

CHARLES "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD  
KANSAS CITY MASSACRE

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SECTION 51

CHARLES "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD

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# KANSAS CITY MASSACRE

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DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

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Washington, D. C.

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July 24, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Catchim, connected with the Marine Corps, Station 9, advised that he has a party working for him at the present time who just came into the Marine Corps a short time ago from Hot Springs and claims to know where Pretty Boy Floyd and the others have been hanging out, also Baby Face Nelson. Mr. Catchim stated he did not know anything about it but he thought the Division might want to send some one down to talk to this individual.

Mr. Catchim stated he could be reached at the Marine Barracks, 8th & I. Streets, in the office of the Leatherneck - the Leatherneck being the name of the Marine Corps publication now being put out. I stated that we would send some one down to see him tomorrow. Mr. Catchim advised that he is not a captain but just a buck sergeant in the marines. I told him this would receive attention.

Respectfully,

*E. A. Tamm*

E. A. Tamm.

*I advised Pennington of this  
On 7/25/34*

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Kansas City Missouri



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July 25, 1934.

W  
Special Agent in Charge,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

62-28915-2052

Dear Sir:

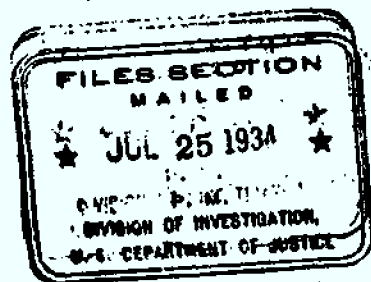
In accordance with your telegram of July 25, 1934, regarding the KANSAS case, and previous correspondence, there are being returned, under separate cover, registered, air mail, the ballistics specimens consisting of bullets and shells marked G-1 and G-2, found at the scene of the killing of John Lutz. The other specimens which were received, consisting of bullets and shells marked AP-1 and AP-2, which were fired from a .45 calibre Colt automatic found at the scene of the crime, are being retained for further comparison with other specimens in accordance with letter of your office.

The question of submitting the specimens to Merle Gill for comparison with the specimens found at the Kansas City massacre is one which you should decide, bearing in mind the source from which they were received and the agreement made at that time. As previously reported, as far as can be told from a comparison of the shells with the photograph of Merle Gill, these specimens are identical with shells found at the scene of the Kansas crime, and photographs of them are being retained here.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

AIR MAIL.



*Handwritten signature and initials:*  
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for  
E. J. Connelley  
JUL 25 1934

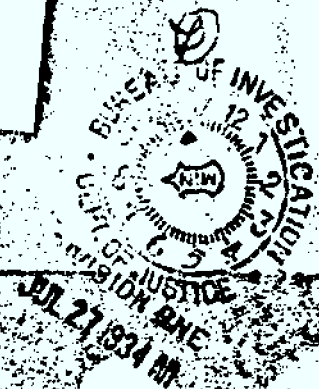
Postoffice Box 514,  
Birmingham, Alabama,  
July 24, 1934.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Postoffice Box 419,  
Nashville, Tennessee.

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Dear Sir:

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (deceased)  
Richard Tallman Galatas, with aliases-Fugitive,  
I. O. #1201; Charles Arthur Floyd, with aliases,  
Fugitive, I. O. #1194, et al.  
Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.

Reference is made to your letter to the Division, dated July 21, 1934, in connection with arrangements made by you with [redacted] of Memphis, Tennessee to proceed to Birmingham for the purpose of interviewing Louis Austin, alias Hart Austin, who was an inmate of the Jefferson County Jail, to which institution he had been committed pending action of the next Federal Grand Jury in Birmingham, on a charge of violating the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

b2D  
This is to advise that in accordance with your letter, [redacted] communicated with me this morning, advising of her arrival in Birmingham, and requesting that I make the necessary arrangements for her to see Austin. Upon doing so, I contacted Ross Yarbrough, Chief Deputy Marshal, who advised me that on the evening of July 20, 1934, he had received telephonic instructions from the Director of the Bureau of Prisons to take Austin to New Orleans, where he was committed to Jail awaiting an operation to have some bullets removed from his body. At that time, Mr. Yarbrough and Mr. W.J. Kammmer, United States Marshal, advised me that the removal of Austin to New Orleans was unexpected, and unknown to them until a telegram was received from the Director of the Bureau of Prisons. They advised me, as I had previously advised you telephonically, that Austin had complained of medical treatment in Birmingham, and the fact that he needed the operation to have the bullets removed from his body, saying further that they had communicated with the Director of Bureau of Prisons, and had anticipated that this operation and additional medical care would be given to Austin in Birmingham.



They also mentioned to me that they have no idea whatsoever as to the date Austin will be given the operation, or the date he will be returned to Birmingham.

67D Upon securing the above information, I advised [redacted] of it, [redacted] being registered at the Bankhead Hotel in Birmingham. She stated she would be willing to proceed to New Orleans for the purpose of interviewing Austin, but could not continue on to New Orleans from Birmingham, saying she had taken with her clothes only for a one day trip, and furthermore because she had made plans to be back in Memphis on the morning of July 25. She stated, however, that she would gladly go to New Orleans at a later date, and suggested that if you should desire to communicate with her in this respect, that you do so at Memphis by telephoning her at the home of her daughter, telephone number 2-2915, leaving word, as she said you had done previously, that a Mr. Peterson had called.

67D At the time I visited with [redacted] she talked about Dick Galatas and his close acquaintanceship with Tom Kearney of St. Louis, saying it is her opinion that Galatas communicates off and on with Kearney, and that she would not be surprised if he is in and out of St. Louis. She at this time also mentioned that she had only recently recalled that two of Galatas' close friends are two confidence men named J. J. Rogers and a man named Woods. She stated that they have operated out of Vancouver, British Columbia, and that she saw them several years ago, and recalls that Galatas, as well as Rogers and Woods, mentioned Vancouver and the fact that they had played golf at some club in that city where liquor was served. She also stated that she recollected that these two men who had visited her place in Memphis with Galatas, had said that they were stopped on the Canadian Border enroute from Vancouver to Seattle on one occasion either in 1929, 1930 or 1931 and that a Cadillac Sedan was taken from one of the men, the car evidently having been used to haul contraband of some kind. 67D [redacted] stated that she knows nothing else about Rogers or Woods, other than that they travel with women, who she was unable to describe. She did, however, furnish the following meagre description of the two men, Rogers and Woods:

Name	J.J. Rogers	Woods
Age	35-40 years.	40-45 yrs.
Height	5'11"	6'
Weight	165#	200#
Eyes	Grey	Black, keen
Hair	Medium	Black
Complexion	Medium	Dark

57b [redacted] also mentioned that only recently she had learned from her sister that Dick Galatas had a very close friend in Chicago, Illinois named Dell Ward, whose wife's name is Mae. She said that in about 1915 Ward and Galatas were very close friends and at that time Ward held a responsible position in a bank in Chicago, the name of which she did not know, but saying she believed that Ward was either bookkeeper or Assistant Cashier in this bank. She said it occurred to her that possibly Galatas would contact Ward in Chicago.

According to [redacted] she plans to take a trip through the North the first part of August, and it is her intention to make inquiry in Chicago for the purpose of determining the whereabouts of Ward and whether Galatas has communicated with him. She stated that she has reasons for making this inquiry and that she can do so without arousing any suspicions whatsoever.

57D The above information is being set out in letter form, inasmuch as it is not known if this information has ever come to the attention of the Division before, [redacted] saying that she knew she had not mentioned Dell Ward to Special Agent in Charge, Dwight Brantly, of the Oklahoma City office, but she does not recall for certain regarding Rogers and Woods, friends of Galatas' mentioned above.

Very truly yours,

J. E. HANBON  
Special Agent in Charge

CC: Division  
CC: Kansas City  
CC: Oklahoma City



# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

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

FILE NO. **62-28915-2054**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>CINCINNATI, OHIO</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>7/25/34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>7/16 &amp; 7/21/34</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>H. B. KIRK</b>
TITLE: <b>VERNON C. MILLER with aliases (deceased); CHARLES ARTHUR FLOYD - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1194; RICHARD TALIMAN GALATAS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1201; HARVEY J. BAILEY with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1189, ET AL.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Attorney Harrison, Williamstown, Ky., retained to defend Beird girls in bank robbery trial during 1931 by Robert M. Coleman, Attorney, Kansas City, Mo. Harrison was paid by L. E. Oliver, Kansas City, Mo. Mrs. Zella Golden, Kansas City, Mo., is mother of Beird girls. General Delivery Clerk, Cincinnati, Ohio Post Office, advises Bob Cornett, professional bondsman, Omaha, Nebr., is acquainted with Charles Arthur Floyd.

**REFERENCE:** Report of Special Agent J. F. Sears, Cincinnati, Ohio, dated 3/5/34.

**DETAILS:** AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

**DETAILS:** General Delivery Clerk Callahan at Cincinnati, Ohio advised Agent that for the past three months one Albert Thomas has been calling at General Delivery for mail and that Thomas appears to be a suspicious person. Most of his mail is received from Chicago and Milwaukee. Callahan described Thomas as being about 35 years of age, five feet, eight or nine inches, 150 pounds, medium build, brown hair and light eyes. Photographs of the various fugitives wanted by the Division were exhibited to Callahan, who failed to identify any of these individuals as resembling Albert Thomas.

DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>E. J. Connelley</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	RECORDED AND INDEXED: <b>JUL 26 1934</b>				
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He states that in this connection about two months ago one Bob Cornett, a professional bondman from Omaha, Nebraska, and who is also in the real estate business in that city, came to Cincinnati seeking two girls who had jumped their bonds in Omaha; that these girls were later located in Hamilton, Ohio. He states that while he talked with Bob Cornett, Cornett mentioned that he had made bond for some of the most notorious criminals in the United States; that at one time "Pretty Boy" Floyd came to him for the purpose of having Cornett post bond for a friend of Floyd. He states that Cornett intimated that he was well acquainted with "Pretty Boy" Floyd.

Callahan stated that if Bob Cornett is interviewed regarding Charles Arthur Floyd, care should be exercised in not mentioning Callahan's name.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent A. C. Russell.

AT WILLIAMSTOWN, KY.

Agent interviewed Mr. F. A. Harrison, Attorney at Law, who advised that he represented Jaunaita Buelah Baird and Rose Baird in their trials at Williamstown, Ky. on a charge growing out of the robbery of the Mt. Zion Deposit Bank, Mt. Zion, Ky. He was hired to represent these parties by Mr. Robert M. Coleman, Attorney, Gloyd Building, Kansas City, Mo., who made a personal trip to Williamstown, Ky. to engage him. He was paid by L. E. Oliver, 1846 Holly St., Kansas City, Mo., who was very much interested in the case. He never saw Oliver and could not give any further information as regards him. He received his pay by Post Office Money Orders, some from Robert M. Coleman and some from L. E. Oliver. Mr. Harrison stated that Mrs. Zella Golden, 611-1/2 Eighth St., Kansas City, Mo., was the mother of the Baird girls.

Mr. Harrison stated that the Baird girls were very reluctant to give him any information but that he had understood that Floyd and Bill Miller committed the bank robbery. However, his information in this respect was only indirect.

Mr. Harrison further advised that he supposed that the Baird girls had returned to Kansas City, Mo. but that he had not heard from them since their release from the Kentucky State Reformatory, Frankfort, Ky.

AT GEORGETOWN, KY.

Agent interviewed Mr. J. A. Lee, former jailer, and Mrs. J. A. Lee, who advised that they both remembered Jaunaita Buelah Baird and

Rose Baird very well as these parties were incarcerated in the jail while they were there. They stated that after these persons were released from the Kentucky State Reformatory, Frankfort, Ky., they received a card from them postmarked Kansas City, Mo. They both stated that this card had been turned over to Mr. Buford Alsop, Police Department, Georgetown, Ky., who had forwarded it to the Cincinnati Division Office. They stated that they had not heard from either of these persons since the receipt of this card.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee advised that a lawyer from Kansas City, Mo. visited the Baird girls while they were in jail at Georgetown, Ky.; also, their mother visited them on one occasion. They did not have any other visitors save Mr. Harrison, Attorney, Williamstown, Ky. They could not give any other information of value but promised that if they heard from either of the Baird girls they would immediately communicate with the Cincinnati Division Office.

AT FRANKFORT, KY.

Mr. J. W. Jerkes, Clerk, Kentucky State Reformatory, checked his records and advised that Rose Baird, #18793, and Jaunaita Buelah Baird, #18794, were received at that institution on August 15, 1931 to serve a sentence of three years each for robbery and were released on January 18, 1932, pursuant to a court order after their convictions had been reversed by the Court of Appeals for the State of Kentucky.

The records reflect that they both gave the names and addresses of the following relatives:

Mrs. Zella Golden (Mother), 1846 Holly St., Kansas City, Mo.;  
Edward Daugherty, Brother, Jefferson City, Mo.  
(No street address);  
Lewis Baird, Brother, 1846 Holly St., Kansas City, Mo.;  
Marvin Baird, Brother, General Delivery, Georgetown, Ky.;  
Ethel Hendricks, Sister, 1800 Rosedale Drive, Kansas City, Mo.;  
Betty Curtis, Sister, 1800 Rosedale Drive, Kansas City, Mo.

They both stated that the following persons knew them well:

Dr. Freedman, 51st and Prospect, Kansas City, Mo.;  
Robert M. Coleman, 2633 Montgale St., Kansas City, Mo.

There was also a letter in the files from Mr. Lewis M. Means, C.O. Troop B, Missouri State Highway Patrol, Jefferson City, Mo., dated March 15, 1934, requesting all possible information as regards Jaunaita Buelah Baird and Rose Baird. No details were given.

There was also a wire in the files from Mrs. Sakie Ash, 1408 Holmes St., Kansas City, Mo., dated March 2, 1932, asking if the Baird girls had been released, and stated that they were wanted in Kansas City on a murder charge.

There was also a letter, dated September 30, 1932, in the file from Mr. H. L. McCoy, Director of Insurance, Washington, D. C., asking if Rose Baird Ash (this is an alias used by or the true name of Rose Baird) had been convicted of a felony and referring to their File XC-19969.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE OMAHA OFFICE: At Omaha, Nebraska, will discreetly contact Bob Cornett, who is apparently well known to the Secret Service Agents in that city, with a view of obtaining any information he might be willing to furnish regarding the present location of Charles Arthur Floyd.

