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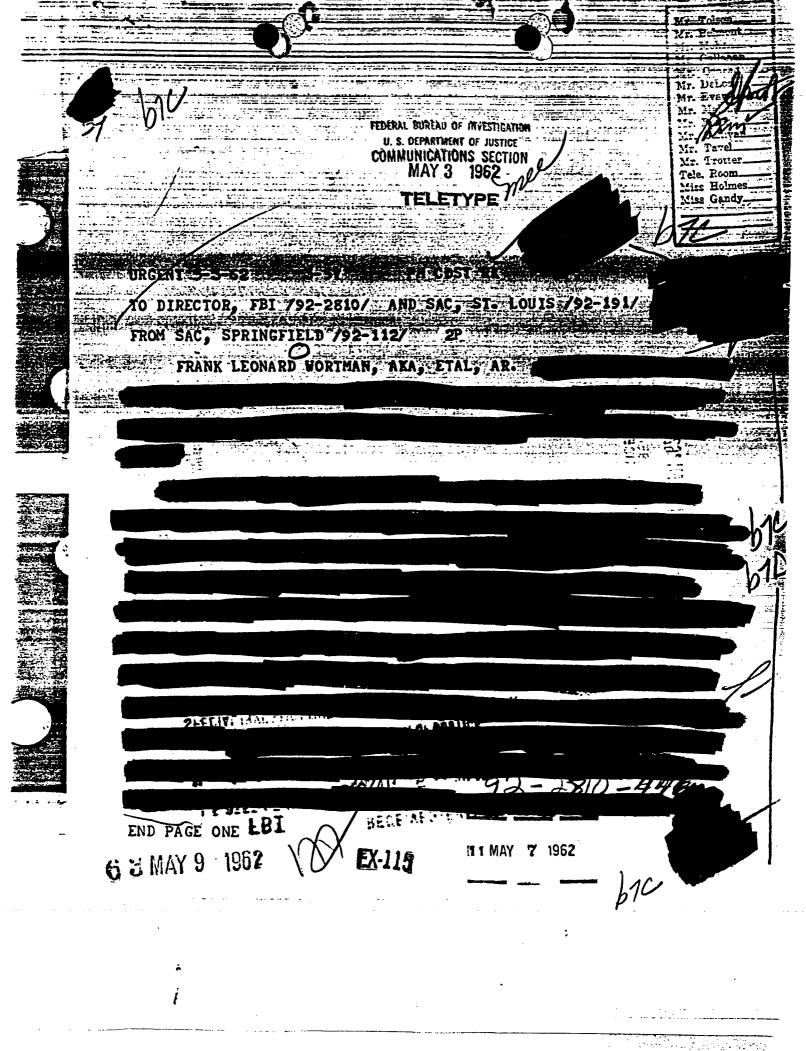
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By THEODORE C. LINK Of the Post-Dispatch Staff.

Elmer (Dutch) Dowling and Melvin J. Beckman were shot to an unsuccessful attempt to fix get Dowling off the hook for the jury in the federal income \$5000." The man, acting as a tax trial of Dowling's boss, go-between, said he had a con-Frank (Buster) Wortman, in tact with someone who knew vestigators told the Post-Disc intimately a relative of one of patch today.

Police think that Dowling and Beckman were murdered by a man who collected \$20,000 from resentation that he knew a close relative of one of the jurors and could arrange for the acquittal 000 to get all the defendants acof Wortman and his co-defend-

The killer was said to be a Wellston gangster who is in his

Money's Return Demanded. After Wortman, Dowling and their associate, Gregory E. (Red) Moore, former chief deputy sheriff of St. Louis, were convicted by the jury in United States District Court in East St. Louis, a demand was made for return of the fix money.

Dowling and Beckman. Wortman bodyguard, had two meetings with the man who had been paid \$20,000 to fix the jury. The second meeting, when all or part of the money was to have been repaid, was on Satur-day Basis & five days after the jury returned its verdict. In respensive ting the killings,

authorities have concluded that the three men drove just on a seldog-used rural road near Belleville in Beckman's automo-bile. Beckman was driving, with Dowling sitting beside him in the front seet and the third man \$20,000 Reported Paid sitting behind them on the back

shot and killed Dowling and 3 Hoodlums Were Beckman, investigators said.
The killer fied in Beckman's car, and the bodies of the two murdered Wortman associates were discovered a short time laters

· Offer to Beckman

Police reported they learned that after the jury had been selected, a man approached death March 3 as the result of Beckman and told him, "I can the jurors.

Beckman, it was learned, told members of the Wortman rackets gang of the proposition. They the Wortman gang on the rep- countered with a suggestion that the go-between "make it a package deal," offering to pay \$20,quitted.

The money was raised in St. Louis and on the East Side among gamblers and friends of the Wortman group. Beckman turned the money over to the man, but only he and Dowling knew the identity of the go-between.

Other Wortman associates, investigators said, were pleased that "something was going for them at the trial." They did not want to know too much about the deal. The go-between had insisted on utmost secrecy, apparently aware of the heavy penalties for tampering with a federal jury.

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guilty of tax evasion by the Jury, the go-between was summoned to East St. Louis by Dowling and Beckman, The two hoodlums demanded to know what had gone wrong. A demand was made that all or part of the money be repaid, and a second meeting for this purpose was arranged.

At the second meeting, the go-between produced the puzzing paper napkins, bearing notations about the jurors, as evidence that his contact man had made a real effort to carry out part of the deal.

The napkins, found on Dowling's body after the murders, contained detailed data about the jurors, including their appearances and reactions. This led investigators to conclude that the notations were written by someone having a close connection with the jury in some manner. The notes were first thought to have been in Dowling's handwriting, but a thorough check disclosed that the murdered hoodlum had not made them.

Authorities believe that the gobetween's explanation failed to satisfy Dowling and Beckman,

and that heated words followed. As the men drove off in Beckman's car and turned into lonely Wolf Branch School road, the go-between was certain that Beckman and Dowling were "taking him for a ride."

Fourth Passenger Possible.

The possibility that a fourth man, a friend of the go-between, also was in the back seat of the Beckman automobile at the time of the shootings has been considered by authorities. Four shots were fired, one striking Dowling in the head and three hitting Beckman.

Authorities recovered the four slugs and turned them over to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for study. The FBI laboratory was unable to determine, because the slugs were severely smashed, whether the shots had come from one revolver or two. The bullets were .38 caliber.

Dowling was known to have always carried a wallet, but it has not been found. A set of keys belonging to Dowling was found 25 feet away in a field, where it apparently had been tossed. Authorities believe that the killer was searching Dowling's body for the napkins. They were found later in Dowlin's shirt pocket. Their discovery led to the taking of lie detector tests by all members of the jury. Au-

and that heated words followed. thorities said there is no evidence that any tampering effect was a considered was made.

Change In Attitude.

The Wortman gang did not know who was responsible for the double murder until almost a month later, the Post-Dispatch learned. Until about April 5, gang associates diligently tried to obtain information in St. Louis and on the East Side as to what was behind the killings.

Suddenly the Wortman group dropped all efforts to obtain a clue. The explanation given to persons they had questioned earlier was succinct: "Don't bother anymore; We have found out who did it and why."

Thereafter, the attitude of the gang's associates toward official inquiries changed abruptly. The men under interrogation became fully co-operative and answered questions willingly. Authorities concluded that the change was ordered by Wortman, who was convinced that no member of his gang was involved.

Members Say Notations on Napkins Found on Dowling's Body Could Have Originated No Other Way.

By JAMES E. SPREHE Staff Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch.

DANVILLE, III., May 5-Seven members of the jury which convicted Frank (Buster) Wortman, rackets boss, of tax conspiracy are convinced that the room in which they deliberated in East St. Louis was "bugged," they told the Post-Dispatch.

Most of the jurors live in the Danville area.

A prime concern of all those interviewed was centered on paper napkins with pencil notations found on the body of Elmer (Dutch) Dowling, who was murdered March 3. Dowling was convicted with Wortman.

Information in these notes was so secret that it could have been known only to the jurors in the midst of their discussion of the verdict. Members of the jury are convinced that it could have been obtained by an outsider only by means of a hidden electronic device.

One napkin note said that three jurors were for conviction from the beginning, which was true. Others told how certain jurors voted on certain questions.

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Gregory E. (Red) Moore, & for-

Killed with Dowling near Belle ville the Saturday sight of March 3 was Melvin J. Beckman, & Wortman gang body-

The napkins taken from Dowling's clothing were shown to the jurors at Urbana recently when they were given lie detector tests as a result of reports that someone had tried to tamper with the Wortman jury.

The names of seven jurors were on the najkins, but the seven denied emphatically that the handwriting was theirs.

Every juror interviewed ex-pressed firm belief in the integrity of the others. This strengthened the general belief that some listening or recording instrument was employed to obtain notes on observations and on things said as the pros and cons of the evidence in the case were weighed against each other.

Deliberations in Courtroom.

In the one departure from normal procedure, the deliberation was in the courtroom at East St. Louis instead of the jury room. It might have been easier to place an electronic bug in the larger courtroom with all its fixtures.

One juror said the "inside information" on the napkins was "flabbergasting."

Philip J. Testa, a semi-retired business man of Georgetown, a member of the jury, told this reporter: "I'll tell you just what I told the people who gave me the lie detector test. I think ENCLOSURE Name of Newspaper

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some policeman wrote the notes on the napking."

He would not elaborate. No policemen were used in the Wortman trial.

The jurors interviewed were bitter over having been asked to take lie detector tests.

"Ordinarily I wouldn't talk about anything in the jury room," Testa said, "but in view of the lie detector tests and all the information we gave, I don't feel there is any harm in stating that I voted to convict. I think they should have been convicted on evasion charges as well as conspiracy."

Gave Them Fair Trial.
Raymond Trimble of Sidell, a farmer, said: "We spent eight weeks and I believe we gave them a fair trial. I don't think any of the jurors were approached, or that there was any fooling with the jury. Then to give us lie detector tests, as if we were the accused, was terrible."

Lloyd W. Puzey of Fairmount, a farmer, said: "If someone knew how I voted they certainly had the room bugged. We put in a lot of deliberation on that case. We took the lie detector test voluntarily, it is true, but there was nothing to do but take it. If we refused, it would look as if we were guilty of something. And if we took it, there was an indication that the Government doubted our integrity."

Foreman Offended.
Wayne Cartner, Thebes (III.) grocer who served as foreman of the jury, said he had been offended by the lie detector tests. He pointed out that he was the last juror to be given the tests and did not hear about the tests until two weeks after they began.

"They spread my name over the newspapers when I knew nothing about it," he said. "We weren't on trial up there, I don't think. The whole thing was handled in avery poor manner. "I'd like to see them pick another jury in East 21. Looft.
That was the first time I ever served on a jury and it's going to be the last time."

Cartner said his fellow jurors were a fine and conscientious group. The jurors argued, he said, but they were "good, honest arguments, which is as a should be."

Cartner discounted a possibility that a juror had leaked information to anybody.

He said his was one of the seven names on the napkin. A sample of his handwriting was taken at the time the lie detector test was given, he said, but it did not match that on the napkin.

Cartner said he felt there was a strong possibility that the jury room had been bugged.

Mrs. Beulah Chenoweth of Rankin, a housewife, said she did not mind the test as much as she did the attitude of those who gave it. "If I had known it was all designed to cast doubt on our integrity I wouldn't have gone to Urbana," she said. Her name was on a napkin.

Suggests Tests for Others.
Arthur L. Flannery of Paxton,
a school bus driver and former
constable, said that other persons connected with the trial
should have been given tests as
well as the jury.

Flannery recalled that when he was staying at the Statler Hilton Hotel in St. Louis in the course of the trial he saw a strange man loitering outside his door, and later noticed the man following him up in an elevator. Flannery said he told the Urbana investigators about it, and they promised to bring pictures for possible indentification but never did.

Loren Steck, the juror who was quoted directly on a napkin, is an inspector for Progress, Inc., at Arthur, Ill. He and another juror from Arthur, Richard S. Baker Jr., agreed, on seeing the notations, that the room was tapped in some way.



Jury in Wortman Case

-By a Post-Dispatch Photographer.

The Wortman trial jury: Front row, from left: RICHARD S. BAKER JR., HERMAN GARRETT, MRS. DOROTHY L. KIETZMAN, LOREN STECK, MRS. ELLEN PYLE and WAYNE CARTNER, forman; back row (from left): LEO MUEHLING, MRS. BEULANCHENOWETH, RAYMOND TRIMBLE, ARTHUR L. FLANNERY, PHILIP J. TESTA and LLOYD W. PUZEY.

Police Lack Evidence f Jury Spying in

Vortman Tax Tria

But Some Jurors Believe Their Deliberations Were Overheard

Authorities said Sunday they have no evidence to support belief of some of the jurors in the Frank (Buster) Wortman inco tax trial that they were spied on during their deliberations.

Robert D. Gibbons, special agent in charge of the Springfield, Ill., office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, said the FBI is not investigating statements of some of the jurors that they believe someone listened in on their deliberations or that a microphone was hidden in the jury room.

"We are well aware of the fact that the Illinois State Police, in co-operation with local authorities, interviewed all the jurors," Mr. Gibbons told The Globe-Democrat.

JUDGE REPLIES

United States District Judge William G. Juergens, who presided at the trial, when asked if he contemplates any action, replied, "Not at this time."

He said the first he knew of the expressed beliefs of some of the jurors was when he read about it.

All of the jurors were questioned by Illinois State Police and the St. Clair County sheriff's office and were given lie detector tests after two paper napkins containing the names of seven of the jurors were found on the body of Elmer (Dutch) Dowling, chief lieutenant of rackets boss Wortman.

Dowling and Melvin Beckman, his bodyguard, were found shot to death March 3 on a lonely unmarked road about three miles northwest of Bellsville.

SLAYING UNSOLVED

the slayings have not been solved.

Yortman, Dowling and Green (Red) Moore, another Work man associate, were convicted Feb. 26 of conspiracy to evade income taxes.

In addition to the names of seven of the jurors, there were certain notations in ink on the napkins which led to an investigation to determine whether any attempt had been made to tamper with the jury.

Authorities said questioning of the jurors gave no indication of mpering.

Illinois State Police Cap mil J. Toffant said Sunda Sone of the jurors, at the time

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belief that the jury room was "bugged" or that someone was listening in on the deliberations.

thur, Ill., said Sunday, "I'm beginning to believe that the place was bugged or that someone was listening in, maybe through the ventilating system."

He said "about two or three" other jurors he had talked with are of the same belief. Asked how strong his belief is, he replied, "It's getting stronger all the time."

All of the jurors who were questioned were told what was written on the paper napkins found on Dowling's body.

"The way I remember it," Mr. Steck said, "there was a notation on one of the napkins that said, 'Sam, one and three,' followed by a statement something to the effect,' We should find HIS NICKNAME

"My nickname is Sam. I assume one and three referred to two other jurors,"

two other jurors."

He said the statement was not specifically attributed to any of the three and added, "I personally don't think I made the statement.",

Wayne Cartner, of Thebes, Ill., who was foreman of the jury, denied, as stated in a St. Louis afternoon newspaper Sunday, that he felt there was a strong possibility the jury room was "bugged."

"I did not say that," he told The Globe-Democrat:" I was asked if I thought the jury room could have been bugged and I replied, 'I don't know. Anything could have happened."

The jury held its deliberations in the courtroom instead of the regular jury room.

Asked if state authorities plan to re-question the jurors, Capt. Toffant said, "This is not a state case. It is a federal case. Any investigation of that type would be a matter for federal authorities."

