P. M. last night and advised of the receipt of a telegram from Mr. Nathan at Kansas City requesting photographic copies of sixteen prints of persons whose names he gave. Mr. Kleinkauf stated that he had made contact with Mr. Renneberger promptly upon receipt of the wire and he was then at work endeavoring to get out the material requested. However, Mr. Renneberger understood him to say photostatic copies when, as a matter of fact, Mr. Nathan desired photographic copies. Mr. Renneberger stated it was impracticable to get hold of his photographer during the night. I suggested that they proceed with the photostatic copies, making positive photostats of the photographs in order that they might be used for identification purposes, to forward them by air mail, and I dictated a wire to Kansas City advising that the photostatic copies would be forwarded by air mail last night and to advise in the morning if photographic copies were necessary.

Immediately after talking with Mr. Kleinkauf I talked with Mr. Renneberger and he advised that he had also talked to Mr. Tolson and Mr. Tolson felt that the arrangements made relative to sending photostatic copies would be satisfactory.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes

V. W. Hughes.

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900 Ezra Thompson Building,
Salt Lake City, Utah.
June 26th, 1933.

Mr. Nathan	✓
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Director,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D.C.

RE: CHARLES (PRETTY BOY) FLOYD.

Dear Sir:

Mr. R. R. Maiden, Prohibition Agent now on administrative furlough and residing at 2016 Meade Street, Denver, Colorado, recently contacted Agent Val C. Zimmer of this office at Denver, Colorado, and informed that he had worked in Kansas and Oklahoma for a number of years in the employment of the Government, and has personally met and talked with Charles Floyd. Mr. Maiden seems to have a very good line up on the criminal element at Denver, since he was formerly an investigator in the District Attorney's office at Denver, Colorado. Mr. Maiden informed that about a year or more ago he learned, through some of his informants, that Charles Floyd has a brother at Denver, Colorado, who goes under the name of Bob Allen, and that Bob Allen was a member of an orchestra for one Jim Inskeeps in the South East part of Englewood, Colorado, and that he, Maiden, has learned, from what he considers authoritative sources that after Charles Floyd "pulls" a job, he usually visits his brother, until things quiet down, and that he, Maiden, knows that Charles Floyd was in Denver over a year ago after he "pulled" a job in Oklahoma.

Mr. Maiden stated that he learned that Bob Allen is now playing with some band or orchestra near Limon, Colorado, probably at a road house, and if the Government is interested in apprehending Charles Floyd, he, Maiden, believes that same may be effected by determining when he visits his brother, Bob Allen. Mr. Maiden stated that it is not generally known that Bob Allen is a brother of Charles Floyd, and that he, Maiden, personally made a trip to Jim Inskeep's place about a year ago and saw Bob Allen, and he states that Bob Allen resembles Charles Floyd to the extent that they could be taken for twin brothers. Bob Allen is a banjo player and possesses a banjo across the face of which are painted the words "Arkansas Traveler", unless he now has a new instrument.

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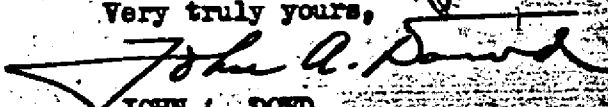
Press reports have indicated that Charles Floyd was a member of the gang that killed Special Agent J.R. Caffrey, and others, at Kansas City. However, this office does not know if there is any accurate basis for such statements, and does not know whether or not the Bureau is desirous of apprehending Charles Floyd.

J.P. Deatheridge, Attorney-at-Law, at Hugo, Colorado, and a partner of Assistant U.S. Attorney John G. Reid of Denver, Colorado, is the only man in the vicinity of Limon, Colorado, known to this office, who could be depended upon to furnish any reliable and discreet information concerning matters of interest to this Bureau.

In this same connection, one Paul L. Beach, also known as Earl W. Jones, now stopping at 2840 West Severn Place, Denver, Colorado, and who may be reached at Herbert A. Luby's Used Car and Parts Garage, 750 Federal Boulevard, Denver, Colorado, has made inquiry of Agent Zimmer if this Bureau is seeking the apprehension of Charles (Pretty Boy) Floyd. Mr. Beach states that he was employed at different times as under-cover man by the Prohibition Bureau at Dayton, Ohio, under Director Woodruff of Cincinnati, Ohio, and that he was also in the employ of Buron L. Pitts, State District Attorney, Los Angeles, California, and that he, Beach, is in touch with a person now in Denver who will be able to locate Floyd, and that Floyd was recently with his cousin Sherman Goens, at Tulsa, Okla., and was recently at Salisaw, Oklahoma, near Stillwell, Oklahoma.

It seems that Mr. Beach is desirous of being employed by the Government to locate and cause the apprehension of Floyd. However, it is not known how much reliance can be placed upon Beach's information, for the reason that in connection with the Floyd matter, he stated that the Government was interested in the apprehension of one Holden and Frances Keating. Since he does not seem to know that Keating and Holden were apprehended some time ago and are presumably now in a Federal Institution, it is probable that Beach is not as well advised as he would have us believe.

Very truly yours,


JOHN A. DOWD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - Kansas City.

U. S. Department of Justice
Bureau of Investigation
203 Post Office Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Clegg

June 29, 1933.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
MISCELLANEOUS.
Murder of Special Agent R.J. Carrey.
St. Paul File No. 62-888.

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At the request of the Kansas City Bureau Office, the following information was secured from the files of the St. Paul Office, regarding VERNON C. MILLER alias VERN MILLER alias VERN MARLIN, a suspect in this case. It is understood that this information is to be used for preparing identification order. It is, also, understood that the Bureau has a photograph and fingerprints of MILLER.

Name:

VERNON C. MILLER alias VERN MILLER
alias VERN MARLIN.

Age:

33 years (1929)

Height:

5'7-1/4"

Weight:

135 pounds - Slender.

Hair: Build -

Medium blond (Hair one time reported
died black)

Eyes:

Gray; extraordinarily light eyebrows
Light

Complexion:

Smooth Shaven

Mustache:

Curved scar at outer edge of left eye;
regular scar left side of head; end
of 3rd finger left hand missing.

Scars:

Buron, South Dakota.

Residence:

Fingerprint Classification:

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Criminal Record:

As VERNON C. MILLER #4240 received South
Dakota Penitentiary, Sioux Falls, South
Dakota, 4-4-23, from Beadle County,
sentenced 2 to 10 years, fined \$5200.00,
embezzlement of public funds.

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Indicted Sioux Falls, South Dakota,
10-20-25, violation National Prohibition



Act; bond forfeited, case nolleed, 1-17-31. ✓

Relatives:

Father: CHARLES MILLER, White Lake, South Dakota;
Mother: MRS. CHARLES MILLER, 3700 Broadway, Kansas
City, Missouri;
Sister: ETHEL MILLER, 3700 Broadway, Kansas City,
Missouri;
Sister: MRS. ROBERT S. YOUNG, 1875 Portland Avenue,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Old Minneapolis File No. 23-29 discloses that MILLER'S former mother-in-law, MRS. GLENN ATWALL, 1119 Kansas Avenue, Huron, South Dakota, made a statement that MILLER was divorced from her daughter, PEGGY. In this connection, Special Agent O.G. Hall interviewed ROBERT S. YOUNG, brother-in-law of MILLER in St. Paul and he advised that three months ago, a letter was received from PEGGY MILLER inquiring if MILLER had divorced her, which indicates that possibly the statement of the mother-in-law as to the divorce is not correct. MRS. M.M. PEGGY MILLER was last known to reside at 317 West 7th Street, Sioux City, Iowa.

Very truly yours,

R.C. Coulter
R.C. COULTER, ACTING,
Special Agent in Charge.

OGH:TC
CC Kansas City

AIR MAIL

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

June 24, 1933.

Mr. B. Frank Stephens,
Deputy United States Marshal,
Valdosta, Georgia.

Dear Sir:

I desire to thank you for your letter of the 19th instant, advising of your acquaintance with Special Agent in Charge Reed Vetterli, who was wounded at Kansas City when Special Agent Caffrey of this Bureau and three police officers were murdered by gangsters, and also advising of the information which you possess concerning the ball player who at one time assisted you in transporting prisoners to Kansas and who probably would be in a position to be of assistance in identifying the perpetrators of this attack.

I shall indeed be glad to learn of the identity of the ball player to whom you refer, in order that if it becomes possible to accept your joint offer of cooperation I may be able to communicate with him.

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Very truly yours,

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J. Edgar Hoover

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Director, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Valdosta, Ga., June 26th, 1933.
Mr Hoover, Director, Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.
Dear Sir :-

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In regard to above I wish to say that the Ball player is Mr. Paul Carter, commonly known as "Nick" Carter, and was the Kansas City Club the years 1920-21-22, and 23, in the capacity of Pitcher, Mr Carter is now retired from Baseball and is on his farm at Lake Park, Ga. 14 mi south of here, Mr Carter can be relied up on, he quit baseball on account of Bad arm after being in big league over ten years.

Yours etc
B. Frank Stephens

P.S. ; he was also with the " Cubs " in Chicago several seasons and is well acquainted there ; started with Cin " Reds "

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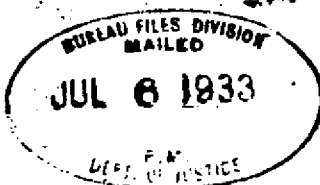
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Mr. B. Frank Stephens,
Deputy United States Marshal,
Valdosta, Georgia.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your notation
on Bureau letter addressed to you under date of June 24,
1933, and to thank you for the information which you convey
relative to Mr. Paul Carter.

Very truly yours,

Director.



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Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
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ARRIVED CINCINNATI TWELVE NOON TODAY=

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Telephone Your Telegrams to Postal Telegraph

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Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tolson	
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June 27, 1933.

MEMORANDUM of Telephone Call re FRANK NASH

Mr. Quinn telephoned from Nashville to state that inquiry at the General Delivery window revealed that these individuals were unknown there, having received no mail or left any forwarding address, but that a man was being stationed at the Post Office for the remainder of the day; that Elkin Lewis, Chief of Detectives, states he does not know Nigger Nolan, but is immediately endeavoring to secure some information with regard to such an individual; that they will immediately have the contact made at Memphis and inquiry made regarding Lase Nathan, and that he will advise me of further developments tomorrow before leaving Nashville.

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905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri

June 28, 1936

Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Edwards	
Mr. Clegg	

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

Dear Sir:

RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE
(Endeavor to Deliver Federal
Prisoner Frank Nash)
K.C. File 62-760

It has been established that Vernon C. Miller is identical with the party using the alias Vincent C. Moore, who rented the house located at 6612 Edgevale Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, recently, which premises has an important bearing on the instant matter. Investigation is now being conducted in that connection and latent fingerprints which may be uncovered at that place may be expected to develop valuable details. Miller has disappeared and the immediate issuance of an identification order is requested.

All available identification data concerning Miller is given, as follows:

Name - Vernon C. Miller, alias Verne, alias Vincent C. Moore
Age - 37 years
Height - 5 feet 7 inches
Weight - 135 pounds
Hair - medium blonde
Eyes - gray
Complexion - florid
Build - slender
Scars - curved scar at outer edge left eye; irregular scar of 7.0 on left side of head; end of third finger left hand missing.
Photograph - attached (Follows Serial 129)
Handwriting specimen - (tracing of signature at Bismarck Hotel, Chicago, Illinois)
As Vernon C. Miller, Register #4240, South Dakota State Penitentiary
Relatives - Ethel M. Miller, sister, 3724 Broadway, Apartment 707, Valentine on Broadway Apartments, Kansas City, Missouri

Mrs. R.S. Young, sister, 1857 Portland Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

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The mother of Vernon C. Miller is said to have resided with his sister, Ethel M. Miller. Her name is not known. The mother and Ethel M. Moore are said to have departed from Kansas City, Missouri, to the residence of Mrs. R. S. Young, St. Paul, Minnesota, on or about June 22, 1933.

The criminal record of Miller is at this time unknown to the Kansas City office and it is requested that through the files of the United States Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C., appropriate data concerning past criminal record of Miller be secured and immediately forwarded to the Kansas City office.

At this time the Kansas City office is calling the St. Paul office to forward all other available information to assist in issuance of an identification order.

Very truly yours,



M. C. SPEAR, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

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Keinon C. Miller

Age: 27 (1923)

Est: 5' 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ "

Wt.: 135 lbs.

Color of eyes: Grey

Comp: Seng

Col. of hair: Medium blond

Scars & marks: Scar curved at
outer edge of left eye.

Scar irreg. 7.0 left side
of head.

End of 3rd finger left
missing (ampt.)

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Bureau of Investigation

905 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri
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Director
United States Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE
(Endeavor to Deliver Federal
Prisoner Frank Nash)
K.C. File 62-760

In connection with recent investigation conducted by the St. Paul office and the Kansas City office relative to the kidnapping of William Hamm, the enclosed photographic copies of latent fingerprints were secured from the St. Paul Police Department. The same were found at a residence in St. Paul believed to have been used by individuals responsible for the kidnapping. It appears that some of the prints have been identified as those of Frank Nash.

It is requested that the Bureau compare the latent fingerprints with those on file in the United States Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C., of the following individuals:

Harvey Bailey, with aliases, Kansas State Penitentiary #3045.

Melvin Ivan Barrow, Dallas, Texas, Police Department #5177.

Clyde Champion Barrow (brother of Melvin Ivan Barrow)
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Hubert Bleich, Oklahoma State Reformatory #7436.

Bob Brady, with aliases, Kansas State Penitentiary #3337.

Harry Carlton, Chicago, Illinois, Police Department #C-16239.

Kenneth Conn, Kansas State Penitentiary #2193.

Jim Clark, Kansas State Penitentiary #2988.

Ed Davis, Kansas State Penitentiary #2987.

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William E. Engler, St. Louis, Missouri, Police Department
#16270.

Charles A. Floyd, alias Pretty Boy Floyd, Kansas City,
Missouri, Police Department #16950.

Jack Griffin, St. Louis, Missouri, Police Department, #19136
and #19361.

Alvin Karpis, alias George Haller, Kansas State Penitentiary
#8008.

Stewart Lambert, St. Louis, Missouri, Police Department #36072.

Verne C. Miller, South Dakota State Penitentiary #4240.

Bernard Phillips, with aliases, United States Penitentiary,
Leavenworth, Kansas, #26600.

Alvie Payton, Kansas State Penitentiary #1755.

Adam Richitti, Oklahoma State Penitentiary #25773.

Winzel J. Urban, St. Louis, Missouri, Police Department #18972.

Wilbur Underhill, Kansas State Penitentiary #2337.

Edward Wilhite, St. Louis, Missouri, Police Department #17734.

Frank Mulloy, alias Fritz Mulloy, United States Penitentiary,
Leavenworth, Kansas, #39293.

Very truly yours,



M. C. SPEAR, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

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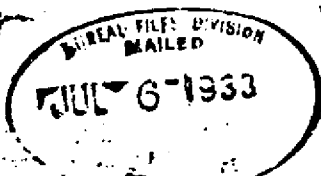
Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of June 28, 1933, with reference to the case entitled "UNKNOWN SUBJECTS OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)," please be informed that the following is the report relative to the latent fingerprints which accompanied the said letter.

Prints marked A and B are those previously identified as being those of Frank Nash. At the time of the previous search of the latent fingerprints forwarded to the Bureau by the St. Paul Police Department, the photograph showed only a faint blur where C is found. The present photograph is clearer and sharper with the result that the print C is found to be also identical with the right thumb impression of Frank Nash. This print, however, is somewhat distorted.

Very truly yours,

Director.



[Handwritten signature]

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

June 29, 1933.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Nathan called at 7:45 this evening and requested photographic copies of the master prints of the individuals whose names are on the attached list. He asked that they be sent via air mail-special delivery as soon as possible.

I communicated with Mr. Renneberger and in talking with him made the error of saying photostatic copies were requested. Mr. Coffey was also advised of the request and both of the above supervisors immediately took care of the request. Mr. Renneberger stated that upon learning from Mr. Coffey that photographic copies were requested, he would only be able to make the photostatic copies tonight as it was too late to get in touch with his photographer, who lived in Mt. Ranier.

Mr. Hughes was advised of the request, and of the fact that only photostatic copies would be available tonight. He wired Kansas City to that effect, a copy of the wire being attached for your information. Available photographs are also being transmitted with the prints which were mailed this evening.

Respectfully,

C. E. Kleinkauf.

C. E. Kleinkauf.

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MR. HUGHES,

PLEASE ADVISE MR. RENNEBERGER
IF THE PHOTOGRAPHIC COPIES ARE NECESSARY
WHEN THE REPLY TO THE ATTACHED WIRE COMES
IN.

C. E. Kleinlauf

W. H. Hughes
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

June 29, 1933.

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Following is a list of the individuals copies of whose fingerprints were requested by Mr. Nathan on this date and which were transmitted the same night:

1. Alvin Karpis	-	Kansas State Penitentiary No. 8008
2. Fred Barker	-	Kansas State Penitentiary No. 9836
3. Mary Phillips	-	Kansas City Police No. 20399
4. Bernard Phillips	-	Chicago Police No. C-26408
5. Harry Carlton	-	Chicago Police No. C-16239
6. Lillian Holden	-	Kansas City Police No. 20398
7. Mary		
or Keating	-	Kansas City Police No. 20397
May		
8. Bertha Engler	-	Kansas City Police No. 20406
9. William Engler	-	St. Louis Police No. 16270
10. Jack Griffin	-	St. Louis Police No. 19861
11. Adam Rachetti	-	Oklahoma State Penitentiary No. 25773
12. Edward Wilhite	-	St. Louis Police No. 17734
13. Herbert Farmer	-	Kansas City Police No. 12790
14. Frank Mulloy	-	Leavenworth No. 39293
15. Winchel J. Urban	-	St. Louis Police No. 18972
16. Stewart Lambert	-	St. Louis Police No. 36072

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JUNE 29, 1933.