THE KANSAS CITY OFFICE: At Kansas City, Missouri, will endeavor to locate Jeannita Buelah Baird and Rose Baird through relatives of these girls, as set out in the body of this report. When located, these girls should be kept under surveillance, as they have been very close to Charles Arthur Floyd in the past and may be with him at the present time or contacting him at intervals.

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July 23, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Washington, D. C.

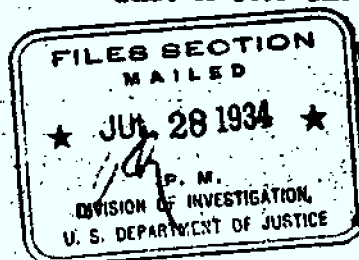
Dear Sir:

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased);  
RICHARD TALIMAN CALETAS, with aliases,  
Fugitive, I. O. #1201; CHARLES ARTHUR  
"PRETTY BOY" FLOYD, with aliases, Fugitive,  
I. O. #1194; et al.  
Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.

There is enclosed herewith a copy of a report rendered by Special Agent W. B. Klein, dated Cincinnati, Ohio, July 22, 1934, in the above entitled case, wherein it is noted on Page 4 that the records of the Kentucky State Reformatory reflect a letter dated September 30, 1932, written by Mr. E. L. McCoy, Director of Insurance, Washington, D. C., inquiring whether Rose Beird Ash had been convicted of a felony, and referring to file KC-19269.

Rose Ash is the sister of Beulah Beird and the latter is in all probability associating with subject Floyd; therefore, you should make an exhaustive examination of the Veterans Administration file and obtain any information which will assist in determining the present whereabouts of Rose Ash, who is also believed to be associating with her sister and subject Floyd.

This matter should receive your immediate attention.



Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Encl. #511241.

CC Cincinnati  
Kansas City.

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Healdton Okla.  
July 18 1934

U.S. Bureau of Investigation.  
Washington. D.C.

Gentlemen:

Please send me photo, fingerprints and other descriptions of Richard Sheridan order No. 1201.

If you have any other information on other fugitives at large please send me all information possible.

I cover a large territory and may pick up some of these persons.

Very Truly Yours,

Ruben Parker  
Detective.

*Rub W Parker*

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Mr. Ruben Parker,  
Healdton, Oklahoma.

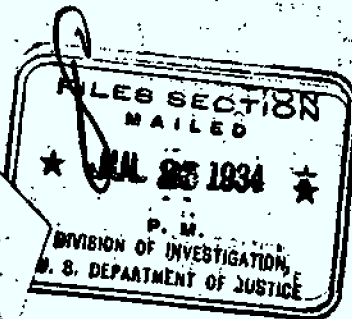
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of July 18, 1934, requesting the photograph, fingerprints and description of Richard Sheridan, Identification Order No. 1201. In accordance with your request I have sent to you under separate cover a copy of the Identification Order on Richard Sheridan in addition to copies of Identification Orders on other fugitives. You will note that these cards contain all available descriptive data as well as the photographs and fingerprints of the person in question.

Should you obtain any information as to the whereabouts of these fugitives please notify the nearest Division Field Office, the address of which appears on the reverse side of the Identification Orders.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



*[Handwritten signature]*

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July 30, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
New York, New York.

Dear Sir:

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased);  
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases,  
Fugitive, I. O. #1201; CHARLES ARTHUR "PRETTY  
BOY" FLOYD, with aliases, Fugitive, I. O. #1194;  
et al; Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.

There are enclosed herewith copies of a letter received at the Division July 26, 1934, in an envelope bearing the return address Louis Foy, Sales Agent, 295 Pacific Street, Brooklyn, New York, containing information respecting suspicious persons who until July 24 of this year occupied the apartment at 294 Pacific Street, Brooklyn, New York.

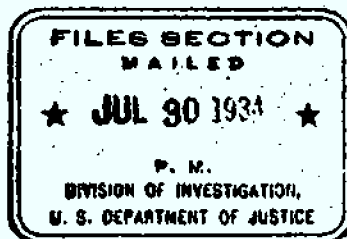
From the information furnished it is possible that these individuals are associated with the Barker-Karpis gang and therefore an appropriate investigation should be immediately conducted.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Encl. #518242.

CC Kansas City.



295 PACIFIC ST., BROOKLYN, N. Y.

I am at above address, <sup>last</sup> 294 where three women engaged first floor rooms shortly after Flatbush Bank holdup eleven weeks ago. There are no improvements of any kind in 294 - apartment toilets are in state. The women ~~are~~ apparently are mother & two daughters, an old lady joined them last week. These women are visited after dark by other women and men in four different new automobiles all 8 cylinders; men who enter 294 drive cars 2 door Sedans & 4 door Sedans women also drive cars - A red head drove bandit car at bank holdup. There is a dame with red hair drives a car that comes to 294

ANONYMOUS COMMUNICATION  
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Two (2) men always remain in rear seat of a four door Sedan - <sup>JUL 31 1934</sup> who enter 294 always carry same package into house & out again when they re-enter <sup>ONE</sup> cars to leave. men never stay more than few hours until Monday night 10:15 (23:00) one woman sat on floor with hands through bobbed hair. <sup>JUL 26 1934</sup> when women left on foot 71 <sup>5 PM</sup> Sunday did not return no cars came there except one car, a 2 door 2 door Sedan 8 cylinders, driven by a stout woman alone, she looked over ground and left without inquiry - license plates 9K5840, N.Y. One of men in rear seat who do not leave car has strong resemblance to C. Floyd (pretty boy) <sup>17903</sup> past seventy years, but



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worked with Salter & Kraemer  
in Kansas District 1891-92.  
help clean up Dalton Bros.

yours 6-15-25.

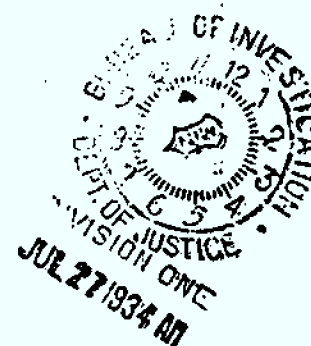
can be seen after 8 P.M.

If not sitting on stoop  
pull front door bell - of 295

I have no dealings with local  
police: there's a reason -

6-15-25.

Sam F. ...  
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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

From: UNIT #1 Rc

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To: ☐ Director  
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☐ Mr. Tolson  
☐ Mr. Edwards  
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☐ Mr. Quinn  
☐ Mr. Tamm

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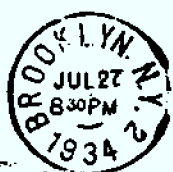
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☐ Mr. Newby  
☐ Mr. Schroeder  
☐ Mr. Smith  
☐ Miss Gandy  
☐ Mrs. Kelley  
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*Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
 Bureau of Investigation  
 Dept of Justice  
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*Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
 Bureau of Investigation  
 Dept of Justice  
 Washington, D.C.*

*Correct number*

*Car is a French Gray  
 Door Sedan*

*license no. 9K58.46*

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*6-15-25-*

285 PACIFIC ST., BROOKLYN, N. Y.



JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.  
July 20, 1934.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Nathan .....  
Mr. Tolson .....  
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Mr. Lester .....  
Mr. Quinn ✓  
Mr. Tamm .....  
✓

Mr. Brantley called from Oklahoma City to advise that a press article in the papers relative to a net being set by police and Federal officers at Tulsa, Oklahoma to capture Fred Barker was unfounded; that he, Brantley, had talked to Agent Paul Hanson and ascertained that the facts were that a man and a woman at a filling station near the town of Drummond, Oklahoma told the Chief of Police that they recognized Fred Barker in a car which passed them. Mr. Brantley stated there was nothing to the story and it was not being investigated.

Mr. Brantley advised that they have been making a concentrated effort to locate Floyd and that Special Agent J. M. O'Leary, who is presently under transfer to Chicago, has assigned to him a number of current leads which will require about ten days investigative work. I told Mr. Brantley that he could retain Agent O'Leary at Oklahoma City for an additional period not to exceed ten days. Mr. Brantley pointed out that Agent Smith is working on a special matter and that Agent Deaderick is under transfer to Washington. With reference to Deaderick's transfer, Brantley desired that Deaderick remain in Oklahoma City until Agent Little arrived there. I told him that since you contemplated placing Deaderick on a Supervisor's desk to be vacated by Mr. Little, I believed that in fairness to Deaderick, he should have a few days with Little here in Washington.

Mr. Brantley stated that he had been advised of the presence of Agent Anderson in his district on the Floyd case.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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P. O. Box 1276  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
June 24, 1934

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

Dear Sir:

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases, (Deceased);  
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases -  
FUGITIVE, I. O. 1201; CHARLES ARTHUR  
"PRETTY BOY" FLOYD, with aliases - FUGITIVE,  
I. O. #1194, et al.  
Conspiracy to Deliver a Federal Prisoner -  
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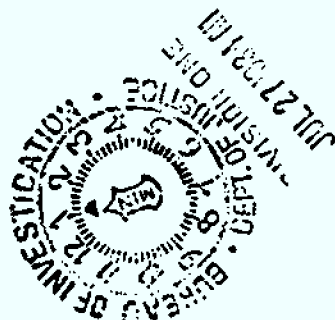
Some time ago, I wrote the Division to the effect that [redacted]  
of Tecumseh, Oklahoma was being used as an informant in an  
effort to locate Adam Racchetti and Charles Floyd.

On the morning of July 18, 1934, the home of [redacted] near  
Tecumseh was raided by some State officers, at which time, he told  
them that he was working with this Division in an effort to obtain in-  
formation as to the whereabouts of Racchetti and Floyd. The usefulness  
of this man as an informant has been destroyed. I have talked with him  
since the raid, and told him that I would be glad to receive any infor-  
mation that he might obtain, but that he could not expect to obtain any  
more money from us as an informant.

Very truly yours,

Dwight Brantley  
DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Kansas City

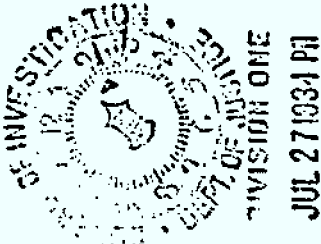


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Calhoun, Ga. July 26, 34.

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

Dear Sir-

Mr. Henry Schneider, this City, operating a small variety store, has disclosed to me information as follows: Last Sunday night, while resting on a cot in the rear of his store, with all lights extinguished, he overheard a conversation between two parties, neither of which is known to him, to the effect that "Pretty Boy" Floyd, is in this community very seriously ill, but it was thought he would recover and make good his escape provided he was not "turned up" by someone familiar with his hideout.

Mr. Schneider, has been in this community about a year and I know of no reason to doubt his statement. The rear of his store opens on an alley and being familiar with the situation I can well understand how he could have overheard the conversation thru an open window near his cot.

I questioned him at length, but he has no information other than above stated.

I of course, do not personally know if there is anything to this tip, but simply pass it to you.

Yours very truly

JUL 31 1934 John A. Neal

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P.S.

It is my understanding that Floyd is a native of this county or the adjoining county of Bartow.

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July 30, 1934.

Mr. John A. Neal,  
Calhoun, Georgia.

Dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated July 26, 1934, setting forth information received by you from Mr. Henry Schneider, concerning remarks which he overheard to the effect that "Pretty Boy" Floyd is in your community where he is said to be seriously ill but will recover and make good his escape provided he is not "turned up" in the meantime by some one familiar with his hideout.

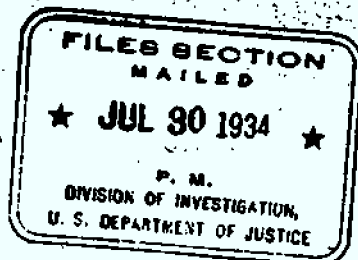
Mr. J. H. Hanson, Special Agent in Charge of the Birmingham office of this Division, 320 Federal Building, Birmingham, Alabama, has been instructed to interview you regarding this matter.

Thanking you for your interest and cooperation,  
I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

CC Birmingham (1 encl. copy letter John A. Neal 7/26/34)





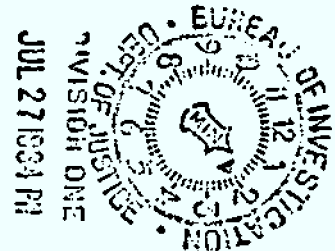
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Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1001 Vermont Avenue, N.W.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: GEORGE WASHINGTON NASH, SR. et al.  
Harboring and Concealing a person for  
whom a warrant of arrest has been  
issued - Conspiracy.

This case has been presented to the United States District Attorney at Muskogee, Oklahoma and the United States District Attorney at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and some difficulty has been experienced in getting prosecutive steps taken against subjects, particularly as to G. W. Nash, Sr. and Bruce Merrill<sup>0</sup> Brady with aliases. Huston G. Nash was convicted and sentenced in State Court at Oklahoma City to serve fifty years in the State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma on a charge of robbery with firearms. It is the belief of this office that there is sufficient evidence to convict both G. W. Nash, Sr. and Bruce Merrill Brady, especially in the Eastern District of Oklahoma. Prosecution of these parties in the Eastern District should be at Muskogee, Oklahoma. Recently this matter was taken up with United States Attorney W. F. Rampendahl at Muskogee and he, as usual, did not want to prosecute these subjects. It was later submitted to the United States Attorney at Oklahoma City and through him routed to his assistant, D. E. Hodges, who did not want to prosecute.

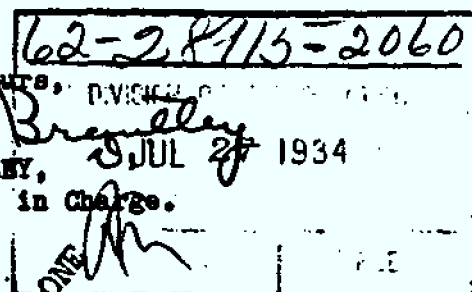
United States Attorney W. F. Rampendahl of Muskogee, Oklahoma will in all likelihood be going out of office shortly and it is my understanding that Assistant United States Attorney D. E. Hodges of Oklahoma City will be relieved on August 1st. It is therefore believed that the chances of getting prosecutive steps taken against these subjects within the next thirty or sixty days are good, especially when there are new attorneys in the above mentioned offices.