Gangland Murder Clue

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Evening Journal

tote found on the body of slati loodlum Elmer "Dutch" Dowling is a composition of randon thoughts jotted down on a wrinkled, home type napkin, it was learned today.

Meanwhile, federal officials today said they have been watching every development in the case and despite reports on "bugging" of the jury room, they have not found evidence to warrant a full scale investigation into tampering with the jury during the gang trial in federal court at East St. Louis.

The printed, two-page note is incoherent at points and was written without much concern for grammar.

The long quoted and mis-quoted It indicates that someone who has the initials of "E. H. K." . H. K." might have signed the note March 3, 1962, the same date Dowling and his bodyguard Melvin J. Beckman were murdered. Both of the initials appear on the note twice and the numbers "3-3-62" are on the note twice, once on each page.

Theories that it was written by a person paid \$20,000 to contact the federal court jurors for a possible "fix" might be true if the napkin is taken as a report of: the progress or failure the alleged contact man might have had in trying to carry out his assign-

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contact man was concentrating his efforts on obtaining acquittal for Frank' Buster' Wortman, Dowling Gregory Bell Moore and Edward Ted Wortman, brother of Frank, Buster Wortman, Dowling and Moore were found guilty.

Another Worlman associate, Sam Magia also was under indictment. At the same time he was serving a term in the federal pentientiary at Terre Haute for perjury.

But the note said "Magin is in jail already—he is deeds—so we can forget him—Agreed—"

"i and 3 wanted them all guilty fast forget about him. Lets get down to . . . he thinks he can get away with man beat up and bribed his castle like a king and he has Moling (apparently juror Leo Muhling of Cissna Park) knows they have done wrong—They are not being tried for evidence and there is no proof.

"B. Chenoworth (fat young gal) (apparently speaking of Mrs. Buelia Chenoweth, Rankin) 20 years ago why didn't government—they are wrong (solid not guilty)—for long time it was 84 way. All went along when better find them.

"Them G. Moore admitted something with F. W. said Sam 2-1 and 3 (apparently referring to jurors Wayne Cartner, Thebes, the foreman (no. 3 on his list), Richard Baker, Arthur, No. 1 on the list and Lloyd Puzey, Fairmont, No. 2 on the list).

"Being punished for his wrong (apparently referring to Magin's lying before a federal grand jury).

"This was early first morning-

everyone.

"Rest were wishe washy—Leo Moling didn't know witch way to go when 1-3 balled him out—Stayed NG (apprently not guilty) for evasion.

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"Twas with are already so we can—

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changed his mind often.
"Said if they started to cheat
do something sooner, thinks not
G of tax evasion—stayed that.

"I and Mr. Stack (apparently furor Loren Speck, Arthur) suggested we guilty of something— 3 and 2 (apparently Cartner and Puzey again) showed about 10 years—

"(She couldn't remember—she tried because I went back—

"1-Richard Baker (a jury member)."

"2-Louis Pussy (apparently Lloyd Puzey).

"3-Wane Carter (apparently Wayne Cartner).
"Moling (apparently juror Leo

Muhling).

"Stack (apparently juror Loren Steck).

"Chenoworth (apparently juror Mrs. Buelia Chenoweth).

"Pyle (apparently juror Mrs. Ellen Pyle.

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Federal efficials closely following the investigation into the murder of two Frank "Buster" Wortman henchmen said today they have no evidence to warrant a federal probe into reports that the murders resulted from efforts te fix the jury which convicted Wortman.

U. S. Atty. Carl Feickert sa n) investigation of reports of july

timpering has been ordered by the U.S. Department of Justice. Elmer F. Linberg, assistant lo the special agent in charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation offices in Springfield, said that tampering with a federal jury constitutes a federal offense and is within the jurisdiction of the FBI. If there are specific allegations in any such cases, they of Justice, and the Department of Justice orders the FBI to investigate. No specific allegations have been made yet in the Wortman case and thus no probe by the FBI has been initiated.

Federal Judge William G. Juergens today said he had no comment when asked whether he planned to request a federal investigation following St. Louis newspaper stories that the gangland murders resulted from an attempt to fix the jury, and stories that some of the Wortman jury members said they believe someone had "wired" their deliberations room.

The murders, of a Wortman vin Beckman, occurred on March switch the deliberations from the 3. Wortman, Dowling, and another

Wortman aide Gregory Moore had been convicted by federal jury at East St. Louis on Wortman's assets and income.

body two paper napkins which in the room. listed the names of some jury members and notations indicating how they voted or the speculation of someone as to how they voted. St. Clair County and state police officials later asked each juror to submit to lie detector tests on questions about jury tampering and each juror took the tests.

Meanwhile, the jury foreman Wayne Cartner of Thebes, Ill., today denied a statement attributed to him in a St. Louis newsare presented to the Department paper article on Sunday. He was quoted as saying he felt there was a strong possibility that the jury room was "bugged." He said that he did not know, because anything could have happened, when asked if he thought the room was wired.

Juror Loren Steck of Arthur today said he did not remember making the statement that the news story said was attributed to him on one of the napkins. This was to the effect that the jury would have to get the defendants on something.

Sources close to the Wortman trial said today it would have been virtually impossible to have wired the jury deliberations room. In the first place, it was not lieutenant Elmer "Dutch" Dowide decided by Judge Juergens to

room to the court room until shortly before the jury received the case. He made the decision after noting the huge "Red" stacks of exhibits the jury would be required to study.

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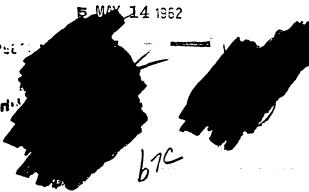
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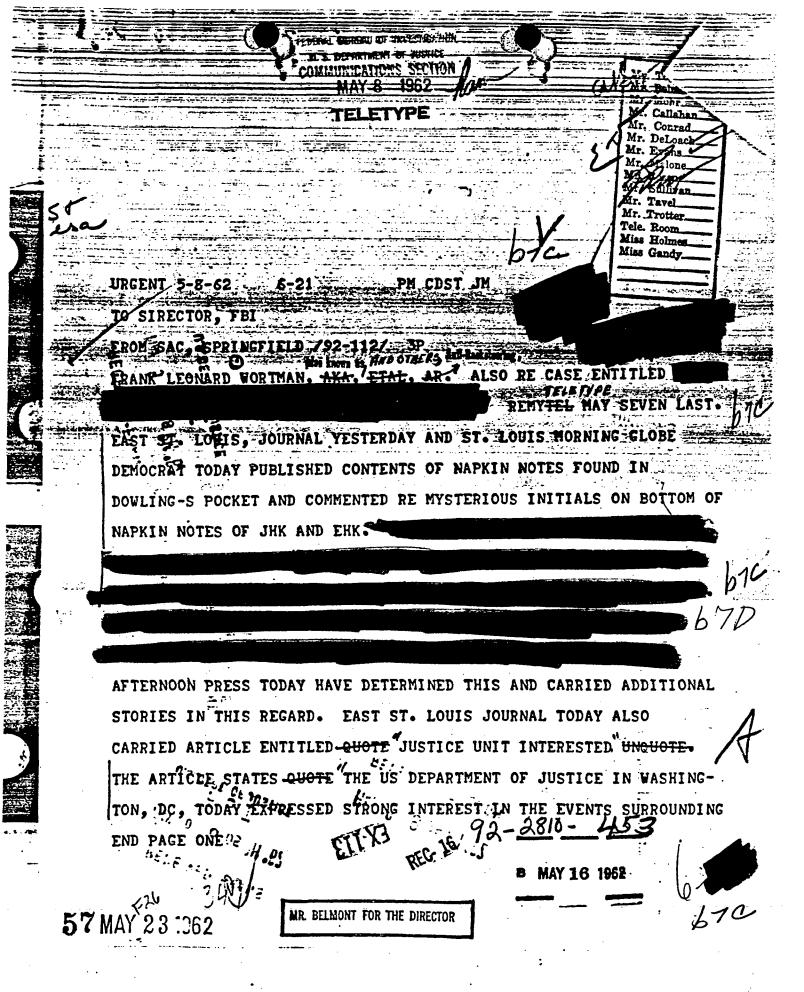
DEPARTMENT HAS NO OBJECTION TO CONDUCTING INTERVIEWS
WITH MEMBERS OF WORTMAN GANG MENTIONED IN RETEL.

NOTE: Henry Peterson, Criminal Division of the Department advised 5/14/62, 19 objection to above mentioned interviews.

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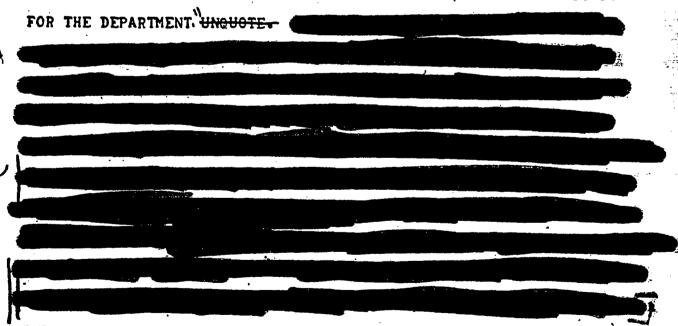




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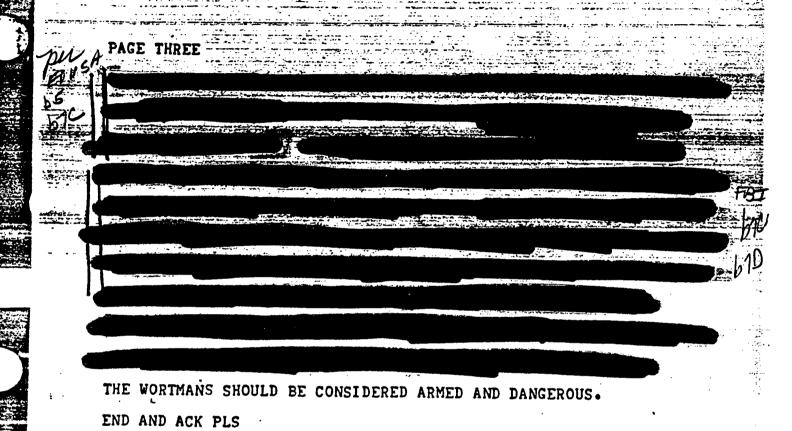
ASSISTANT FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT SPEAKING FOR US ATTORNEY GENERAL ROBERT KENNEDY SAID TODAY QUOTE WE ARE EXTREMELY INTERESTED IN THE ENTIRE CASE. WE ARE AVAITING THE OUTCOME OF LOCAL OFFICAL INVESTIGATION BEFORE SENDING IN THE FBI. WE HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH LOCAL FEDERAL AUTHORITIES. DETERMINATION MAY

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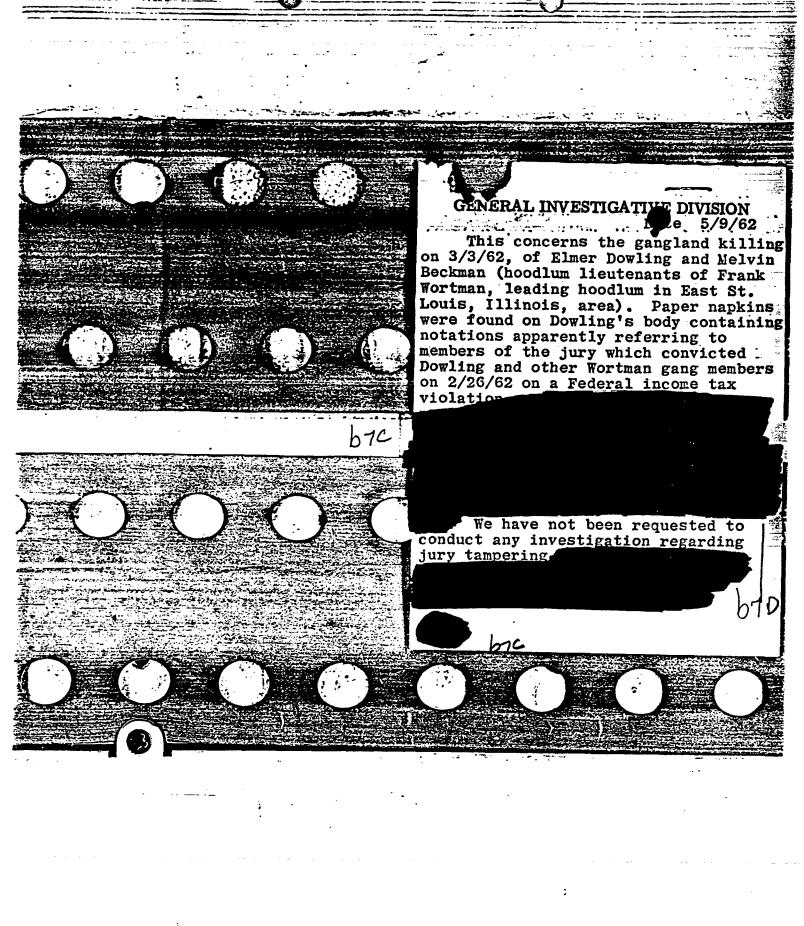
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UNITED STATES G moranaum Mr. Rosen Sullivon May 8, 1962 DATE: Tavel Trotter FROM SUBJECT: FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, ET AL. ANTI-RACKETEERING This is to advise that an article appeared in the "St. Louis" Post Dispatch" newspaper, St. Louis, Missouri, May 6, 1962, referring to interviews by a reporter of the "St. Louis Post Dispatch" with seven jurors in the Wortman trial. According to the article all seven jurors were of the opinion that information found on Dowling's body could only have come from one of the jurges or the jury room was "tapped". This is in connection with the gangland killing on 3/3/62, jof Elmer Dowling and Melvin Beckman (hoodlum lieutenants; of Frank (Wortman, leading hoodlum in the East St. Louis, Illinois, area). Paper napkins were found on Dowling's person which contained notations apparently referring to members of the jury which convicted Dowling and other Wortman gang members on 2/26/62 on a Federal income tax violation. REC 592 - 2810 454 We have not been requested to conduct any investigation. ACTION: B MAY 16 1562 This is for your information. The afore-mentioned newspaper article will be furnished to the Attorney General for information immediately upon receipt at the Bureau. 1 - Mr. Evans

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To: SAC, Springfield (66-1368) From: Director, FBI (92-2810) REC- 57 FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, aka., et al. Reurairtel 5/1/62. Referenced airtel submitted results of tests made on MISUR equipment installed at the Paddock Lounge and requested authority to move. This move of equipment was requested in an effort to improve quality of coverage afforded by this microphone installation. as requested, is Authority to move the being held in abeyance pending completion of additional tests which you are being requested to make. THE STREET OF THE SHEET STREET, STREET data by the Laboratory, you will be advised concerning your request to relocate as requested. Enclosure Belmont Mohr (9) 1 - Mr. Evans (Attention





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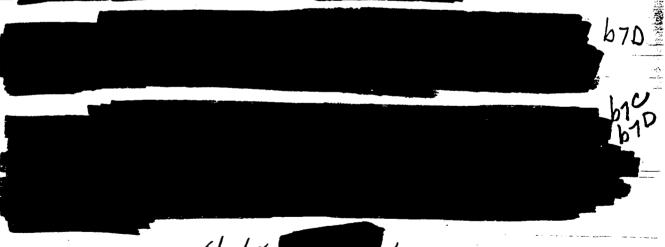
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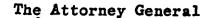
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ENCLOSURE



By memorandum dated May 9, 1962, Edwyn Silberling, Chief, Organized Crime and Racketeering Section, Criminal Division, requested an Obstruction of Justice investigation into the possible jury tampering in the captioned matter. This request has been furnished to our Springfield Office for immediate attention and the Department will be furnished the results.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT emorandum Conrad Evens Malane Mr. Belmont Rosen Sullivan May 10, 1962 DATE: Tavel Trotter Tele, Room **Holmes** C. A. Evans FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN SUBJECT: Anti-racketeering 🚉 Concerning the derogatory statements made Agents of the Belleville Resident Agency SAC Gibbons of Springfield called today to advise that he had made a careful study of the entire matter and that there was no basis in fact for any of these allegations. SAC Gibbons is en route to Belleville, Illindis today to emphatically inform statements are false and to challenge him to put up or shut up. At the same time SAC Gibbons will aso contact who reportedly also hear untrue arregations against our Agents, and positively and unequivocally refute remarks. ACTION. SAC Gibbons is sending a summary teletype communication today setting out full details concerning his inquiry into this matter and his refutation of these false charges. 1 - Administrative Division

No Memorandum Mr. Belmont() TO DATE: May 8, 1962 Trotter Tele. Room Holmes FROM Gandy C. A. Evans SUBJECT: FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN ANTI-RACKETEERING SAC, Springfield, has advised of several derogatory remarks concerning SAS allegedly made by concerning the murder of Elmer Dowling and Melvin Beckman, two Wortman gang lieutenants recently found dead on a roadside near Belleville. REC- 39 42 - 24 EX-115 5 MAY 29 1862 6 Enclosure 1 - Administrative Division

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont Re: Frank Leonard Wortman

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SAC, Springfield, advises in view of falsity of the harges and because of his notorious character he does not feel obtaining of affidavits from Agents is warranted. SAC also feels any protest to

RECOMMENDATION

That be contacted and informed in no uncertain terms of the falsity of his statements and that he is to cease and desist making false allegations about Agents.