R. E. VETTERLI
UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
905 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY MISSOURI

FORWARDING TONIGHT VIA AIRMAIL PHOTOSTATIC COPIES OF PRINTS REQUESTED
AND AVAILABLE PHOTOGRAPHS ADVISE IN MORNING IF PHOTOGRAPHIC COPIES
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203 Post Office Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

June 29, 1933.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE
(Endeavor to deliver Federal Prisoner
Frank Nash).
St. Paul File No. 62-388.

Reference is made to report of Special Agent in Charge
R.E. Vetterli, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, 6-26-33, in the above
entitled matter, in which it is stated that a quantity of women's
clothing was found at the home of one, *W. W. W.*, which home is be-
lieved to be a hoodlum hangout.

Please advise if the clothing was examined and if there
was contained in the baggage a lady's knitted blue, or greenish blue,
dress. The reason for this inquiry is that it has been fairly well
established that MRS. NASH was at 204 Vernon Street, St. Paul, Minne-
sota, during the week of June 4 to 10, 1933, inclusive, for a period
of about one day, and this information is desired to verify and cor-
roborate this information.

Very truly yours,

R.C. COULTER, ACTING,
Special Agent in Charge.

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905 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Missouri
June 28, 1933

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

Dear Sir:

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (endeavor to
deliver Federal prisoner Frank Nash)
Kansas City file 62-760

In connection with this matter, it has been ascertained through various offices that EARL DOYLE, United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, Register #23642, has a possible connection in the instant case. A photograph of Doyle is transmitted for use of your office.

It was stated by Mr. Bert Haycock, former police officer at Kansas City, Missouri, and at present the Special Agent of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company at Kansas City, that Harry Allen, a member of the underworld, now located at Dallas, Texas, definite address unknown, could locate EARL DOYLE at any time.

This information, while quite indefinite, is furnished to your office in order that an effort may be made through underworld characters who might contact Harry Allen, to locate EARL DOYLE.

For your information, a warrant is outstanding in the State Court at North Kansas City, Missouri for the arrest of EARL DOYLE, who is wanted there for bank robbery.

Very truly yours,

R. E. VETTERLI, *mes*
Special Agent in Charge

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905 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Missouri
June 28, 1933

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

JUL - 5 1933 PM

Dear Sir:

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to
deliver Federal prisoner Frank Nash)
Kansas City file 62-760

Recently, it was ascertained, indirectly through convict Alfred
Geonls, Register No. 826, Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas,
that Ben Turley and Red Evans probably furnished funds for the Lansing
Prison break which occurred on May 30, 1933, at which time Harvey Bailey,
Jim Clark, Ed Davis, Bob Brady, Wilbur Underhill, and Frank Sawyer es-
caped.

These escapes have been known members of the gang of Frank Nash.
Bailey has been identified by numerous individuals as one of the parties
who performed the shooting in the recent murders in this matter.

Turley is said to reside at Tulsa, Oklahoma, address unknown;
Evans is said to attend bar at the Orpheum Bar Room at Tulsa, Oklahoma.
Turley and Evans are doubtless close friends.

It is suggested that all possible covers be maintained on the
activities of Turley and Evans, in an effort to establish any possible
information as a solution of the instant matter.

Very truly yours,

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R. E. VETTERLI,
Special Agent in Charge

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1900 Bankers Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

June 29, 1933.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: Unknown Subjects; Obstruction of
Justice. (Endeavor to Deliver Federal
Prisoner Frank Nash). 62-1649.

This letter is being furnished to you with the view of
submitting all information available regarding Frances Luce, who is
alleged to have married Frank Nash some three months ago.

Agent Charles Jenkins ascertained through George A. Knuti
Attorney, 160 North La Salle Street, Chicago, Illinois, that Frances
Luce, whose maiden name was Frances Mikulich, formerly resided at Aurora,
Minnesota, with her father, Vincent Mikulich, however she has not fre-
quented Aurora for the past several years. On April 16, 1924, she mar-
ried Wayne Luce, a Melrose Park, Illinois, policeman, and a daughter,
named Dan Ella Lee Luce, was born of this union. On May 4, 1930, Frances
Luce was granted a divorce from her husband on a charge of cruelty,
at which time she obtained custody of the child, which was then three
years of age. When the divorce was obtained, Frances resided at 1114
North 24th Avenue, Melrose Park, Illinois. Shortly thereafter, on
June 5, 1930, Wayne Luce married Anna Gladys Mikulich and this couple
now reside at 109 North Oak Park Avenue, Oak Park, Illinois.

Through Wayne Luce Agent Jenkins ascertained that Frances
was employed as a cook, in August 1932, at the O. P. Inn, located on
North Avenue, in Elmwood Park, just beyond the city limits of Chicago.
In December, 1932, she was assistant hostess at the Cafe Alabam, located
on Rush Street near Chicago Avenue, Chicago. Apparently she has resided
temporarily at the Mission House, operated by Rocco and Nick De Grazzio,
located at 12th Street and Mannheim Road. Frances has been friendly
with the wife of Rocco De Grazzio (king of the west side bookmakers)
and has been seen riding in an automobile with Mrs. De Grazzio and Mrs.
Jack McGurn, wife of Machine Gun Jack McGurn, who is reported to reside
in Oak Park.

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The remaining known relatives of Frances Luce are Mrs. Mart Bayuk, a sister, who resides on the third floor, rear flat, at 3307 West Adams Street, entrance on Spaulding Street, Chicago; also a sister, the wife of Dr. Petrone, who resides in the vicinity of Western and Chicago Avenues, Chicago, Illinois. Apparently, Frances does not associate closely with the above relatives, however she has frequently visited her aunt, Mrs. Jacob Orsen, who resides in Menona, Illinois. Frances usually proceeded to Menona in her own automobile, where she met her sweetheart "Frank", on frequent occasions. The only available information regarding "Frank" is that he had hoodlum connections in Chicago and was probably a dope peddler. On Friday, June 23, 1933, Frances Luce and her six year old daughter, were seen in Menona visiting Mrs. Orsen. She remained in seclusion until Tuesday, June 27th, 1933, when she made a trip, by automobile, from Menona to Chicago, accompanied by her cousin "Jake". Available information indicates that "Jake" operates a soft drink parlor in Menona and has been obliged to subsist on a frugal income, however during the past week it has been noted that he has been rather flush with money.

Menona, Illinois, is a small town, however Frances and the members of the Orsen family apparently do not associate with other people there. Agent Jenkins obtained the above information through the telephone operator, Postmaster and neighbors who reside within one block of Mrs. Orsen at Menona. Apparently Frances is in Menona for a somewhat extended visit and the time of her probable departure is unknown. Agent Jenkins has arranged to cover the situation at Menona and has been instructed to not interview Frances, awaiting specific instructions from the Kansas City Office.

Photographs of Frances Luce, bearing her physical description on the reverse side, are being furnished herewith to all offices receiving copies of this letter. This photograph was made approximately three years ago.

Very truly yours,

D. O. SMITH, Acting,
Special Agent in Charge.

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CC Okla. City (Enc.)
CC St. Louis (Enc.)
CC St. Paul (Enc.)
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FRANCES LUCE, alleged wife
of Frank Nash.
Age - 30
Height- 5'6-1/2", 7",
Weight, 140.
Hair, Dark Brown
Eyes, Brown
Complexion, Fair
Neat Dresser
Fair Education
Apparent occupation-
Cook or hostess-helper.
Peculiarities- Large feet,
Marital Status - Divorced,
remarried; has one daughter,
6 years, named Dr. Ella Lee
Luce.

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905 Federal Reserve Bank Bldg.,
Kansas City, Missouri
June 28, 1933

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



Dear Sir:

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to
deliver Federal prisoner Frank Nash)
Kansas City file 62-760

JUL - 5 1933 AM

Report of Special Agent in Charge, R. E. Vetterli, dated June 26th, was forwarded to your office yesterday, and in connection with this matter, it is requested that certain investigation be made with reference to individuals located at St. Paul, Minnesota, whose names and addresses have been secured from the file entitled FRANCIS L. KEATING with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1129; THOMAS HOLDEN with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1127; FRANK NASH with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1166, ESCAPED FEDERAL PRISONERS, PROCURING ESCAPE OF FEDERAL PRISONERS. It is found that the following individuals were members of the gang of Frank Nash, and investigations as to their present and recent past activities have developed information in connection with this case:

JACK PEIFFER, who operates the Hollyhocks Inn, a roadhouse and gambling den, St. Paul, Minnesota telephone number Emerson 2121.

TOM PELBIN, operator of the Patrick Novelty Company, 518 St. Peter Street, St. Paul telephone number, Cedar 4889; residing at telephone, Emerson 6795.

BESSIE DARRIS, manager of the Boulevards of Paris Night Club and gambling den, St. Paul, Minnesota, telephone number Elkhurst 3776; also operates, during the summer, the Plantations Inn at White Bear Lake.

Kindly give appropriate attention to such leads as may develop with reference to covering the activities of these parties.

Very truly yours,

R. E. VETTERLI
Special Agent in Charge

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224 Federal Building,
Oklahoma City, Okla.,
June 28, 1933.

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

Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith a file of newspapers contain-
ing local accounts of the murder of Agent Caffrey and others
at Kansas City on the 17th instant. I thought the Bureau
might want them for the completion of its files.

Very truly yours,

R. H. Colvin

R. H. Colvin,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Department of Justice
801 Title Guaranty Bldg.
Saint Louis, Missouri
June 27, 1935

Mr. Nathan	_____
Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Edwards	_____
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Director,
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DIRECTOR KATHAN BOLSON	

Dear Sir:

Confirming my telephonic conversation relative to an interview by Special Agent H. G. Maynor with H. C. Ingraham of Henderson, Kentucky, in connection with the case of Frank Nash, Escaped Federal Prisoner, I desire to advise that the information concerning this shooting which was obtained from Ingraham was telephoned to Mr. Reed Vetterli of the Kansas City Office on the morning of June 27, 1935.

Agent Maynor of this office contacted H. C. Ingraham at the Kingdom Hotel at Henderson, Kentucky, on the night of June 26, 1935. Ingraham is traveling and soliciting advertising along U. S. Highway No. 41 for the World's Fair. He advised that he did not know at this time where he could be reached after leaving Henderson, Kentucky; however, he promised to keep this Bureau advised of his address, and further promised to furnish this Bureau with any additional information which he might secure relative to the shooting at Kansas City.

Ingraham advised that he is a graduate doctor; that he served a term in Leavenworth Penitentiary in 1919 from Santa Fe, New Mexico, for impersonation and a violation of the liquor laws. He stated that on Saturday afternoon, June 24, 1935, at 3:30 P. M., he met three men in Henderson, Kentucky whom he had previously known in the penitentiary. He stated that these parties were Harvey Bailey, Slim Bailey, alias F. L. Barnes, who served a term in the Lansing, Kansas, Penitentiary, and whose home is at Pawnee, Oklahoma, Roy Sherrill, who served a term at Leavenworth Penitentiary, and who upon admittance to the penitentiary was all shot up; that he, Ingraham, was assigned to duty as a nurse at this penitentiary, and in such capacity treated Roy Sherrill and became especially friendly with him. He further advised that there were two unknown persons with this party, whom he described as small racketeers. These parties were driving a black sixteen cylinder Cadillac Sedan, with two spare wheels in fender wells. The car was new looking; however, Ingraham did not obtain the license number for this car.

Ingraham stated that he engaged in conversation with Sherrill at a Diamond Gas Station in Henderson, at which time Sherrill stated that they had killed Nash because they were afraid he would talk. Ingraham inquired of Sherrill as to why they had killed the others, and he said that it was necessary to kill one, and one or a hundred made no difference.

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Sherrill further informed Ingraham that they were leaving for Nashville, Tennessee, and that he, Sherrill, could be reached in care of General Delivery as Roy Roberts at Nashville; further, that while in Nashville they intended to get in touch with Nigger Nolan, who runs a cheap hotel at that place; that after a few days stay in Nashville they intended to go to Memphis, Tennessee, where they could be reached through Lefe Nathan, a gambler and bookmaker in Memphis; that after leaving Memphis they intended to go to Harlan, Kentucky, and rent a shack, and hide out in the hills.

He further advised that Sherrill informed him that at the time of the shooting in Kansas City they had two cars; however, the informant was of the opinion that the Cadillac which they were now driving was not one of the cars, but had been acquired since the shooting. Ingraham stated that he noticed in the Cadillac a large supply of arms and ammunition, machine guns, sawed off shot guns, and revolvers.

With reference to Sherrill's activities, Ingraham advised that Sherrill was well known to a Post Office Inspector named Jeff Donaldson, who was formerly of Kansas City and now believed to be stationed in Washington, D. C.; that Donaldson had had a great deal of trouble with Sherrill.

Ingraham refused to furnish his correct name; however, he advised that he could be found under that name in the records at Leavenworth Penitentiary. He stated that he was well known to Post Office Inspector William L. Noah of St. Louis, Missouri; that he had attempted to contact Inspector Noah by telephone on Monday, June 26, 1933, but that on being unable to reach him he had decided to telegraph to the Bureau at Washington. He stated that he had become frightened as to what these parties might do to him, in view of the fact that they had made a remark that it made no difference whether they killed one or a hundred persons, and that he was anxious to report this matter before there were any additional deaths.

Agent Maynor made inquiry at the Diamond Gas Station in Henderson, Kentucky, and verified the fact that a car answering this description had been in the station on Saturday afternoon, June 24, 1933; however, the attendant at this station was unable to advise as to any arms, ammunition, or machine guns which might have been in the car, and he likewise did not overhear any conversation.

Efforts by this office to contact Post Office Inspector Noah at St. Louis, Missouri were without results, inasmuch as Noah is at present on a vacation, and his present whereabouts is unknown to his wife.

Agent Maynor advised that he believed informant Ingraham was telling a correct story; that he was moved entirely by his desire to cause the apprehension of these persons before they killed any additional persons. He stated that Mr. Ingraham is presently married; that his wife was with him in Henderson, Kentucky, but that she does not know of his previous prison sentence. He stated that Ingraham claims to have "gone straight" since his release from the penitentiary; that he appeared to be an intelligent individual, and entirely sincere in the information which he furnished.

As above stated, Agent Maynor made arrangements with Mr. Ingraham to forward any additional information which he might receive direct to this office or to the Bureau in Washington; also, he made arrangements to have Mr. Ingraham advise this office where he could be reached at a later date.

Very truly yours,


D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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June 27, 1933.

MEMORANDUM of Telephone Calls re FRANK NASH

Mr. Vetterli at Kansas City advised in regard to the Jefferson City Penitentiary angle, that it merely gives the address of a supposed hang-out of some ex-convicts in Kansas City. He advised further that Braley, one of the men whom Ingraham is supposed to have seen in Henderson, Kentucky, is in reality confined in the penitentiary at McAlistar and has been for a number of years; that he, Vetterli, had contacted Mr. Ladd, who advised that the informant states he knows the three men whom he met in Henderson, one of whom he is positive was Braley. Mr. Vetterli stated they are now working upon the possibility that Ingraham might have meant Brady.

Mr. Nathan advised that Mr. Colvin and Mr. Smith have a confidential informant helping them, and it was desired that authority be granted to pay this man for his services. It was decided that this informant should be compensated at the rate of six dollars a day, including per diem and salary, and of course in addition the Bureau to pay any travelling expenses.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to recent telephonic conversation had by the Bureau with Mr. Nathan at Kansas City in which Mr. Nathan requested authority for you to pay a confidential informant who is working at present in conjunction with you and Special Agent Frank Smith.

Authority is granted to reimburse this informant for his services, at the rate of \$6.00 per day for salary and per diem, and in addition, any traveling expenses which may be incurred by him. You should pay the informant and submit the items on a confidential blue slip in order to procure reimbursement for your outlay.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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CITY OF CHARLESTON
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CHARLESTON, S. C. June 23, 1933.

Mr. J. E. Hoover
Director, Dept. of Justice
U.S. Bureau of Investigation
Washington, DC.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the untimely death of
Special Agent Raymond J. Caffrey by gunmen at Kansas City, Mo.
I am writing you to ask if you desire the assistance of this
department in any way. If you have any fingerprints or
pictures of these men would appreciate your sending same
or if we can help you in this section of the country please
do not fail to call on us.

Assuring you of the cooperation of this
department in this matter and awaiting your advices, I am,

Yours very truly,

J. J. Healy
J. J. Healy
Chief of Dets.

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Mr. J. J. Healy,
Chief of Detectives,
Police Department,
Charleston, S. C.

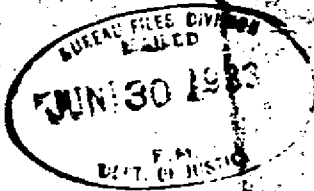
Dear Mr. Healy:

I desire to acknowledge, with thanks, receipt of your communication of June 23 volunteering your assistance in connection with the investigation of the Kansas City shooting.