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Very truly yours,

*Dwight Brantley*  
DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

Kansas City, Mo.

FILE NO. 62-410

REPORT MADE AT: <b>Dallas, Texas.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>7-23-34.</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>7-23-34.</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>E. J. Dowd.</b>
TITLE: <b>VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (deceased) RICHARD TALIMAN GALATAS, with aliases- Fugitive 10 1201 - CHARLES ARTHUR FLOYD, with aliases, - Fugitive - 10 1194, et al.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER A FEDERAL PRISONER.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Thomas E. Harrison, Vice President Dyanize Manufacturing Company, Dallas, Texas, is now at the Robert Lee Hotel, Kansas City, Mo.

**REFERENCE:**

Copy of letter directed to Los Angeles Division Office by Kansas City Division Office, dated July 3, 1934.

**DETAILS:**

The writer ascertained from the Dyanize Manufacturing Company, Mercantile Building, Dallas, Texas, that Thomas E. Harrison is Vice President of the Company, and will be located for the next two days at the Robert E. Lee Hotel, 13th. and Wyandotte Sts., Kansas City, Mo.

**UNDEVELOPED LEAD:**

**DETAILS:**

Kansas City Division Office is requested to interview Thomas E. Harrison for information requested in reference letter.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>E. J. Beary</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	62-28915-2062	RECORDED AND INDEXED: <b>JUL 27 1934</b>
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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July 25, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I called Mr. Pennington and advised that I had a call yesterday afternoon from a Sergeant Catchim who is located at the Marine Barracks on 8th & I Streets; that he has a fellow there who claims to know a good deal about Pretty Boy Floyd, Baby Face Nelson and various other individuals; that I told Sergeant Catchim we would have an agent interview him today. I advised Mr. Pennington that Catchim is in the office of the publication known as the Leatherneck, which is the booklet published by the Marine Corps. Mr. Pennington stated this would receive attention.

With regard to Macon matter, Mr. Pennington advised that Stein would take care of this today. Mr. Pennington stated that their trouble is that they are so short handed and have so many expedite cases. I told him to watch and pick out the cases that seem the hardest all the time. Mr. Pennington stated that they get a great many applicant cases and over one-third of the cases they closed last month were applicants.

Respectfully,

  
E. A. Tamm.

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KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

JULY 18, 1934.

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Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Baughman	.....
Chief Clerk	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Cowley	.....
Mr. Edwards	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Keith	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my letter of June 20, 1934, and your reply of June 25, 1934, concerning allegations of misconduct on the part of Special Agents of the Division originating with the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

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My delay in following the suggestion contained in your letter for an interview with Col. B. M. Casteel was occasioned by inability to make an appointment on a date suitable to both of us. On July 17, 1934, however, I did interview Col. Casteel at his office in Jefferson City, Missouri. I explained to him the situation which exists in this matter and called attention to your desire that full details be furnished by Major Means in order that the whole situation could be completely threshed out.

Col. Casteel advised me that he had been informed by Major Means of my visit to Macon and of the fact that Major Means had not given me the complete story. He indicated that, in his opinion, Means is an individual who is likely to, as he expresses it, "make a mountain out of a molehill". He advised that the matter has never been officially brought to his notice as head of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, and that he feels that possibly the whole thing is the result of too much talking, both by members of his organization and possibly by Agents of the Division. He further advised that while he considers Means an excellent officer, he feels that Means is the type likely to become piqued at some individual and consequently adopt an unfriendly attitude toward the organization with which that individual is connected. Col. Casteel stated that, in this connection, he thinks that Means feels that the Kansas City Office of the Division has not in the past given him the cooperation which he feels he should have.

I advised Col. Casteel of Means' statement to me concerning his orders to his Troop not to extend any unusual cooperation to representatives of the Division. Col. Casteel advised me that he would take this matter up with Means and would see that it was com-

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pletely cleared up. He has promised to communicate with me at a subsequent date, either obtaining the full details from Means and conveying them to me or arranging another meeting between Means and me at which the matter can be thoroughly ironed out.

In the event I do not hear further from Col. Casteel within a reasonable time I will again communicate with him in order that there may be no unnecessary delay.

Col. Casteel exhibited, during my conference with him about this and other matters, a very friendly spirit toward the Division and indicated that he did not intend that there should be any ill-feeling or lack of complete cooperation between his organization and ours. He specifically asked that I advise you of his feeling in this regard. I feel confident that there is no disposition on the part of Col. Casteel not to fully cooperate with us at all times, and I assure you that this friendly feeling between the two organizations will be fostered and continued by me.

Very truly yours,



R. B. NATHAN  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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62-28915-2064  
Colonel B. E. Casteel,  
Superintendent,  
Missouri State Highway Patrol,  
Jefferson City, Missouri.

My dear Colonel Casteel:

I have been advised by Mr. R. B. Nathan, Special Agent in Charge of the Kansas City Office of the Division, concerning his very pleasant visit with you on the occasion of a recent call made at your office.

Since Mr. Nathan explained to you the nature of the inquiries being made by him, I wanted you to know that I am, of course, always desirous of obtaining information concerning any act or acts of any representative of this Division which reflect discreditably upon the Division's personnel, ability or willingness to cooperate with all duly constituted law enforcement officials. I am sure that in your position you will understand my attitude in matters of this kind.

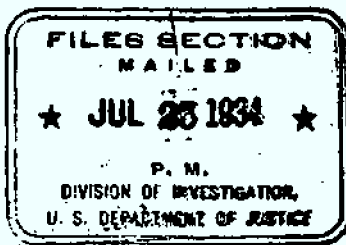
I regret exceedingly to hear of the attitude assumed toward this Division and its representatives by one of your subordinates but appreciate the fact that this individual's attitude does not necessarily reflect the official, personal or group attitude of the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Assuring you of my appreciation for the splendid cooperation which your organization has rendered to this Division and of my desire to cooperate with you at all times in all matters of mutual interest, I am

Sincerely yours,  
J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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Mr. Tolson .....  
Mr. Clegg .....  
Mr. Baughman .....  
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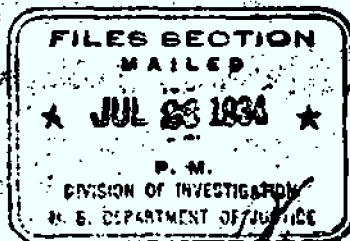
UNIT FIVE.

In connection with the case entitled **VERNON C. MILLER**, with aliases (Deceased), et al., you are instructed to place a wanted notice against the record of Mrs. Glenn Morris, alias Betty McFadden, your file #811220, showing her to be wanted by the Kansas City office of the Division for questioning.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

## Division of Investigation

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Washington, D. C.

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July 25, 1934.

### MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Nathan .....  
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Special Agent Deaderick telephoned and advised that night before last they had some information to the effect that Floyd, Richetti and two or three other outlaws were down in a cave below Tecumseh, Oklahoma; that Mr. Brantley was there that night and sent him, Deaderick, with three of the agents and some police officers down there; that they searched the country thoroughly and did not find anyone. This information will be forwarded to the Division in a letter. Last night, Mr. Deaderick stated, the Chief of Police at Mannford, Oklahoma got in touch with Paul Hanson at Tulsa and advised that Jim Clark and some bank robbers were out in the brush there. Hanson and Agent Birch went down there with some other officers and searched all night. It seems as if someone had been there and gone. Last night about 10:00 o'clock Hanson called Deaderick and advised that he had information to the effect that Harry Campbell and Billy Fitch, his woman, were supposed to be at 120 Walnut Street, Kansas City. Mr. Deaderick called Mr. Nathan at Kansas City and gave him this information but has heard nothing further about it. Nathan stated he would advise the Division direct as to the results. Deaderick stated he called to give this information to the Division as he thought it might get into the paper one way or another.

I asked Mr. Deaderick when he was leaving for Washington and he advised that Mr. Brantley would return on the morning of the 26th and he would leave immediately. I asked how long it would take him to drive and he said he might be able to make it in about three days. He said he would be here by Monday sure.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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U. S. Department of Justice

Little Rock, Arkansas,  
July 25, 1934.

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1001 Vermont Avenue, N. W.,  
Washington, D. C.

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases,  
Deceased.  
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases,  
Fugitive, I.O. 1201  
CHARLES ARTHUR FLOYD, with aliases,  
Fugitive, I.O. 1194, et al.  
Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of Division letter of July 18, 1934, regarding a request directed to the Oklahoma City Office to have an agent interview Mr. A. L. Smith, a lawyer at Siloam Springs, Arkansas, for the purpose of obtaining any information he may have concerning the whereabouts of subject Floyd.

Please be advised that an effort will be made to have Mr. Smith interviewed by an agent of this office in the immediate future.

Very truly yours,

*E. E. Conroy*  
E. E. CONROY,

Special Agent in Charge.



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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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

LAH:AMP.

July 26, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

In accordance with Mr. Newby's request, there are transmitted herewith three copies of an abstract of the criminal record of Harry Morris, Identification Unit File #252760. The description of Morris shows on the transcripts. There is also attached hereto a copy of a wanted notice received in the Division, November 7, 1929, from the Bureau of Investigation, State House, Des Moines, Iowa, indicating that Morris was wanted for participation in a robbery at Estherville, Iowa, on August 30, 1929. A photograph of Morris appears on this wanted circular. It is noted that Morris is now deceased.

Respectfully,

*L. C. Schilder*

L. C. Schilder.

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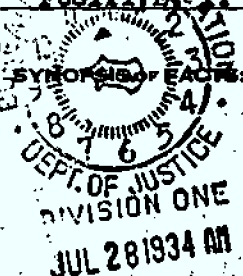
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Kansas City, Mo.**

FILE NO. **62-826 BM**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>Birmingham, Ala.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>7-26-34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>7-18-34</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>J. H. Hanson.</b>
TITLE: <b>VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased); RICHARD TAILMAN GALATAS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1201; CHARLES ARTHUR FLOYD, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1194, et al.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.</b>



Pat Gardella Sturney, stepson of Galatas, living in destitute circumstances at Y.M.C.A., Montgomery, Ala., where he has not paid room rent since 5-22-34. Sturney claims to have heard nothing concerning the whereabouts of Galatas or his mother.

**REFERENCE:**

Division letter dated 6-28-34, and  
Letter from Chicago Office dated 7-11-34.

**DETAILS:**

**At Montgomery, Alabama.**

From Mr. David Reinhardt, Assistant Secretary, Y.M.C.A., it was ascertained that Sturney is still rooming in room 332, and the records indicate that he has not paid his room rent since May 22, 1934. Sturney has a room, the rent of which is \$2.50 per week. Reinhardt stated that he does not know if Sturney has any form of income or if he is employed.

Mrs. Henry H. Jones, 100 Forrest Avenue, Montgomery, who is the former wife of Jules Galatas, and who is employed by the law firm of Steiner, Crum & Weil, stated that she has heard nothing concerning the whereabouts of Dick Galatas. She mentioned that her former husband, Jules Galatas, was reported to have been in Montgomery recently, but said that she did not see him at that time. Mrs. Jones also said that she has seen Pat Sturney on the streets of Montgomery, but has not talked to him for a year or more. She stated, however, that she had recently talked to Mrs. William Castleberry, a sister of Galatas, having met her on the street, and that Mrs. Castleberry at that time mentioned that Pat Sturney had been at her house several weeks prior thereto, having spent the entire day there.

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that Sturney wept the whole day because he had not heard from his mother in a year.

Mrs. Jones said that in addition to the information she had recently furnished to representatives of this Division, she could add nothing except that when asked if she thought that Meyer Gerson Jr., who is the husband of the woman with whom Jules Galatas is now living in Chicago, could be safely approached in connection with this case, she stated that she did not think so, but believed that Gerson instead would communicate with his wife, in an effort to get her to leave Jules. She also mentioned that the Gerson woman, with whom Jules is now living, came from a respectable family in Selma, Alabama, but that she knows nothing else about them. When asked if she knew Edward L. Wampole, 230 Montzuma Road, Montgomery, Alabama, which address is mentioned in reference letter from Chicago, she stated that the Wampoles are very close friends of Mrs. Gerson, and that Mrs. Gerson, whenever she comes to Montgomery, visits with them.

Pat Gardelle Sturney, interviewed at the Y.M.C.A., stated that he had been waiting for an agent to call on him in connection with this case, and that he wished that an agent had done so earlier, and especially before going to all of his friends and acquaintances. Sturney mentioned that his sweetheart, a Miss Duncan, recently informed him that some of her friends in North Carolina had been contacted concerning Sturney, and that it was embarrassing to him, especially in view of the fact that he knows nothing concerning the whereabouts of Galatas.

Sturney mentioned that his mother's maiden name is Bess McFadden; that she married a man named Benjamin Sturney, but that he knows nothing about his father, inasmuch as he understands that his mother and father separated when he was about two years old. He also stated that he understands that when he was a baby he lived in London, England, but that the first thing he recalls of his life is that he was living on a farm at Dresden, Ontario, the farm at that time being owned by his grandfather, Joseph McFadden, who died in 1924.

He stated that his grandmother, Mrs. Lydia McFadden, is now living on this farm, which is located on R.F.D. #1, Dresden, Ontario; further that she is living with a son named Walter, and that in addition to Walter, his grandmother has a son named Hugh McFadden, who in 1929 lived in Long Beach, California, but who he understands left there and he does not know his present whereabouts. He also stated that his grandmother has three daughters in addition to his mother, namely Elsie Cady, who lives in some town in New York State; Ann McKaid, Bell River, Ontario, and Lena Scheafner, who is reported to be living in California, name of town not known.

Sturney said that he does not know of any uncles or aunts that he has in addition to those people mentioned above, and that he does not know of any other relatives that his mother has, although he recalls his mother mentioning an aunt named Smith who was about eight years old when he was only a baby.

Sturney said that he lived on the above mentioned farm until he was about nine years old, when he accompanied his mother and Dick Galatas to California, where they lived on Anaheim Street in Long Beach, and where he stayed with Mrs. Ida Mae Galatas, the mother of Dick Galatas, until he was about twelve years old. He said that he understands that his mother married Dick Galatas when he, Sturney, was about five years of age, saying that he does not know where they first met or where they were married.