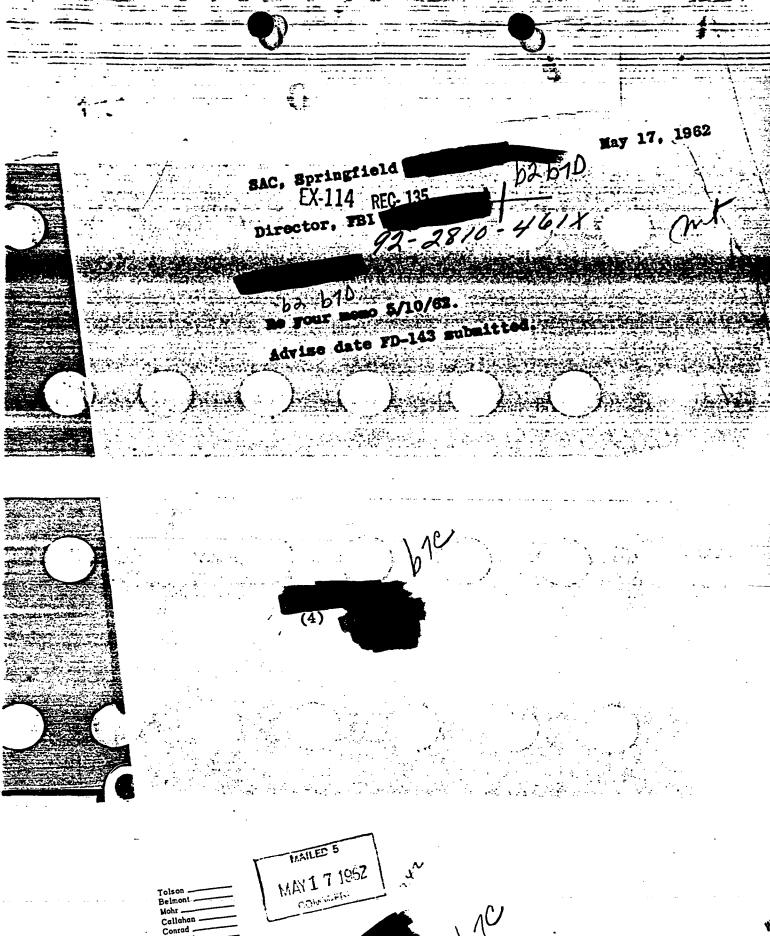
That comments, be contacted and that statements be positively and unequivocally refuted.

An appropriate teletype to the Springfield Office is attached, instructing SAC or ASAC, with an experienced Agent other than one against whom these allegations have been made, to handle these contacts.

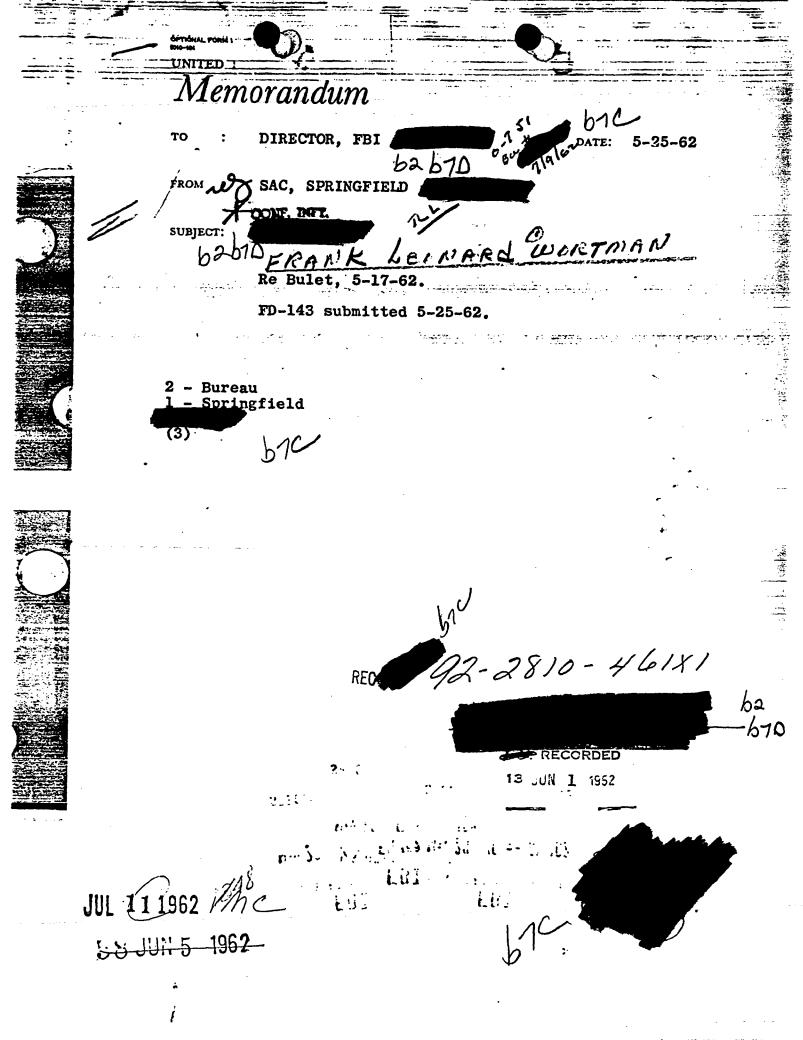
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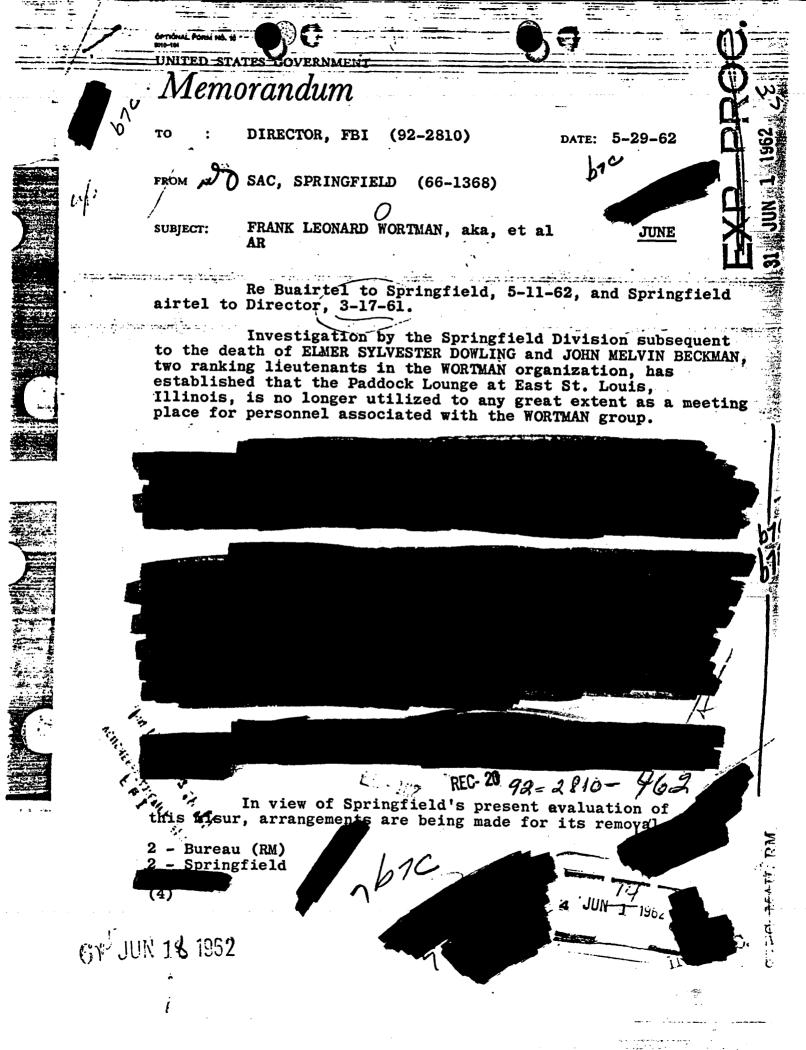
DIRECTUR, FBL 5-10-62 DATE: SAC. SPRINGFIELD CONE INET SUBJECT: LEONARD WORTMAN This informant has not been available for contact within the recent past; however, the informant is still available and will be in a position to furnish information within the near future. It is noted that information from this informant will undoubtedly be available as soon as the new Club 50 is re-opened in East St. Louis, which is expected to re-open within the next ten days to two weeks. The Bureau will be advised of information obtained. b2 b70 Bureau Springfield | 5 MAY 14 1962

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and for the termination of all Bureau obligations arising out of its installation.

The Bureau will be notified when all equipment has been removed and all obligations terminated.

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The Springfield Division, at East St. Louis, Illinois.

Will remove Bureau property and will remove all other property now in the space above the Paddock Lounge. Subsequent to the removal of Bureau property as set out above, will:



e. Advise the Bureau upon completion of the foregoing.

- d. Is surveillance on a private line or a party line?
- e. If a party line, how many parties?
- 7. If a microphone surveillance involved, state number of microphones actually used and location of each:

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8. Is the installation part of a tel-mike? If so, give symbol of other side of the combination:

No.

9. Specific examples of valuable information obtained since previous report with indication of specific value of each item and the date information received. State what use was made of each item involved: (Add insert pages)

See attached pages.

10. Could above information have been obtained from other sources and by other means?

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11. Number of live informants (in field division) who cover same subject:



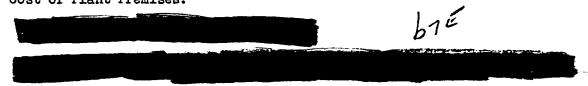
12. Has security factor changed since installation?

No.

13. Any request for the surveillance by outside agency (give name, title and agency):

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14. Cost of Plant Premises:



Not applicable at this time.

- c. If any others, set out the proportionate cost of instant surveillance:
- 15. Cost of Leased Line for instant installation?

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- 16. Personnel Costs: - not applicable at this time.
 - a. Give total number of special employees and/or Special Agents working at plant and total salary costs.
 - b. Total number of man hours per week spent at plant?
 - c. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate number of man hours per week spent on instant surveillance:
 - d. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate salary expense per annum for instant surveillance:
- 17. Remarks (By SAC):

At this present time informant is dormant, because the premises are unoccupied due to subjects difficulty in securing appropriate licenses. However, it is expected licenses will be granted shortly and operation will begin and the informant will be activated.

It is requested this informant be allowed to rmmain ready for activation as it is believed the information to be obtained will be reliable, valuable and not available from any other source.

18. Recommendation by Assistant Director:

(If this surveillance involves cryptanalysis, include statement that decrypted material is or is not sufficiently important to continue decrypting.)

On March 1, 1962, information was received regarding a conversation between GEORGE ANDREW HARVILL and JOHN MELVIN BECKMAN regarding a plan or proposal to kill because it was feared he was going to miorm on them and on other members of the gang.

On March 1. 1962, information was received referring to a "score" by which netted him \$436 when he held up a crap game.

one a witness to the killing of a man named at St. Louis, Missouri, in the recent past.

On March 3, 1962, information was received regarding the financial operations of the individuals who took over the operation of The Pines Club.

On March 3, 1962, information was received concerning the relationship between local law enforcement agencies and various hoodlums in the area.

On March 3, 1962, information was received relating to various gangland killings and indicated JOHN MELVIN BECKMAN dec was responsible for killing JOHN STENGELE in St. Louis in October, 1961.

On March 3, 1962, information was received about a \$17,000 "score" which could refer to a bank burglary.

On various dates information has been received concerning the association of various hoodlums and their past operations.

On March 14, 1962, information was received that

On March 14, 1962, information was received about the possibility of opening up another poker game in the area, including information that certain members of the Vice Squad of the East St. Louis Police Department could and probably would direct customers to the game providing they were given "a piece of the gain".

On March 9, 1962, information was received indicating that the believed local authorities may attempt to charge HARVILL with the murders of BECKMAN and DOWLING even though the authorities might not

have proof of his complicity in the killings.

On March 10, 1962 information received indicating that FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, called "the man" is directing the Pines operations to stay open even though it is losing money.

On March 12, 1962, information received that local authorities probably would tolerate gambling and prostitution were it not for the "heat" applied by the FBI.

On March 14, 1962, information was received that two individuals named might open a "joint" in East St. Louis and probably would employ prostitutes as waitresses.

On March 10, 1962, information was received indicating that HARVILL and sold their stock and inventory to

Between March 19 and April 5, 1962, activity of this informant ceased.

The value of the information received from this source cannot be assessed by simple consideration of individual items of information. The information which has been received in the short time this source has been in operation has been of valuable assistance in general intelligence information, has been of value in the WORTMAN investigation, and has been of value in a recent jury tampering investigation entitled, "UNSUB; POSSIBLE JURY TAMPERING IN CONNECTION WITH FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN TRIAL". Associates and friends of area hoodlums together with their residences, hangouts, and connections with prostitution, gambling and other criminal activities are identified from time to time.

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FROM: Director, FRI

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Authority granted to reactivate at such time as the Pines Club is reoccupied by the subjects and their lieutenants. This authorization will be for a period extending 90 days beyond the reactivation and if a further continuance is desired, an appropriate FD-143, together with your recommendation, should be submitted to the Bureau five days prior to the expiration of this period. This should be submitted on a UACB basis in accordance with existing instructions.

The Bureau should be notified immediately when this source has been reactivated and you should resume furnishing weekly summaries of pertinent information as well as advising Bureau immediately of any information of unusual interest or significance received from this source.

pending reactivation you should take appropriate measures to assure the security of this installation.

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NOTE: This source was installed 2/15/62 on the Pines Club, a meeting place of Wortman gang hoodlums at 914 North 37th Street, East St. Louis, Ill. Since then it has furnished a large volume of highly pertinent criminal intelligence information concerning the activities and operations of the Wortman gang and its principal members.

where it is located are unoccupied due to the fact that the subject are experiencing difficulty in securing appropriate licenses. Springfield inticipates that these will be granted shortly and that operations will be resumed at the Pines Club.