I note your request for fingerprints and photographs of the suspects. I have recently caused Identification Orders to be issued on six suspected persons and no doubt you have received copies of these Identification Orders by this time. However, in order to make sure that you receive a supply of the same I am advising my Agent in Charge at Charlotte, North Carolina, to furnish you with a supply of these circulars.

Sincerely yours,

Director.



2-28915-145 June 30, 1933.

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Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
1806 First National Bank Bldg.,
Charlotte, N. C.

Dear Sir:

There is enclosed herewith a copy of a letter received by the Bureau from Mr. J. J. Healy, Chief of Detectives of the Charleston, South Carolina, Police Department, offering his assistance in the Kansas City shooting and requesting to be furnished with copies of the fingerprints and photographs of the individuals suspected thereof.

There is also enclosed a copy of the Bureau's reply thereto and you will please be guided thereby.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Encl. 320576.

805 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Missouri
June 27, 1933

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

Dear Sir:

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE
(Endeavor to deliver Federal prisoner,
Frank Nash)

There is enclosed herewith a copy of my report, dated
June 26th, and it is requested that three dozen photostatic
copies be made.

Please forward direct to Bureau offices not shown as
having received same, one copy of the report, and mail the re-
maining number to this office.

Very truly yours,

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R. E. VETTERLI,
Special Agent in Charge

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

K.C.MO. 6-28-33

M H PURVIS
UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
1900 BANKERS BUILDING
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

RE: OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Code
to deliver Federal Prisoner
Frank Nash).

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

905 Federal Reserve Bank Building,

Kansas City, Missouri.

June 29, 1933.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
MISCELLANEOUS (Obstruction of Justice)
(Endeavor to Liberate Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)
Kansas City File #62-760-

Referring to your letter of June 27th, there are enclosed
herewith two copies each of photographs of:

Fred Barker, Kansas State Penitentiary, No. 9836.

Mary Crawford, alias May Phillips, alias Winnie Williams,
alias Mrs. D. T. Courtney, alias Mrs. Dan Courtney, alias
Mary Courtney, alias Winnie Winkle, Kansas City, Missouri,
PD No. 20399

Alvin Karpis, Oklahoma City PD No. 8008,

bearing descriptions of the individuals mentioned, which is the only
available descriptive data in possession of the Kansas City office.

Please be advised that a photograph of Frank Nash
was not taken after his death, or since his apprehension. It may be
stated, however, that the likeness appearing on Identification Order
No. 1166 does not strongly resemble Nash at the time he was apprehended.
He had grown a heavy black mustache, was wearing nose pince-nez glasses
and a toupee of brown color streaked with gray. His nose had somewhat

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of a flattened appearance at the time he was apprehended, indicating a possible plastic surgery operation, altho he denied that such had been performed.

Trusting that this information may serve as valuable to you, I am

Very truly yours,

R. E. VETTERLI
Special Agent in Charge.

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905 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

June 29, 1933.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
MISCELLANEOUS (Obstruction of Justice) - 6-23 A7
(Endeavor to Liberate Federal Prisoner
Frank Nash)
Kansas City File #26-760-

Referring to my letter of June 28, it is requested
that Identification Order as to Herbert A. Farmer, with aliases,
Kansas City Police Department No. 12790, be issued immediately.

Very truly yours,

R. E. Vetterli
R. E. VETTERLI
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Kansas City, Missouri**

EC FILE NO. 48-774

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI		REPORT MADE BY W. F. Brainer	
REPORT MADE ON Kansas City, Mo.	DATE WHEN MADE 7-5-53	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/15-22/53	CHARACTER OF CASE OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to Sbliver Federal prisoner Frank Nash)
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECTS			

Wife of Frank Nash, accompanied by daughter and Nick Galatas, traveled by air from Hot Springs, Ark., to Joplin, Mo., afternoon of 9-16-33. Investigation indicates they joined Herbert Farmer at Joplin. Galatas a member of racketeering class at Hot Springs. Mrs. Nash not at Wagon, Ill., and her activities being covered. Telephone calls from residence Herbert Farmer, Joplin, Mo., 9-16-33, after apprehension of Nash, traced to residence at Kansas City, Mo., occupied by Vernon C. Miller, notorious KKK member and friend of Nash. Miller apparently disappeared from Kansas City immediately after instant arrest. Left Joplin, Oklahoma City, Frank Mulloy, and J. B. Kithrens, politicians and racketeers, Kansas City, Mo., shown as closely associated with Miller. Members of Nash gang, including Harvey Bailey, Nick Galatas reported now located vicinity Picher, Arkansas and appropriate action to locate now being made through use of informant. Prison records of Roy D. Sherrill and J. O. Braly, U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Mo., and State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas secured and checked statement of Edgar Jay who claims these parties with Harvey Bailey admitted recently their implication in this matter. Braly now serving sentence Oklahoma State Pen, apparently disproving Jay's statement. Telephone, Frank Mulloy, J. B. Kithrens and Herbert Farmer and Frank Vaughan, Joplin, Mo., members of Nash gang being covered.

Report, SAC Vetterli, Kansas City, dated 4-20-32; Report SAC Ladd, Louisville, dated 4-29-32; Letter from Cincinnati office dated 7-1-32. (In Holden-Leeting-Rush file) Report Agt. Jno. E. Gilmer, St. Paul, 4-28-32; Report Agt. S.W. Hardy, St. Paul, 12-4-31.

On pages 54 and 55 of the reference report, some discussion is had of the landing of a certain airplane in the vicinity of Joplin, Missouri. Indefinite information having been received, originally, regarding that phase of the case.

Also, in that report, it will be noted that a discussion of one of telephone calls from Mrs. E. B. Gouner of Hot Springs, Arkansas to Herbert

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Farmer, Joplin, Missouri, which are believed to have an important bearing on this case.

Investigation by Special Agent in Charge, R. H. Colvin, conducted at Hot Springs, Arkansas, throws further light on these matters, and his memorandum in these connections is quoted as follows:

"At Hot Springs yesterday, I contacted confidential informant A, who told me that Nash's woman and little girl had gone from Hot Springs about 3:30 on the afternoon of the 16th by airplane to Joplin, Missouri, accompanied by H. B. Gladdis, whose true name is Dick Galatas and who is boss of a slot machine racket in Hot Springs, and in partnership with one Jim Clark, a broken down gambler, and McLaughlin, the mayor of the city.

"Informant A states that Galatas is the official representative of the gangster world in Hot Springs, and gets orders from the head of a big criminal organization in Chicago, said to be dominated now by a man named White, and that it is Galatas' duty in Hot Springs to arrange for and afford protection to the gangsters who come there to cool off or for other purposes.

"Informant A told me that the aviator who was interviewed by Agent Chipman on June 16th had lied to Chipman but would tell me the truth, so I went to see this aviator - at the Municipal Airport - whose name is John Stover, and who runs a flying service. Stover readily talked to me and stated that he had lied to Chipman because he was afraid of getting mixed up in it and because he did not know exactly who Chipman was. He said that the truth of the matter was as follows:

"About 3:30 P. M., on the 16th, Gladdis drove out to his place and said that he had a woman and a little girl who wanted to get to Joplin very quickly and wanted to know if he, Stover, could take them, giving the information that the woman was in Hot Springs to get a divorce and wanted to slip out of town for a while. Shortly thereafter, Gladdis returned with his wife, another woman and a little girl, in a car. In the meantime, Stover had gotten his Ryan Monoplane ready for travel. He stated that it appeared that Mrs. Nash, not having traveled by plane before, was somewhat apprehensive and there was discussion of Stover's wife going along. However, the party was in an awful hurry and they could not wait for Mrs. Stover to get ready, therefore, at the last moment, Gladdis stated to Stover that he would go along if he would bring him back that same night, which Stover agreed to do. They took off about 4:00 P. M., proceeding

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direct to Joplin, where they arrived at ten minutes to six, and Stover not having made that trip recently, landed by mistake at the old airport about a mile and a half west of Joplin, where there is a small filling station and lunch stand. No one was there to meet them and Gladdis went into this place and called a taxicab by telephone. Shortly thereafter, the cab appeared and took Gladdis, the woman and girl away. The aviator then told Gladdis that he would fly over to the new airport to fill up with gas and oil and they would start back. Upon arrival at the new airport, he saw a large man, weighing about 200 pounds, who is very deaf, there, in a large black sedan. This man had stated to the airport attendants that he was looking for a plane from Little Rock or Hot Springs, whereupon Stover's plane was pointed out to him as having just arrived from Hot Springs, and he then asked "Where are your passengers?" On being informed that they had been taken to town, the man left in a very great hurry. This man is no doubt Herbert Farmer, telephone 1541 W2, Joplin. Shortly thereafter, Stover received a telephone call from Gladdis, asking him when he would be ready to start back, and Stover, having found that he could get no gas until morning, told Gladdis and the latter directed him to come into Joplin to the Conne Hotel, which he did, and they stayed that night at that hotel and started back to Hot Springs about 6 o'clock the next morning. Stover claims that he has not seen Gladdis since he brought him back to Hot Springs. Mrs. Nash paid the aviator \$100, consisting of one \$50.00 bill and five \$10.00 bills. She handed the aviator her purse for a moment while she was getting into the plane and it was so unexpectedly heavy that the aviator almost dropped it, and said that it must have contained a large pistol or a lot of coin. The aviator at the time he hauled these people, had not heard of the arrest of Nash downtown a few hours earlier, but stated that he would not have thought anything particular about the matter, as he frequently hauls gangsters on hurry-up calls from Hot Springs to St. Louis, Indianapolis, Peoria, and other places, and they always pay him liberally and he never asks questions.

"I examined the Plymouth coupe left by Nash, and it bears motor No. PC-45468, serial PC-8301BC, Illinois license 624-097, Chicago City license 82-846, and has a speedometer reading of 8078 miles. Informant A told me that he thought this car would be found registered in the name of George L. Miller, and that he had bought it in Chicago, having turned in a Buick on the trade. Chicago office has been asked to trace.

"I found that Nash, as George L. Miller and wife, registered at the Oak Lawn Tourist Camp, Hot Springs, late in the night of June 14 - party of three - which was said to consist of himself, a woman and girl.

They paid for the nights of 14th and 15th. The operatives of the tourist camp could give no further information, having paid but little attention to the party.

"Informant A states that immediately after Dick Galatas returned to Hot Springs, he ordered every gangster in town to leave, and that they have all disappeared, and that Galatas himself has disappeared. He has a ranch in California and I will know the location of that tomorrow.

"Informant A also stated that he thought that Nash and this woman, who is said to be from Peoria, Illinois, were married about a month ago at Hot Springs under the name of Miller. I got this information too late to verify there yesterday, but am having it checked.

"Informant A says that Herbert Farmer is a contact man and member of the gang at Joplin and that it was most certain that the information resulting in the massacre at Kansas City went out from Farmer. The informant, however, apparently attempted to divert suspicion from Bailey, Underhill, et al, and said that the execution was no doubt ordered by one White, alleged present king of the gangsters in Chicago, particularly in the beer running line and that if White ordered the execution, it was probably done by Bugs Moran men. He stated that Bugs Moran spent two months in Hot Springs this winter. My personal opinion is that the informant is trying to divert our attention away from Harve Bailey and his bunch, as I could not even interest him in looking at their photos. I found out, however, that Harve Bailey was in Hot Springs two weeks ago and limping very noticeably. It will be recalled that Nash was last in Hot Springs prior to the date of his capture about two weeks ago.

"The informant states that Herbert Farmer is a very dangerous man, a killer, and his best known line is the con game, and that he recalls that about 6 months ago, Farmer took an old man and his wife from Hot Springs to Reno, where he cleaned them for \$50,000.00 on the race con. He says that Farmer is living with one Esther, a handsome black haired woman, who is the divorced wife of Walter Hamblin of Eureka Springs, Arkansas. The Nash file will show that we have investigated Walter Hamblin as being an alleged harbinger of Nash about a year ago. Hamblin is king of the gambling racket at Eureka Springs, Arkansas and is very powerful politically. Informant says that the gangsters now use Hamblin's place as a hideaway very frequently and may be there at the present time.

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"Informant does not think any telephone calls other than the one to Joplin, and possibly those to 645 Melrose, Chicago, had anything to do with the arrangements for the assassination at the Union Station. He states that Mrs. E. B. Conner, whom the records show to have placed the calls to 1541 W2, Joplin, and 645 Melrose, Chicago, did not in reality place these calls, but same were placed by Mrs. Nash, who used the Conner name for privacy. He thinks the call to Chicago was to "headquarters" there.

"Informant A says that Herbert Farmer and his woman have a big fight regularly once a month and that if we can get him in jail somewhere just after they have had a falling-out, that this woman will "blow the works."

"He says Farmer will also squawk if we arrest him on some charge and put the screws on him by making him believe that we have the goods on him for arranging the massacre. He says that in such an event, if we play it strong enough, that Farmer will squawk on anybody, but stated that if an attempt is made to arrest him, every precaution should be made, as he is a coldblooded killer, his favorite weapon being the knife.

"This Mrs. E. B. Conner, according to Informant A, is a member of the mob, whose husband, Eddie Conner, was killed in New York by another woman some 5 or 6 months ago. She also immediately left Hot Springs and Informant A advised me that someone had rifled her apartment and informant thought it was probably done by our agents.

"The plane in which Galatas, the Nash woman, and child, were taken to Joplin, is a Ryan, carrying number NC 7672, and will be registered as landing at the Joplin airport on the 16th. No doubt, the record of the registration of John Stover, the pilot, and possibly Dick Galatas, will be found at the Conne Hotel, Joplin.

"Agent Harold Anderson contacted a valuable informant yesterday and secured a lot of information which will be valuable and he has a line on further information which he will procure today. He has moved over to the Lee Hotel, which is run by a Greek, who also has important information. Anderson is stopping there under the name of Harry Andrews. I told him to keep under cover insofar as possible and to keep me advised of his whereabouts.

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"Informant A told me that he thought Dick Galatas would also squeal if pushed hard enough, and I think that if we locate him in California, it might be well to have him arrested there on a charge of complicity in the murder and I believe he will talk his head off.

"A lot of telephone calls were put in on that date - in fact some seven or eight - at Hot Springs, by W. S. Jacobs, calling Central 5990, Chicago. These calls were placed, some of them from Long Distance 1, some of them from Long Distance 17, Hot Springs, and some from 2791 Hot Springs. Jacobs is the owner of the gambling concessions at Hot Springs and owns the Belvedere Gardens, The Ohio Club and the Southern Club, and I expect that the calls placed by him at 12:34 P. M., 1:37 P. M., 2:21 P. M., 2:47 P. M., 3:02 P. M., and 3:58 P. M., on June 16th were merely calls to get returns on races. W. S. Jacobs from LD 17 at Hot Springs called Louisville, Ky., Jackson 2231, calling for the teller of the Louisville Trust Company. I think the last call was perhaps to verify some check that they had received in the gambling house.

"I have found that the red Chrysler "protection car" which was stationed across the street from the White Front in Hot Springs when Smith and Lackey arrested Nash, is the car of Dick Galatas and is still in Hot Springs.

"If we could locate the Conner woman, we might get some information, but I tried to find out from Informant A how she could be found, but he professed ignorance. I also think that if we could locate the Mrs. Nash and little girl we might get something, but it looks like the strangest key to the situation is Herbert Farmer at Joplin."

It was ascertained that Frances Mickulich Luce, formerly of Aurora, Minnesota, and who married Wayne Luce, a Melrose Park, Illinois policeman, April 16, 1924, secured a divorce from Luce May 4, 1930 and was the alleged wife of Frank Nash at the time of his death.

Memorandum by Special Agent R. C. Coulter of the St. Paul Office, dated June 26, 1933, relative to the family history of Frances Mickulich, is quoted as follows:

Acting on telephonic instructions of Special Agent in Charge, Werner Hanni, to secure all available information regarding Frances Mickulich Luce at Aurora, Minnesota, inquiry was made there during the night of June 24, 1933.

Hugo Knuti, Postmaster, on interview, stated Frances was the daughter of Vincent Mickulich, who was employed as janitor at the City Hall; that she was apparently born there and lived at that place until sometime after the War, when she departed and so far as he knows, she has resided in and about Chicago, Illinois since that time; that at one time, she was married to a man by the name of Luce, from whom she was divorced some two or three years past, at Chicago, Illinois, and that his brother, George A. Knuti, attorney, Burnham or Burnham Building, located on North LaSalle Street, Chicago, secured the divorce for Mrs. Luce; that his understanding was that Luce was a liquor dealer at some time and that a day or two thereafter, he married a younger sister of Frances, who was also in Chicago, and still is, so far as he knows. He stated that he believed his brother would know Frances' address and would willingly furnish any information he has with regard to her. He stated that Frances' little girl, Don Ella Luce, resides with the Vincent Mickulich family at Aurora, and is in Aurora at the present time and he has no information to the effect that she has recently been away. He stated that Frances seldom comes to Aurora and the last time he had any recollection of her coming there was approximately one year ago, when she spent several days with her parents.