After leaving California when he was about twelve years of age, Sturney stated that he went to Detroit, Michigan, where he lived with his mother's sister, Lena Schaeffer, but did not like that place and ran away from home, but met his mother and Dick Galatas on the streets in Detroit; that at that time Galatas and his mother asked him if he wanted to go to Montgomery to go to school, and when he indicated that he did they sent him to the Stark Military University in Montgomery, which he attended for several years, after which he attended Philip Lanier High School, and upon graduating there he enrolled in the University of Alabama, where he was a student through the summer session of 1933.

During all these years Sturney claims he has never lived any appreciable length of time with either his mother or Galatas. He said that he knows nothing concerning Galatas' relatives other than those who have been mentioned in previous reports made by the Birmingham Office. When he was in attendance at the University, Sturney stated that his mother and Dick Galatas traveled considerably, but that he generally reached them by telephoning to Hot Springs 3087, saying that he understood they lived on Harrell St. Sturney stated that he knew nothing concerning any property that Galatas owned, saying that he presumed that they owned their furniture and that they had a Cadillac Sedan and a Ford Coupe.

He also mentioned that while he had spent several weeks during various summer vacations in high school, he was in the company of and saw little of Galatas on these trips, but most of the time associated with Eddie Connor, who, he understands, was killed during the past few years by some crazy woman at a point some place in the east. He said that on a few occasions he had gone fishing with Galatas at a fishing camp located about five miles from Hot Springs, on the highway going south of Hot Springs, which road was described by Sturney as being exactly opposite to the road entering Hot Springs from Little Rock. He mentioned that Galatas had a lot of fishing tackle and a boat at this fishing camp, but that he did not know the name of the camp.



He also stated that at the time of his visits to Hot Springs, he understood that Galatas was running a booking place located about one block from the Arkansas Trust Bank Building, which place was on the second floor. He mentioned that he knew of no other business enterprises in which Galatas was engaged, but said that he does recall that he frequently had letters written to him by his mother on the stationery of the Owl Street Garage in Hot Springs. He also said that he knew of no acquaintances of his father in Hot Springs, but that he understood from conversation that his father was a close friend to the Mayor, who he understands was named McLaughlin, and that he also understood that his mother frequently associated with Mrs. McLaughlin.

Sturney stated that he understood, but did not recall the source, saying that possibly Mrs. Castleberry, a sister of Dick Galatas, had so advised him, that Galatas' mother is engaged in the real estate business, where she is living in <sup>1908</sup> ~~1908~~ California with her daughter, Mrs. Hugh Martin and another daughter, Mrs. Angelina Ranier. He said that he understood Mrs. Galatas was supporting not only these two daughters, but their husbands as well.

Sturney claims that because of the fact that he has spent very little time with either his mother or Galatas, that he knows nothing concerning their friends or associates. He stated that he frequently heard from them in various parts of the country, recalling that they had traveled through Yosemite National Park, and that they at times were in Detroit, Chicago, Kansas City, and in Florida.

Sturney also displayed a letter addressed to him, postmarked Dresden, Ontario, May 10, 1934, written by his grandmother, Mrs. Lydia McFadden, which letter he permitted agent to read, and in which his grandmother mentioned that she was thinking of him on this, Mother's Day, because she had one less letter to write, meaning that she could not correspond with her daughter Bess, who is Sturney's mother and the wife of Galatas. In this letter Mrs. McFadden urged Sturney to be a good boy and to work hard and try to get along the best that he could. She also mentioned that she, as well as her daughter in Dresden, had heard of the "trouble", no names being mentioned, but that they knew nothing concerning the whereabouts of Bess.

Sturney stated that it was hard for him to believe that Galatas had gotten into the trouble in which he is now involved; further that he had never heard of this trouble until about December, 1933, when he was walking on the streets in Montgomery, Alabama, and when an acquaintance asked him if he had seen a recent issue of a detective magazine, which contained a write-up of the Kansas City case, and which included a photograph of Galatas. He stated that in about June or July of 1933 was the last time he heard from his mother, and that for months after that he telephoned the above mentioned telephone number in Hot Springs, endeavoring to get in touch with her or Galatas, but upon failing to do so he surmised that they were on a vacation, and did not think much of it at that time.



He stated that he does not know whether he would cooperate with this Division if he did know Galatas' whereabouts; saying that he did not want to think about that, and that he could say that inasmuch as he knew nothing concerning his whereabouts. He mentioned that he was very much interested in the safety of his mother, and that he would do anything to protect her. He also stated that he did not intend to leave Montgomery, but was going to attempt to secure work there, and would leave a forwarding address or perhaps would even notify the Birmingham office, should he move to some other point in the city.

He mentioned that at the present time he has no other income than the sum of \$3.86 per week from the C.W.A., saying that he works two days a week at the State Capitol for this money. He also informed agent that he was sick and tired of living on bread and peanut butter, and showed agent a loaf of bread and peanut butter, which he had in his dresser drawer, which food he claims is his subsistence.

It might be mentioned that Sturney appears to be a very open minded young man, intelligent, and it is believed that he would very seriously consider revealing any information that he might have, for the purpose of protecting his mother.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

DETROIT OFFICE, at Dresden, Ontario, if it has not already done so, will ascertain if Mrs. Lydia McFadden has any information concerning her daughter's residence in London, bearing in mind in conducting this inquiry that possibly Dick Galatas and his wife might have gone to London in view of the latter's former residence at that place.

LITTLE ROCK OFFICE, at Hot Springs, Ark., will ascertain if Galatas' personal property is still located on the fishing camp described by Sturney above.

P E N D I N G

El Paso, Texas,  
July 25, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR  
Special Agent in Charge,  
El Paso Office.

Re: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER,  
I.O. #1217, et al  
National Motor Vehicle  
Obstruction of Justice.

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VICTOR C. MILLER with aliases (Deceased)  
Richard Talbot Calamus, with aliases,  
Fugitive.  
I.O. #1801, et al.  
Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.

Reference is made to letter received from the Denver Office dated July 2, 1934. A check of this matter at Magdalena, N.M., indicates that the party referred to is one James Marron who has resided in the vicinity of Magdalena off and on for the past 4 or 5 years. About 4 years ago, James Marron filed on a homestead which was near Beaver Head in Catron County, N. M. At that time a man by the name of Charles Kalsor was operating a small store in Beaver Head. The information is that James Marron became intimate with Mrs. Charles Kalsor and she deserted her husband and later obtained a divorce and was supposed to have been married to Marron; that she and Marron immediately left the country and their whereabouts were unknown.

That about 2 months ago Marron returned to Magdalena, having with him another woman, stating that Mrs. Kalsor had died and that he had married this other woman some place in Ohio. At the time of his return he was driving a Plymouth Coupe with a trailer, which carried Ohio license. At that time, Marron took his wife out to the claim and stated he was going back to Albuquerque to dispose of a truck that he had left there. A few days later Marron returned to Magdalena and was flashing a big roll of money, stating that this money was received by his wife on an insurance policy on her former husband. He claimed to have about \$1200 in cash and a certified check for about \$2800, which he claimed represented \$4000 insurance his wife collected on the death of her former husband.

At that time Marron's wife was still on the claim at Beaver Head and Marron became engaged in a poker game in Magdalena and lost about \$800 of the cash that he had in the game. The money that Marron had secured to be all in \$20 bills. While this poker game was in progress, Marron's supposed wife started to Magdalena afoot and was picked up by some ranch man about 40 miles south and west of Magdalena and brought into Magdalena, and when she came in she got hold of Marron and stopped him from playing poker and they left Magdalena, stating that they were going some place in Oklahoma, the exact location unknown, and have not been seen since.



Bob Lewis, City Marshal of Magdalena, was interviewed and stated that he had known this James Warren for about 3 or 4 years and that he was a notorious crook; that in the early part of 1933, during the time that Warren was loafing around Magdalena, a man by the name of Carl Madison was found murdered near his place of business in Magdalena; that while they were unable to connect Warren with the murder, it was always his impression that Warren had murdered Madison; that Warren left Magdalena shortly after that and was not seen or heard of until he returned recently driving the Plymouth Coupe with a trailer, and having this woman with him whom he stated he had married in Ohio.

Mr. Lewis stated he saw Warren in the poker game and noticed he had considerable money. He did not know how much. He also stated he saw a certified check which he understood was for \$2500. However, he cannot say just what it was as he did not see the amount. Mr. Lewis said that during the progress of this poker game, Warren's wife returned from the claim out near Beaver Head where Warren had left her, and got hold of Warren and they left town and he understood that they went East, stating that they were going to some place in Oklahoma.

Mr. Lewis describes James Warren as:

Age	-	About 35 or 40
Hair	-	Black
Eyes	-	Black
Complexion	-	Dark
Weight	-	about 150 lbs.
Height	-	about 5' 10"
Build	-	Slender.
Peculiarities:		His left eye is cut. He wears a glass eye.

Mr. Lewis had often heard Warren speak of living around Tulsa and Oklahoma City, Okla.

Agent attempted to locate some of the bills that subject might have had in his possession, with a view to ascertaining the numbers of them. Bill Desmuke, who operates a gambling house and saloon, stated that Warren had lost the money gambling in his place and that as there was no bank in Magdalena, he did his banking business in Socorro, N.M., and all of the money that came into his hands from Warren had been placed in the Socorro Bank at Socorro, N.M. and he did not believe that any of the bills that Warren lost could be found around Magdalena.

J.A. Street,  
Special Agent.

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P. O. Box 1278  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
July 25, 1934

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Postmaster,  
Harlsboro, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Vernon O. Miller, with aliases, (Deceased),  
et al. Conspiracy to Deliver a Federal  
Prisoner - Obstruction of Justice.

Confirming the request recently made by Special  
Agent K. D. Deaderick of this office, it is kindly re-  
quested that a cover be placed on the mail of Bradley  
Floyd, brother of Charles Arthur Floyd, and on the mail  
of Mrs. George Birdwell.

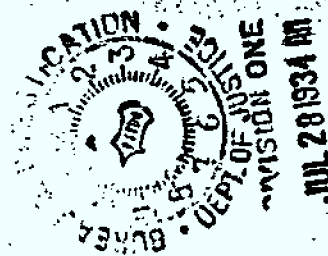
It is requested that tracings of such mail as is  
received by these individuals be furnished this office  
immediately upon receipt of same. Tracings should include  
the postmark, return address, if any, and the name of  
the addressee. In forwarding these tracings, please re-  
fer to File No. 62-456.

I am enclosing herewith a supply of self-addressed,  
franked envelopes which you can use for this purpose.  
Your cooperation in this matter will be very much  
appreciated.

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
July 25, 1934

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Postmaster,  
Seminole, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Re: Vernon G. Miller, with aliases,  
(Deceased), et al.  
Conspiracy to Deliver a Federal  
Prisoner - Obstruction of  
Justice.

Will you kindly place a mail cover on the mail of  
Mr. and Mrs. W. A. (Blackie) Smalley, R. F. D. No. 2,  
Seminole, Oklahoma, and Eva Ricchetti, 5 University  
Street, Seminole, Oklahoma, for a period of thirty days,  
and furnish this office tracings of all first-class mail.

Thanking you very kindly for this assistance, I am

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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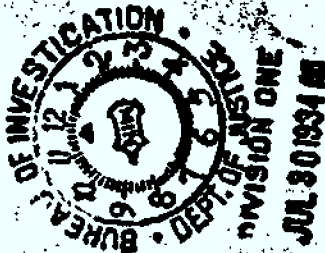
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P. O. Box 1876  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
July 28, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,  
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Sir:



Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased);  
RICHARD TALIMAN GALATAS, with aliases -  
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1801; CHARLES ARTHUR  
"PRETTY BOY" FLOYD, with aliases - FUGITIVE,  
I. O. #1194, et al.  
Conspiracy to Deliver a Federal Prisoner.  
Obstruction of Justice.

Today, as a result of the mail covers which have been placed on the mail of the various relatives of subject Floyd, I am in receipt of tracing of a letter received recently by Mr. E. W. Lingerfelt, Gore, Oklahoma, with a postmark of Chowchilla, California, July 17, 1934. The letter in question bears no return address. Lingerfelt is a brother-in-law of Floyd.

The handwriting on this letter bears some similitude to the handwriting of Floyd, as appearing on Identification Order No. 1194.

Investigation in Oklahoma has not established definitely that Floyd is in this locality, and, as you are aware, rumors have been current for a few months that he might be in California. It is requested that appropriate inquiry be made at Chowchilla of the Post Office officials and employees as to whether or not anyone resembling Floyd has been in that locality recently. It is also suggested that it be ascertained whether there are any Lingerfelts in that locality, as this man may have relatives there.

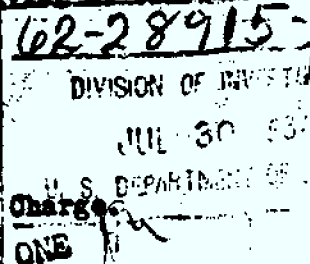
In case you do not have a sufficient supply, I am transmitting herewith six copies of Identification Order No. 1194 on Floyd, with the request that they be displayed conspicuously in the Post Office at Chowchilla if the same has not already been done.

It has been said, although not definitely known here, that Floyd has grown a Vandyke beard and that he, on occasions, wears a toupee, red in color, and occasionally wears spectacles. He also is said to walk with a limp. It is not known what make of car he is driving at this time.

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge

cc Division  
Kansas City - Chicago





420 Post Office Building,

Dallas, Texas.

July 27, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1616 Federal Reserve Bank Bldg.,  
Kansas City, Mo.

RE: Vernon C. Miller, with aliases (Doc'd.)  
Et Al.

Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.

Dear Sir:

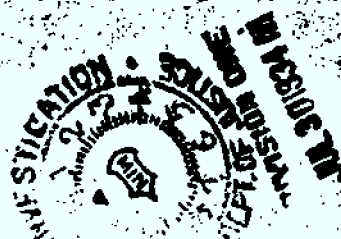
Referring to your letter dated 7-12-34, relative to a contract purported to have been signed by Charles Arthur Floyd, and in possession of Pierre Levy of the Publix Theatres, Ft. Worth, Texas, this is to advise that Mr. Levy advised Special Agent F. S. Dunn that to his knowledge there was no contract bearing Floyd's signature; that the only contract he saw was signed by Mrs. Floyd, E. E. Beach and Silverton & Condon, a Film concern of Oklahoma City, Okla., who were sponsoring the showing of Mrs. Floyd and her son at the Palace Theatre in Ft. Worth.