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Memorandum

TO -: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2810)

DATE:

6/18/62

FROM 194

SAC, SPRINGFIELD (66-1368)

SUBJECT:

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FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, aka, et al

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On 6/14-15/62 the misur at the Paddock Lounge, East St. Louis, Illinois, was terminated by the removal of technical equipment.

Accordingly, the services of are no longer available and this symbol number is being cancelled by the Springfield Division.

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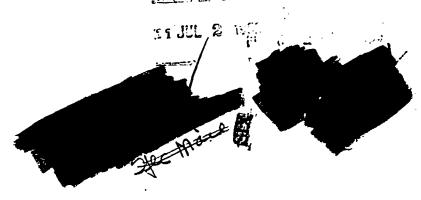
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U. S. District Judge WILLIAM JUERGENS, East St. Louis, Illinois, has denied all motions of defense attorneys for setting aside the verdict of the jury for new trials. Date of sentencing has not been set.

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and in case entitled, "UNSUB; Possible Jury Tampering in Connection with Trial of FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, ETAL, OJ," Springfield file 72-39, investigative reports in the WORTMAN case have not been submitted during June; however, a report is in preparation and will be submitted by 7/15/62.

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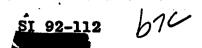
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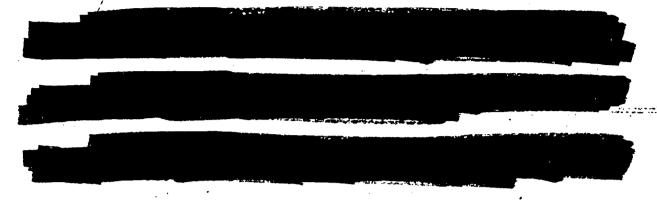
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Synopsis:

On 7/17/62 FRANK LEONARY KORTHAN and GREGORY EA MOORK, were sentenced in 12. District Court, East St. Louis, 111, to a term of 5 years and fine of \$10,000 each. Notices of Appeal filed and WORTMAN released on total bonds of \$72,500. MOORE given 30 days to furnish necessary bonds, and was also released. On 4/25/62 SAM MAGIN indicted Southern District of Illinois, Springfield, for making false statements to INS examiner.

various WORTMAN associates set out, including those who have been killed, injured, convicted, indicted or deceased within recent months. Results of additional investigation regarding killing of BECKMAN and DOWLING set out, including numerous interviews with FRANK WORTMAN and associates. Identity of slayers not identified to date.

Policy racket, Brooklyn, Illinois, presently closed; however, attempts being made to reopen policy. JAMES JAY KAGE, recent head of policy racket, indicted Federal Grand Jury, East St. Louis, Illinois, 6/22/62, for interstate transportation of wagering paraphernalia. Information regarding coin vending business of WORTMANS and associates set out. THE WORTMANS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF PAST HISTORY AND IN VIEW OF FACT THEY ALLEGEDLY HAVE CARRIED WEAPONS IN THE PAST.

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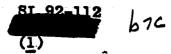
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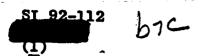
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MOORE were sentenced in United States District Court, East St. Louis,
Illinois, by United States District Judge WILLIAM G. JUERGENS
to a term of 5 years and \$10,000 fine each Notices of Appeals
were filed by WORTMAN's attorney, MORRIS SHENKER, and by MOORE's
attorney, NORMAN LONDON. WORTMAN was released on a \$60,000
appeal bond and he also put up additional \$12,500 bond to guarantee
payment of the \$10,000 fine and \$2,500 court costs. The total
bond of \$72,500 was furnished by EDWARD TED WORTMAN. TED WORTMAN
put up the deed to his home, RFD, Collinsville, which is
unencumbered and in the name of his wife. MOORE was unable to
furnish appeal bond immediately and was given 30 days in which to
furnish the appeal bond and bond to guarantee payment of the fine
and court costs.



On April 25, 1962, SAM MAGIN was indicted in the Southern District of Illinois, Springiteru, Illinois, for making false statements to a United States Immigration and Naturalization Service examiner, the false statements having been made on April 26, 1957. MAGIN was charged with having denied to the examiner that he had ever been convicted of anything other than a traffic violation and also denied he ever associated with FRANK WORTMAN. The conviction of MAGIN on these charges could lead to his deportation, as he is a native of Greece. MAGIN is still serving prison sentence at Terre Haute Federal Prison and is expected to be released on parole in the near future.

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II. INFORMATION REGARDING ASSOCIATES
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As a result of investigations and information obtained, the following is a brief summary of developments regarding numerous WORTMAN "outfit" members and associates.

FLMER SYLVESTER DOWLING, alleged principal lieutenant of FRANK "BUSTER" WORTMAN, was slain in gangland style in St. Clair County near Belleville, Illinois, in April, 1962.

MELVIN JOHN BECKNAN, a close WORTMAN associate and MELVICKMAN alleged fising young hoodlum, was slain along with BECKMAN. Neither of these slayings have been solved.

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JOHN FRANCIS KENNEY, a well known St. Louis and East St. Louis hoodlum closely associated with numerous members of the WORTMAN gang, died in June, 1962, of a heart attack while incarcerated in the Missouri State Prison.

JOE COSTELLO, well known St. Louis hoodlum and an associate of numerous members of the WORTMAN gang, died of alleged natural causes believed to be a heart setack, in St. Louis, Missouri, in June, 1962.

JAMES J. KAGE, well known East St. Louis hoodlum and recent operator of the policy racket in St. Clair County and in the past a member of the WORTMAN Organization, was indicted by Federal Grand Jury, East St. Louis Illinois, in June 1962, for

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interstate transportation of wagering paraphernalia in connection with the policy racket.

EVERETT "WARPY" SMITH, well known East St. Louis gambler and associate of numerous WORTMAN members in past years, was indicted by Federal Grand Jury, East St. Louis, in June, 1962, for interstate transportation of wagering information in connection with a handbook operation.

ABE KAUFFMAN, Well known East St. Louis hoodlum who is closely aligned with the WORTWAN Organization, was also indicted with SMITH.

KENNETH CHRISTOPHER MUELLER, well known St. Louis and East St. Louis hoodlum and associate of numerous WORTMAN Organization members in the past, began his 8 year sentence for conviction on bank burglary after appeals affirmed his conviction in June, 1962.

The above is, of course, in addition to the convictions of FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN and GREGORY E. MOORE as set out elsewhere in this report.



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Date _ May 21, 1962

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, usually known as "BUSTER" or "BUS," was interviewed in the dining room of the Paddock Lounge, East St. Louis. WORTMAN was advised that any information furnished would be voluntary, that he did not have to talk to Agents, that he had the right to legal counsel, and that any statement he made could be used against him in a court of law. No threats or promises were made to WORTMAN. WORTMAN said he did not desire to furnish any information in the form of a signed statement; however, he had no objection to talking with Agents, but did not want to be in a position of having any information he furnished being released to the press. WORTMAN at some length explained that he was unhappy with various newspaper stories during the past weeks concerning investigation by local authorities and said, "I can't see any sense in telling the newspapers everything the police are doing. It was thoroughly explained to WORTMAN that the FBI had not been conducting an investigation in the past regarding the killing of DOWLING and BECKMAN, and that the FBI had made no press releases concerning this phase of the investigation. WORTMAN was advised that the FBI is now conducting an investigation at the request of the Department of Justice regarding possible jury tampering and obstruction of justice in connection with the income tax evasion trial of himself and others that took place in Federal Court, East St. Louis, in January and February of 1962.

WORTMAN commented further that "they" knew the jury was being followed by the FBI and also that the FBI was surveilling him, WORTMAN, and the other defendants, as well as their lawyers. WORTMAN said in view of this, it would appear obvious to him that "nobody wanted to get out of line." He said further that he was well aware that the FBI has surveilled him and checked on him for years.

WORTMAN, at the outset, said the idea that he or any of the other people on trial with him "had anything going" for them with the jury was absolutely ridiculous. WORTMAN said, "I'm not the smartest guy in the world, but I've been around, and I know what fooling with a jury means." WORTMAN said he and the other defendants felt they had good attorneys and had a good case, insofar as their tax case, and it would be absolutely ridiculous and asking for more trouble to even

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consider a "fix" with the jury. WORTMAN said that, after all, to make any approach to a jury would mean going to business people and outsiders from their organization; and, he is intelligent enough to know any such contacts could be verified and established by the FBI. WORTMAN said he told those in his "outfit" that he did not want anyone even thinking about approaching or trying to approach the jury and made it clear before the trial and during the trial that there was to be no such activity by any of his "people." WORTMAN said further that he feels certain that if any of the "outfit" had even thought about or made any effort to get to the jury, he and EIMER DOWLING would have known about it. WORTMAN made it clear that he and DOWLING were the heads of the "outfit," and all instructions and decisions of any importance were made by them and through them. WORTMAN said further that if anybody even thought about "getting to the jury," that they would need money; and, the money would have to come from him and DOWLING. He said there was never any talk that he heard of money for a jury or for a person who could contact the jury or a representative of a juror. He said there was never any "fund" raised or attempt to raise a "fund" for this purpose. He said in this regard that the newspaper stories about a \$20,000 "bundle" for a "fix" or possible "fix" with the jury were absolutely false; and, he had never heard of such a story, and knew absolutely nothing about it. WORTMAN at this point talked about TED LINK of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, who had written some stories regarding the WORTMAN jury. WORTMAN said he has known LINK in the past. and knows what kind of reporter this person is. He said LINK, in his opinion, makes up a lot of things, and that LINK had made no effort to contact him, WORTMAN. He understood, however, that LINK did try to contact his brother, "TED" WORTMAN, but "TED" refused to talk to LINK.

WORTMAN stated that other newspaper stories by LINK and other reporters about the court room being "bugged" are "complete nonsense." WORTMAN said he feels positive this not only did not but could not have happened; and, he pointed out that, as he understands, no one ever knew the jury was to use the court room for deliberation until a short time before the trial actually ended.

WORTMAN stated that, insofar as the napkin notes in DOWLING's pocket are concerned, he has absolutely no idea where DOWLING got them or when, and further that he, WORTMAN, did not know of their existence and feels certain no one else in the

"outfit" knew about these notes or the information on them, because if it had been known, he would certainly have heard about it from ELMER DOWLING. He said whether DOWLING got the information the same evening of the slaying or not is unknown to him, but he would speculate that this was what happened. WORTMAN said he had been with DOWLING during the afternoon of 3/3/62 and, in fact, had dropped DOWLING off at DOWLING's home at about 4:00 or 4:30 p.m. that afternoon. He said DOWLING made no reference to any napkin notes or other information about the trial, but DOWLING did mention a meeting he was to have that night along with BECKMAN; but, the person to be met was not identified, nor was the reason for the meeting mentioned. WORTMAN said he feels sure that if the meeting were of any importance, he would have known the identity of the person to be met and the place of the meeting. WORTMAN said he could not speculate the reason for the meeting, other than it might have been about some location for coin machine business; but, this, of course, was entirely supposition.

WORTMAN said DOWLING seldom went out at night, and DOWLING actually was a sick man for years because of a heart condition which DOWLING was aware of and which is apparently a family trait, as many of the males in the DOWLING family died in their fifties from heart problems. He said DOWLING was aware of this situation and, as a result, lived a sedate life, did not "run around" nights, and had not done any drinking for the past three or four years.

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WORTMAN said that from his observation of the napkin notes which the local authorities showed on several occasions, he is sure it is not DOWLING's printing. He said DOWLING seldom did any printing, insofar as he knows, and everything he has ever seen in DOWLING's hand has been handwriting. He said he has no handprinting specimens from DOWLING and has no idea where such would be available. He further said that the spelling on the notes would not be the kind of spelling errors that DOWLING would make.

WORTMAN said that he considers BECKMAN to have been "duncey." He said that they took BECKMAN into the "outfit" a number of years ago at the request of a friend of BECKMAN's father in St. Louis. He said this was brought about because BECKMAN was working as a "bouncer" in some of the low-class "joints" on Sixth Street in St. Louis and was often in trouble with the

police; and, this family friend realized that eventually BECKMAN would end up in prison. WORTMAN said that, therefore, they put BECKMAN on the payroll. The only job he ever had, however, was that of a "bouncer" or doorman at "our crap games." WORTMAN at length talked about BECKMAN's general intelligence and ability and said BECKMAN did not have enough brains to make any real decisions, and no responsibility or decisions were given to him. He said BECKMAN had a "high opinion of himself and thought he was a lot smarter than he really was," and WORTMAN described BECKMAN several times as being "duncey." He said BECKMAN might have at times tried to promote vending machines of the WORTMAN business, but if he had any deal of any consequence "going," it would be cleared through himself or his brother, "TED," or DOWLING.

WORTMAN said he could not say if the handprinting on the notes was that of BECKMAN, but did observe that some of the spelling looked like misspellings BECKMAN might do, because he did not believe BECKMAN had much of an education. WORTMAN was unable to furnish or advise the source of any handprinting of BECKMAN. WORTMAN did speculate that it is possible that BECKMAN got some of the information appearing on the napkins through some of his friends at taverns or bars through mere conversation, since the trial was over, and then gave the napkins to DOWLING the night they were together on 3/3/62. WORTMAN claims he feels certain that if BECKMAN had the information that it would not have come from any juror or from anyone connected with the jury but would have been strictly "bar room talk" that BECKMAN felt DOWLING and WORTMAN would be interested in knowing about.

WORTMAN said that, after all, in this regard "they" did have information from the jury, since the case was ever; and, the information came to them from

went on to comment at some length about the conviction of himself and others being a wrong verdict, because they did not violate the Internal Revenue laws and the Government did not have enough evidence to prove they did. He said further that he understood the jury was "tied up," and that if they had not been "forced" to stay out so long by the Judge, it would have been a "hung" jury for everyone. He said he understood the jury had been about 50-50 at one time, but that

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because they had to stay out so long, they finally came out with the verdict of conspiracy, which he, WORTMAN, felt was a "real unusual verdict." WORTMAN proceeded to discuss his previous convictions from 30 years ago in Federal Court and said, "After all, I blame my own dumbness for this." WORTMAN said he was only a "kid" then, and someone tried to tell him he could get six months on a plea of guilty, but he refused to do this and ended up getting 10 years.

WORTMAN went into his own feelings on the killings of BECKMAN and DOWLING, saying he just couldn't believe that the napkin notes and information on the napkins had anything to do with BECKMAN and DOWLING being killed. He said after the killings he, WORTMAN, was very scared and upset; and, for the first week he only slept five hours, and the second week, only about 12 hours. He said that at first he thought it was someone inside "our outfit," and, if this was the case, felt they would be after him. He said immediately after the killing he and other members of the "outfit" talked to a lot of people and ran out a lot of leads, which always ended up in a dead end; however, he said he was finally convinced that it was not "done from the inside," and was able to "pull" himself together. He said since then, he and his "people" have continuously tried to run down leads; and, they probably have worked as hard as the law-enforcement people on the case, if not harder. He said that they speculated on the powdery material being a "plant" of dope and went so far as having some people on the "outside" contact dope addicts to see if it could be this, and if it was starch that was used to "cut" the dope. WORTMAN said that they found out that starch could not be used and would not be used to "cut" dope.