Mr. Knuti further advised that from time to time, money orders were transmitted to Vincent Mickulich for the support of Don Ella Luce, by Frances; that these money orders ranged from \$10.00 to \$50.00 and did not come so often that it would create suspicion that she had an excess of money. He stated that one thing he noted was that the letters always came Special Delivery and on one occasion he asked Mickulich about this and Mickulich indicated to him that his daughter sent the letters Special Delivery in order that her mail might not be tampered with.

Mr. Knuti examined his records of incoming money orders and the only record he could locate was the transmittal of \$30.00 by money order #359854, issued at the Maywood, Illinois office to Vincent Mickulich, under date of March 25, 1932, office No. 12468. The name of the purchaser was stated as Frank Harrison, 2919 Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois.

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"Mr. Knuti stated that he had not noticed any mail from Frances lately, and he did not know her present address. He specifically stated that he had not noticed mail coming to Mickulich from Hot Springs, Arkansas. He further advised that he was absolutely sure that no one in town knew Frances' address except her parents, and he demurred at the suggestion that he secure her address from them. He further advised that from time to time parcel post packages were sent to Vincent Mickulich containing clothing for Don Ella Luce, which apparently were sent from Chicago, Illinois by Frances.

"Mr. Knuti was interviewed as discreetly as possible and bound to secrecy. However, during the interview, he advised that he had no better friends in Aurora than the Mickuliches and that although he was Postmaster, he would do nothing adverse to their interests. During the interview, he stated on one occasion, "Because I am Postmaster, that is not saying that I will tell everything I know." During the interview, he apparently did furnish all information in his possession.

"He stated that Frances is of Austrian extraction; that she is approximately 30 years old, slender, nice looking, dark complexioned, and dark brown hair.

"Owing to the apparent close friendship between the Michuliches and Knuti, no reference was made regarding any mail cover, and he incidentally mentioned that he expected to leave office soon, as he would be replaced by a Democratic appointee. In view of this situation, it is felt that in the event it becomes necessary to cover the Michuliches' mail, this should be held in abeyance pending the removal of Knuti as Postmaster.

"As a point of information, Aurora is a town of approximately 1,000 population and is not termed a resort town, few people visiting the place who do not belong there or in the immediate vicinity.

"Mr. Knuti stated that he did not know Frank Nash and was sure that he had not visited Aurora, and further, that no strange men had been around the Mickulich place in the last three years, during which time he has been Postmaster."

It was ascertained telephonically from the Chicago Office, on June 28, 1933, that Mrs. Nash mentioned in the foregoing paragraphs, was located at Wauona, Illinois.

Conference was had by telephone between Assistant Director, Harold Nathan and Acting Special Agent in Charge, D. O. Smith of the Chicago Office, and it was arranged that the wife of Frank Nash will be carefully watched for any developments which may occur pertaining to this case through her activities, as it is thought that the members of the gang who murdered the officers in this case, and also Frank Nash, will be in contact with her and may support her as a means of pacification.

At Joplin, Missouri, investigation has been conducted during the past several days by Special Agents J. E. Brennan, H. D. Bray, and R. B. Nathan, the telephones of Herbert Farmer, number 1541-W-2, and Frank Vaughan, number 4271, as mentioned in the reference report, having been covered through a wire tapping arrangement. Also, appropriate inquiry at Joplin has been made to verify the arrival of the plane flown by Stover, as mentioned in Mr. Colvin's memorandum; no material information has, to date, been secured through the audition of telephone calls at the residences in Joplin. However, same will be continued, since it appears likely that Herbert Farmer and others may return to Joplin when they believe they have "cooled off."

Investigation at Joplin has been outlined in a memorandum by Special Agent R. B. Nathan, dated June 26, 1932, quoted as follows:

"At 'The Tavern,' a lunch room located at the old Joplin airport (West Seventh Street extended), an employee, Lemoine Orem, advised that he recalled the landing of the plane in question, stating that it arrived during the afternoon. He called a cab from the Keystone Taxi Company, and cab #2 answered. The man, woman, and child, who were passengers in the plane, left in the cab after drinking a bottle of beer.

"Records of Keystone Taxi Company, located in the Keystone Hotel, Joplin, show only one pickup at the Tavern on June 18th, this being by driver Johnson at 6:40 P. M., the record showing 2 passengers taken to 2530 Virginia Avenue.

"It was ascertained that there is no such number on Virginia Avenue, and subsequently Forest Johnson, cab driver, was interviewed. He recalled the pickup at The Tavern, and immediately advised that he had taken the passengers to the Midway Drug Company. He advised that he knows there is no 2530 Virginia Avenue, and that the entry was a mistake on the part of the office. He stated that the records properly show 2 passengers, since the little girl would not be counted.

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"Johnson advised that the man, whom he describes as 40 to 45, "portly," weighing about 200, dressed in a brown suit with a panama hat, gave him directions and he drove directly to the Midway. The fare was 20¢ and he was given 50¢ and told to keep the change. The party had three bags - a square suit case, a handbag, and a ladies hat box, all black. He could give no description of the woman except that she was comparatively young, in the 30's, and he estimated the child's age at 5 or 6. He believes he would recognize the man. He couldn't recall any insignia in the man's lapel. Johnson insisted that he had not given the Virginia Avenue address to the office, and denied that his passengers had requested that he not reveal their destination.

"Mr. Dave Catching, Assistant Manager, Conner Hotel, permitted an examination of his records, which show the registration of John Stacker at 8:58 P. M., June 16, 1933. The signature is illegible, but the hotel records carry it as "Stacker." He registered from Hot Springs, Arkansas; was assigned Room 516, and paid \$1.50 in advance, having no baggage. There were no phone calls or other charges, and it is not known at what time he left the hotel, he having paid in advance for the room. The registration card is #21049.

"Mr. Catching advised that he registered this party in, and recalls that he wore an aviator's bracelet. Within a few minutes after his arrival, an inquiry was made at the desk for the aviator, under a name different from that which the hotel had determined from the registration. The inquirer was a large man wearing a brown suit and either a straight straw or panama hat, and had a Shrine emblem in his lapel. He was apparently not deaf and made no disturbance, but when told by the clerk then on duty that the individual he was seeking was not in the hotel, advised that he felt sure there was a mistake. Mr. Catching, who overheard the conversation, then asked for the description of the individual and recalled the registration of the aviator and his assignment to room #516.

"Mr. Catching stated that there was something familiar about the man making the inquiries, but he cannot say whether he is a Joplin man or not, or why he has the feeling of familiarity. He stated that he would probably be able to recognize this man, and he was accordingly shown the pictures of all the suspects, but could not identify any of them. He promised to try to recall something about the man, and to advise agents further. Mr. Catching stated that the visitor apparently went to Stacker's room in the hotel.

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"An examination of the records of the Conner, in an effort to locate the registration of the man and woman, was unsuccessful. Mr. Catching was acquainted with most of the guests, and there were none who could be surmised to be connected with this matter.

"At the new Joplin Airport, R. T. McCrum, field manager, exhibited his register, which showed the arrival of John Stocker (?) from Hot Springs at 6:20 P. M., on June 16, 1933, in a Ryan B1 plane, Department of Commerce No. NC 7672, pilots license #21265. The register shows departure of the plane at 9:00 o'clock. Mr. McCrum advised that he was absent from the field when the plane landed, but noticed it when he returned later in the evening. The next morning the pilot came out and the register was signed at that time. McCrum serviced the plane, and the pilot and one passenger left the morning of the 17th. McCrum describes the passenger as a large man, weighing around 200, and wearing a dark suit. He advised that he heard gossip around the field that this man is a racketeer or possibly a liquor operator, but he cannot recall who was responsible for this gossip. He knows nothing concerning the man, and had never seen him before. Nor did he previously know Stocker (?).

"With reference to the sisters of Underhill, who are reported to live at Joplin, it is noted that city and telephone directories do not show any residents named Brains or Lunis. However, the city directory shows Charles B. (Anna L.) Lewis at 1501 McKinley, and Mrs. Grace Baine, together with Hugh and John Baine, at 2406 Empire. Lewis is listed as a driver, and the Baine men as laborers, and it was verified that none of the individuals are subscribers to telephones. No investigation has been made at the addresses noted at this time. It is also noted that Herb Farmer's mother, who is reported to live in Webb City, has no telephone.

"Superintendent of Mails, Boggs, at Joplin, advised that as yet no mail has been received at the addresses covered, and that he will forward tracings to the Kansas City Office.

"Agents were advised by Chief Ed Portley and prosecutor Ray Watson that information has been obtained by them through one Wheeler at Webb City, and from Babione, that on the Thursday before the massacre, Babione drove Fred Barker's father, who lives in Neosho, Missouri, to Leavenworth, Kansas in Barker's Chevrolet car.

The purpose of the visit was to see Barker's son, Lloyd Barker, who is confined in the Federal Penitentiary, but they arrived too late, and spent Thursday night at the National Hotel, returning on Friday afternoon. Portley thought it possible that Barker made contact with Fred while on the trip. However, in view of the return on Friday, it appears that little significance can be placed on the trip.

Mr. Watson also advised that he has been informed that the Barker boys were practically raised by Herb Farmer's mother, their parents having separated. He stated that no results were obtained from the watch maintained on Mrs. Farmer's home, and it was discontinued on June 25, 1933. However, he feels that any unusual activity there will be communicated to him and he will transmit any information to agents or the Kansas City Office.

"There have been no significant results from the telephone cover being maintained."

Investigation was conducted at Hot Springs, Arkansas by Special Agent H. E. Anderson, for the purpose of ascertaining general information, and also particular details regarding the airplane trip from Hot Springs, Arkansas to Joplin, Missouri as heretofore mentioned. Agent Anderson's memorandum is quoted as follows:

Pursuant to instructions, the writer left Kansas City and arrived at Hot Springs, Arkansas, the morning of June 23, 1935. Inquiries were made for the purpose of securing all information possible without becoming generally known or conspicuous.

Former Chief of Police William Brandenburg, who resides upon the Malvern Road just outside the city limits, was interviewed. He advised that although he had not been in police work for several years he was familiar with the "racket" situation in Hot Springs; that from information he had secured he believed that the massacre at Kansas City, Missouri, could be directly traced to one Dick Galatas, head of the Confidence Men at Hot Springs. He stated that he had a Confidant, one Ernie Hill, who was formerly employed by Galatas, and said that if this individual would talk he would undoubtedly furnish pertinent information to this case.

Ernie Hill, who resides near the Brandenburg place, was interviewed in the presence of the latter. He furnished the following information:

Dick Galatas and his wife, Nellie, came to Hot Springs about four years ago. For some time they stayed in a Rooming House or Hotel across from the Majestic Apartments. Galatas soon became associated with Frank Clark, a Confidence Man, who he seemed to have known before, and within a short time had control of the local "con" game operations.

About three years ago last Christmas Galatas opened the Owl Street Garage in Hot Springs, which was managed by Ernie Hill. This garage was used as a blind for Confidence Men working under the direction of Galatas. Galatas did a thriving business and, according to Hill, had as many as 102 Confidence Men in his employ. He was in league with the City Administration in Hot Springs and paid off to them through Herbert "Dutch" Akres, a private detective close to the City Administration. When conditions in Hot Springs would become bad Akres would call at the garage and suggest that the Racketeers leave town for a short time. Galatas would then pass the word around and the Confidence Men would depart.

All the Confidence Men use automobiles and most of them carry concealed arsenals in their machines. Machine Guns

Sawed-off shotguns and small arms were kept in a secret hiding place in the garage. No Confidence Man could work in Hot Springs without the O.K. of Calatas, as if they tried to do so he would have them arrested by the local administration.

The racket of the Calatas crowd was not restricted to Hot Springs, but most of the prospective victims were tagged there and then followed to various points of this country and Canada where they were "fleeced". Calatas received one-third of the proceeds for the part he played in directing the "mob". The various Confidence Men when in trouble would wire him for money and he would immediately send them what they needed. When conditions became dangerous for these men in Hot Springs they would depart for their hideout, a mountain retreat located about 14 miles from Eureka Springs, Arkansas. Upon receiving word that things had adjusted themselves they would return.

Calatas retained several "strong-arm" men who would get the victims' money by use of force in case the Confidence Men were not successful in obtaining it from them by other means. These men were in Hot Springs part of the time, but spent considerable time away from there. They all had automobiles equipped with sub-machine guns and revolvers, and had unique methods of concealing the guns under the tonneau ~~on~~ the front seat in such a way that by pressing buttons the guns would be readily available. The "strong-arm" men all used bullet proof vests. AND UNDER

In addition to the "strong-arm" men mentioned above, Calatas employed a negro called Tyree Murphy, of Hot Springs, as a killer. At the present time this negro drives a Packard Roadster which was purchased for him by Calatas. The car is equipped with two machine guns which are concealed in the manner heretofore described.

A photograph of Harvey Bailey was identified as a member of the mob known as Eddie. This individual, according to Hill, drives a Buick Sedan and is head of Calatas' gun men, being an expert machine gun operator. The photograph of Wilbur Underhill was identified as one of the gunmen of the mob, as were photographs of Bernard Phillips, Ed Davis, Bob Brady and Alvin Karpis. With reference to the latter Hill observed that this individual had a bad finger on the left hand. It will be observed that Alvin Karpis, #8008, P.D. Tulsa, Oklahoma, is described as having a one inch cut scar just below the knuckle of the left index finger. Hill stated that there are

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two other gunmen making up the "strong-arm squad" - a man about 28 years of age, 5' 10", slender build, who generally goes around in shirt sleeves, and drives an Oldsmobile Coupe; and a man who looks like an Italian or Jew called "Charley", who is about 5' 6", dark complexion and hair, and chunky build. The latter is considered one of the best gunmen in the mob. He is generally accompanied by a woman about 30 years of age, about 5' 8" in height, dark hair and complexion. As will be related hereafter this individual was a close friend of Frank Nash.

In connection with the foregoing it should be noted that Hill ran the garage for Galatas for approximately 2½ years when it was discontinued because of local comment. During this period of time he serviced the cars of the Confidence Men and had general supervision of the garage. In this manner he became more than casually acquainted with the members of Galatas' gang.

Something like six months ago Frank Nash came to Hot Springs and started working the "con" game as a member of Galatas' mob. As stated before, he was friendly with the killer known as "Charley, the Wop" and frequently rode about town with him in a car belonging to Elmo Walters a "steer man" in the confidence racket. Walters had a Chrysler automobile. Nash had a woman with him and a small girl. The woman was not his wife but is married to someone in Peoria, Illinois, and the girl is her daughter.

According to Hill, Nash was well known to the Police and the Sheriff's office at Hot Springs, but had nothing to fear from them as he was under Galatas' protection.

HILL BELIEVES,

At the time Nash was taken into custody at Hot Springs June 16, 1933, he was stopping with his woman companion and her daughter at the Park Hotel. Prior to that he had stayed for sometime at the Woodcock Apartments. He was known in Hot Springs as Doc Williams, alias Doc Miller.

Ernie Hill stated that in his opinion there was no doubt but that following the arrest of Frank Nash at Hot Springs Galatas had contacted his "gunmen" to have them rescue Nash in Kansas City. He said that Nash and Galatas were very good friends and seemed to have a great deal in common. He scoffed at the idea that the "gunmen" intended to kill Nash. He said that he felt certain their purpose in accosting the officers was to liberate Nash.

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During the interview Hill advised that he had fallen out with Galatas several months ago, but said that the latter did not seem to bear him any ill-will now and, in fact, had invited him to the mob's hang-out near Eureka Springs, Arkansas, on a visit. He said that the "boys" frequently called to see him when in town as they liked to partake of his home-brew and that he felt his life would not be in danger if he paid them a social call.

After some prompting on the part of William Brandenburg he offered to go to Eureka Springs and locate the hide-out of Galatas' mob and furnish this information to the Government, if proper arrangements could be made. He frankly admitted that he would want his share of the reward for the capture, and said he would not care to undertake the trip unless his expenses were advanced. In this connection he said he had relatives at Collinsville, Illinois, near Springfield. He intimated that he would pass through Eureka Springs should he drive to Collinsville, and suggested that if it were desired he would take his family with him, ostensibly to pay a visit to his home in Collinsville, and would stop off in Eureka Springs to locate the gang.

In connection with the foregoing and for the purpose of ascertaining where Galatas might be, Hill called at the residence of Galatas, 107 Harrell Street, Hot Springs, to obtain a screen door which had been offered to him. While there he made inquiry and learned that Galatas had left town with his wife. The landlady informed him confidentially that Galatas and his "boys" had gone to their hide-out near Eureka Springs.

The writer requested that Hill keep himself in readiness should he be needed, and asked him to secure any additional information possible.

As the writer was leaving Hot Springs the night of June 25, 1933, word was sent to him that William Brandenburg had some information of vital interest to the case. Hurrying to his home it was ascertained from Brandenburg and Ernie Hill that the latter had entertained two Confidence Men that afternoon who called at his home to drink some home brew. Hill said that after the men had consumed two gallons of home brew they became very friendly and asked him why he didn't come up to visit them, saying that the mob was at the hide-out about 14 miles from Eureka Springs. They informed him that they had come for the mail of Dick Galatas and said they did not intend to spend the night in Hot Springs. They were driving a Willys Knight Sedan. Hill described these individuals as follows:

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Number 1.

NAME	Bennie Young
HEIGHT	About 5' 8"
HAIR	Light
	Wearing dark suit

Number 2.

A young man about the same size, but a little heavier, wearing a derby hat.