Very truly yours,

F. J. Hahn,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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1381 First National Bank Building,  
El Paso, Texas.

July 23, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
1616 Federal Reserve Bank Bldg.,  
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sir:

Re: Vernon C. Miller, with aliases,  
Deceased, et al.  
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL  
PRISONER - File 62-335.

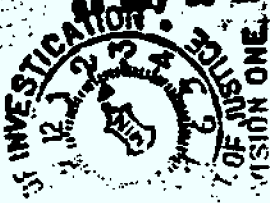
Reference is had to my letter addressed to you on July 19, 1934 and to my report dated 7/17/34. Please be advised that I have received additional tracings of mail received by Mrs. W.J. Leach, nee Ruth Galatas, at Albuquerque, N.M., as follows:

- #1 - From 2423 Masley Ave., Birmingham, Ala.  
(This letter is probably from Mrs. William S. Adams. See report J.H. Hanson, Birmingham, 7/12/34).
- #2 - Return address: D. Miller, c/o J. Bernstein, 2160 Home Ave., Chicago, Ill.
- #3 - Return address: W.J. Leach, 206 Don Carlos, 5226 Hollywood Blvd. Hollywood, Calif.
- #4 - Return address: L.D. Dodd, Pierce Brothers, 720 W. Wash. St., Los Angeles, Calif.

The above addresses are furnished you for such further investigation as may be deemed necessary.

Very truly yours,

R.H. Colvin,  
Special Agent in Charge.



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Los Angeles, California  
July 23, 1934

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

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Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, w.a. - FUGITIVE I.O.1218  
ARTHUR H. BARKER, w.a. - " 1219  
ET AL;  
Edward G. Bremer, Victim  
KIDNAPING  
L. A. File 7-48

VENNON C. MILLER, w.a. - (deceased)  
RICHARD TALIMAN CALATAS, w.a. -  
FUGITIVE I.O.1201  
CHARLES ARTHUR "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD,  
w.a. - FUGITIVE I.O.1194, ET AL  
Conspiracy to Relieve a Federal Prisoner  
L. A. File 62-964

With further reference to the report of Special Agent C. J. Endres, Los Angeles, dated April 14, 1934, and to letter of the Los Angeles Office dated May 31, 1934, the following mail tracings are enclosed for such investigation as may be deemed advisable:

Handwritten envelope addressed to Mrs. M. J. Murphy, postmarked Homewood, Ill. June 20th, bearing the return address, Mrs. M. Cappay, Homewood, Illinois;

Handwritten envelope addressed to Mrs. M. J. Murphy, postmarked Chicago, June 21st, return address Mrs. M. Katts, 3804 Potomac Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Typewritten envelope addressed to Mrs. Norma L. Murphy, postmarked Chicago, June 21st, return address Wm. C. Heineman & Co., 10 S. LaSalle, Chicago.

Typewritten envelope addressed to Mrs. M. J. Murphy, postmarked Oak Park, Ill., June 22nd, return address Mrs. J. H. Airey, 916 No. Oak Park Ave., Oak Park, Ill.

Typewritten envelope addressed to Michael J. Murphy, postmarked Phoenix, June 28th, return address Mutual Life Ins. Co. of N. York, c/o Byron J. Pixley.

S.A.C., Chicago - /2.

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Handwritten envelope addressed to Norma Lampert Murphy, postmarked Chicago, June 27th, return address Thomas Wash, County Collector, Chicago, Illinois, County Collector's Office;

The Post Office Department at Phoenix, Arizona, further furnished Agent C. J. Endres with the information obtained from a Return Receipt of Registered Mail sent by M. J. Murphy to the Washington Park National Bank, Chicago, Illinois. There was also a response from the Washington Park National Bank on July 14, 1934.

Also, M. J. Murphy sent registered mail to Chicago, Illinois, and received Return Receipt signed by A. Stannoyar, Mr. Magness.

Another registered item sent by Norma L. Murphy to Chicago, Illinois, signed by Otto Hoppe, L. Graper.

Mail cover on Post Office Box 485, rented by Michael J. and Norma L. Murphy, is still being retained and further investigation will be conducted at Phoenix, Arizona, in an effort to obtain the identity of Michael J. Murphy.

Very truly yours,

J. E. P. DUNE

Special Agent in Charge

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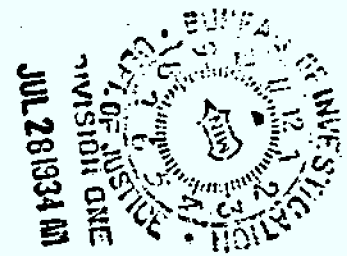
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U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 1276  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
July 25, 1934

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Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
1001 Vermont Avenue, N. W.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases, (Deceased);  
RICHARD TALIMAN GALATAS, with aliases -  
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1201; CHARLES ARTHUR "PRETTY  
BOY" FLOYD, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O.  
#1194, et al.  
Conspiracy to Deliver a Federal Prisoner -  
Obstruction of Justice.

The information set out herein was on this date furnished  
Mr. Tamm of the Division via long distance telephone.

About noon on July 23, 1934, Sheriff W. A. Roberts at Shawnee,  
Oklahoma called this office, stating that he had reliable information to  
the effect that subjects Charles Arthur Floyd and Adam Racchetti, with  
six or seven other outlaws, were in a cave in a canyon near Forum, Okla-  
homa. He further stated that about a week ago, he and his officers had a  
shooting scrape with an outlaw by the name of "Shine" Rush and two other  
parties in the same vicinity without success, and that he did not feel that  
he was properly equipped to make a raid on the parties who were alleged to  
be at this cave.

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Special Agents K. D. Deaderick, J. T. Martin, and E. H.  
Williams, together with three Oklahoma City Police Department Detectives,  
proceeded to Shawnee and contacted Sheriff Roberts, and on the afternoon of  
July 23d, went to the vicinity of the above-mentioned cave and searched the  
cave and the canyon, but failed to find any persons there.

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Agent Deaderick informs me that Sheriff Roberts stated that he  
had heard rumors to the effect that the outlaws were hiding in the cave for  
the past several days, but did not disclose his source of information. After  
the raid was made, the Sheriff advised Agent Deaderick that he still  
believed that possibly Floyd and Racchetti, with some of their associates,  
were in that vicinity, and that he had an informant whom he thought he could  
use to ascertain definitely whether or not any criminals were hiding in that

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vicinity, and that he would immediately contact the Oklahoma City Division office if he received any information of value.

I am informed by Special Agent Paul Hansen, who is now at Tulsa, Oklahoma, that he received a call from the Chief of Police at Mannford, Oklahoma on the evening of July 24, 1934 to the effect that three or four outlaws, one of whom was believed to be Floyd, were surrounded in a wooded section near Jennings, Oklahoma, and requested the assistance of this Department in endeavoring to apprehend them. Agents Paul Hansen and Tyler M. Birch, both being at Tulsa at that time, proceeded to Mannford and assisted the Chief of Police who searched the wooded section wherein Floyd and others were reported to be hiding, without results.

I am informed by Special Agent Hansen that the information was received by the Chief of Police at Mannford through an unidentified informant; that the Chief will endeavor to secure more definite information, if possible, with the assistance of Agent Hansen, and if anything of value is learned, appropriate steps will be taken to cause the apprehension of these persons in the event they are men wanted by this Division.

This office will keep in touch with Sheriff Roberts at Shawnee, Oklahoma and with the Chief of Police at Mannford, Oklahoma, and endeavor to develop any further information possible on each of these affairs, in which event, the Division will be immediately notified.

Very truly yours,

*Dwight Brantley*  
DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Kansas City  
Little Rock



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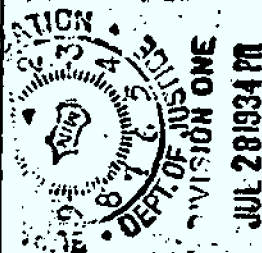
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Kansas City, Missouri**

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REPORT MADE AT: <b>Jacksonville, Fla.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>7/26/34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>7/24/34</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>Roger L. Main</b>
TITLE: <b>VERNON C. MILLER with aliases, Deceased; RICHARD TALIMAN GALATAS with aliases &amp; FUGITIVE; I.O. No. 1201; CHARLES ARTHUR FLOYD with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. No. 1194; ET AL.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER A FEDERAL PRISONER</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**



J. S. Higgins, Miami, Florida, states that when he visited George Zeigler at Chicago, Illinois, in June, 1933, the Zeigler family resided on West Garfield Boulevard in an apartment house situated on the Northwest corner of the West Garfield Boulevard and the first street East of Damon Avenue, the exact number of the apartment house he could not recall.

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REFERENCE: Letter from the Chicago Office, dated July 17, 1934.

DETAILS: At Miami, Florida:

Mr. J. S. Higgins, 859 Northwest 14th Court, Miami, Florida, advised that it was sometime in June, 1933, that he visited the home of George Zeigler at Chicago, Illinois; that his daughter, Mrs. Elsie Heller, was then stopping with the Zeigler family; that he can recall only one occasion when he was at the Zeigler home and at that time the Zeiglers were living in an apartment house situated at the Northwest corner of West Garfield Boulevard and the first street East of Damon Avenue; that he cannot recall the exact number of the apartment house, but the entrance was on West Garfield Boulevard and Zeigler's apartment was on the second floor; that he also cannot recall the name of the street which intersects West Garfield Boulevard on which the apartment house is partly situated and he stated that he knew of no better description of the locality than the one stated above.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	62-28915-2071	RECORDED AND INDEXED: <b>JUL 28 1934</b>
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Mr. Higgins further stated that he did not spend much time with the Zeigler family as he stayed with his nephew, C. J. Palmer, who now resides on Kilpatrick Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, the exact number of his residence he does not remember; that C. J. Palmer accompanied him to the apartment house in which Zeigler lived and should any difficulty be experienced in locating this apartment house, Mr. Palmer perhaps would have some recollection of the time he accompanied him, Mr. Higgins, there.

Mr. Higgins also stated that he believed that he had furnished Special Agent McRae all the information in his possession concerning the Zeiglers when he was previously interviewed and could think of nothing more at this time.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD: THE CHICAGO OFFICE, at Chicago, Illinois, from the information set forth above as furnished by Mr. J. S. Higgins, Miami, Florida, will endeavor to locate the apartment house on West Dearfield Boulevard, where George Zeigler is reported to have had an apartment in June, 1933, in an effort to determine the whereabouts of Zeigler on June 17, 1933.

PENDING



165 W. Michigan Ave  
Muskegon, Mich. July 26-34

J. Edgar Hoover  
Dept. of Justice  
Washington D.C.

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Dear Sir: According to our local  
newspapers now that Dillinger is gone  
you are out to get others of his class  
among them Pretty Boy Floyd.

A few weeks ago I was in  
Muskegon going thru a clinic.

While a friend, waiting in a park,  
got into conversation with a  
gentle man who claimed to know  
where Floyd was, in fact said he  
could take us to him.

This information may not be  
worth anything yet it may.

I can get the information if  
it is of any interest to you and  
I am assured such will be  
treated strictly confidentially

Is there a reward attached to  
information leading to his  
capture? I am a widow and  
naturally the reward interests me  
Anna Spencer



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Mrs. Anna Spencer,  
165 West Muskegon Avenue,  
Muskegon, Michigan.

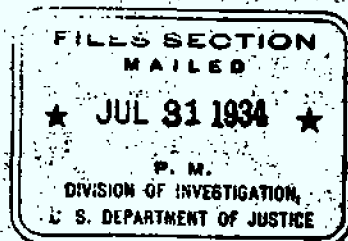
Dear Madam:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated July 26, 1934, wherein you advise that a few weeks ago you were in Minnesota going through a clinic, at which time a friend of yours obtained information relative to the whereabouts of "Pretty Boy" Floyd.

The Federal Government has not offered a reward for information leading to the apprehension of Floyd, however, Mr. M. H. Parvis, Special Agent in Charge, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers' Building, Chicago, Illinois, will assign an Agent to interview you respecting this matter at a very early date.

Thanking you for your interest and cooperation, I

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Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc - Chicago  
cc - Kansas City

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

July 24, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TALL

In compliance with Mr. Newby's request,  
there are transmitted herewith seven copies of  
both the photograph and the criminal record, as  
they appear in the files of the Identification Unit,  
in the case of EARL KNO, State Penitentiary,  
McAlester, Oklahoma #27105.

Respectfully,

*L. C. Schilder*  
LCS

L. C. Schilder.

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July 26, 1934

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dy  
Special Agent in Charge,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases  
(Deceased); RICHARD TALLEMAN GALATIS,  
with aliases, Fugitive, I.O.#1201;  
CHARLES ARTHUR "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD,  
with aliases, Fugitive, I.O.#1194;  
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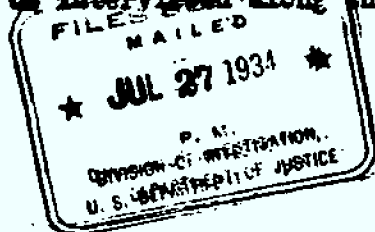
Dear Sir:

The Division has given consideration to the suggestions made in your letter dated July 12, 1934, that the beer bottles recovered from the residence of Vernon C. Miller (Deceased), now in the possession of your office be transmitted to the Division where further latent fingerprints may possibly be identified.

The Division is of the opinion that this should be done and, therefore, special instructions will be given to Special Agent E. E. Miller who is presently attending the ten day laboratory course, with regard to the preservation of the latent fingerprints by spraying the bottles with coatings of fixatif. Instructions will also be given with respect to the preparation of the bottles for transmittal to the Technical Laboratory at Washington, D. C.

With respect to the other suggestions contained in your letter, the Division is of the opinion that Doc Stacey should be brought into the Chicago office and questioned further concerning his knowledge of the operations of the Barker-Karpis gang with a view to obtaining any information which will link members of this gang with this case.

The Division is further of the opinion that the interview with Doc Stacey can satisfactorily be conducted by representatives of the Chicago office and, therefore, a copy of this letter is being forwarded to that office with a copy of your letter dated July 12, 1934, with instructions that Stacey be interviewed along the lines suggested in your letter.



SAC Kansas City

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With respect to the suggestion that the father of Vernon C. Miller, deceased, and other close relatives who reside at White Lake and Euron, South Dakota, be interviewed, the Division does not desire that this be done inasmuch as there is no indication that any information of value will be developed through such interviews.