WORTMAN said at this time "they" still do not know who did the killings, but that they will keep on trying to find out and hope to come up with the answer. WORTMAN speculated on the killings being "one of those crazy things" where some person got into BECKMAN's car for no good reason, killed both of them, and robbed them. He said in this regard he knows that DOWLING always carried a wallet, which wallet has never been found, and knows DOWLING had \$300 or \$400 in his wallet, with about \$70 in his pocket, which WORTMAN described as "pocket money." He said the napkin notes

"After all, this is the first time such a thing has happened

in our outfit in 20 years," and that none of their "people" had ever been killed like ELMER DOWLING and MEL BECKMAN were killed. He described his close relationship with DOWLING and said, "ELMER was closer than my own brother and has been for a long time," and that "they" have been together for about 20 years. WORTMAN said he knows that both BECKMAN and DOWLING did not have guns on them when they were killed or even had guns with them that night, because he has located "all of their guns" and knows they were not armed. He said there had been some speculation that a police officer might have done the killing, but this resulted from conversation with local authorities when the subject was brought up, as to whether such was possible. WORTMAN said he observed that this was possible, but never identified any law-enforcement people by name, organization, or whether it could be state, local, or Federal. WORTMAN said he has no reason to believe or disbelieve law-enforcement people could have been responsible for the killing or furnishing or placing the napkins on DOWLING's body.

WORTMAN then went into a discussion about the relationship of "their outfit" with the police over the years and said he has always tried to get along with everyone and does not go along trying to stir up trouble. He said for years they have gotten along with the local police, and the local authorities, because they made an effort to do so. He said, "After all. it's to their advantage, too, for us to keep the various men employed so they don't get into trouble with the police by doing stick-ups, burglaries, and other crimes." He said, "As long as our men are working, they aren't going to get into trouble." He said he doesn't approve of "rough stuff," and that if any of his people are involved in such, he gets rid of them. WORTMAN said, "After all, the only thing we have ever done is gamble, and we're gamblers, and the local authorities know this." He said, "If we can get into action, we can keep a lot of people on our payrolls and keep them working." He said, "The St. Louis Police know this. It's the way we do business, and that's for their benefit, too."

WORTMAN said that insofar as BECKMAN is concerned, it would be impossible for "MEL" to have been making any deal involving any amount of money, because WORTMAN said he doubted that BECKMAN ever had more than \$2,000 to his name in his life. He said if BECKMAN needed money, he could only get it from himself, WORTMAN, or DOWLING. He said that he knew most of

DØWLING's friends and associates, but, of course, they have since found out he had contacts with some people they did not know about and had been "running around" some that they did not know about, including hanging around at the "Gaslight Square" in St. Louis. He said he has no information that BECKMAN was acquainted with or associated with

was smart enough to realize someone might have been trying to do a "con job" in connection with the napkin notes, whereby they might try to make him and ELMER believe they were important and significant and then try to get some money out of them for the information. He said he is not "stupid enough" to think BECKMAN wouldn't do such a thing, because he knows BECKMAN would. WORTMAN said that after all, he, WORTMAN, is only human and would go along with a deal if it looked like the information was of value. WORTMAN again said he had never had any indication that BECKMAN had any such deal "going," and there had never been any "claim agent" make any approach for money. WORTMAN said, "That's one thing we're waiting for--for somebody to make a claim."

WORTMAN advised he would instruct "his people" to co-operate with the FBI in the investigation and would make any of them available if Agents couldn't locate them. He said, "After all, I'm as interested in clearing up this whole thing as you are, if not more so." WORTMAN said his "outfit" is not going to use any "muscle" and never has used "muscle."

WORTMAN said in connection with their vending business that if anyone ever says that they used "muscle," this is not true. He said, "We might try to put a little pressure on a

friend who has a tavern or restaurant using vending machines by telling the friend if he won't do business with us, we aren't going to do any more favors for them." WORTMAN said if this is "muscle," they have done this and will continue to do it. WORTMAN again went into an explanation that he does not approve of any "rough stuff," and does not go out looking for trouble, but tries to "back away from trouble." He further stated that he believes in trying to "keep things happy," because it always works out better that way.



WORTMAN said he does not believe that anyone could have overheard what was going on inside the court room during deliberation and said he had never had any contact with any of the jurors at any time, nor had he had any contact with any of the Marshal's staff, other than visiting with them in the court room corridors or through the trial. He said there were miscellaneous comments and conversations, but nothing of significance that he recalls.

WORTMAN said he does not believe anything could have been overheard from the men's room on the second floor of the court house, but observed that when he and the other defendants were in the men's room, they always put their fingers up to their mouths, meaning not to talk, because he, WORTMAN, is "scared to death of any ventilator." WORTMAN pointed out that there was a ventilator near the ceiling in the washroom, and that, after all, he didn't know who might have been listening through that source.

wordman said he can't help but believe that the mapkins and further that, as he understands it, none of the numbers on the napkins are accurate. He stated he can't believe that it came out of the jury. He said all during the trial and the deliberation he never got off of the second floor and doesn't know what is on the third floor of the court house or if the court room can be observed or if information can be overheard from this location.

WORTMAN said "they" will have to take care of Mrs. DOWLING and her children to see that she gets proper income to raise her family, and they will do this.

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WORTMAN said if the FBI wanted to talk to him further, he would be available on contact with him.

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FRANK "BUSTER" WORTMAN, RFD, Collinsville, Illinois, was telephonically contacted in order to make arrangements for interview. He advised that after consultation with his attorney, he did not desire to be interviewed, since his attorney had stated that interview regarding any possible jury tampering in his income tax evasion trial should not be conducted until such time as further court action is completed.



WORTMAN refused to state if he or any other specific person had talked to or anyone else concerning the activity or deliberations of the jury in the tax tril.

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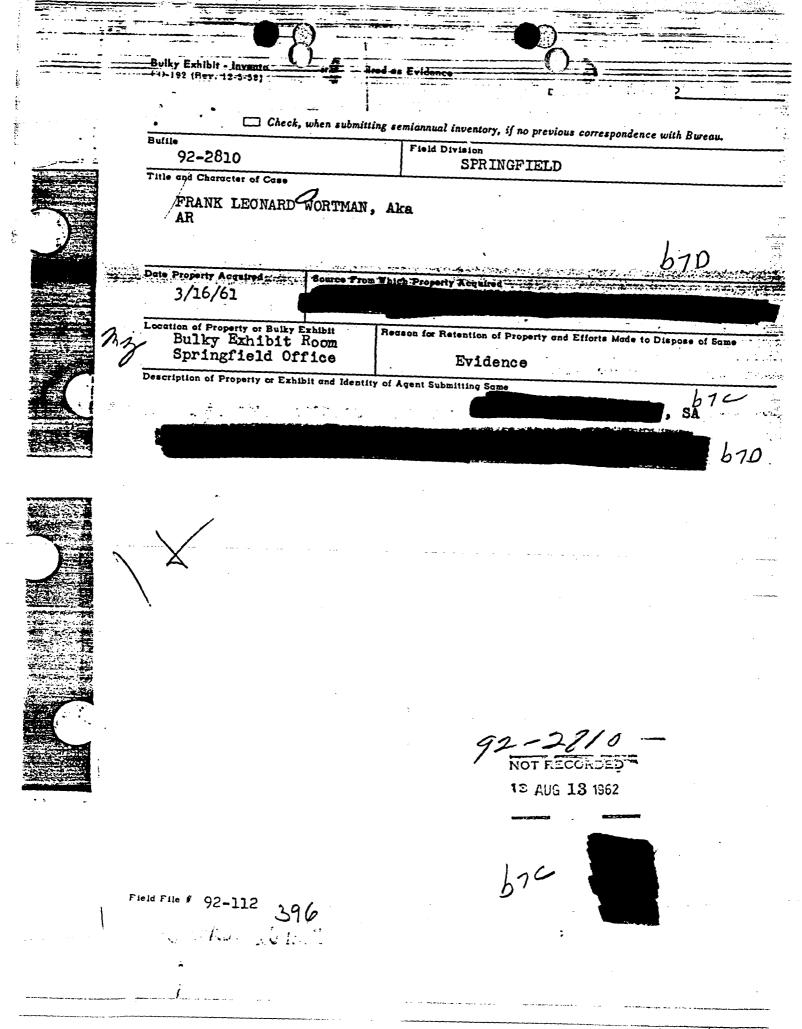
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On July 26, 1962, The Evening Journal, E. St. Louis, Illinois, carried an article entitled "State Ruling in 1961 TED WORTMAN Barred From Racing". This news article prepared by CHARLES O. STEWART states that TED WORTMAN has been barred from racing horses at State Racetracks, according to the Illinois Racing Board; that according to a Chicago representative of the Illinois Racing Board, WORTMAN has been barred since 1961 when his license as a trainer was revoked. The article states the Board spokesman denied that WORTMAN races horses at Chicago and E. St. Louis under other names; the Board said WORTMAN was licensed as a trainer in 1958, 1959, and 1960. According to the Board, EDWARD WORTMAN of Caseyville, Illinois, is listed as a breeder of Illinois bred thoroughbred horses and that breeders are required to be listed with the Racing Board but are not under the Board's jurisdiction; further, that breeders are entitled to a breeder's fee of 10% of every purse. However, horses they breed cannot be entered in state races without licensed owners and trainers. According to the Board's spokesman, WORTMAN will never be licensed in Illinois as long as WILLIAM S. MILLER is Chairman.





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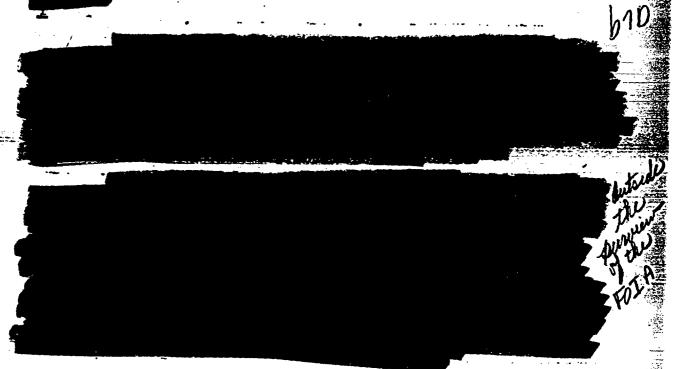
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It is noted that MAGIN is presently under indictment in the Scuthern District of Illineis in connection with Income tax evasion charges; however, no trial date has been set regarding this indictment. MAGIN is a native of Greece and is not a United States citizen; however, the immigration authorities have been interested in MAGIN but have advised they can take no action unless MAGIN is convicted of the income tax evasion charges and thereafter they sculd take action in efforts to deport MAGIN to Greece.



The Evening Journal, East St. Louis, Illinois, dated 7-19-62, reported that the Government had dropped its income tax evasion case against JOSEPH W. JANKO, described as a doorman at racketeer FRANK W. WORTMAN's gambling establishments.

JANKO was convicted of income tax in St. Louis, Missouri and sentenced to 10 years in prison in 1959. He appealed the conviction and it was set aside by the U. S. Supreme Court in 1961, allegedly due to possible effects of publicity involving JANKO on the trial jurors according to the news article. The article states that at the request of the Government the case was dismissed by Federal Judge ROY W. HARPER at St. Louis, Missouri. in July 1962.

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C. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES



On September 14, 1962, JANES J. KAGE, principal operator of the policy racket and closely associated with the WORTMAN organization, appeared with his attorneys, United States District Court, East St. Louis, Illinois, on a motion to suppress evidence brought by KAGE in connection with his pending trial for interstate transporation of wagering paraphernalia. KAGE was represented by Attorneys NORMAN LOWDON and MURRAY RANDALL, St. Louis, Missouri. The Court has not ruled on the hearing on this motion.

KAGE's trial is set for October 29, 1962, in United States District Court, East St. Louis, Illinois





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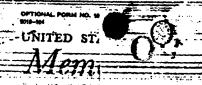
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DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2810)

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FRANK LEONARD EDWARD "TED" WORTHAN, Aka. AR (00: 81)

at Springfield.

Enclosed herewith are 7 pages of indexed names for above referenced report. Each office receiving appropriate number of these inserts so that they may be attached to referenced report.

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(3)- Bureau (92-2810)(62-9-52) 1 - Springfield (66-1368)

6. Type of case involved:

Géneral Criminal Intelligence of Criminal Element and hoodlums, racketeers in the East St. Louis and St. Clair County area including members of the WORTMAN gang.

7. Connection or status of subject in the case:

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ENNIS resides in the house trailer at the afore-mentioned address which is a known meeting place for members of the WORTMAN gang including GEORGE "STORMY" HARVILLE

white slaver and is a known pimp, hoodlum and burglar and all of his contacts and associates are ex-convicts, police characters and members of the criminal element.

8. Specific information being sought:

Information of gambling operations of the WORTMAN gang and activities of the criminal element including their plans and discussions.

9. Reasons for believing the specific information will be obtained by the technical surveillance:

It is known ENNIS is closely associated with members of the WORTMAN Gang and other hoodlums and through observations it has been confirmed that the criminal element is meeting at the above location.

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10. Importance of case and subject:

Activities of the WORTMAN gang, along with crime and corruption in the East St. Louis and St. Clair County area are of prime interest to the Bureau and Department.

11. Possibilities of obtaining desired information by other means (Explain in detail):

None

12. Risks of detection involved:

None

13. Probable length of technical surveillance:

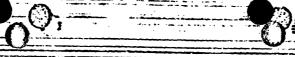
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14. Request made for technical surveillance by any outside agency (name specific official, title and agency):

None

15. Remarks:

Since opportunity to



15. (Remarks continued)

consummate this installation can occur at any time, it is requested that approval be expedited as requested.

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To: SAC, Springfield (66-1368)

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From: Birector, Tal (02-2010) 47-52

PRINK LEONARD WORTHAN

No 7007 FD-143 dated 11/8/82.

Inasmuch as this installation would be made in a house trailer where the risk exists that its control could be lost by the sudden or unexpected moving of the trailer, authority is not granted at this time to install this microphone coverage.

Instead, you should continue to explore other possibilities of covering hoodlum meetings at the Ennis trailer.

NOTE: Lewis Edward Ennis, East St. Louis, Illinois, resides in a house trailer which is a known meeting place for members of the Frank Leonard Wortman hoodlum gang.

Authority for this installation is not being granted inasmuch as the trailer, being a mobile unit, could be moved out of the area unexpectedly and on short notice resulting in the loss of this installation and the possibility that it might be detected at a later date by telephone operatives or others.

Springfield is being urged to attempt coverage of hoodlum meetings at the Ennis trailer through other avenues.

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In view of the above, reconsideration of authority to install microphone coverage as set out in Springfield FD-142 is requested.

TO: REC. 25 BAC, Springfield (66-1368)

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Re your FR-142 dated 11/8/62 and urmeno of 11/29/62.

Provided complete security is assured and based on your assurance that you have sufficient coverage on Emnis trailer to be advised in advance of any contemplated move, authority is granted to make this installation and maintain it for a period of 30 days from the date it is activated.

This matter should be followed very closely and the Bureau kept advised of developments of interest through the medium of a weekly sirtel summary of information received.

Five days prior to the expiration of the authorized period you should, in the event a further continuance is recommended, submit an appropriate FD-143 continuing the installation for 90 days UACB.

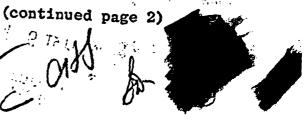
Advise the Bureau promptly of the date the installation made and activated and furnish the symbol assigned to it.