Hill left these men under the impression that he would pay them a visit in a few days as he contemplated visiting his home at Collinsville, Illinois, and would pass through Eureka Springs.

William Brandenburg, during the course of the conversation, related that Dick Galatas, Frank Clark, and George McLaughlin, brother of the Mayor of Hot Springs, whose first name is Leo, until recently had slot machines operating in the city. A short time ago George McLaughlin accused a taxi driver of using slugs in one of the slot machines, and in an argument that followed killed this man while Galatas held him. McLaughlin was tried but was found Not Guilty by a fixed jury. The slot machines have ceased to operate for the time being as a consequence. Associated with the man mentioned above were Marion Anderson, former Deputy Sheriff, Albert "Dutch" Akers, and Joe Wakeland, Chief of Police, as well as Frank Clark.

According to Brandenburg all the officials of Hot Springs are in on the pay-off and receive 15% of the proceeds of crooked gambling, "con" games, etcetera. Brandenburg expressed his conviction that the Galatas gang was responsible for the Kansas City massacre, and said that while he did not know he really felt that "Dutch" Akers had double-crossed Galatas by putting his finger on Nash at Hot Springs.

Brandenburg stated that the following men can be trusted in the event interview with them are desired:

Brant Smith, former Sheriff of Hot Springs, Arkansas.
Judge Scott Wood, of the Arkansas Trust Company.
Dr. William J. Smith, Medical Arts Bldg., Hot Springs
Jim Polas, alias "Big Jim", the Greek Proprietor
of Lee House Hotel.

He advised against contacting any members of the city or county administration, and for that reason the writer did not interview Prosecuting

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Attorney Emory. It was learned from Brandenburg that most of the Confidence Men take their baths at the Maurice Bath House. He advised that the manager of that house would not give any information. Brandenburg is an old acquaintance of his, however, and promised the writer that he would attempt to "pick" him for information regarding the mob and the killing.

Porter Austeal, operator of the Yellow Cab Company, Hot Springs, Arkansas, a friend of Brandenburg, was interviewed in the latter's presence. He formerly operated a gambling joint in Hot Springs but is at odds with the present administration. Austeal related that when he came to his office near the White Front Cigar Store in Hot Springs about lunch time on Friday, June 16, 1933, he learned of the arrest of Frank Nash. He said that he learned that Galatas was in front of the cigar store when Nash was picked up, and that as soon as the officers left with Nash Galatas left hurriedly for the City Hall.

While he was gone Joe Scott, a police officer, having heard of the alleged kidnapping of Nash called at the taxi office and from there telephoned the Police Station. "Dutch" Akers answered the 'phone and when Scott related there had been a kidnapping in front of the White Front Cigar Store said "For Christ's Sake, get off this line and stay off", hanging the receiver on the hook. It is the supposition of Austeal that Galatas was in the Police Station reporting the arrest of Nash at the time the policeman called. At any rate, Galatas appeared a few minutes later driving his red Ford Convertible Coupe, and a few minutes later passed by on Central Avenue driving toward the Airport road with his wife, Nash's woman and a small girl. Shortly thereafter "Dutch" Akers drove up Central Avenue in a Cadillac Sedan belonging to Galatas. He was followed by Chief of Police Joe Wakeland in the latter's automobile. A few minutes later Chief Wakeland and Akers passed by the taxi stand going to the Police Station in the Chief's automobile. About two hours later Galatas passed by the taxi stand driving his Cadillac Sedan.

The next day Austeal saw Galatas and the latter's wife drive toward the Park Hotel in Galatas' red Ford Convertible Coupe. He has not seen either Galatas or his wife since then.

Bill Siese, who is in the sign business at Hot Springs, is Past Master of the Masonic Lodge there. He advised that he is investigating Galatas as the latter succeeded in gaining admission to the Masonic Order and local Masons want to throw him out of the Lodge. He said that his investigation revealed that the true name of this individual is Richard Tallman Galatas, alias Richard Sheridan, alias Pritchard Sheridan; that Galatas has a police record at Columbus, Ohio, for practicing the "con" game. He said the fingerprints and photograph

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of Galatas can be obtained from the Columbus, Ohio Police. He related that Galatas came to Hot Springs from Tucson, Arizona, where he was operating as a "con" man. He said that Galatas has a son studying medicine at Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana, and that he understands this boy formerly attended the University of Alabama, taking a pre-medical course there. He said that Galatas has a connection with Madison Smith, Cadillac dealer in Little Rock, Arkansas, and is believed to have considerable money on deposit in Little Rock banks in addition to the two banks at Hot Springs.

He stated that in addition to running the "con" racket it is his understanding that Galatas directs the liquor and dope ring, and had a supply point at Noble, ^{Mo}Arkansas, which is run by John Connor, brother of Eddie Connor, his former lieutenant who was killed in New York recently. He related that the Federal Government, through the Income Tax Department, conducted an investigation into the activities of Galatas and should be in possession of some valuable information regarding it.

During the course of the investigation set forth above miscellaneous information was secured which is being made a part of this memorandum as of possible value in the future.

Someone in Hot Springs is reported to have wired flowers to Paragould, Arkansas for the funeral of Frank Nash.

Richard Tallman Galatas is a member of the Detroit Lodge number 34 B.P.O.E. located at 8109 East Jefferson Street, Detroit, Michigan. His wife is said to have a daughter, one Mrs. H. F. Scherfler residing at 4223 Garden Homes, Los Angeles, California. Galatas is said to have a brother of good repute and high standing in Chicago, Illinois. He is also said to own property in El Paso, Texas, and Tucson, Arizona, and is reported to have a citrus grove somewhere in the vicinity of Los Angeles, California, which he visits every summer. He often pays visits to Victoria, B.C. where he is said to be known. Galatas is reported to carry two guns on his person at all times and to be very adept in the use of them.

As a matter of information it might be noted that William Brandenburg advised that one Elivers McBride, a confidence man and pick-pocket of Kansas City, is of record with the police, and might possibly have some connection with this case. He said that the biggest hang-out for confidence men in Kansas City is the Majestic Hotel.

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It will be of interest to note that according to Ernie Hill, Howard Bailey, Bob Brady, and Bernard Phillips were seen by him in

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Hot Springs a few days before Nash was picked up there. It might also be of interest to know that while servicing the automobiles for the confidence men Hill often observed several sets of license plates in their cars. He advised that in addition to changing license plates they changed machines very often and frequently had their cars repainted.

Ernie Hill advised that the description of Galatas is as follows:

AGE	40 or 45 years
HEIGHT	5' 7"
WEIGHT	155
BUILD	Medium
HAIR	Brown
EYES	Dark
COMPLEXION	Medium

NAME	HELLIE GALATOS
AGE	28 or 30 years
HEIGHT	5' 6"
HAIR	Dark, which she often dyes various colors
EYES	Dark
COMPLEXION	Fair
BUILD	Heavy

NAME	TYRRE MURPHY
AGE	About 26
HEIGHT	About 6 feet
WEIGHT	145 lbs.
BUILD	Slender
HAIR	Black, curly
COMPLEXION	Dark Brown
MARITAL STATUS	Married, Well educated - Evidently from the North

Brandenburg and Ernie Hill are continuing their efforts to secure additional information regarding this case.

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Agents H. E. Anderson and B. R. Allen are, on June 29, 1933, situated at Fayetteville, Arkansas and have arranged with Confidential Informant A of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, to locate any members of the gang from Hot Springs who may be found. The informant believes he can locate them at Eureka Springs, Arkansas. Appropriate action with reference to watching the activities of these parties, which may include Herbert Farmer, or taking them into custody, will be considered at the time they are located, depending on the circumstances.

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It will be noted on page 60 of the reference report that a schedule of long distance telephone calls was set up which appear to be material and to show the manner of the activities on the part of the gang of Frank Nash from the time of his apprehension to the time of the murderous attack made by his friends. The parts that the various individuals played in the plan may also be, in some manner, gleaned from these telephone calls. In this connection, it was believed advisable to closely watch, through every possible means, activities of parties at 6612 Edgevale Road, Kansas City, Missouri, telephone Jackson 7073, which is listed as the residence and telephone number of Vincent C. Moore. In this connection, a memorandum by Special Agent in Charge, R. C. Harvey, is quoted as follows:

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On 6-23-33, Special Agent in Charge R. G. Harvey, accompanied by Lieutenant B. H. Thurman, head of the Bandit Squad, Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department, interviewed Earl Smith, 6623 Edgevale Street, Kansas City, Missouri, telephone Jackson 6130. Mr. Smith resides almost directly opposite the address 6612 Edgevale Street which home is allegedly occupied by one V. C. Moore, the telephone number being Jackson 7073. It will be noted that telephone calls were placed from Joplin, Missouri, to the telephone Jackson 7073 prior to the murders at Union Station.

Mr. Smith said that he had been very suspicious of the people occupying the address 6612 Edgevale Street. He stated that these people moved in about six weeks ago and a large number of automobiles with foreign licenses had visited this address. He said that there was a brown Packard Sedan, about two years old, apparently owned by one of the occupants and also an Essex Sedan, dark blue-black color with Illinois license. Mr. Smith stated that the occupants to this address have been away for the past three days. He said that he had been trying to recall what developments transpired at this address the date prior and the day of the Union Station shooting. He has noted on numerous occasions cars with Minnesota and Illinois licenses driving up to this address.

Mr. Smith appeared to be very reliable and informed that he was in business with Gabe Kauffman, local sports promoter.

Mr. Smith was handed photographs of all of the Lansing escapes and in addition numerous other known members of the Nash mob and without hesitation picked out photographs of Harvey Bailey and Edward Wilhite as individuals whom he had seen at this house on numerous occasions. He also stated that he had noted women, as well as men, visiting this residence.

Mr. Smith was not interviewed at length because Lieutenant Thurman and Agent Harvey felt that to tarry in the neighborhood might create suspicion and an agreement was made to meet him at the Kansas City office on 6-23-33 at which time all details will be obtained.

Lieutenant Thurman and the writer interviewed Captain Ghent in charge of the 3rd Police District, 63rd and Baltimore, which covers the address referred to and Thurman requested that Ghent not send any men to 6612 Edgevale or that vicinity for any purpose unless Ghent first consulted with Thurman.

Captain Ghent informed that a big business man whose name he does not have handy but can obtain, informed his office that there are suspicious characters residing in a large house on the southeast corner of 68th Street Terrace and Oak whom Ghent had better check up on and watch the place. Thurman will obtain all details and furnish this information to the Kansas City office.

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Investigation was had with Harry S. Backer, 427 Westport Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, relative to the identity of the individuals owning the apartment house at 3814 Washington Street. Mr. Backer advised that this property was owned by Mr. and Mrs. George Belcher.

Mr. and Mrs. George Belcher were interviewed, inasmuch as the report has been received indicating that some unidentified persons appeared at the apartment house and rented an apartment on the first and third floors prior to the Union Station slayings, the individual renting said apartments producing a large amount of bills and asking no questions and did not look at the apartments before accepting them. Both Mr. and Mrs. Belcher informed that they knew nothing about this affair and had positively not rented two apartments to any individual recently. They informed that they knew the identity of the various tenants and the only apartments that had been rented during the past week or ten days were to responsible persons whose business connections were known to the Belchers.

Earl Smith called at the Kansas City office at 9:30 A.M. on 6-23-33 and was interviewed by Special Agent in Charge Jones, Special Agent in Charge Vetterli, Special Agent Brantley, Lieutenant B. H. Thurman and Special Agent in Charge Harvey.

Mr. Smith said that the individuals referred to above have resided in the bungalow at 6612 Edgevale Street for ten or eleven weeks. They go under the name of Moore and a check of the telephone directory indicates their full name to be V. C. Moore. Mr. Smith states that the house is owned by one McFarland, Kansas City directory indicates his name as H. E. McFarland. McFarland now resides at Lake Tawawnee. There is a youngster named Bettie, age between eight and nine years, who resides at the residence some of the time and is allegedly a daughter of said Moore. According to Smith, the Moores formerly resided at Breinard, Minnesota, and Bettie's grandmother is supposed to reside at Breinard, Minnesota. Bettie has a friend named Mary Ann, who attends the Shafton School and lives in the St. Vincent's parish whose father owns the brown Packard Sedan, 1932 Model, V-type shell, which is dusty from traveling on dirt or oil roads. A neighbor girl, who, according to Smith, is named Joan Alford, daughter of William P. Alford, who resides next door to the Smiths and who is a very alert child, eight or nine years, became acquainted with Mary Ann several weeks ago at the Shafton Dancing School. According to Mr. Smith, Mary Ann's parents do not want her to make any acquaintances. About two weeks ago Joan was on the porch at the Moore residence with Mary Ann. Mr. Smith asked Joan if she liked Mr. and Mrs. Moore and she said they were all right, she liked their uncle Jim because he gave her a Japanese umbrella.

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Last Friday the Packard pulled up and took Bettie Moore away and they returned her early Monday morning, 6-19-33. The Packard left shortly thereafter and had not since returned. There has been no activity at the house since early Monday morning. Joan said, when questioned, that they went to Chicago in a hurry Monday as something turned up.

One woman at the Moore residence was described as: age, 35; height, 5 feet 7 inches; hair, cross between blonde and brunette. Another woman seen at the Moore residence is described as: height, 5 feet 6 inches; weight, 120 pounds; deep voice. Another woman seen at the Moore residence is described as: height, 5 feet 7 inches; weight, 150 pounds; hair, platinum blonde; wife of the owner of the Essex Sedan and whose home is allegedly at Breinard, Minnesota.

Smith said that the occupants at this address never sit on the porch. He again mentioned that photographs of Harvey Bailey and Wilhite resemble persons he has seen at this residence. He also stated that he recalls that Bailey was apprehended at the Old Mission Golf Course and may have seen his picture in the paper, although he is positive he has seen Bailey and he cannot be definitely certain about whether it was at the Moore residence or elsewhere.

Mr. Smith has seen a Wolfertan delivery truck at the Moore residence on numerous occasions. Smith states that Yellow Taxicabs drive up at all hours of the day and night and usually leave in a hurry. In the event that the occupants at this address have purchased films and developed snapshots the most logical places for developing would be the Crown Drug Store at 63rd and Oak Streets, Bird or Walgreen Drug Stores at 63rd and Brookside, all of which do developing. Mr. Smith stated that Mr. Buckner, 63rd and Oak, who delivers groceries to the Smith residence, may have delivered groceries to the Moore residence.

In case it is necessary to go to the Smith home, he stated that the best way to approach the home, in order not to be seen by any of the occupants at 6612 Edgevale, would be to drive to Oak Street and 66th Street Terrace and come up through Smith's back yard. Smith has informed that he and his wife will keep a close lookout for any developments at the Moore residence and notify this office immediately. He has offered to allow an Agent to move into his residence if deemed necessary in order to observe the address in question. He also described a vacant house next door to the Moore residence which had previously been occupied by officials of the Sears Roebuck Store and which would be an excellent place for lookouts to observe the Moore residence.

Mr. Smith and his wife have observed, besides Illinois and Minnesota licensees, cars with New York, Iowa, Oklahoma, Wisconsin and Kansas licenses drive up to the Moore residence. The Essex contains an Illinois license. The people residing at this address play golf a great deal.

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On June 26, 1933, pursuant to an arrangement with this office, Mrs. Erle H. Smith, 6623 Edgevale Road, telephone Jackson 6130, telephoned the Kansas City Office, stating that a baggage truck had appeared at the residence at 6612 Edgevale Road, and was loading furniture from the residence. Assistant Director, Harold Nathan, and Special Agent Dwight Brantley immediately proceeded to the premises and there ascertained from Mrs. Smith that the moving van bore a license number, which, upon tracing, was found to belong to Thomas L. Dalton, 84th and Madison Streets, Kansas City, Missouri. The truck had already departed at the time Messrs. Nathan and Brantley arrived. They also ascertained from Mrs. Smith that a brown Packard sedan had been parked at some distance from the residence at 6612 Edgevale at the time the moving truck had arrived; that a man had walked from the residence at 6612 Edgevale after giving instructions to the driver of the truck, and had gotten into the Packard sedan and driven away.

Pencil memoranda by Special Agent Dwight Brantley, concerning the investigation relative to the transfer of the furniture, and the history of one Frank Mulloy, are quoted as follows:

"Thomas L. Dalton, 84th and Madison, operates Waldo Transfer, in Westmoreland Garage, 75th and Broadway, stated this morning he was called by telephone to come to 6612 Edgevale Road to move some stuff. He drove to that address, where a large man met and let him in. No other persons present. He got, from the place, 2 single beds; mattresses; bed clothing, a washing machine; a floor lamp, and some bath room materials. He moved them to 14 East 56th Street Terrace, a brown colored 2-story house. The man who met him at 6612 Edgevale was at 14 East 56th Street Terrace. Dalton does not know how he got there; he saw no car; saw no persons at 6612 Edgevale Road, except the man. He saw a woman at 14 East 56th Street Terrace ironing. Dalton was paid \$2.00 for his trip. He does not know the name of the man and said he never saw him before.

"Sergeant B. H. Thurman accompanied me on this investigation."

"Francis Mulloy, or F. B. Mulloy, 14 East 56th Street, Terrace, telephone Hiland 0652, is a well known bootlegger and has served a term in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth for violation of the National Prohibition Act.