In connection with the suggested interview with Earl Fontaine, brother of Harold Fontaine, who is believed to be residing at Windsor, Ontario, Canada, by Special Agent R. D. Brown, the Division does not deem it advisable to take any action at this time in the premises.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc - Chicago (with enclosure - Let. from Kansas City office,  
dated 7/27/34.)

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July 27, 1934.

62-28415-2075

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of the ballistic specimens received from your office in the Division July 18, 1934, in connection with the case entitled John Herbert Dillinger with aliases, et al; National Motor Vehicle Theft Act and Fugitive, and the ballistic specimens received from the St. Paul office in the Division July 17, 1934, in connection with the case entitled Vernon C. Miller with aliases (deceased) et al; Obstruction of Justice.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure #698620.

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Kansas City  
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July 26, 1934 Report

John Herbert Dillinger with aliases et al  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act and Fugitive

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Case:

Vernon C. Miller with aliases (deceased) et al  
Obstruction of Justice

Number:

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Dillinger specimens: Nine .45 calibre shells, five of which are Remington make, three U.S. Cartridge Company and one Western .45 automatic. Two fragments of bullets. These specimens recovered at Fostoria. One .45 calibre automatic Western shell and one .351 W.R.A. Co. shell. One fragment of a bullet. These specimens recovered at Galion.

\*\*See below

Examination requested by: Dillinger: Cincinnati Office  
Miller: St. Paul Office

Date received: Dillinger: July 18, 1934.  
Miller: July 17, 1934.

Ballistic

Examination requested:

Miller: Sixty cartridge cases and one loaded cartridge case. A. Appel  
Examination by:

July 19, 1934. With regard to the nine .45 calibre shells recovered at Fostoria, Ohio, it is believed that five of these were fired from one Thompson Submachine gun and four from another.

The two fragments of bullets from Fostoria were apparently fired from Thompson Submachine guns. They were compared with each other but were not identified as being fired from the same gun. In this connection, of course, it must be remembered that they are badly deformed. There are, however, many marks of the rifling still existing and it may be possible to compare them with other machine gun bullets recovered at crimes. A comparison was also made of these fragments with the fragments recovered at Galion, Ohio, but no identification was made for the same reason.

Of the specimens recovered at Galion, Ohio, the .45 calibre shell was probably fired from a Thompson Submachine gun. It was compared with the specimens from Fostoria and no identification was made.

The .351 shell recovered at Galion was compared with a similar calibre shell recovered at the Sioux Falls robbery and no identification was made.

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Both the specimens recovered at Calion and those recovered at Postoria were compared with the Sioux Falls .45 calibre shells and no identification was effected. A similar comparison was made with the shells recovered at the Merchants National Bank, South Bend, Indiana, and no identification was effected. A similar comparison was made with a .45 calibre shell found in the car of Clyde Barrow sometime ago and no identification was effected.

With reference to the specimens recovered at Sioux Falls, it appears probable from the examination so far that not two but three Thompson Submachine guns were used. It also appears that probably no identification with the Postoria and Calion cases will be made. The .351 shell was compared with a similar calibre shell fired from a gun recovered from Tommy Carroll but no identification was made.

The above report is made at this time in order to assist the investigation. The examination has not yet been completed either with reference to the specimens themselves or in regard to the comparison of the specimens. Many of the shells, particularly those of Postoria and Calion have very distinctive marks in the firing pin hole and it is believed there will be no difficulty in effecting a positive identification if they are similar to any others which they may be compared with. It is therefore desirable to forward any and all Thompson Submachine guns' shells which may be available. There are a number of additional specimens in the Laboratory with which the comparison is continuing.

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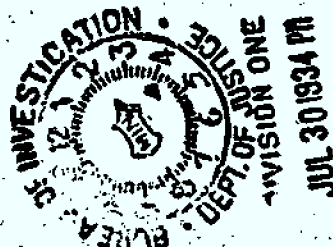
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1900 Bankers Building

Chicago, Illinois

July 27th, 1934

Director  
Division of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
1001 Vermont Avenue, Northwest  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Dec.)  
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases  
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1201  
CHARLES ARTHUR "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD,  
with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1194, et al  
Chicago File #62-1649

Under date of June 15th, 1934, the Kansas City Office requested this Office by letter to furnish that Office with a copy of a memorandum dictated by one Comfort Hawkins, which memorandum was transmitted to the Division under date of August 11th, 1933.

A review of the Chicago file reveals that apparently a copy of the memorandum of Comfort Hawkins was not retained in that file and therefore it is respectfully requested that the Division prepare copies of the memorandum by Comfort Hawkins and furnish the same to the Kansas City and Chicago Offices.

Very truly yours,

M. H. Purvis

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Special Agent in Charge



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PAST RECORD OF LOUIS (DOC) STACEY

Stacey made his first appearance around the old Chicago Red Light District when he was about seventeen or eighteen years of age. He started in as a P and has been known as one ever since. He worked for, and was identified with three very notorious houses in the old District, namely Dago Frank Lewis, Charlie Maybaum and Maurice Van Buren.

The old district was closed between 1913 and 1914 and Stacey went back to his home town, Melrose Park where he made his headquarters, but lived in Aurora most of the time. In Aurora he acted as P for the landlady for a H. of P. known as Edna. Her son who also took the name of Elmer Stacey is now with "Doc" at the O. P. Inn. Elmer Stacey, who is like his father is a notorious P but has been in a great many deals with "Doc". He makes his hang-out at the O. P. Inn. Doc Stacey also has a brother by the name of "Slug" Stacey, quite a notorious character who works at the O. P. Inn. If the three Staceys were kept apart, properly questioned, considerable might be learned as their stories would very soon differ.

1919.

When prohibition went into effect the first of July 1919, Stacey took \$500.00 that he had saved, bought liquor and started bootlegging in Aurora. He kept this up until 1921 increasing his business and making considerable money. During 1921 he returned to Melrose Park and formed a liquor syndicate with Roy Dolano and George Corazo (not the Union man). Their territory was part of Cook County and Kane County and they soon controlled the alkli liquor and beer business in the above mentioned territory.

Stacey who controlled this syndicate continued the same until late in 1925 or early in 1926 at which time Al Capone had taken over the syndicate in Chicago. Capone soon found th t this was a lucrative territory, sent his man out, and told Stacey that he was going to take over the territory but was willing to put Stacey in as manager on a 10% but. Stacey was wise enough to give the territory up. This was the start of his downfall. His money soon went as he was a big spender. He did not take an interest in the business and the territory soon dwindled down to nothing. Early in 1928 Stacey was let out and Frank Rio was sent down to organize the territory.

Stacey still received favors from the syndicate as he had stepped out gracefully and was always willing to do anything that he could for them. Shortly after this, Stacey shot a man in Melrose Park and the same was squared under the Bob Crowe regime.

The syndicate then used Stacey on and off for small jobs. He was the man that engineered the first kidnapping case of Passarello, Chief of Police of Melrose Park. Passarello disappeared for two weeks and then came back stating that he had been on a fishing trip. The second time he was kidnapped he never came back and is now in a stone quarry.

During 1929 Doc Stacey threatened a Melrose Park banker by the name of Goss. Goss was connected with the Citizens Savings Bank of Melrose Park. He has a brother who at the present time is a banker in Elgin.

This bank had some trouble. They had a number of Italian Depositors and in some way the Italian Depositors were fleeced. Just what the trouble is, I don't know, but Stacey's threat was strong enough to make Goss leave Melrose Park.

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#### 1930.

In 1930 Stacey opened a H of P known as the White House located in Cook County but near Elgin. He ran this place for about six months but had a very tough crowd of Italians there. A number of fights took place and a number of Elgin boys were badly beaten up. One Elgin boy in particular of a prominent family was so badly beaten up that his father went to Carburry, the State's Attorney and made a complaint. As the White House was located in Cook County, Carburry could do nothing, but sent the complaint to Swanson. This complaint was forwarded direct to Capone and Capone had the highway police close this joint. After this, Stacey tried to open another house, but Capone had it closed.

Stacey has been interested in the O. P. Inn I think since about 1926, 1927 or 1928. He started with a partner but now has it himself. This place has always been frequented by and a hang out of some of the most notorious gangsters of this part of the country. If wanted, I can furnish a list of twenty to thirty big shots who have hung out there. They made a practice of having messages left there, receiving telephone calls there and a great many jobs have been planned at the O. P. Inn. Charlie Cleaver, notorious mail robber was hid out there for some time.

Note: (Chauncey Reid State's Attorney of Du Page County. You can depend upon him. I think if he want to, he can help you a lot).



Stacey was also used by the syndicate to burn several competitive H of P's in this District. I can't just give you the location of these, but if necessary later on that can be pointed out. He also burnt several speakeasies that were competitors.

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"Doc" Stacey is the man who put the stick of dynamite in Pat Roche's car. Luckily Roche left the car in the garage that day to have some work done on it and the mechanic discovered the dynamite before any damage was done.

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The next thing that Stacey was mixed up in was an automobile accident which happened about two A. M. July 4, 1934. That night, after a telephone call, "Doc" Stacey, Tony Bagno and Rocky DeGracia left the O. P. Inn about 1:45 in a big Cadillac with a machine gun. Stacey was driving. They were on the way to Elgin but near a place known as Owensville, they struck a small car and overturned. Stacey's nose was broken; Bagno's leg was broken, and DeGracia was badly hurt. The machine gun was planted in the field about 20 feet from the road but one of the loaded drums was left in the car. Stacey left DeGracia and Bagno, started back towards Melrose Park, later sticking up a man in a car whom he forced to take him to Melrose Park. Later the highway police found DeGracia and Bagno. They then found the drum for the machine gun and a farmer boy who was there found the machine gun. I can give the names of these two also later on; the highway police. After considerable time the machine gun was returned (After the money was paid).

Notes: (John Renelli)

(Will give you names of parties who killed four people in Melrose Park and girl).

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Stacey was (Called by the name of "Jinx" back in 1928).

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"Doc" Stacey and Jimmy Huggi are the men that planted the bomb at Judge McGeorty's home from which one boy was blinded and one girl almost killed. This happened last fall.

## KANSAS CITY MASSACRE

At 2:45 P.M., the afternoon before the Kansas City Massacre, Tony DeGracia (a fugitive from justice on a charge of murder in Melrose Park when he shot a man down one Sunday morning) and two other men, one named "Curly" left Chicago in a big Cadillac. They had one machine gun, two shot guns and supposedly revolvers. No Kidnapping or shooting took place in or around Chicago during that twenty-four hours. Tony DeGracia is and has always been a great friend of Doc Stacey. He is a cousin of Stacey's. There is nothing to show that this machine gun was used in Kansas City. However, shortly after being returned same was buried and is still buried. I will know when this machine gun is brought out. Later on I will be able to tell you who owns this machine gun and who gave orders to have it released here.

### Addendum:-

Willie Heeney is at the head of the 3rd Faction of the Syndicate, and the 3rd Faction is the brains of the outfit.

Dennie Coonie, at the Carlton Hotel in Chicago is the head of the whole underworld in Chicago. He collects tribute from every prostitute in Chicago.

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July 31, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased);  
RICHARD TALMAN GALATAS, with aliases -  
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1201; CHARLES ARTHUR  
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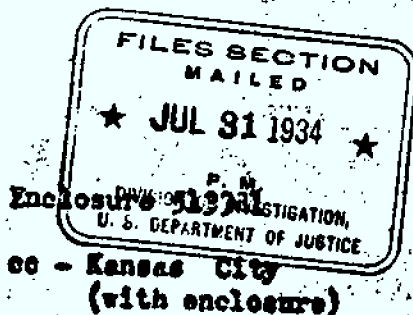
Dear Sir:

In response to the request contained in your letter dated July 27, 1934, there are transmitted herewith copies of the memorandum dictated by Mr. E. Comfort Hawkins, which memorandum was transmitted to the Division under date of August 11, 1933.

A copy of this memorandum is also being transmitted to the Kansas City Office with a copy of this letter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.





Cabool, Mo. 7/27/34

Department Of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sirs:

If you would be interested in me helping apprehend Chas. A. Floyd will say I have several ways of getting acquainted with Floyd. He has a brother living near here that he visits occasionally. And I know most of the gamblers in the southwest, including Herb. Warner of Joplin that was connected with the Nash slaying in Kansas City.

One of my best freinds knows Floyds personally and Floyd will pick him up anywhere and give him a ride as far as he wants to go. This freind also has a brother in law in Sapulpa, Okla. that is Floyds Atty.

All I would need for this job would be the assignment of one man and an auto. If interested would be glad to hear from you. Have good character references.

Earnestly Yours

*D. P. Bunch*

*Box 8*



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July 31, 1934

Mr. W. R. Banch,  
Box 8,  
Cabool, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

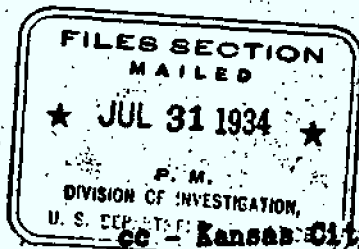
This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated July 27, 1934, addressed to the Department of Justice, wherein you advise that you can furnish information respecting the whereabouts of Charles A. Floyd.

Mr. R. B. Nathan, Special Agent in Charge, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building, Kansas City, Missouri, will assign an Agent to interview you regarding this matter at a very early date.

Thanking you for your interest and cooperation, I am

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



(with enclosure)  
(letter dated 7-27-34,  
from Mr. Banch to  
Division)

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1900 Bankers Building

Chicago, Illinois

July 27th, 1934

Special Agent in Charge  
Division of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
370 Lexington Avenue  
New York, New York

Dear Sir:

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Dec.)  
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases  
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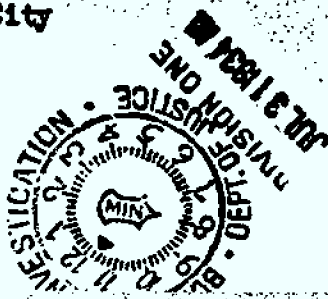
Kindly refer to your letter dated July 13th, 1934, in which you refer to a letter from your Office to the Chicago Office, dated April 28th, 1933, requesting a further interview be had with Winnie Williams. It is presumed that the letter referred to was dated April 28th, 1934, inasmuch as the instant case did not have its inception until June 17th, 1935.