Lewis Edward Ennis, East St. Louis, Illinois, resides in a house trailer which is a known meeting place for members of the Frank Leonard Wortman hoodlum gang. Springfield is of the opinion that important criminal intelligence information may be received throa source covering meetings at this trailer.

when this installation was first recommended Springfield was advised that it would not be authorized in view of the apparent Tolson risk of losing control through an unannounced moving of the trailer. Callaba RECEIVEN - EVANS Conrad

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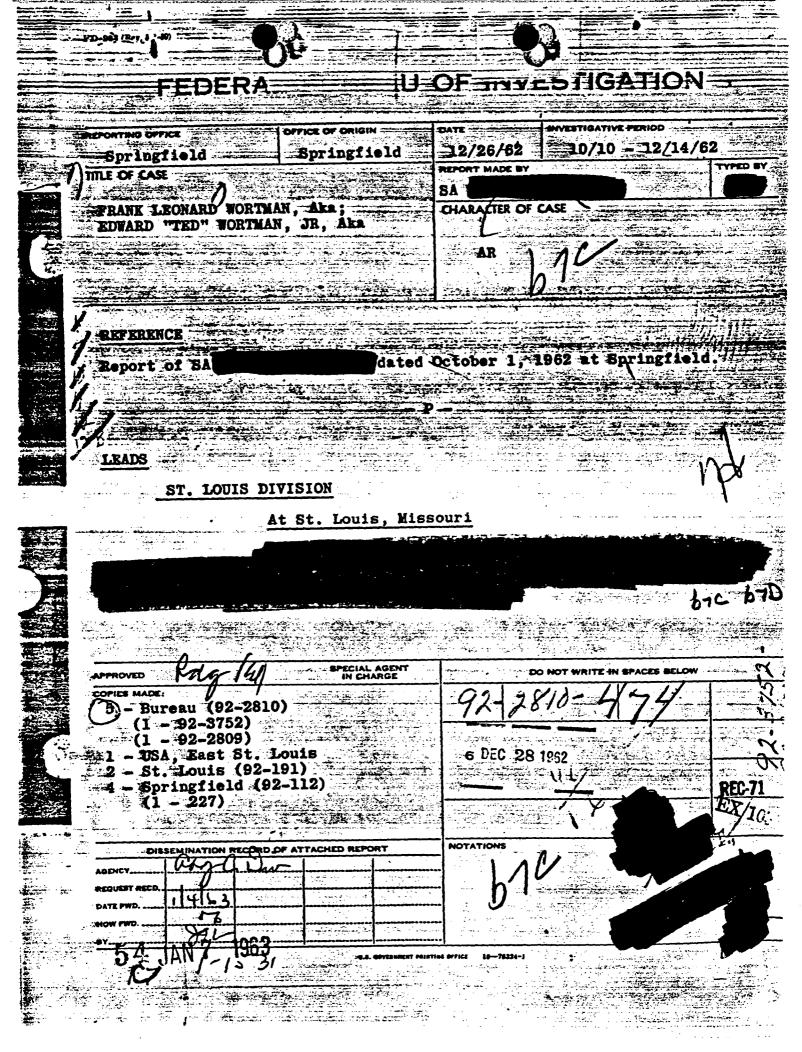
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Springfield has now advised that sufficient coverage is now available to permit that effice to know in advance of any contemplated move.

to make this installation and operate it for a period of 30 days at the end of which a further evaluation can be made.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

SUBJECT: FRANK "BUSTER" WORTMAN

FILE NUMBER: 92-2810 SECTION 17







#### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

#### FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION -

Report of: SA

Date: December 26, 1962

Field Office File No.: 92-112 Bureau File No.: 92-2810

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN: EDWARD "TED" WORTMAN, Jr.

Chosen ANTI-RACKETEERING

Filing briefs in FRANK WORTMAN tax case extended by court of appeals to November 26, 1962.

Activities various WORTMAN associates set VIRGIL "DOC" SUMMERS, ex-convict and East St. Louis hoodlum who has associated with members of the WORTMAN gang in past, shot and killed in gangland style in East St. Louis early morning December 3, 1962, in front of 707 Pennsylvania Avenue. Killing unsolved to date

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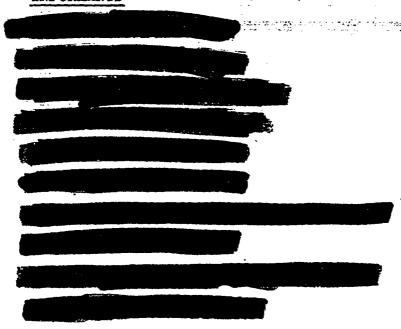


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A. PERSONAL ACTIVITIES OF FRANK WORTMAN AND EDWARD WORTMAN





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Approximately midnight December 1, 1962, VIRGIL
"DOC" SUMMERS was found slain by three shotgun blasts
outside of the apartment where he resided at East St. Louis,
Illinois,
Summers is an old
time Illinois hooding and a previous associate with the
"Bugs" Moran Gang and also had associated with a gang
of bank robbers in southern Illinois.

SUMMERS has been out of the United States Penitentiary since 1960 and has resided in East St. Louis, Illinois.

As a result of previous investigation, it was determined that SUMMERS has been in contact with various East St. Louis area hoodlums including members of the WORTMAN gang. One of SUMMERS close contacts has been

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who has been close to the Wortman gang and in close contact with individuals in the Paddock Lounge.







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As a result of previous investigation, the Springfield Office and the St. Louis Office had developed information that SUMMERS along with JOE COSTELLO (now deceased) and JOHN FRANCIS KINNEY (now deceased) and had-discussed plans in the past of kidnapping It is noted these four are all dead, except





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According to the office of the United States
Attorney, East St. Louis, Illinois, the deadline for fixing
appeal briefs and the trial manuscripts in connection with the
appeal of FRANK WORTMAN with the United States Court of Appeals
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FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, aka, et al SUBJECT:

Re Bulet, 12-6-62. Reference is also made to June communications from the St. Louis Office entitled "CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM, ST. LOUIS DIVISION" wherein that office has set out current problems regarding misur installations

The St. Louis Office is requested to keep Springfield advised of any developments or change in policy in connection with this over-all matter.

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BULKY EXHIBIT ROOM SPRINGFIELD OFFICE

TO AID INVESTIGATION

Description of Property or Exhibit and Identity of Agent Submitting Same

Original and nine copies of sketch showing floor plan, second floor, east half, Paddock Lounge, 429 St. Louis St., East St. Louis, Illinois.

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On 2/6/63 a meeting was held at the Madison County,
Illinois State's Attorney's Office between State's Attorney
and SAs

and

Springfield will maintain close liaison with the above officials and Bureau will be advised of any pertinent developments.

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6. Type of case involved:
Anti-Racketeering and general criminal intelligence information of East St. Louis area and Wortman gang hoodlums.

7. Connection or status of subject in the case:

WORTMAN and associates are principal hoodlum, gambling and racketeeri operators in E. St. Louis area and also in St. Louis, Missouri. One of principal meeting places of gang members is the Crosswords Club, a "strip" joint operation with a small office in the rear.

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8. Specific information being sought:

Activities of WORTMAN and his associates including criminal intelligence information concerning crime conditions in the E. St. Louis and St. Clair County areas.

9. Reasons for believing the specific information will be obtained by the technical surveillance:

The Crosswoads Club is a known hangout of WORTMAN gang members and this club recently was taken over by members of WORTMAN gang who meet at this club regularly. This club is frequented and patronized by criminal element in the area.

10. Importance of case and subject:

WORTMAN and his associates are top hoodlum characters in Springfield Division and also operate in St. Louis. WORTMAN gang activities and crime conditions, E. St. Louis, are of prime interest to Bureau and Department.

11. Possibilities of obtaining desired information by other means (Explain in detail):

None at present

12. Risks of detection involved:

None

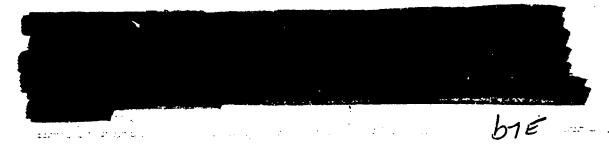
13. Probable length of technical surveillance:

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14. Request made for technical surveillance by any outside agency (name specific official, title and agency):

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15. Remarks:



16. Recommendation of Assistant Director:

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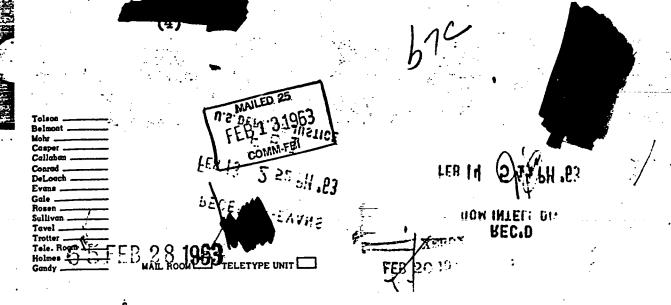
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TRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, aka., ET AL. CRIME CONDITIONS HAST STI LOUIS AREA

Your FD-142 dated 2/7/63 does not contain sufficient current information as to the identity and activities of Wortman gang members meeting at the Crossroads Club to indicate that microphone coverage there is justified and, in view of this, your request for such coverage is not approved at this time.

If further information becomes available showing which members of the Wortman gang use the Crossroads Club as a hangout and further specifics as to the frequency and purpose for their visits to this Club, then you should furnish such additional information to the Bureau, together with your recommendations.

You should be alert to the necessity for obtaining prior Bureau clearance in all situations involving the survey of locations to determine the feasibility of highly confidential coverage.



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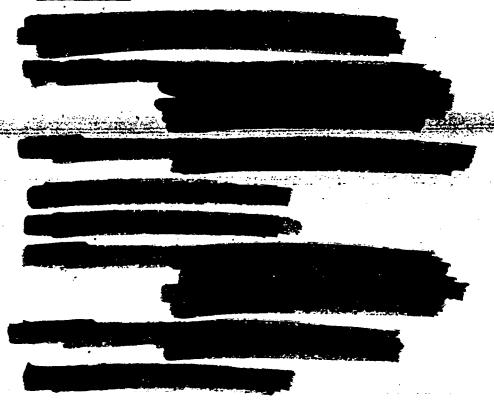
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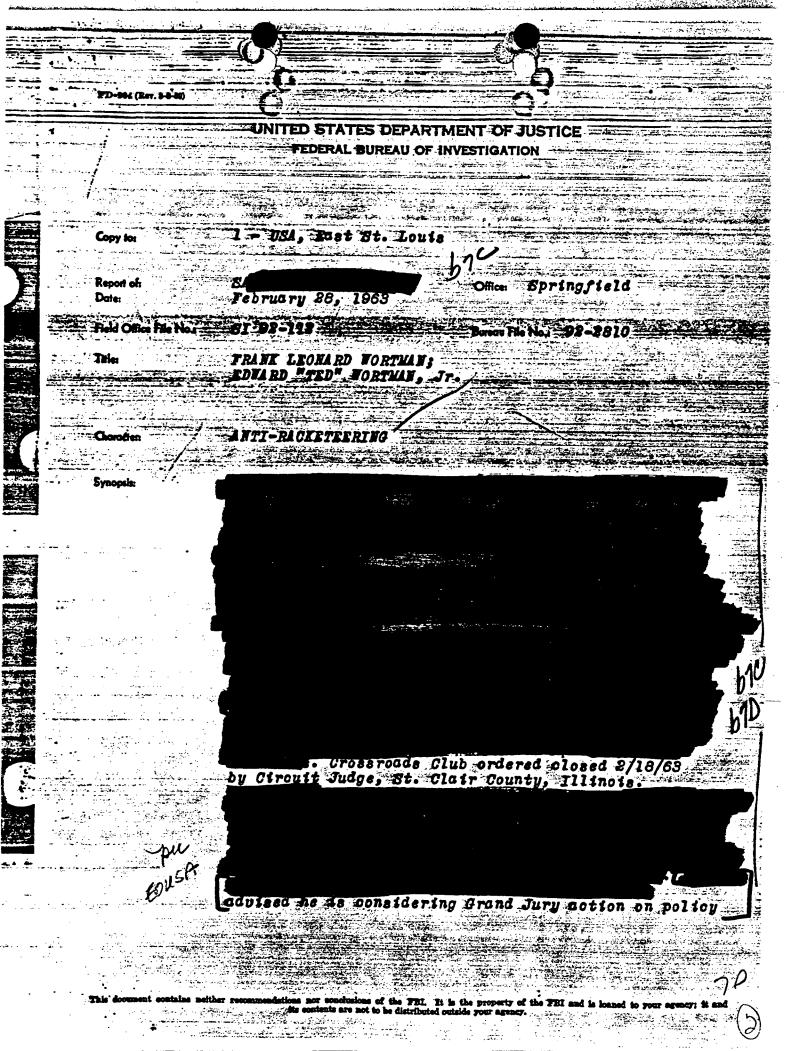
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served and JOB JiNKO at the entrance to the B & H Vending Company, 735 North 16th Street, East St.

Louis, Illinois, where these two individuals were in conversation with the third unidentified person.

1963 black Cadillac sedan was observed parked at the lot in the rear of the B & H Company.

On 2/7/63 at 3:17 PM 1963 black Cadillac was observed parked at the lot of the B & H Company.

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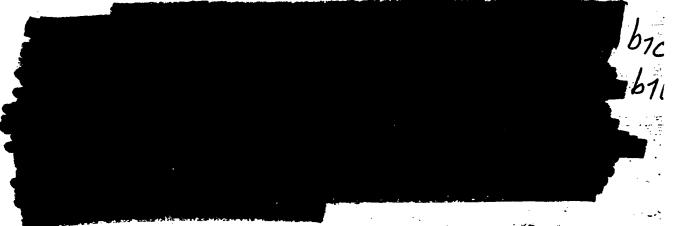
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The St. Louis and East St. Louis press on February 19, 1963, reported that on the previous day, February 18, 1963, the Club 88 and the Crossroads Club in East St. Louis, were ordered shut down by County Excise Commissioner, FRANCIS J. FOLEY, after their operators lost appeals to Circuit Judge O. FARMER, in State-Circuit Court at Belleville, Illinois. The news article stated FARMER had fined both the Club 88 and the Crossroads for having lude strip-tease shows and for permitting the strippers to double as B girls and solicit drinks from customers. The article states the Crossroads and the Club 88 were closed by Mr. FOLEY last fall and had applied for 1963 license renewals but these were denied. According to the press, States Attorney JOHN M. KARNS, JR. of St. Clair County, filed a motion before Judge FARMER on February 18, 1963 asking for dismissal of a Stay Order issued by the Court November 30, 1962, permitting the clubs to remain open pending an administrative review of testimony before the Illinois State Liquor Commission, at Springfield. Judge FARMER ruled on February 18, 1963, that the motion not be heard because the State Order expired December 31, 1962 and it was applicable only to the license period covering the last 6 months of 1962. The press stated after the ruling, FARMER directed Sheriff MAURICE F. JOSEPH to close the Crossroads and the Club 88 immediately for failing to hold valid license. According to FARMER, the Springfield testimony before State Liquor Commission will be studied by the other three St. Clair County Circuit Judges.

The press stated a new license application filed January 7, 1963, by the Crossroads listed names of three 1962

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license holders, but only one signature, that being ENRICO TERRANOVA who gave his address as 586 North 23rd Street, East St. Louis, Illinois. The two other names on the application not signed, were WILLIAM BENNETT, 153 North 73rd Street and TED TARMINO, 3 Hanover Lane, both of East St. Louis. States Attorney KARNS on February 18, 1963, told the press his office had made a "diligent effort" to verify that the applicants were residing at the addresses but that registered letters sent with return receipts requested were returned marked, unknown or moved, left no address.