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He is closely associated with Walter Rainey, gunman, stick-up man, etc. Dangerous character. Mulloy and Rainey are said now to be operating a chicken dinner (joint) at 85th and Wornall Road. Probably a hangout for gunmen, etc.

"A photograph of Rainey was presented to Thomas L. Dalton. He stated this photograph resembles the man who hired him to move from 6612 Edgevale to 14 East 56th Street Terrace.

"The photograph of Mulloy was obtained at Leavenworth."

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It may be stated here that through a check of the telephone records at Kansas City, Missouri, it was found that the following long distance telephone calls were made from telephone Jackson 7073, Kansas City, Missouri, 6612 Edgevale Road, during the past several months:

To:

Date and hour

Jeplin, Missouri, 1541 W2 (Herbert Farmer's phone)

April 12, 1933 9:45 PM

Jeplin, Missouri 1541 W2 (same)

April 16, 1933 11:14 PM

Leavenworth, Kansas 458 (Chevrolet Company number)

April 18, 1933

Leavenworth, Kansas 1362

April 29, 1933

Minneapolis, Minn. (Atlantic 5177) Nicolet Hotel
(believed to be room 764)

May 3, 1933

Hot Springs, Ark. LD12 (Dick Latius or Hatius)

June 1, 1933

In this connection, it is apparent that LD 12, Hot Springs, Arkansas, referred to the party named Galatas, who is mentioned in the memorandum of Agent Anderson, heretofore quoted.

Special Agent in Charge, R. G. Harvey made inquiry at Leavenworth, Kansas, concerning the telephone calls in question, and returned a memorandum pertaining thereto as follows:

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"In reference to the list of telephone calls from the residence at 6612 Edgevale Avenue, two of which were calls to Leavenworth, Kansas, the writer and Agent Nathan endeavored to check one call; namely, telephone 458, Leavenworth, on April 13, 1933, this telephone number being the Barnes-Collard Chevrolet Agency, 600 Delaware Street. Agent Nathan and the writer interviewed discreetly Bart Collars, Vice President, and William D. Dyndall, Secretary and Treasurer of this firm, but were unable to obtain any information relative to said telephone call. It was deemed advisable to check data from records of the Chevrolet Company, concerning repair jobs, inasmuch as it was thought this call might have referred to repairs or services on a car. This data is listed in memorandum prepared by Agent Nathan under date of June 24th.

"It was ascertained that one call from the aforementioned address, under date of April 29, 1933, was to telephone 1362 Leavenworth, which is the telephone number of John T. Glynn, 311 Chestnut Street, a private detective, who was formerly Chief of Police at Leavenworth. It was deemed inadvisable to interview Glynn.

"The writer ascertained through Jack Jenkins, Assistant Chief of Police, Kansas City, Kansas, that Glynn has a shady reputation and has been known to represent gangsters. Deputy Warden Graham advised that Glynn visited Bailey on five or six occasions at the Kansas Penitentiary. The Warden is of the opinion that Glynn was trying to fix up an Iowa "rap" for Bailey. Graham said that Glynn brought Bailey money on at least one occasion. A check of the prison records reveals the following information relative to individuals who visited convicts Harvey Bailey, Bob Brady, Ed Davis, and Wilber Underhill. The Visitors' Registry book does not disclose that James Clark had any visitors.

HARVEY BAILEY - Register #3045

- 8-21-32 - Shepard, Attorney, Fort Scott, Kansas
 - 9-20-32)
 - 10-21-32) - Mattie Bailey, wife, Richmond, Illinois
 - 11-25-32)
 - 11-14-32 - W. D. Bailey, Attorney, Leavenworth, Kansas
 - 11-18-32 - Charles Malone - no address
 - Bill Sheppard - no address
 - James P. or G. Sheppard, no address
 - 11-27-32 - John T. Glynn - Leavenworth
 - 3-7-33 - Mattie Bailey, wife, Richmond, Illinois.
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5-26-33 - J. T. Glynn, Leavenworth.

ED DAVIS - register #2987

5-17-33 - Mrs. Lona Davis, wife; son, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

BOB BRADY - register #3357

5-25-33 - Leona Brady, wife, 1301 High Street, Des Moines, Iowa
5-26-33 - Leona Brady, wife, 1301 High Street, Des Moines, Iowa

WILBER UNDERHILL - register #2337

June 14, 1932) Dorothy Underhill, sister;
December 14, 1932) Mrs. A. Underhill, mother,
January 22, 1933) Hugh Baine, nephew,
February 1, 1933) all of 280 South Bales, Kansas City, Mo.
February 23, 1933)

March 16, 1933 - Mrs. Underhill, mother, above address
March 21, 1933 - Hugh Baine, nephew, same address
March 31, 1933 - Dorothy Underhill, sister, above address.
April 17, 1933 - Mrs. Underhill, mother, above address.
May 18, 1933 - Dorothy Underhill, sister, above address.
May 20, 1933 - J. T. Glynn, Leavenworth, Kansas.
May 23, 1933 - Mrs. Underhill, mother, above address.

Warden Fred Zerbst of the Leavenworth Penitentiary advised that Glynn has, for a number of years, visited prisoners usually of the gangster type, at the Leavenworth Penitentiary, and has had more or less free run of the institution up until Warden White's and Zerbst's tenure. Glynn endeavored to interview Jack Gusick, Capone gangster, and members of the "Egan Rats," St. Louis gangsters, and other known gangsters.

Glynn made several efforts over the phone to arrange visits for Chicago people with Jack Gusick.

"Warden Zerbst said that on one occasion, Glynn called at the prison and asked to interview a prisoner, but was informed by the Warden that he would have to interview this prisoner in his presence. Glynn asked the Warden if he did not trust him, and Glynn said he would not come back if that was the case, and Warden Zerbst said he would be just as well pleased if he didn't come back. Glynn has in the past interviewed Holden, as well as Keating, according to Zerbst. It was ascertained that Holden has had the following visitors since his last incarceration in Leavenworth:

Mrs. Holden, wife, December 1, 1932; January 17, 1933; February 13, 1933; March 15, 1933; April 18, 1933; May 19, 1933.

Mrs. Mame Fallon, sister - no address, February 27, 1933; April 3, 1933; May 8, 1933; June 7, 1933.

KEATING has had the following visitors:

Mrs. Keating, wife, Chicago, December 23, 1932; March 20 and 21; April 30; June 3, 1933.

"Warden Zerbst mentioned receiving letters from Glynn on several occasions introducing various individuals whom Glynn desired to have the privilege of talking with certain prisoners. Photostatic copies of two of these letters were turned over by Warden Zerbst. Both letters are in reference to Thomas Kearney and Charles Houghton, dated July 23, 1932, informing the Warden that these individuals will call to see certain inmates in the institution who were convicted in St. Louis. Further stating that the visit is business and not a social one, and that Glynn vouches for both individuals as "square shooters."

The telephone of Frank Mulloy, 14 East 56th Terrace, to which point the effects were moved from 6612 Edgevale Road, is Hiland 0852. The wires of Frank Mulloy have been tapped and conversations being held over that line are being overheard at this time. It is found that several telephone calls have been made from the residence of Frank Mulloy to J. E. Kathrens, 3834 Main Street, telephone number, Logan 3400. Kathrens is the head of the Kathrens Moving & Storage Company and is said by B. H. Thurman, Police Detective at Kansas City, to be powerful in local democratic politics.

It will be noted from a letter from the Chicago Office, dated June 27, 1933, that a telephone call was had from the O. P. Inn, Chicago, Illinois, to Fritz Mallory on June 16, 1933. The party referred to as Fritz Mallory was, no doubt, Fritz Mulloy, which is an alias of Frank Mulloy, heretofore mentioned.

The "Horse Shoe Tavern" is said to be a gambling den where liquor is sold, and according to B. H. Thurman, is owned by John Lazia, politician and gangster of Kansas City.

A personal investigation was made by Special Agent Brantley, accompanied by Detective B. H. Thurman of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department on June 28, 1933, at 6612 Edgevale Road, and also an interview was had with H. E. McFarland, owner of the premises at that address, whose location is at Lake Tapewingo. A memorandum by Agent Brantley, reflecting the above investigation, is quoted as follows:

Sergeant B. H. Thurman, of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department, and Agent Dwight Brantley interviewed N. E. McFarland, Lake Tapewingo, which is about 16 miles east of Kansas City, and who is the owner of the property at 6612 Edgevale Road.

He stated that in April, 1933, he rented the property at 6612 Edgevale Road to Vincent C. Moore. He had placed an advertisement in the paper, and a representative of the Southside Realty Company of Kansas City came with Vincent C. Moore to see him about it. A lease was executed April 10, 1933 by Vincent C. Moore for these premises, for a period of one year, at \$75.00 per month. McFarland said the rent was always paid in cash, was brought to his cigar store at 1016 Baltimore Avenue, and that it was always paid promptly on the 10th of the month. He said that a woman was with Moore at the house, and she is blond, rather tall, a bit taller than the man, and he remembers her as very slender and a bit hard looking. He stated these people have two cars, Chevrolet sedans, black in color, and one of them, he remembers, had a foreign license, which he thinks was Pennsylvania. He stated that the last time the rent was paid, the woman brought the money to the cigar store, and the man circled the block in the car while she was in the store, and with the man in the car was a little girl 8 or 9 years of age. This was June 10th. He said that Mr. and Mrs. Moore each wears a large diamond ring.

McFarland stated that some time ago the Moores wanted a broiler put in the gas range, and McFarland offered to go in and take the measurements, in order that this could be done, but these people told him that they would rather that McFarland would not do that, as they could give that attention.

Later, they wanted a screen door repaired, and McFarland offered to go there and attend to that, but the Moores objected and said that they would attend to it. McFarland said that he had not been in the house since he rented it. He said that when the house was rented, Moore gave June Kathrens (J. E. Kathrens of Kathrens Storage Company, Kansas City) as a reference, and also named the National Educational Insurance Company of Oklahoma City as a reference. McFarland said that he does not know Kathrens, and did not call him in respect to Moore. McFarland stated that he got Mr. Ross of the Better Business Bureau, Kansas City, to write the Better Business Bureau of Oklahoma City, concerning Moore's affiliation with the National Educational Insurance Company, and that a reply was received to the effect that the firm is known there, but that Moore is unknown.

Moore, when he talked to McFarland about renting the house, said he was in the insurance business, selling insurance to school teachers.

Both Mr. and Mrs. N. E. McFarland identified a photograph of Vernon C. Miller, Minneapolis Police Department #21059, as Vincent C. Moore, who rented the premises at 6612 Edgevale Road.

With N. E. McFarland, Sergeant Thurman and Agent Brantley entered the house at 6612 Edgevale Road. No one was in the place. It was searched thoroughly from cellar to attic.

In the attic were found a soft felt hat, brown in color, which shows that it was purchased in Chicago, Illinois. McFarland said the hat does not belong to him. In this connection, it should be observed that McFarland rented the house furnished. Also in the attic were found a bed pan, a syringe, and on the floor were marks indicating that beds had been rolled about. An electric heater was found in the attic also, and McFarland said he had not placed it there. The attic bore evidences of some ill person, or some wounded person having been harbored there.

There are two bed rooms in the house. In the drawer of a small table in one of these bedrooms was found numerous papers, one of which, among other things, being a piece of paper containing the following:

"Northwest corner Manor Hall, 39th and Troost, entrance on west side of 39th."

A sales ticket of Burton J. Pierce Co., 5708 Broadway, Kansas City, indicating that \$5.00 was paid for repairs on some kind of radio.

A certificate of the Kansas City Power & Light Company, dated April 10, 1933, showing receipt from Vincent C. Moore of \$7.00 as deposit for electric service.

A paper showing telephone number "Linwood 6578" and "Jackson 9530" and "Valentine 3730".

A receipt from the telephone company, showing payment by Vincent C. Moore of \$3.00 for service connection.

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A receipt from the Kansas City Gas Company for \$50.00, received from Vincent C. Moore, as a deposit.

A receipt from the Water Department, dated April 19, 1933, showing Moore paid \$5.00 deposit.

A card of Bacher - Cunningham, Grocers, 6245 Brookside Blvd., on which was written in pencil the telephone number "Jackson 9530."

A paper containing telephone number Valentine 5714, and on which the name "Carl" is written in pencil.

A card of the Hudson-Brace Motor Company, 27th and Main Streets, on which the name Harry S. Young is printed, and the name "J. Cunningham," is written in pencil, and on which the telephone number "Grand 5440," "843" appears, written in pencil.

A card of E. C. Donahue of Rothschild's, Kansas City, on the back of which the telephone number "NO. 1750", "R. M. Haze"(or Hoss) and "Harrison 7100," are written in pencil.

A card of J. Floyd Blackburn of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Kansas City, Missouri, on the back of which the telephone number "Jackson 9530" is written, as is the word "Pycope."

A card of the Southside Realty Company, 202 Rockhill Theatre Building, 4610 Troost Avenue, on which the name "J. E. Wallace" is typewritten, and on the back of which the telephone number "Valentine 4966" is written in pencil.

A card of Alta M. Roberts, 34 West 70th Street, Kansas City, upon the back of which the name "McFarland, 1016 Baltimore, Harrison 3322" appears in pencil.

A rent receipt for \$75.00, dated May 10, 1933, paid to McFarland, and on the back of which is written in pencil "Superior 4927, Room 706;" a receipt for some dish.

A prescription blank of D. M. Nigro, M. D., physician and surgeon, Kansas City, Missouri, and on which is written the telephone number "Jackson 9703," Armour Hills Pharmacy, 71st and Oak Streets."

A lease for the premises at 6612 Edgevale Road, signed by V. C. Moore and Mrs. H. E. McFarland.

A further search failed to reveal any further papers or records or evidences of identity of the occupants of the premises at 6612 Edgevale. In the cellar, however, was found a 2-gallon milk can which was about one-half full of roof nails with flat heads, about 1 inch long. McFarland said they do not belong to him. There were numerous beer bottles on the premises. A bottle of medicine was found, which shows that it was purchased at Armour Hills Pharmacy, Seventy First and Oak Streets, the medicine being prescribed by Doctor Elgro, and the number of the prescription being 8-1272, dated April 15, 1933.

McFarland stated that a small trunk which can be attached to the running board of an automobile, has been removed from the premises.

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Special Agent J. E. Brennan, together with Assistant Chief of Police, Jack Jenkins, proceeded to the premises at 6612 Edgevale Road, where latent fingerprints were secured from all available articles at that residence. At the present time, numerous latent fingerprints are being traced by comparison with the known fingerprints of suspects in this matter. However, it may be stated that the fingerprints of Vernon C. Miller, South Dakota State Penitentiary #4240, have been positively identified from the latent prints found at the residence in question. It is, therefore, positively established that Vernon C. Miller is identical with Vincent C. Moore, an alias used by that party. It is quite probable that he may have figured in an active capacity in the massacre which occurred in this case, as he is said to be an expert gunman, and through past connections which are known to this Bureau, he has been a member of the gang of Frank Nash. A conscientious and thorough effort will be made to secure a personal identification of this individual through parties at the Union Railroad Station at Kansas City.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent S. W. Hardy, dated December 2, 1931, at St. Paul, Minnesota, in the case entitled Francis L. Keating, with aliases, FUGITIVE, IO #1129; THOMAS Holden, with aliases, FUGITIVE, IO #1127, where it will be noted that a discussion of Vernon C. Miller is had in connection with the Frank Nash gang, and all facts contained in that and other reports in the file of Holden and Keating, are to be taken into consideration in the further investigation of this case by the Kansas City Office.

At an early date, a complete list of friends and henchmen of the deceased Frank Nash will be consolidated into a list after a careful review of the former files concerning Nash, Keating and Holden.

At the time that Vernon C. Miller, under the alias of Vincent C. Moore secured a contract for gas and electricity from the Kansas City Public Service Company, he offered as reference the Educators Finance Company, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, stating that he was employed by that organization, and intended to operate a branch office of the concern at Kansas City. He also offered the same reference when he rented the residence from H. E. McFarland, heretofore mentioned. Mr. McFarland referred to the Better Business Bureau, Kansas City, Missouri, which in turn made reference to the Better Business Bureau at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma to ascertain the employment status of "Moore," in connection with the Educators Finance Company.

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Memorandum by Special Agent G. H. Franklin of the Oklahoma City Office, dated June 27, 1933, pertaining to inquiries by the Better Business Bureau there is quoted as follows:

"On June 24, 1933, agent, accompanied by Special Agent K. D. Deaderick, interviewed Mr. J. R. Barton, Vice President and General Manager of the Educators' Finance Company, located on the 8th floor of the Colcord Building, Oklahoma City."

"Mr. Barton advised that Vincent C. Moore is in no way connected with his concern and never has been; further, that Moore is not known to him or any of his associates. Mr. Barton stated that on May 2nd, this year, he received a letter from the New Bismarck Hotel, located at 117 West Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois, inquiring as to whether Vincent C. Moore was connected with his concern and was authorized to issue checks payable on his company. Mr. Barton further advised that the Educators' Finance Company has only two offices, one at Oklahoma City and one at Dallas, Texas, the Dallas office being operated by a Mr. Eaton, manager. He stated that Mack Leavitt is business manager of the Oklahoma City office. Mr. Barton further stated that at the time he received this letter from the hotel in Chicago, he inquired from Max Leavitt if Moore was known to him, at which time Leavitt denied knowing him.