However, review of the file in the Chicago Office fails to reveal a copy of a letter from your Office requesting a further interview with Winnie Williams. Will you please furnish a copy of the same to this Office at the earliest possible date?

Very truly yours,

RCS:LJW  
cc - Division  
cc - Kansas City

M. H. PURVIS  
Special Agent in Charge



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P. O. Box 1276  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
July 28, 1934

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

Dear Sir:

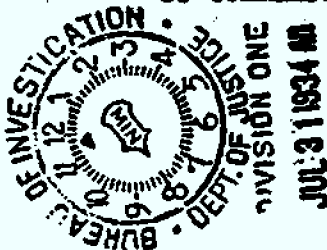
Re: Vernon C. Miller with aliases (Deceased);  
Richard Tallman Galatas with aliases,  
Fugitive, I.O. #1201;  
Charles Arthur "Pretty Boy" Floyd with  
aliases, Fugitive, I.O. #1194, et al.  
Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.

As a result of the cover which has been maintained on the mail of relatives of Floyd, it was learned on July 27th that Mrs. W. F. Floyd, Sallisaw, Oklahoma, the mother of Subject Floyd, received a letter dated July \_\_\_\_ (illegible), 1934, from Freehold, New Jersey. None of the representatives of this office knows the contents of said letter, but it was confidentially learned that it was written by someone close to Mrs. Floyd and went on to say that no doubt she would be surprised to hear from the writer thereof in that part of the country. It was said that the letter makes very little sense and was more or less in the form of a riddle. It contained a self-addressed envelope to Nell Lonquit, or Lonquist, or Longuit, or Leon Lonquit, Lonquist, or Longuit, 47 First Street, Freehold, New Jersey.

Inquiry of reliable people who know the Floyds in Sallisaw reveals that they have no relatives in Freehold and, as far as is known, they have not been receiving mail from relatives or friends there.

This mail may not be valuable information but it is deemed worthy of immediate attention, and I therefore furnished it telephonically to the New York office on July 28, 1934.

It may be that this is a mailing station for Floyd, or it is entirely possible he knows someone at said address and has used this form of communication in apprising his mother of his whereabouts. In view of



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the fact there was an envelope in this letter with an address thereon, it appears that a reply will be received at the Freshhold address and this should be borne in mind in conducting the investigation.

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Chicago  
Kansas City



### SYNOPSIS OF FACTS

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On 7-6-34 case against Hazel Hudson Underhill dismissed.  
On 7-6-34 Lon J. Johnson on plea of guilty sentenced 6  
months, suspended. On 7-5-34 Ralph Rowe on plea of guilty  
sentenced 6 months, suspended and on 7-6-34 Seedell Johnson  
on plea of guilty sentenced 6 months, suspended. This case  
heard in Federal Court, Guthrie, Oklahoma. Disposition  
sheets submitted.

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Convictions 3  
Sentences 18 mos 5 yrs  
J. H. Williams

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent T. W. Birch, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, May 29, 1934.

**DETAILS:**

This case involving violation of Section 246, Title 18, U.S.C.A., was heard at the recent term of Court at Guthrie, Oklahoma, at which time on July 6, 1934 Hazel Hudson Underhill appeared and the case against her was dismissed by order of the Court. On July 6, 1934 Lon J. Johnson entered a plea of guilty and was by the Court sentenced to six months - suspended. On July 5, 1934 Subject Ralph Rowe entered a plea of guilty and received a six months suspended sentence. On July 6, 1934 Seedell Johnson, on a plea of guilty, received a six months suspended sentence.

Disposition sheets as to the above four subjects are being submitted herewith.

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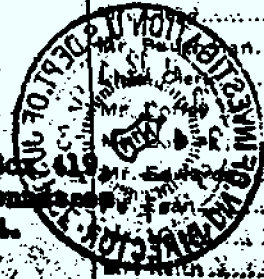
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WAB:LS

Post Office Box 419  
Nashville, Tennessee  
July 26, 1934



Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
326 1/2 Post Office,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

RE: VERNON O. MILLER, with aliases (Dec'd);  
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAN, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE - I. O. 1201; CHARLES ARTHUR  
FLOYD, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1194;  
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER.

Dear Sir:

67D  
In the above case efforts were recently made with the view toward having a confidential informant, [redacted] interview Louis Austin, alias Hart Austin, who was until July 20, 1934 confined in the county jail at Birmingham, Alabama in the custody of the United States Marshal for violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

In the 20th instant, due to the fact that he was suffering from gunshot wounds, Austin was ordered transferred by the Bureau of Prisons to New Orleans, Louisiana where he could receive proper medical treatment. It is believed he is now in jail there where he is a Federal prisoner.

67D  
I desire that you make inquiries to determine specifically where he is now located and the approximate time he will be in New Orleans in order that it may be determined by the Division whether [redacted] should proceed to New Orleans to interrogate him.

Very truly yours,

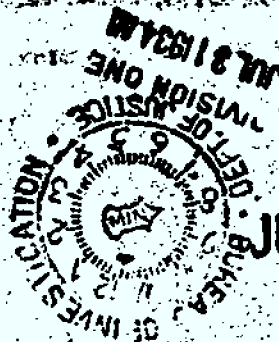
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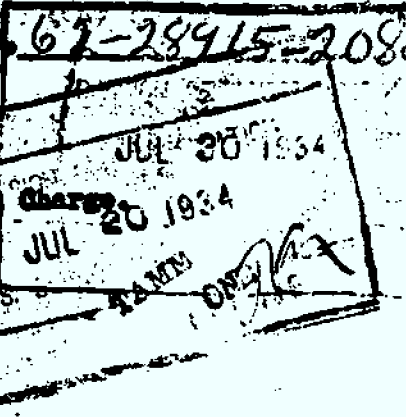
W. A. GIBBS

Special Agent in Charge

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Oklahoma City  
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326 1/2 Post Office Building,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.  
July 28, 1934.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Box 419,  
Nashville, Tennessee.

RE: VERNON E. MILLER, with aliases, (Deceased);  
RICHARD TALIMAN GALATAS, with aliases-  
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1201; ROBERT C. ORRANT,  
(Deceased); HARVEY J. BAILEY, with  
aliases-FUGITIVE, I.O. #1189; CHARLES  
ARTHUR FLOYD, with aliases-FUGITIVE,  
I.O. #1194; et al;  
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of July 26, 1934, in the above  
entitled case, relative to the present location of one, Louis Austin, alias  
Hart Austin.

I have today communicated with Mr. Painton, Record Clerk at  
the Federal Jail, New Orleans, Louisiana, who advises that Austin was  
received at the New Orleans Federal Jail several days ago; that he be-  
lieves he was received from the Northern District of Georgia, where he is  
being held in connection with National Motor Vehicle Theft Act charges;  
that Austin was committed to the New Orleans Federal Jail in order that  
he might receive treatment for gunshot wounds which he has; that he will  
only remain in the New Orleans Federal Jail until he has received such  
treatment; that he, Painton, is of the opinion that the necessary treat-  
ment will require at least thirty days; and that Austin will be in the  
local institution for that length of time before being returned for fur-  
ther prosecution in connection with the National Motor Vehicle Theft  
Act violation.

Mr. Painton stated that he will advise me in the event it is  
ascertained that Austin will be released from the Federal Jail at New  
Orleans within a period of less than a month.

Very truly yours,

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A. Whitley,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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P. O. Box 1276  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
July 26, 1934

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased);  
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases -  
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1201; CHARLES ARTHUR  
"PRETTY BOY" FLOYD, with aliases - FUGITIVE,  
I. O. #1194, et al.  
Conspiracy to Deliver a Federal Prisoner,  
Obstruction of Justice.

b7D Today [redacted] appeared at this office and wanted to know if we had in custody Eva Ricchetti, alias Eva Simpson, and Thelma McDonnell, who are alleged to have stolen an automobile from a salesman for the Ford Motor Company at Nowata, Oklahoma on July 23, 1934. I told him that I had no information concerning the case. He stated that he was vitally interested in the Ricchetti girl; that she had taken \$35.00 of his money, and that he wanted to know what could be done to make bond for her, as he needs her assistance in efforts he is making to "finger" Floyd and Ricchetti. I told him inasmuch as the case is not in the Federal courts to my knowledge, that there was nothing I could do for him. I asked him how the Ricchetti girl got the money from him, and he said, "They just took it from me."

b7D [redacted] told me that he was working for Agent Andersen in an effort to furnish information as to the location of Ricchetti and Floyd; that Mr. Andersen had furnished him money, and that he was practically broke now. I told him I would not furnish him any money.

I asked him what further information he had concerning Floyd and Ricchetti, and his reply was that he has received none since he last saw Agent Andersen.

b7D Candidly, I feel [redacted] visit here was for the purpose of getting money from me.

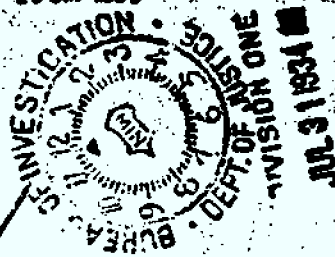
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DWIGHT SPANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge

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1900 Bankers Bldg,  
Chicago, Illinois  
July 28, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
506 Fletcher Savings and Trust Bldg,  
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear Sir:-

Re: KANNO CASE

Mr. C. M. Rondell of the Atlas Brewing Company, Chicago, Illinois is a travelling salesman for this company, and has no permanent residence. He is temporarily located at the Kentucky Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky, and will probably be there for the next three or four days at the most. Information has been confidentially received by this office that Mr. Rondell saw and talked with Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd, at either Brandon or Bronson, Missouri, a short time ago.

You are respectfully requested to conduct the appropriate investigation, and interview Mr. Rondell at the earliest possible date.

Very truly yours,

CLAF/dr  
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M. H. PURVIS,  
Special Agent in Charge

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Mr. Nease .....  
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Post Office Box 419,  
Nashville, Tennessee,  
July 21, 1934.

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WAR:LS

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

*Personal and Confidential*

RE: VERNON C. MILLER with aliases (Dec'd);  
Richard Tallman Galatas with aliases, Fugitive,  
I.O.#1201; Charles Arthur Floyd with aliases,  
Fugitive, I.O.#1194, et al.  
Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.

Dear Sir:

On the 17th instant I personally interviewed [redacted] at Memphis, Tennessee, at which time she informed me she had received two letters from Louis Austin, alias Hart Austin, in which letters he informed her that he is being held in the hospital ward of the county jail at Birmingham, Alabama for the Department of Justice on charges of violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act; that he requested her to go to the "spot" and secure funds to enable him to hire an attorney. She stated that she does not know which particular "spot" he means, although she knows of several places which he could have intended to make reference to therein.

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[redacted] stated that she was formerly in [redacted] with Louis Austin and they have a mutual affection for one another, and that she believes if she could interview him at Birmingham he would furnish her information concerning Richard Galatas, as Galatas and Austin have been close friends for years.

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[redacted] was of the opinion that possibly Galatas was with Austin in the vicinity of Greensboro, N. C. several months ago when Austin was shot and abandoned by his own gang, and she is positive that Austin will tell her who shot him and whether Galatas was with him. She stated that she feels quite certain that some information concerning the whereabouts of Galatas may be obtained from Austin by her and she is very desirous, for several reasons, that Galatas be killed or apprehended. She stated that, if necessary, she would not hesitate to risk her life in order to have Galatas apprehended by this Division. From our conversation, I gathered that [redacted] holds animosity for Galatas because of ill treatment which [redacted] received at the hands of Galatas.

I furnished [redacted] with \$30.00 for the purpose of defraying her expenses to Birmingham for the purpose of interviewing Austin.

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I gave her the names and telephone number of Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson and Agent D. O. Smith to confer with while at Birmingham. She stated that this was agreeable with her.

67D [REDACTED] has been confined to her home [REDACTED]

and stated that as soon as she feels better she will take this trip. Prior to her departure she will notify me and I will in turn advise the Birmingham office.

I telephonically communicated with the Birmingham office and ascertained that Louis Austin is being held on a National Motor Vehicle Theft Act charge and is now confined to the hospital ward of the Jefferson County jail at Birmingham, Alabama.

67D The results of [REDACTED] trip will be furnished by her to Mr. Hanson or Mr. Smith.

Very truly yours,



W. A. RORER,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc-Kansas City  
Oklahoma City  
Birmingham



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July 28, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased);  
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases,  
Fugitive, I. O. #1202; CHARLES ARTHUR "PRETTY  
BOY" FLOYD, with aliases, Fugitive, I. O. #1194;  
et al; Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.

The Division desires that an investigation be made into the frequent and persistent rumors to the effect that Bernard Phillips, subject of Identification Order #1196, has been murdered. It is believed that some information of value might possibly be obtained by openly interviewing the relatives and other persons listed in the report of Special Agent W. F. Trainor, dated Kansas City, Missouri, February 29, 1934.

This matter should receive appropriate attention at the earliest practicable date.

Very truly yours,

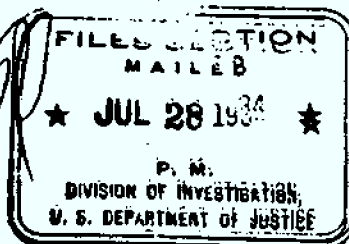
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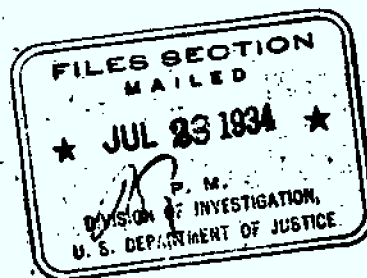
Special Agent in Charge,  
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased);  
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases,  
Fugitive, I. O. #1201; CHARLES ARTHUR "PRETTY"  
BOY FLOYD, with aliases, Fugitive, I. O.  
#1194; et al.  
Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoners.

Your attention is invited to the report of Special Agent  
C. B. Winstead, dated Dallas, Texas, January 29, 1934, wherein it  
is indicated that the A. Carter and C. C. Carter referred to in the  
letters from the Kansas City office dated January 2 and 3, 1934,  
is probably Jack Barley.

The Division desires that the identity of Barley be de-  
termined either through fingerprints which may possibly have been  
taken at Tyler, Texas, or through direct questioning of Barley  
under pretext. Previous investigation conducted with reference  
to the Barker-Karpis gang disclosed that one Jack Carter was a con-  
tact for this gang in Kansas City, Missouri, and St. Paul, Minnesota.  
It is possible that Jack Barley is identical with this Jack Carter;  
therefore, you are instructed to make an appropriate investigation  
in this regard.



Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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July 30, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of July 18, 1934, submitting two lifted latent fingerprints in connection with the case entitled Charles Arthur Orloyd, with aliases, I.C. 1194, Adam Richetti, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Neither of the two lifted latent impressions discloses sufficient characteristic detail to be of value for comparison purposes. Accordingly, there are returned herewith the original lifts which were submitted.

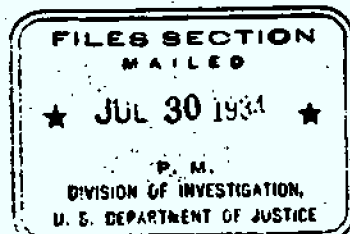
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
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July 30, 1934.

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REN:GAY

Special Agent in Charge,  
El Paso, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased);  
RICHARD TALLMAN (GALATES), with aliases,  
Fugitive, I. O. #1201; CHARLES ARTHUR  
"PRETTY BOY" FLOYD, with aliases, Fugitive  
I. O. #1194; et al;  
Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent  
J. C. White, dated El Paso, Texas, January 31, 1934, in the  
above entitled case, wherein one J. A. Brady, alias "Duckie"  
Doyle, alias William Dougherty, Vancouver, B. C., #1-7551,  
is mentioned.

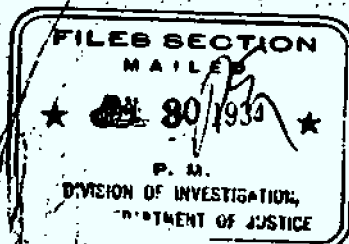
The Division has not been able to locate in its files  
a record of this individual and therefore you are requested  
to obtain copies of the fingerprints and photograph, if avail-  
able, and forward them to the Division in order to locate a  
record of this individual.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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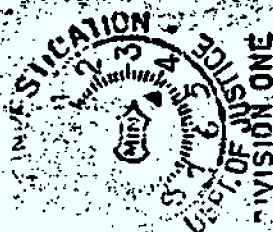
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July 30, 1934.

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US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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NEW YORK NEW YORK

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AT DEER LODGE MONTANA ADDRESS ON ENLISTMENT AVON MONTANA HONORABLE DISCHARGE APRIL  
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WITH P O BOX EIGHT NINE THREE WITNESS TO APPLICATION FOR CASH SURRENDER OF INSURANCE  
SUBMITTED BY LOUQUET INNINETEEN TWENTYNINE KENNETH BOYCE RURAL ROUTE OUT OF ENGLISH-  
TOWN NEWJERSEY

PENNINGTON ASSISTANT

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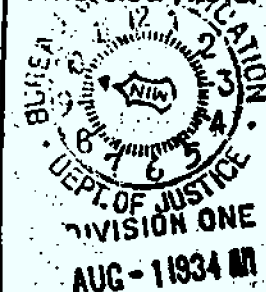
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REPORT MADE AT: Cincinnati, Ohio	DATE WHEN MADE: 7-30-34	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 6/25-28/34 7/3-23/34	REPORT MADE BY: Chapman Fletcher
TITLE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (deceased); RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1201; CHARLES ARTHUR FLOYD - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1194; HARVEY J. BAILEY, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1189, et al.			CHARACTER OF CASE: CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:



Cadillac Sedan, motor #1000134 and #1001172 not registered in Ohio for 1934. List of recent correspondents of Nathan King, Ohio Penitentiary #62986 obtained. Unable verify information inmate Ohio Penitentiary receiving checks from Floyd.

REFERENCE:

Letter from Chicago Office dated 6-16-34 addressed to the Kansas City Office and report of Special Agent Bliss Morton, Cincinnati, Ohio, dated 12-15-33.

DETAILS:

AT COLUMBUS, OHIO

In accordance with reference letter of 6-16-34 agent at the Division of Motor Vehicles, State Highway Department, Columbus, was advised by Mr. W. L. McGhee that Cadillac Sedans, motor #1000134 and #1001172, had not been registered in the State of Ohio for the year 1934.

DETAILS:

The Cincinnati Office received information from John E. Murphy, Secret Service Operative, Columbus, that Charles C. Bewley, Sheriff, Bellefontaine, Ohio, had been informed by an inmate of the Ohio Penitentiary that another inmate of the penitentiary was receiving checks from Pretty Boy Floyd.

The Cincinnati Office addressed a letter to Sheriff Bewley requesting his cooperation in locating Floyd and asking the Sheriff for information as to checks going to the inmate in the Ohio Penitentiary. To

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this letter Sheriff Bewley replied offering his cooperation but declining to disclose the identity of his informant or the name of the prisoner receiving the checks from Floyd.

In view of the above, Sheriff Bewley was interviewed on 6-28-34 by Special Agent V. J. Wolfe of the Cincinnati Office, who reports as follows:

Agent contacted Sheriff Bewley, who advised that he had been unable to obtain any further information on Pretty Boy Floyd. He stated that the contact man for his informant in the Ohio State Penitentiary had been in jail and that he, Bewley, had written a number of letters to ascertain whether or not this contact man had completed his sentence. Sheriff Bewley stated that should he learn that the contact man was out of jail he would immediately contact his informant in the Penitentiary for any information that he might have regarding Pretty Boy Floyd.

Sheriff Bewley advised that his informant was an associate of Pretty Boy Floyd and that at one time about two years ago informant was incarcerated in the Logan County Jail and that unknown to him, Bewley, Pretty Boy Floyd visited informant while he was serving his sentence in the Logan County Jail. Sheriff Bewley went on to state that his informant and one "Big Chappie" figured in a certain kidnaping case in which a Cincinnati man was held captive in the Netherland Plaza Hotel. Sheriff Bewley stated that his informant and "Big Chappie" had rented or attempted to rent an island at Russells Point, Ohio, with view of keeping the alleged victim on this island and holding for approximately \$50,000. or \$75,000. ransom, and it was while Big Chappie and the informant were at Russells Point negotiating for the rental of the island that informant was arrested by Bewley for driving a car while intoxicated, therewith being placed in the Logan County Jail.

Sheriff Bewley stated that his informant figured in a large drug store holdup in Cleveland, Ohio, sometime since October, 1932, and was sentenced to the Ohio State Penitentiary for 25 years. He advised that his informant had been arrested by him on the charge of driving while intoxicated about the second Saturday in October, 1932.

The woman, at Russells Point contacted by Big Chappie and informant is [REDACTED]

On 7-3-34 Special Agent N. B. Klein at Cincinnati, Ohio, ascertained from the Police Department that there had been no record of a kidnaping at the Netherlands Plaza Hotel.

Agent has been advised by Miss Amanda Thomas, mail clerk, Ohio State Penitentiary, Columbus, that during the past year Nathan King, #62986, has corresponded with the following persons:

Mrs. Rose Amos, wife, 815 Gladstone Avenue, Kansas City, Mo.  
Mrs. Alice King, mother, Butterfield, Mo.  
Flora Johnson, sister, Eagle Rock, Mo.  
Otis Amos, brother, Texas City, Texas. (last letter 9-17-33)  
Hobart Amos, brother, RFD #1, Butterfield, Mo.  
John King, half-brother, San Nicholas, Dominican, West Indies.

Nathan King, #62896, according to Miss Thomas, was convicted with Floyd for assault with intent to rob the Sylvania Bank at Sylvania, Ohio, and King was on the train enroute to the Ohio Penitentiary at the time Floyd made his escape and King at the same time attempted to escape. It was, therefore, thought that King might be the inmate to whom Floyd is sending checks and Miss Thomas will watch his correspondence carefully and advise the Cincinnati Office of any money received by King or any new correspondents of King. From the information furnished Agent Wolfe by Sheriff Bewley, King is not the person referred to by Sheriff Bewley as King is serving a sentence of 12 to 15 years for assault to rob from Cuyahoga County, Ohio. King was received at the Ohio Penitentiary December 10, 1930.

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### MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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At 2:00 A.M. this date Dwight Brantley, Special Agent in Charge phoned from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and advised that between the hours of midnight and 1:00 A.M. this morning JIM CLARK, notorious Kansas Penitentiary Escape, bankrobber, and former Subject of a Division Identification Order had been apprehended in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Mr. Brantley advised that 4 Division Agents, namely, Paul Hanson, O. G. Hall, J. T. Hartin and P. M. Birch had assisted members of the Tulsa Police Department and the Kansas State Highway Patrol in effecting Clark's apprehension. He stated that CLARK was located in a house in Tulsa and was arrested just as he was about to leave. No one was injured and no shots were fired.

Mr. Brantley further advised that CLARK was located through information furnished by a member of the Kansas State Highway Patrol who has been working on this case for five months in an undercover capacity. The information was obtained through a "girl friend" of the Officer's who is an intimate friend of CLARK'S wife. Mr. Brantley requested that this be kept strictly confidential, stating that the Kansas State Highway Patrol was very insistent in this regard.

Mr. Brantley recalled that CLARK was one of the escapes from Lansing, Kansas, May 30, 1933 prior to the Kansas City Massacre; that subsequently he was apprehended along with BOB BRADY and later escaped again with BRADY who has since been killed. Mr. Brantley advised that since his last escape CLARK has been robbing banks continually and was badly wanted.

CLARK is being promptly returned to Kansas State Penitentiary at Lansing where he is serving a life sentence.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

This evening Assistant Special Agent in Charge Pennington of the Washington Field Office telephoned with respect to one Leon Loquet of 47 First Street, Freehold, New Jersey, and advised that Loquet had served in the United States Army and had received an honorable discharge; that he had been in the Army approximately 20 years and the information obtained from the War Department corroborates the information set forth in the teletype message from the New York Office dated July 29th. I instructed Mr. Pennington to set forth the information briefly in a night letter to the New York Office and suggested that a copy of the fingerprints on file at the War Department be obtained and searched through the Identification Unit for any possible criminal record, and that a complete report should be submitted at the earliest possible date, sending copies to New York, Oklahoma City and Kansas City, in the Vernon C. Miller case.

Respectfully,

*R. E. Newby*  
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REFERENCE TELETYPE FROM THIS OFFICE JULY 28 11-30 AM INVESTIGATION REGARDING PRETTY BOY FLOYD FREEHOLD NEW JERSEY. LEON LOQUET RESIDES 47 FIRST STREET FREEHOLD NEW JERSEY WITH WIFE AND SEVERAL MINOR CHILDREN. IN FREEHOLD ABOUT FIFTEEN YEARS. MARRIED FORMER SCHOOL TEACHER NELLIE MATTHEWS OF FREEHOLD. SETTLED IN FREEHOLD AFTER WORLD WAR. CLAIMS TO BE WAR VETERAN. BELIEVED ORIGINALLY FROM MONTANA. HAS WORKED AS BUS DRIVER AUTOMOBILE MECHANIC AND TRUCK DRIVER. NOW UNEMPLOYED. HE IS UNUSUALLY TACITURN. HAS NO INTIMATE FRIENDS AND NO KNOWN CONFIDANTS. CARRIER SERVICE DOES NOT DELIVER MAIL DO HIS ADDRESS. LOQUET AND FAMILY RECEIVE MAIL AT GENERAL DELIVERY FREEHOLD POST OFFICE. NO RECOLLECTION POSTAL EMPLOYEES OF NATURE OF MAIL RECEIVED. CARRIER WHO COVERS ROUTE OF STREET HAS SEEN NO STRANGERS IN THE VICINITY. PHOTOGRAPH OF SUBJECT FLOYD NOT IDENTIFIED. LOQUET MEMBER MONMOUTH POST NUMBER FIFTY FOUR AMERICAN LEGION. HOWEVER NO RECORDS AVAILABLE SHOWING ACTUAL SERVICE RECORD OR ARMY SERIAL NUMBER. SUGGEST WASHINGTON FIELD CHECK ARMY NAVY AND MARINE CORPS RECORDS UNDER NAME LEON LOQUET

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REFERENCE TELETYPE FROM THIS OFFICE JULY 29 1-15 AM REGARDING  
PRETTY BOY FLOYD FREEHOLD NEW JERSEY ADDITIONAL ~~INFORMATION~~ INFORMATION

FOR ATTENTION WASHINGTON FIELD LEON LOQUET ENLISTED DEER LODGE MONTANA  
JUNE 27 1918 DISCHARGED MAY 15 1919 ARMY SERIAL NUMBER 3139641 LISTED  
FIRST CLASS PRIVATE COMPANY C 326 FIELD SIGNAL BATTALION MARRIED PRIOR  
TO ENLISTMENT LOCATION UNKNOWN BELIEVED NEW JERSEY LISTED AS BORN  
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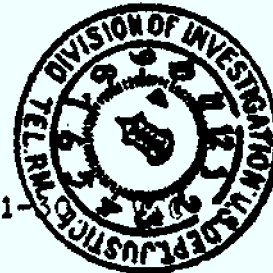
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DIV INVESTIGATION AT NEW YORK CITY JULY 1 28 1934



DIRECTOR

OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION OFFICE ADVISES RECEIPT OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION TO EFFECT THAT MOTHER OF PRETTY BOY FLOYD RECEIVED LETTER FROM 47 FIRST STREET FREEHOLD NEW JERSEY APPARENTLY COMING FROM PARTY NAMED NEL/ LONQUIT OR/ LONQUIST OR LEON/ LONQUIT OR/ LONQUIST OR/ LONGUIT OR/ LONGUIST WITHIN WHICH WAS ENCLOSED RETURN ENVELOPE INDICATING A REPLY IS EXPECTED REQUESTED DISCREET INVESTIGATION BE MADE BY THIS OFFICE ASCERTAIN WHO ABOVE PARTY MAY BE AND ALL DETAILS ALSO ASCERTAIN WHETHER FLOYD MAY BE AT THAT ADDRESS OR USING THAT AS MAILING STATION TO ADVISE FAMILY OF WHEREABOUTS. THIS OFFICE WILL CONDUCT DISCREET INVESTIGATION ALONG THIS LINE COVERING MAIL ETC.

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NAME IN SECOND LINE IS PRETTY BOY FLOYD

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*See that this is carefully but vigorously handled. J. C. B.*

*My office contacted by phone 5/18/34*