D. INFORMATION REGARDING THE POLICY RACKET

Date January 7, 1963

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1963, GEORGE. At about 12:45 PV on January 3. "STORMY" HARVILL and LOUIS "BUDDY" ENNIS were observed driving east on St. Clair Avenue at about 3700 St. Clair. At about 1:15 PM on the same date, these two individuals were observed in the 1962 black Oldsmobile, belonging to HARVILL, at Second and Exchange Avenue, East St. Louis, Illinois, and also in the back seat with these individuals was a Negro woman. They proceeded east on Second Street towards St. Clair Avenue. At about 2:30 PM of the same in East St. day. . Louis, III. note, was observed parked in his automobile just off St. Clair Avenue near the American Cold Storage Plant. About 2:35 PM on the same day, HARVILL ENNIS, and the car and gave some type unknown (Negro woman stopped at the car and gave sor package to woman stopped at proceeded on St. Clair package to Avenue towards East St. Louis, Illinois. At about 2850 PM of the same day, HARVILL's automobile was observed parked at the Paddock Tavern, 5th and St. Louis Avenue, East St. Louis, Illinois.

On January 4, 1963, HARVILL, ENNIS and the same unknown Negro woman were observed driving out St. Clair Avenue toward Brooklyn, Illinois, in HARVILL's 1962 Oldsmobile. At approximately 2:25 PM of the same date, was observed parked in the same spot and HARVILL's automobile, containing HARVILL. ENNIS and the unknown Negro lady, again stopped at the proceeded on to Second and Exchange Avenue, East St. Louis, Illinois.

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February 7

On 1/18/63 a middle aged, heavy set Negro male, who walked with a limp and used a cane was observed to come from 821 North Second Street, East St. Louis, Ill., and enter a 1956 white Ford four-door, 1962 Illinois which is registered to license

This individual

entered this car at 2:45 PM and proceeded to

arriving at this address at 2:59 PM. The occupant of this car was observed to deliver a package to the occupant of the house. The 1956 Ford then proceeded north on 15th Street and no further observation of this car was made.

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chevrolet, 1963 Illinois license. It was noted that to an elderly Negro male who came from the confectionary to the car. It was noted that the care from the confectionary to the car.

and delivered what appeared to be a small stack of policy drawings to a middle age Negro woman who came from the house to the car. This woman, who was wearing a black skirt and grey sweater, observed the agents and hid the items delivered to her under her sweater and ran back into the house.

3:28 PM. It was noted that this appeared to be a tavern, although the sign read again sounded his horn and an elderly Negro male, wearing a brown coat and old hat and walking with the assistance of a cane came from the tavern and was delivered a package by

next proceeded to a grocery store on

It was noted that was apparently grocery shopping and no further observations were made of his activities.

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East St. Louis. Ill.

At 2:29 P.M., January 24, 1963, JAMES J. KAGE and were observed leaving the rear

and were observed getting into a 1962 tan Cadillac sedan, which was driven by KAGE. When KAGE left the rear door and got into the Cadillac, he was carrying a leather brief case. He and proceeded west from this premise toward the main street of Brooklyn.

At 2:31 P.M., January 24, 1963, GEORGE "STORMY"
HARVILL, accompanied by a Negro female approximately 5'3",
190 pounds, approximately 40 years of age with a medium
complexion, was observed leaving the rear of the building at

was carrying a paper-type shopping bag in one hand and a package in the other hand, which package appeared to be wrapped in newspaper. HARVILL and the unknown Negro woman left the premises in a 1961 two door, black, Oldsmobile, in the same direction as the Cadillac.

The above mentioned house at is a one story, small house with red brick siding and all of the windows were covered with green shades, which covered the entire window from top to bottom.

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At 1:25 PM, 1/29/63, JAMES JAY KAGE's 1962 tan colored Cadillac, 1962 Illinois license ED 5105, was observed parked at 220 7th Street, Brooklyn, Illinois. There appeared to be no activity at this location and it was noted that green shades were pulled down on all the windows. Smoke was coming from the rear chimney.

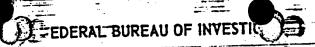
At 1:56 PM it was noted that GEORGE "STORMY" HARVILL's 1962 Starfire Oldsmobile, 1962 Illinois license 169869, was observed parked in a back yard at this address.

At 2:30 PM GEORGE "STORMY" HARVILL was observed to drive from Brookly, Illinois to East St. Louis, Illinois in his Starfire Oldsmobile, accompanied by LEWIS "BUDDY" ENNIS, in the front seat and a middle aged Negro woman in the rear seat. HARVILL was observed to drive at a very high rate of speed to North First Street, East St. Louis, Illinois, where he turned north and proceeded to Winstanley, where he turned east to Third Street and then south to Exchange Street and then west to Second Street and then south on Second back to St. Clair Avenue.

At 2:47 PM, HARVILL was observed at accompanied by ENNIS and the Negro

is the residence of It is noted that was observed in the vacant lot along side of his residence and it was noted that his 1956 white over was parked at the blue Chevrolet, 1963 Illinois license back of this lot. HARVILL was observed to drive to the back of car. HARVILL, who was the lot and park along side of wearing a green and black hunting coat, got out of his car and along side the two cars. HARVILL handed talked to a large brown paper bag and then returned to his car and started residence. HARVILL to procede west down the alley behind drove a short ways down the alley and then backed up and drove lot and proceeded east on Piggott to 9th out through He turned north on 9th Street and proceeded in that direction at a very high rate of speed. No further observations were made.

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observed to arrive at the residence of in a 1956 white four-door ford, 1962 Illinois license which is registered to It was noted that

was noted that 1960 light blue ford four-door, 1963
Illinois license was also observed to arrive at this
time. Parked at this location was a 1954 Ford four-door.
1962 Illinois license which is registered to

At the time of the arrival of SA these three vehicles were diven away. No further observations were made.

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was observed to leave this location driving his 1956 white over blue Chevrolet, 1963 Illinois license It was noted that he arrived at 6th and Trendley Streets at 3:13 PM and he was observed to hand what appeared to be policy drawings to three Negro males who were standing in front of the South End Market, located on this corner.

Trendley, where he entered MAURICE's Tavern at 3:14 PM.

of 6th and Trendley where he entered the Ebony Club at 3:19 PM.
He came out of this club approximately one minute later and crossed the street and entered the South End Market. Approximately two minutes later he came out of the South End Market and crossed the street and re-entered the Ebony Club. At 3:25 PM he was observed to come out of the Ebony Club, cross the street and re-enter the South End Market. At 3:41 PM came out of the South End Market, put what appeared to be a package of groceries into his car and re-entered the Ebony Club. No further observations were made.

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At 1:55 PM 2/4/63 it was noted that JAMES JAY KAGE'S
1962 tan Cadillac, 1962 Illinois license ED 5105 was located
in a vacant field across from
A white Buick four-door, 1962 or 1963 model, 1963 Illinois license
was parked in the driveway in front of
No activity was observed at this address and it was
noted that dark green shades were pulled on all of the windows.

At approximately 3:03 PM the white Buick, 1963
Illinois license was observed to leave Brooklyn, Illinois and proceed down St. Clair Avenue to the vicinity of Wabasha & St. Clair Avenues, East St. Louis, Illinois. It was noted that this car was being driven by LEWIS "BUDDY" ENNIS, who was accompanied by GEORGE "STORMY" HARVILL. ENNIS turned south on Wabasha and then turned east in the alley behind B & H Vending Company, located at 16th and St. Clair Avenue. No further observations were made of this car or occupants. It was noted that four-door black Cadillac, No. license was parked behind B & H Vending Cc. at this time.





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At this time it was noted that a 1963 black Buick Reviera was
parked at the back of the drive at this address, parked partially
behind the residence next door. It was noted that this vehicle
had 1963 Illinois license

At approximately 2:45 PM the Buick Rivera, 1963
Illinois license was observed to leave Brocklyn, Ill.
and proceed to East St. Louis, Illinois, driven by LEWIS "BUDDY"
ENNIS, who was accomparied by GEORGE "STORMY" HARVILL. This
car proceeded out St. Clair Avenue to the vicinity of 16th and
St. Clair. No further observations were made of this car or its
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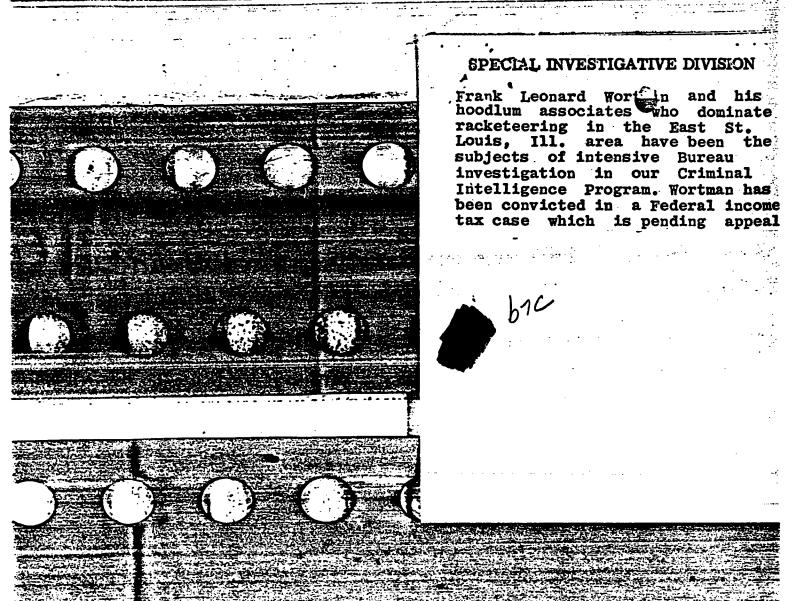
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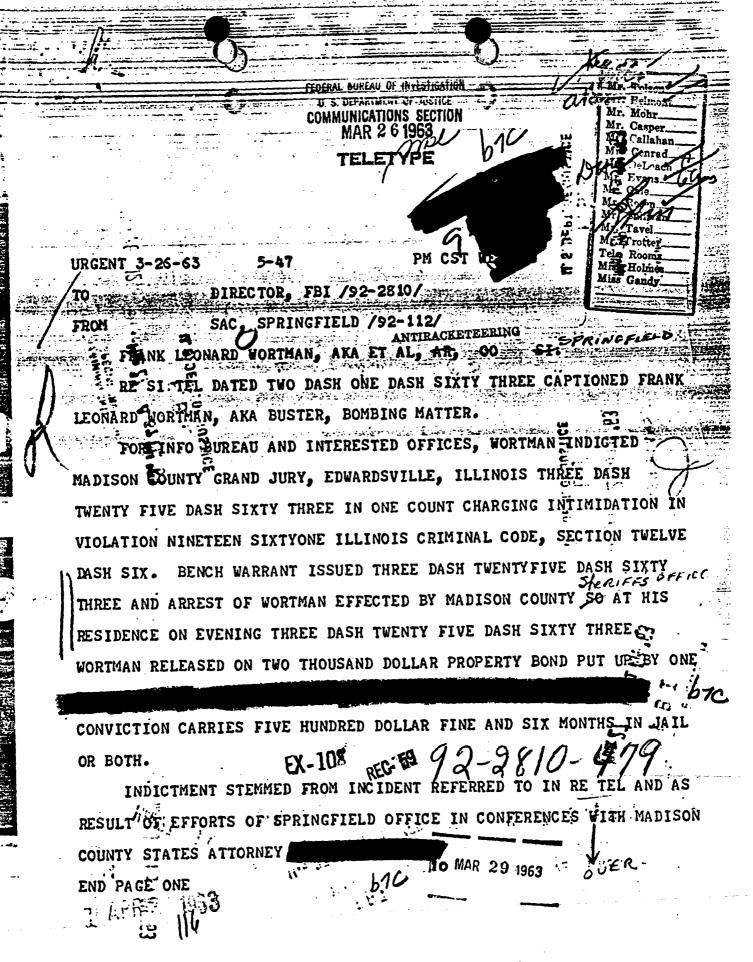
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On February 6, 1963, at the Office of the United States Attorney, CARL W. FEICKERT, East St. Louis. Illinois, the policy racket was discussed with U. S. Attorney FEICKERT advised he Department of Justice had authorized him, FEICKERT, to make available to information available in the United States Attorney's files regarding the policy racket operation. Stated he would appreciate all information and would give consideration to presenting to a St. Clair County Grand Jury, evidence regarding the policy racket, looking forward to indictments on gambling charges against the operators, employees, and possibly some of the writers.

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March 28, 1963 The Attorney General 1 - Mr. Belmont Mr. Evans Director. Isl AWK LECKARD FORTMAN During the course of our inquiries violations of local and state laws on the part of members of the criminal element. As a possible means of disrupting coodium activities, so are following the practice of bringing such situations to the attention of appropriate authorities in order that action may be taken leading to prosecution at the local level. As an example, we received information that or February 1, 1963, Frank Leonard Fortman, motorious East St. Louis, Illinois, hoodlum figure, made a threatening of the Illinois Bell Telephone telephone call to Company, Collinsville, Illinois. Wortman alleged his telephone was being tapped and threatened to blow up the telephone company and to blow the legs off of of the telephone company at Collinsville; Dur Springfield Office brought this matter to the S attention of Madison County, Illinois, State's Attorney and conferred with him concerning the details of this incident. As a direct outgrowth of this action, Wortman was Indicted by the Madison County Grand Jury at Edwardsville, Illinois, on March 25, 1963, on a charge of intimidation. He was subsequently arrested by local authorities and released under bond of \$2,000. Conviction for this offense involves a possible penalty of six months in jail or a fine of \$500, or both. This illustration of the effective use of informa-tion in our possession to secure local prosecution offers an additional avenue of action which we will continue to exploit as fully as possible as a means of curtailing the activities of hoodlums and racketeers. 1 - The Deputy Attorney General Hite Mobr Mr. Herbert J. Miller, Jr. Callahan Assistant Attorney General Contad ∖i.cach . TELETYPE UNIT





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CALLS TO MADISON COUNTY SHERIFF AT EDWARDSVILLE, ILLINOIS, ON

SAME DATE. THIS INFORMATION WAS BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF

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FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, aka; EDWARD "TED" WORTMAN, JR., aka

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Original and nine (9) copies of sketch showing floor Plan, Second Floor, East Half, Paddock Lounge, 429 St Louis Street, E. St. Louis, Ill.

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In view of the lapse of time since this installation was originally authorized, you should make sure that there has been no change in the conditions which existed when your previous survey was submitted and also you must be sure that complete security is assured.

The considerations outlined in your memorandum of 11/29/63 must be closely adhered to in the event this installation is made in order to assure that you retain control of this situation.

If any additional cost is to be involved in this installation other than that previously mentioned by you, you should obtain prior Bureau authorization before proceeding with this coverage.

Advise the Bureau of the progress of your efforts not later than 6/15/62 and at whatever time the installation is made promptly advise the Bureau and furnish symbol number assigned.