"At the offices of the Better Business Bureau, located on the 7th floor of the Hightower Building, Oklahoma City, through the courtesy of Mrs. Mitchell, this agent and Special Agent K. D. Deaderick were shown the files that they have on Vincent C. Moore. These files reflect that they had received a letter on April 11, 1933 from their Kansas City office, making inquiry in regards to the National Educators' Finance Company, stating that Vincent C. Moore was manager for the above company at Kansas City. Information on Mack Leavitt, as revealed by these files, is that on October 18, 1932, the Oklahoma City office received a letter from their Chicago office to the effect that Mack Leavitt, 44 years old, had formerly resided at 934 Galt Avenue, Chicago, and is treasurer of the Leavitt Securities Company, located at Room 1001, 139 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois, an Illinois corporation in the Investment Securities business and capitalized at \$5,000.00 and is dominated by Mack Leavitt; that this company is affiliated with Leavitt and Company, a trade-style used by M. M. Leavitt. The files further reflect that on September 8, 1932, Stanley Rogers, Sheriff, Oklahoma City, received a telegram from Chief of Detectives Shumaker, Chicago, to the effect that Max Leavitt alias Mack Leavitt alias Morris M. Leavitt, formerly

owned and operated the Danmore Apartment Hotel at 912 Eastwood Avenue, Chicago; that on March 5, 1928, a complaint was filed in his office by Mrs. Felicitas Brueck, to whom Leavitt sold 50 shares of the capital stock of the Captain Jack's Resort, Inc., which was not qualified for sale. The arrest of Leavitt was requested, based on the charges of violation of the Illinois Securities Act. It is the understanding of the Oklahoma City Better Business Bureau that Leavitt somehow got out of this scrape. The files also reflect that it has been reported that Leavitt was indicted at Houston, Texas on August 23, 1923 with the Blue Bird Oil Company.

"No information was obtained concerning the Educators' Finance Company, other than it is a concern dealing in stocks, bonds and investment securities and that Mr. J. R. Barton, the Vice President and General Manager bears a good reputation and is a former Oklahoma City School Superintendent.

"Agent accompanied by Special Agent K. D. Keaderick, interviewed Mr. Grover McKee, 115 North Harvey, Oklahoma City. Mr. McKee advised that a month or six weeks ago a Mr. Perry Morton, a practicing attorney in Oklahoma City with offices located in the Petroleum Building, had approached him and attempted to sell him a portion of \$100,000.00 worth of liberty bonds, the selling price being 10% of the face valuation. Mr. Morton told Mr. McKee that these bonds came from Chicago and could be readily sold at a large profit. McKee declined the offer, stating that he would not handle the bonds as he was under the impression that they were stolen.

"Agent was advised by Richard Cooley, Operative of the U. S. Secret Service, to the effect that he had information that Perry Morton secured these bonds from Seth Stone and that Stone and Morton in all probability will face prosecution. He further advised that these bonds were registered and were stolen last October from the Farmers State Bank of Hutchinson, Kansas during a bank robbery.

"Perry Morton, at the time he attempted to sell these bonds to Mr. McKee, was connected with the law firm of Scott, Squyres and Morton, with offices in the Ramsey Tower, Oklahoma City."

Again, reference is made to the report of Special Agent S. W. Hardy, dated December 2, 1931, at St. Paul, Minnesota, in the case entitled FRANCIS L. KEATING, with aliases, FUGITIVE, IO #1129; THOMAS HOLDEN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, IO #1127.

In that report will be noted that Max Leavitt, as early as 1931, had a known connection with the gang of Frank Nash; and Leavitt appears to have a real connection with the Educators' Finance Company, and also connections of less reputable standing.

On June 23, 1933, Assistant Director, Harold Nathan, telephonically received from the Director at Washington, D. C., a request to trace Missouri, 1933 license No. 157-309, which plates were found on an Essex sedan at St. Paul, Minnesota, and which automobile was believed to have figured in the William Hamm kidnapping which occurred on June 15, 1933. Agent ascertained that these license tags were issued to A. Carter, 3834 Main Street, Kansas City, Missouri, for Essex sedan, 1933 model, motor No. 25571. The address of 3834 Main Street, Kansas City, Missouri, it will be noted, is that of Kathrens Moving & Storage Company.

Mr. J. E. Kathrens advised Special Agent R. B. Nathan that A. Carter is unknown to him, and that a search of all his records failed to reveal the name of that individual as a customer. It will be noted that the name "A. Carter," appeared during the investigation at Kansas City, Missouri in July, 1932, in connection with the Holden and Keating case, as the person to whom Illinois auto license tags were issued for a Chevrolet coupe. Identified as having visited the apartment occupied by Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis, members of the gang of Nash, Keating, and Holden. The St. Paul Office, through its file in the Keating and Holden case, has complete information relative to this matter.

N. E. McFarland stated that at the time he rented the house at 6612 Edgevale Road to Vernon C. Miller, that Miller offered the name June (J. E.) Kathrens as a reference. It will be noted that J. E. Kathrens has a possible connection in this matter, as summed up in the following terms:

The Essex sedan registered by a party named A. Carter, who gave the address of Kathrens' business, is believed involved in the Hamm kidnapping matter at St. Paul, Minnesota, where latent fingerprints have shown that Frank Nash had some connection.

The personal effects of Vernon C. Miller, who is a member of the Nash gang were moved to the residence of Frank Mulloy, who, judging from telephone conversations, is believed to be a close friend of J. E. Kathrens.

Kathrens was referred to by Miller as "June" Kathrens, and offered as reference at the time the former rented the residence at Kansas City.

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It is known that Kathrens has engaged extensively in the illicit traffic of whisky and that he was indicted for conspiracy to violate the National Prohibition Act at Kansas City, Missouri several years ago. Details as to that record have not been secured to date.

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On the evening of Saturday, June 17, 1933, a telephone call was placed from pay station number 9638, Connor Hotel, Joplin, Missouri, by one Jamison, to Valentine 1100, Kansas City, Missouri. This call was placed at 8:36 P. M.

It has been further noted, through a review of the Frank Nash, Holden and Keating files, that one Ethel M. Miller, sister of Verne C. Miller, resides at the Valentine-on-Broadway, 8724 Broadway, Kansas City, Missouri, to which place the telephone call above mentioned was placed. However, inquiry of the manager has failed to disclose to whom the call might have been made, and records of the hotel do not reflect that Miss Miller received a long distance call on that evening. However, on June 18, 1933, Miss Miller sent a telegram to one Mrs. R. S. Young, St. Paul, Minnesota, said to be a sister of Miss Miller, and who, at that time, was alleged to be seriously ill.

Subsequent thereto, and on or about Thursday, June 22, 1933, Miss Miller and her mother left Kansas City, apparently destined for St. Paul. However, Miss Miller has not relinquished her apartment at the Valentine-on-Broadway, and it is expected that she and her mother will return.

Records further disclosed that on April 22, 1933, Miss Miller sent a telegram to Mrs. R. S. Young at St. Paul, Minnesota. Through the courtesy of W. T. Brown, City Manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company, Kansas City, Missouri, agent was permitted to examine the aforementioned telegrams, which are quoted herewith, as follows:

Telegram dated Kansas City, Missouri, April 22, 1933, addressed to Mrs. R. S. Young, 1837 Portland, St. Paul, Minnesota:

"Mamma worried. Wants to hear from you. Write or telegraph.
(signed) Ethel Miller."

Telegram dated Kansas City, Missouri, June 18, 1933, addressed to Mrs. R. S. Young, 1837 Portland, St. Paul, Minnesota:

"Will arrive in few days. Everything arranged fine. Love.
(signed) Ethel M. Miller."

The records of the Western Union further disclosed that the two above mentioned telegrams were telephoned in from the Valentine-on-Broadway, telephone, Valentine 1100, by one Callaway, presumably the telephone operator at the Valentine-on-Broadway, and said messages were sent paid, charged to apartment 707, which apartment, it has been ascertained, is occupied by Miss Miller and her mother.

The foregoing information, with respect to the telegrams sent by Miss Miller, was obtained by agent upon the promise to Mr. Brown and assurance that his confidence would not be violated.

Upon receipt of the above information, the St. Paul Office was immediately notified to make discreet inquiries with respect to the possible location of Miss Miller at St. Paul, and to further ascertain whether Vernon C. Miller may now be at that place.

In conversation with Special Agent Coulter of the St. Paul Office, it was ascertained that Vernon C. Miller is well known to agents of the St. Paul Office, and every effort will be made to obtain some information as to his possible whereabouts should he not now be at St. Paul.

It has been deemed advisable, in the absence of Miss Miller, and with the approval and in the presence of the manager of the Valentine-on-Broadway, to have a suitable search made of the apartment of Miss Miller, since it is believed that information of definite value may be obtained by this procedure.

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Special Agent in Charge, Vetterli, assisted by members of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department, made a discreet and secret search of Apartment 707 at the Valentine-on-Broadway apartment hotel, on June 28, 1933. It was found that Ethel M. Miller and her mother have departed, but are still maintaining the apartment. No material evidence of any kind was found through the search.

As added suspects in this case not listed in the reference report, the following are to be, in the future, considered:

EARL DOYLE, United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas #28842, wanted at North Kansas City, Missouri for bank robbery occurring February, 1933; a member of the gang of Frank Nash.

HERBERT A. FARMER, mentioned in the reference report, Kansas City, Missouri Police Department No. 12790. (It will be noted that Farmer figures conspicuously as a person in the instant matter.

A request has been made of the Bureau for the issuance of an Identification Order for Farmer.

FRED BARKER, Kansas State Penitentiary No. 9836; a dangerous killer, reared by the mother of Herbert Farmer, and at the present time at large; wanted for many murders and bank robberies.

FRANK MULLOY, heretofore mentioned in this report, residence, Kansas City, Missouri, United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas #39293; racketeer and bootlegger.

Investigation made by Special Agent J. L. Flood at St. Paul, Minnesota, with reference to a possible connection between the Hamm kidnapping case and the instant matter, is reflected in a memorandum by that agent, quoted as follows:

Pursuant to instructions from Assistant Director H. Nathan, United States Bureau of Investigation, to proceed to St. Paul, Minnesota, to obtain information relative to a latent fingerprint of Frank Nash found on a beer bottle at St. Paul, on 8-19-33, the following investigation was made by Special Agent J. L. Flood.

Agent Flood interviewed Special Agent R. C. Coulter, who advised that on the morning of 8-20-33 J. Glen Harrison, Assistant Editor of the Dispatch-Pioneer Press, called him to his office and stated that he had received through a confidential source, whose identity he was not at liberty to disclose, some information which he felt might be of value to this Bureau. Later during the interview it appeared that the sweetheart of the niece of a woman residing next door to 204 Vernon Avenue was Mr. Harrison's source of information. Mr. Harrison advised Agent Coulter that about five weeks ago three men and one woman rented the house at 204 Vernon Avenue from a man and his wife, who had moved to a lake; that their actions were very suspicious; that they would not admit anyone to the house, including the ice man, the man who delivered milk, on one occasion when the gas stove needed repairing and the man from the Northern States Power Company, St. Paul, was obliged to call at the house four times to gain admittance. On the first three calls the woman was present, but would not admit the repairman and on the fourth time the three men were present and did let him in the house to repair the stove, but watched him and escorted the repairman out as soon as he completed his work; that numerous cases of beer were delivered there, but the driver never entered the house, merely placing the beer in the back and it would be taken in by the occupants. Mr. Harrison advised that these people had three automobiles, two sedans and either a roadster or a coupe. He did not know the license numbers or further descriptions of the cars. He stated that they apparently left there on Thursday, 8-15-33, and were gone until 11:30 P.M. the following Sunday night, 8-18-33, when the men returned with the woman. After that time it was believed, but not definitely known, that they again left the house and left the lights burning in the bathroom and did not return until 2:00 A.M. on 8-20-33; that one of the cars left at 2:45 A.M. and shortly thereafter, at approximately 3:35 A.M., the other car left and nothing further has been seen of these people.

Mr. Harrison also stated that he reported the matter at 11:30 P.M., 8-19-33, to Chief of Police Thomas Dahill of the St. Paul, Minnesota, Police Department and on the following morning to County Attorney Mike Kinkead, St. Paul. However, he did not believe they were making much investigation.

Mr. Harrison furnished the descriptions of the three men, as follows:

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- I. Height - 5 feet 10 inches
Weight - 170 or 180 pounds
Build - heavy
Complexion - florid
Peculiarities - laughs loudly and talks loudly
 - II. Height - 5 feet 7 or 8 inches
Weight - 140 or 150 pounds
Hair - sandy
Peculiarities - reserved
 - III. Height - 5 feet 5 or 6 inches
Weight - 130 pounds
Build - stocky
Square shoulders
Peculiarities - walks with a swagger; uncommunicative

None of the ages of the above individuals were known to Mr. Harrison.

At the time Agent Coulter interviewed Mr. Harrison, Lewis Glaser, 1708 Selby Avenue, St. Paul, was also present and advised that Mr. Glaser has a brother-in-law by the name of Frank Waldoek, who was on the City of St. Paul Fire Department until about twenty-five years ago and since that time he has disappeared for several years at a time and claims to have resided in China; that he is supposed to have been a war aleckor and in Mr. Glaser's opinion is a regular tough guy. Mr. Glaser stated that one of the relatives died and on 8-21-33 three heirs contested the final accounting and the hearing was continued until 4-10-35; that Frank Waldoek did not appear until several weeks later and about thirty-five days ago he appeared in town with another fellow, whose description fits that of No. 2, and they hung around the restaurant at 7th and Roosevelt Streets, St. Paul, most of the time. They both were broke and Waldoek told the other fellow to get \$10.00 from the boss. He further advised that he became well acquainted with Waldoek, who had previously distrusted him and that Waldoek told him that he had been running alcohol to St. Paul for sometime; probably last year, at Rochester, Minnesota, at 2:00 A.M. he drove into a filling station to get gasoline and the attendant called the Police Headquarters; that two motorcycle policemen came up and started to arrest him and he told them that he had a load of syrup; that the two men started to take Waldoek to headquarters and he pointed across the street to a large automobile and told them that they had better see them; that he was working for them and they had an interest in the load; that on the way back one of the convey cars stopped, took the filling station attendant to the edge of town and severely beat him. Mr. Glaser had no other information in this matter and did not know if in fact the above was correct.

Mr. Glaser also advised that on the morning of 8-18-33 a salesman, himself and Waldoek were eating in the restaurant at 7th and Roosevelt and some mention was made of the William Hamm kidnapping case and his salesman mentioned the fact that a large reward was offered for the kidnapers and Waldoek said that the man who

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got the reward would also get filled with machine gun bullets.

Mr. Glaser further advised that Waldoek has been keeping company with a waitress at the restaurant, above referred to, and that her name is Sally. Both of them have spent considerable time at the Mystic Cavern, St. Paul, the operators of same being former liquor racketeers from Chicago, according to Waldoek.

Mr. Glaser stated that on the morning he met Waldoek at the restaurant he seemed to have considerable money and that he put a new pair of socks into his pocket and told him he might as well take them as he would not now need them. Waldoek generally wears black hat and clothes and on this occasion had a brown suit and brown hat which were new and it was unusual for Waldoek to wear such colored clothes. Glaser stated that Waldoek had stayed at Mrs. Orumski's house which is the second house from Western Avenue on Alford Street, St. Paul; that, according to his story, he had been to Leech Lake prior to that date and that he was going to Dubuque, Iowa, on 6-20-33 and further that he was living under the name of Frank Wlaser at 1243 Locust, Dubuque, care Mrs. Webber.

Mr. Glaser stated that the description furnished by Mr. Harrison of No. 1 is an exact description of Waldoek and No. 2 was a description of a person he saw with Waldoek. Mr. Glaser further advised that Waldoek will probably return to St. Paul within the next ten days and while he at this time has no information indicating his guilt in the Hamm kidnapping, he believes it possible that he may have some connection with the case.

Mr. Glaser will cooperate in any possible way with the St. Paul Bureau office in connection with this matter.

E. L. Powers, janitor of the apartment building at 2300 Emerson Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota, had reported to the St. Paul office, on 6-14-33, that Frank Nash had visited Mrs. Margaret Green, who has apartment 2 in the building. Powers, who has in his possession a photograph of Frank Nash, was interviewed and advised that a man, whose physical description represented that of Nash, had since 6-1-33 been a frequent visitor at the apartment of Mrs. Green, therefore, Powers notified the St. Paul Bureau office on 6-14-33 that this individual was visiting Mrs. Green and on 6-16-33 City Detectives attached to the Minneapolis Police Department arrested a man at Mrs. Green's apartment, but he had heard nothing further since. Mrs. Green was interviewed at her apartment and advised that the man, who was arrested at her apartment, was Barney Burman with whom she has been keeping company for about six months.

Mrs. Green advised that about two years ago she had met Frank Nash at Bassette Barber Shop at 8th and Marquette Streets, Minneapolis, Minnesota, where she was

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a semicourist and had gone out with Nash on several occasions. However, she claimed not to have seen nor heard from Nash for about a year. Mrs. Green was shown a photograph of Nash and she advised that this individual was known to her as Frank Lee and had resided at the Senator Hotel, 4th Avenue South and A Street, Minneapolis. Mrs. Green was shown the photographs of the following individuals:

1. Vernon C. Miller, alias Verno, Register #4340, South Dakota State Penitentiary.
2. Harry Carlton, alias Larry O'Neefe, #C16839, Bureau of Identification, Police Department, Chicago, Illinois.
3. John J. Brennan, alias John J. Brown, alias William Bailey, Register #20396, Police Department, Kansas City, Missouri.
4. Alvin Karpis, alias George Haller, Register #8008, Kansas State Penitentiary.
5. Fred Barker, Register #9835, Kansas State Penitentiary.
6. Mary Phillips, alias Mary Courtney, alias Winnie Williams, #20399, Police Department, Kansas City, Missouri.
7. Bernard Phillips, alias B. A. Courtney, Register #C25402, Bureau of Identification, Police Department, Chicago, Illinois; Register #20725, United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas.
8. Frank Nash, Register #20759, United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas.

Special Agent C. G. Hall of the St. Paul Bureau office had picked out the above photographs believing that these individuals were the closest associates of Nash. Mrs. Green advised that the only individual she knew among the photographs shown her was Frank Nash and denied knowing the others. She advised that her husband, Walter Green, died on 6-6-33 at the U. S. Veterans Hospital, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and on 6-11-33 she left Minneapolis with her fourteen year old daughter, Helen Jane, for Duluth where the burial service was conducted and the body was buried in a cemetery at Duluth. Mrs. Green advised that she returned to Minneapolis with her daughter on 6-15-33 and her friend, Herman, had visited her on several occasions; that on the evening of 6-15-33, when she and Herman entered her apartment, City Detectives took Herman into custody, but shortly thereafter released him.

Mrs. Green advised that she had never gone over to 284 Vernon Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, and had not been over to St. Paul for at least ten months, her last visit to St. Paul was with Mr. Herman at which time they visited

Various speakasies and returned to Minneapolis the same night.

Captain of Detectives Frank Forestal of the Minneapolis Police Department was interviewed and advised that on 8-14-35 he received a telephone call from E. L. Powers and the St. Paul Bureau office advising him that Frank Nash was visiting Mrs. Green at her apartment. He dispatched several detectives to maintain a surveillance on Mrs. Green's apartment and on 8-16-35, around 9:00 P.M. the detectives brought in one Barney Berman, who is well known to him, as well as other detectives in the department. Berman is a racketeer in a small way and is also known as a bootlegger and bears a rather close resemblance to Frank Nash. Captain Forestal advised that after he talked to Berman, who denied knowing Frank Nash, he released him.

Special Agent H. L. Halls of the St. Paul Bureau office advised the writer that he had interviewed James McClaren, who owns the house located at 204 Vernon Avenue, St. Paul, and that both Mr. McClaren and his son James were shown photographs of the eight individuals heretofore mentioned.

Mr. McClaren, as well as his son James, positively identified the photograph of Mary Phillips as being the woman who, under the name of Mrs. Stanley Smith rented the McClaren home at 204 Vernon Avenue. Mr. McClaren and his son failed to identify the photographs of the other seven individuals. The McClaren family is now at their home at Bald Eagle where they joined Mrs. McClaren, who also saw Mary Phillips and several persons in the McClaren home at St. Paul, but she has not been interviewed and this will be done in the immediate future.

Agent Halls advised that Mr. McClaren informed him that Mary Phillips, alias Mrs. Stanley Smith, rented the house at 204 Vernon Avenue on 8-27-35, paying a month's rent and vacated the premises on 8-19-35.

Harry Kirschhoff, a clerk at the Cregal and Decker Drug Store, 240 South Snelling Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, was shown the photographs of the above mentioned eight individuals, together with the photographs of the following escapes from the Kansas State Penitentiary at Lansing, Kansas:

Harvey Bailey
Ed Davis
Wilbur Underhill

Jim Clark
Bob Brady
Frank Sawyer

Mr. Kirschhoff advised that his records disclosed that on 8-15-35 he delivered a case of Blatz beer to a woman at 204 Vernon Avenue and on 8-19-35 this woman ordered a case of half Blatz and half Home beer which he also delivered. Kirschhoff failed to identify any of the photographs shown him and was certain that the woman he saw at the Vernon address was not Mrs. Phillips. He advised that the description of the woman he saw somewhat fit the description of Mrs. Phillips. Kirschhoff was paid cash for the beer and had no further information which would be of assistance in identifying persons residing at the Vernon Avenue address.

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M. M. Clemens, clerk at Shaws Grocery, St. Clair and Snelling, St. Paul, advised that he frequently sold groceries to a woman, who advised him that she resided at 204 Vernon Avenue and on one occasion he delivered groceries to this address and was met at the door by this same woman. Clemens was shown the photograph of Mrs. Phillips and seemed to be positive in his opinion that it was not the woman he had contacted and lived at the Vernon Avenue address. It is to be noted here that another woman was known to reside at the Vernon Avenue address.

Chief of Police Thomas Dahill of the St. Paul Police Department advised Agent that upon receipt of the information from Mr. Harrison of the Dispatch-Pioneer Press newspaper, he sent several detectives, including Detectives Ed Fitzgerald and Tom Jensen, to the house at 204 Vernon Avenue, on 6-19-33, around 12:00 A.M. and the detectives reported to him that no one was found at the house. However, Detectives Fitzgerald and Jensen brought back about a half dozen, brown, empty, quart, Engesser beer bottles which he turned over to John J. Tierney in charge of the Fingerprint Division of the St. Paul Police Department.

Chief Dahill appeared somewhat reluctant to have Agents interview the Detectives who worked on the case, but this will be done by Agent Hall at a later date in a discreet manner.

Chief Dahill advised that to date the St. Paul Police Department has received no information as to the identity of the persons living at the Vernon Avenue address, but should any information of value be secured he will immediately communicate same to the St. Paul Bureau office.

Agent interviewed John Tierney, who advised that the above mentioned beer bottles were given him for examination or latent prints thereon. He suspected that the individuals residing at the Vernon Avenue address possibly had something to do with the William Hamm kidnapping and it occurred to him that Frank Nash possibly was one of the kidnapers. Mr. Tierney furnished Agent with two photostatic copies of three latent fingerprints found on one of the beer bottles which he examined. Mr. Tierney advised that the latent fingerprints, encircled by an ink marking, is the right thumb print of Frank Nash; as to the other two latent fingerprints Mr. Tierney has no other information. Mr. Tierney advised that in order to verify his information relative to the latent right thumb print of Nash, he forwarded to the Bureau the copies of the three fingerprints found on the beer bottle.

It was ascertained from the records in the St. Paul Police Department that William Hamm was kidnapped at St. Paul on 6-18-33 and \$100,000.00 ransom was paid on 6-19-33.

Special Agent C. G. Hall, who assisted Agent Flood in the above investigation, was given the complete circumstances surrounding the assassination of Special

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Agent E. J. Caffrey and other officers at Kansas City, Missouri, at a conference between Agent Hall and the writer relative to conducting further investigation into this matter to determine if Nash and his associates had been in St. Paul prior to June, 1935. Among other things, it was decided that the following investigation will be made:

A record of telephone calls received and made at the Vernon Avenue address will be obtained and checked.

The St. Paul distributor for the Hagerer Bear, which is an off brand of beer, will be contacted as the address of the merchant in the vicinity of the Vernon Avenue address can be obtained for interview relative to deliveries made at the Vernon Avenue address.

The McClaren family at Bald Eagle will be interviewed and shown all photographs mentioned in this memorandum, together with additional photographs of Nash's known associates to ascertain if they can identify same as persons seen at the McClaren home.

The iceman, milkman and man who repaired the gas stove and all others, including delivery boys, together with neighbors who reside in close proximity of the McClaren home, ^{will be interviewed} for information relative to the identity of the persons renting the McClaren home.

It is suggested that the Francis L. Keating, Thomas Holman and Frank Nash files be examined for the names of all associates of Nash and their fingerprints be examined with the latent prints obtained by Mr. Tierney.

The photographs of Bailey, Clark, Davis, Brady, Underhill and Sawyer were left with Agent Hall.

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Further interviews at the Union Station and other points in Kansas City by Special Agent Brantley, which pertain to the identification of the suspects in this case, are outlined in memoranda by that agent as follows:

"Mr. Gus T. Jones stated that information had been obtained that sometime between midnight, Friday night, June 16th, and 7:00 o'clock Saturday morning, June 17th - possibly in the neighborhood of 3:00 o'clock, a rather nice looking, heavy set, well dressed woman, wearing a coat with a white lining, and a small white hat, had entered the Union Station, probably for the purpose of making inquiry concerning incoming trains from Arkansas.

"On June 22nd, Agent Brantley made some inquiries at the Union Station, for the purpose of ascertaining whether anyone on duty at night would be able to recall such a woman.

"Mr. Colvin of the Harvey News Stand, police officer Berry, and Lon Chalfont, the only ticket salesman on duty after midnight, at the Union Station, were interviewed. None of these individuals could recall such a woman. Chalfont was asked whether during Saturday morning he had any inquiry from any individuals concerning trains from Fort Smith, and he stated he had not. He was asked if he had seen any suspicious character around the station. He said that sometime before 3:00 o'clock Saturday morning, June 17th, he saw, on three occasions, three men together, walk by his window. He described these men as wearing dark trousers, white shirts, in their shirt sleeves, with the sleeves rolled up about half way to the elbows.

"He viewed photographs of the suspects. He stated that the photograph of Wilbur Underhill and Ed Davis bear a strong resemblance to two of the three men he mentioned, and the third one he was unable to identify. Mr. Chalfont, although not positive in these identifications, stated that he is reasonably sure that these are the two men he saw."

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"Mrs. Jaunita Smith, wife of Edgar Smith, an usher at the Union Station, residing at 3012 Mersington, and employed at Holmes Cafeteria, 1022 Baltimore Avenue, Kansas City, was interviewed. She stated that it is the custom for her to come as far as the station each morning with her husband, and that she usually stops at the Union Station Plaza and remains seated in her automobile for a short time.

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"On June 17th, early in the morning, around 7:00 o'clock, she was in the car and Mrs. Stites, the wife of another usher, was there talking to her. The two of them were engaged in a conversation when to the west of them they heard some shooting - or some noise like fire crackers or backfire. She described the position in which her car was as slightly to the east of the east entrance to the Union Station. After the shooting began, she looked over in that direction and got out of her car in an effort to see more, but did not get a particularly good view of anything. She said that in trying to get back to her car, after the shooting was over, she lost one of her shoes, and when recovering this shoe, she straightened up to go to her car and saw an auto coming in her direction and that she almost ran into it. She described this machine as a black sedan or coach; she does not know the make of it or the license it was bearing. She said she saw a rather heavy set man driving the car. He was wearing a straw hat and appeared to be tanned. She said she saw another heavy set, well dressed man running toward this car as if to get into it, as the machine was moving slowly, and that the man did get into the car.

"From what Mrs. Smith said, this car was headed east toward Main Street.

"She viewed photographs of suspects and stated that the man running to the car resembled the photograph of Bernard Phillips, but she was unable to make any further identification."

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"Mike Famin, the police officer stationed at the Union Station, was interviewed by Agent Dwight Brantley and stated that he goes to work at 7:00 o'clock each morning; that on June 17th, he got to the station shortly before 7:00 o'clock, went into the police room, changed from civilian clothing to his uniform, and immediately entered the concourse of the station and walked out the east door to the platform; that he looked about and saw an armored police car parked to the west of the east entrance; that he strolled in the direction of the parking place of the armored car, as his curiosity was aroused as to the reason it was at the station. He saw no one about the car and walked into the station, through the west entrance, in search of the policemen who might be with the armored car. Finding no officers, he then walked through the concourse to the east door and just as he approached the east door, he heard some shooting in front of the station. He proceeded out of the east door on to the sidewalk and got behind an iron post. There were several men in front of the station around an automobile and it occurred to

him that possibly the policemen in the armored car had accosted some bandits and that the bandits possibly were in the machine in front of the station, bearing a Nebraska license; that he took his pistol out for the purpose of using it, but that he did not know, from the number of men he saw out there, who were officers and who were not. He saw a man shoot down another, and he later learned the man who was shot down was Agent Caffrey. He said that the man who had shot Caffrey was running toward an automobile to the south of the officers' car and that he took a shot at him and that this man stumbled or spun around or was hit, but he was not inclined to believe he hit the man, as the distance was too great for accurate marksmanship with a pistol; that as the car used by the bandits, or gunmen (a black car - he believes a Chevrolet - although he is not certain) left the parking lot, he shot at it, but does not know that he hit it.

"Following this, he stated that he went immediately to the scene of the shooting. He said he was unable to identify any of the persons engaged in the shooting and after viewing photographs of suspects, was unable to state that he had seen any of the persons."

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The investigation is being continued. Numerous undeveloped leads are being followed from day to day and some are in the process of development. Future reports will contain the material developments.

With reference to the report of Special Agent in Charge, Ladd, investigation was made at the Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas, where Special Agent in Charge, Harvey, secured information relative to J. C. Braly, alias S. R. Barnes, as follows:

"The writer examined the file jacket of J. C. Braly, alias S. R. Barnes, alias J. A. Simpson, alias Slim Braly, #8973. The following correspondents are listed:

Mrs. J. C. Braly, wife, 316 North Fifth St., St. Joseph, Mo.
 Mr. Jack Brindsletter, Box 1011, Pawhuska, Oklahoma
 Mr. Pete Durkin, Bartlesville, Oklahoma
 Troy W. Griffin, Oklahoma City

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M. O. Hinton, 406 North Tenth St., Kansas City, Ks.
Mrs. Leon Braly, 2320 Rheem Ave., Apt. 1, Richmond, Calif.
J. K. Cotting, Leavenworth, Kansas
Mrs. Margaret Frae, 5189 South Fourth, St. Louis, Missouri

"The file indicates that Barnes formerly was employed in the County Treasurer's Office, Osage County, Kansas. His cousin, C. L. Roff, attorney, resides at 110 West California Street, Oklahoma City. Barnes was sentenced on May 18, 1925 on a charge of forgery - 3rd degree, and received from Cowley County, Kansas, May 20, 1925; minimum sentence expires April 17, 1926, maximum February 6, 1931. He was paroled February 18, 1928, and discharged May 27, 1930. He is now serving a 30-year sentence in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary. The file indicates that he was allegedly implicated in the escape of Dr. Kenneth B. Uhls. In June, 1930, Braly lived at 511 East Main Street, Pawhuska, Oklahoma."

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Also, at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons secured information with reference to one Edgar Jay, now believed to be identical with Ingraham, mentioned in the report of Special Agent in Charge, Ladd.

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With respect to the identity and possible location of one Buster Ingraham, supposed to have been incarcerated in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas at the same time Ray D. Sherrill was an inmate of that institution, the records of prisoners received at Leavenworth during the year 1919 were exhaustively searched and there does not appear to be any record of one Buster Ingraham having been received from Santa Fe, New Mexico for violation of the National Prohibition Act and the Espionage Statute.

However, in searching these records, it was ascertained that one Edgar Jay, alias Paul Gregg, alias Fred Smith, alias E. D. Jay, Register No. 12867, was received at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, on May 1, 1919 from Santa Fe, New Mexico, under sentence of two years, for violation of the Espionage Statute. The records further disclosed that during his period of incarceration, he served for a brief period in the record room of the penitentiary, and through the months of June to September, inclusive, he served at the Deputy Warden's office. From October until his discharge from the penitentiary, on November 28, 1920, he worked in the hospital at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas.

Among the records pertaining to Edgar Jay, it was ascertained that an individual by the name of Fred Smith, No. 7817, was received at the Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas, August 17, 1921; charge, obtaining money under false pretenses; sentence, 1 to 5 years. It is believed that Fred Smith is identical with Edgar Jay. The following description of Edgar Jay, with aliases, was obtained from the records of the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas:

Age	36 (in 1920)
Height	5 feet 6 inches
Weight	145 pounds
Color of hair	Dark chestnut
Color of eyes	Medium brown
Complexion	Medium
Build	Medium
Condition of teeth	- Good
F. P. C.	2-1-1-1

It has been deemed advisable at this time to secure a photograph of J. C. Braly and to forward same together with a photograph of Roy D. Sherrill to the Cincinnati, Ohio office in order that they might be displayed to Edgar Jay, who is believed identical with the party using the alias Ingraham. If this individual will identify the photograph of Braly as the individual whom he claims to have seen at Henderson, Kentucky, it is evident that he is untruthful, as it has been ascertained definitely through the Oklahoma City Office that he is now serving a sentence and is confined at the Oklahoma State Penitentiary.

It was ascertained at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas that Roy D. Sherrill, alias Roy David Sherrill, was received November 13, 1918 at that institution from Fort Scott, Kansas, under sentence of 25 years, upon conviction of the charge of conspiracy and robbing United States Mails. On April 21, 1920, his sentence was commuted from 25 years to 10 years, by order of the President. He escaped from the prison reservation on June 22, 1921. He was returned from escape June 2, 1923 and upon transfer from the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas to the United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia. He was received at the latter institution July 26, 1926, his sentence to expire (allowing for time lost during escape) October 23, 1930. Sherrill is described as:

Age	36 years (date of birth 9-19-96)
Height	5 feet 11 inches
Weight	157 pounds
Build	Tall
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Medium fair
Hair	Light chestnut
Occupation	Automobile mechanic
Nationality	American

It was found at the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth that Sherrill acted as chauffeur during part of the time of his incarceration at Leavenworth.

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