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NOTE: Springfield previously authorized to establish misur coverage on the House implier of Louis Edward Ennis, East St. Louis, Illinois, which is a known meeting place for members of the Frank Leonard Wortman gang. Springfield advises that important criminal intelligence info can be expected from a source covering meetings at this trailer. Springfield has advised that

will receive notice in advance of any contemplated move of the hou trailer in order that the installation can be removed if necessary

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Springfield, Illinois May 28, 1963

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, Aka; EDWARD "TED" WORTMAN, JR., Aka. ANTI-RACKETEERING

On May 17, 1963, State Circuit Judge JOSEPH
J. BARR, JR., Madison County, Edwardsville, Illinois,
granted a change of venue in the trial of FRANK LEONARD
"BUSTER" WORTMAN, who is under indictment in Madison
County on a charge of intimidation. The change of
venue was granted to the Circuit Court of Sangamon
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of East St. Louis, Illinois. There is still pending
before the court a motion by WORTMAN's attorney for a
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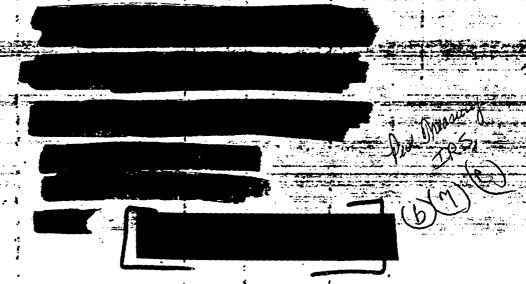
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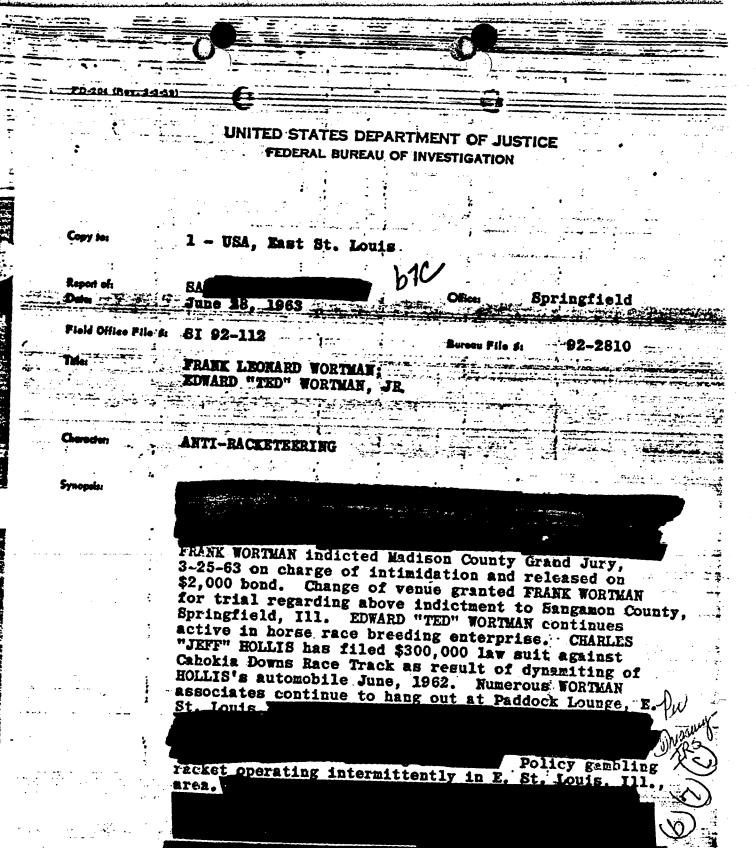
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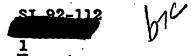


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On March 30, 1963, the St. Louis "Globe Democrat" carried an article entitled "Illinois Now Third in Race Horse Breeding." The article states that Illinois now ranks behind only Kentucky and California in race horse breeding with over \$10,000,000 of breeding stock housed in the state. Included in the article was a comment that ten per cent of the breeding was done in Madison, St. Clair and Bond Counties. The article states that prominent East Side breeders include St. Clair County Coroner Dr. C.C. KANE, owner of the Creek Side Farm near Fairmount City, Illinois, and also EDWARD "TED" WORTMAN, brother of East St. Louis rackets boss FRANK "BUSTER" WORTMAN. The article points out Dr. KANE has the largest breeding operation in the area. The article states that EDWARD "TED" WORTMAN moved "Our Colonel, son of Kentucky Colonel, to his thirteen acre farm near Caseyville, Illinois, this year, further that Our Colonel had been at stud with his brother, Roman Colonel, who won over \$200,00 during his racing career, at the WORTMAN farm in Kentucky. The horse is offered at a \$500 stud fee at the Caseyville farm. The article pointed out that RAY FREEARK, JR., a Belleville attorney, publishes a magazine for Illinois breeders known as the "Illinois Thoroughbred."



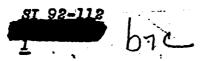


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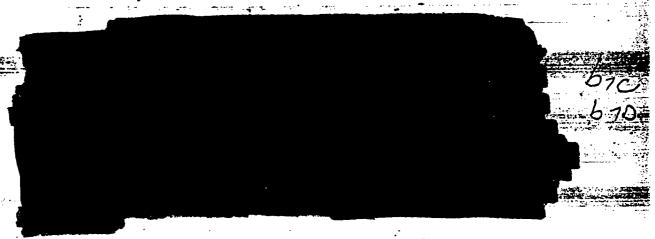
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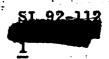


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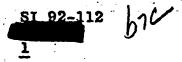
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On March 25, 1963, FRANK LEONARD "BUSTER" WORTMAN was indicted by the Madison County Grand Jury, Edwardsville, Illinois, on two counts charging intimidation, in violation of Section 12-6 of the 1961 Illinois Criminal Code. A bench warrant was issued for WORTMAN and he was arrested by deputy sheriffs of Madison County, Illinois, on the evening of March 25, 1963. WORTMAN was subsequently released on 32 000 property bond signed by

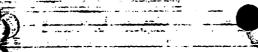
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On March 28, 1963, FRANK WORTMAN was to be arraigned on the Madison County Circuit Court indictment. WORTMAN appeared in court with his attorney, SAUL COHN of East St. Louis, Illinois. A continuance was requested by WORTMAN's attorney and this was granted.

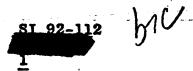
WORTMAN's attorney subsequently requested a change of venue from Circuit Court, Madison, Illinois. WORTMAN's attorney in requesting the change of venue advised that "widespread notoriety and publicity" received in area newspapers was the main reason for the request.

On May 17, 1963, State Circuit Judge JOSEPH J. BARR, JR. Madison County, Edwardsville, Illinois, granted a change of venue in the trial of FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN. The venue was granted to Circuit Court of Sangamon County, Springfield, Illinois.



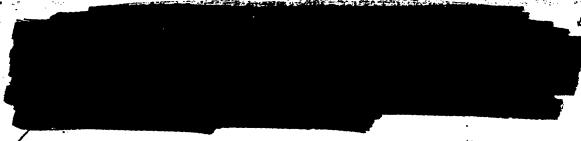
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### II. ASSOCIATES



On February 25, 1963, the "Evening Journal," East St. Louis, Illinois, carried a news article stating, a Frank 'Buster' Wortman, associate injured on June 29, 1962, when his automobile was dynamited on the parking lot of the Cahokia Downs Race Track, East St. Louis, Illinois, has filed a \$300,000.00 damage suit against the track

"Charles 'Jeff' Hollis, age 37, Caseyville, Illinois filed the suit today in Circuit Court in Belleville. He charges the track with negligence for not providing adequate watchmen on the parking lot."



Among the known WORTMAN associates observed regularly at the race track are GEORGE "STORMY" FARVILL, STORMY BUDDY FANIS, GORDON FOSTER,

and ROBERT MEEN.

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# III. LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES AND ACTIVITIES WORTMAN AND ASSOCIATES

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The following observations were made at the Paddock Lounge. East St. Louis, Illinois, on April 30, 1963, by SA

St. Louis and East St. Louis hoodlums were observed in the parking lot at the Paddock Lounge. Among the known vehicles present were those of LEWIS "BUDDY" ENNIS, FRANK "BUSTER" WORTMAN, EDWARD "TED" WORTMAN, and ROBERT SHEER. Also observed in the parking lot was a 1959 black Oldsmobile bearing Missouri licenses which is registered to

Also in the lot was a 1959 black four-door Chevrolet with Missouri license lissued to

At 2:50 p.m., April 30, 1963, GORDON FOSTER left the Paddock Lounge and proceeded to the 1961 blue Lincoln normally driven by FRANK WORTMAN. WORTMAN was seated in the vehicle and FOSTER and WORTMAN drove from the lot.

It is noted that on April 30, 1963, the Cahokia Race Track opened for the summer season at East St. Louis.



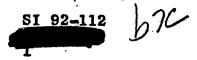


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On March 12, 1963, there was observed parked at the parking lot of the Paddock Lounge, East St. Louis, Illinois, a 1961 Thunderbird convertible with a blue bottom and black top, bearing 1962 Missouri license From observation this appeared to be the Thunderbird convertible previously owned by LEWIS "BUDDY" ENNIS, well-known East St. Louis pimp and ex-convict and associate of the Wortman Gang.

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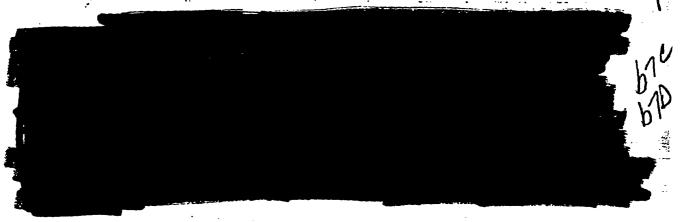
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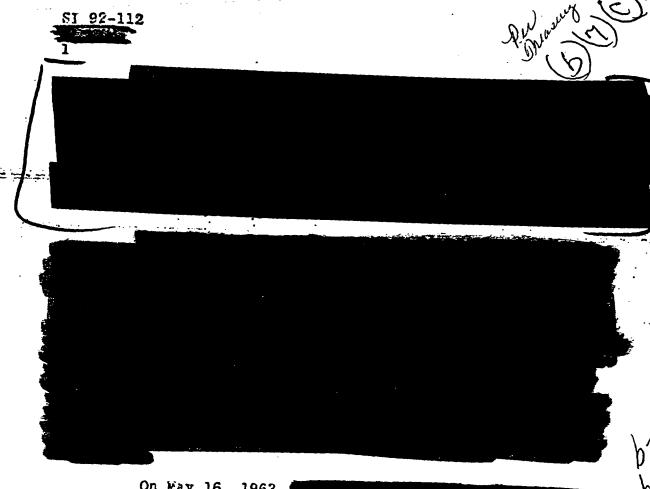
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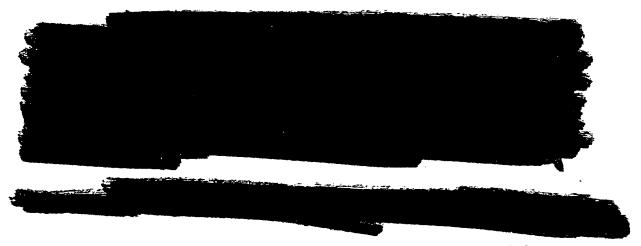
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On March 6, and 7, 1963 SA Company of the body individuals as well as LEWIS "BUDDY" ENNIS were at the policy drawing at approximately 2:00 PM and were observed leaving carrying a large bag.





On May 16, 1963,
St. Clair County, Illinois, was observed by agents in conference with HARVILL and at a hospital parking lot in Fast St. Louis immediately after HARVILL had made a pick-up of policy tickets.







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ENNIS then at some length talked about robbing mail trucks because of the potential of substantial sums of money and registered mail, as well as in ordinary mail wherein cash is sent through the mail. ENNIS talked about chain stores using the mail to deposit their funds, rather than using pick-up armored trucks. He further talked about various pimps, burglars, and thieves sending money through the mail by merely putting it in an envelope and folding paper around the money. ENNIS talked about a mail truck that comes out of St. Louis and stops at various small Post Offices throughout Illinois, and said the truck goes as far as Gillespie, Illinois. ENNIS commented that this truck could be hit some place about 50 miles out of St. Louis, and they would have a whole truck trailer load of mail, which undoubtedly would have a lot of money in it.

RE FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA BUSTER, "BUS," AND MEMBERS OF THE WORTMAN GANG

On the morning of 8/13/63 informant advised ENNIS was in a conversation with one is believed identical to who is an associate of various hoodlums and members of the Wortman Gang in the East St. Louis, Illinois, area.

In the discussion, according to informant, ENNIS explained at some length about the fact that GEORGE "STORMY" HARVILL is going bad" and is going to take everybody bad with him." ENNIS claimed HARVILL is a deadbeat and is "broke," and the Internal Revenue Service is conducting an investigation concerning HARVILL's income and taxes. He said HARVILL will probably end up getting five years in prison. ENNIS states that recently "BUS" (FRANK WORTMAN) gave HARVILL a sum of money because HARVILL was "broke," but HARVILL went out and bet it all at the race track in East St. Louis. ENNIS said, according to informant, that HARVILL will not listen to anyone; however, everyone is worried about him. He commented that some time ago FBI Agents talked to "the Dagoes" in

Chicago; and, the Agents allegedly told these individuals that the "real bad ones" in the East St. Louis area that they were after are "Wand "STORMY". They further stated allegedly that they (the "Dagoes") would smitch on the above individuals, and would get a pass, even though the "Dagoes" already are indicted. (The above apparently refers to "GEORGE "STORMY" HARVILL, both yell known it Louis and Zast St. Touls accoling whe have his the past Boen blose associates of WORKMAN and bodyguards and lieutenants for him. The Chicago "Dagoes" are undoubtedly TOHN LEGIAND, and Floris Commissions of the States and Market Balls States and Market Balls. The Chicago "Dagoes" are undoubtedly TOHN LEGIAND, and Floris Commissions of the States and Market Balls States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and States and Stat

Informant advised said he had been in Chicago some time during the winter, when there was snow on the ground, with "BUSTER" WORTMAN and purchased several suits from WORTMAN's tailor in Chicago, with the cheapest suit costing \$300.

Then discussed WORTMAN's condition, claiming WORTMAN is very worried at the present time and doesn't know what to do; and, WORTMAN is drinking heavily. They said this is a very bad situation; and, WORTMAN does most of his drinking with

the Wortman Gang, and suggested that suggested that should handle everything.

that is a sick man and is satisfied with where he is in the digarette coin vending operation of the Wortman Gang in East St. Louis.

"boss" of the outfit, the thing would fall apart.

commented that, "It's falling apart, anyway."

claimed this was only a temporary situation, until WORTMAN's appeal on his tax case is settled; and, if it came out favorably, there would be 30 men ready to go with WORTMAN. He stated WORTMAN was going to come up with some "loot," but that if he didn't, someone was going to "get his head knocked off."

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During the morning of 8/13/63 and ENNIS, according to informant, carried on a lengthy discussion on how they can come up with a substantial sum of money. Commented that he needs money in the worst way, and ENNIS mentioned that down in the leighborhood are a lot of little towns, with each of them having banks and most not having alarm systems or, if they do, poor alarm systems. ENNIS bragged about his ability to handle alarm systems and then mentioned that he, ENNIS, is going to Chicago "next week." According to informant, ENNIS didn't mention specific nature of his trip, but talked about handling vaults and alarm systems.

In the continuing discussion ENNIS talked about being able to "chew up" vaults and the possibility that there would only be one local night policeman in the small towns that sleeps most of the time and occasionally walks around and puts a flashlight beam in the windows of the banks. ENNIS said in these small town jobs there would be no need for explosives; and, all that had to be done was to go into the place and set up equipment. ENNIS talked about "peeling" the vaults or going through the vaults, and that they could easily make one or possibly two. Informant indicated this meant they could go into one or two on a given night. ENNIS claimed that after making a "good score," they could buy some place "down on the lake."

ENNIS then stated that one bank that is loaded with money is the one at Branch (phonetic) in Missouri - the People's Bank. ENNIS then stated that the Near (phonetic) Beach Bank and the Table Rock Bank are also full of money. Example to that he knew there were no alarm systems, and that they were lucky to even have telephones in that area; and, the only problem would be if the night watchman would find them in the bank. Easier also mentioned the bank at Reed (phonetic) Springs,

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and that the night watchman in that place sleeps most of the night. ENNIS commented that after getting in a bank, they could take up to six hours working inside without anyone bothering them. ENNIS commented, "You can do it down there, because there is nothing happening in those little towns."

Informant advised then commented about some friends of his that he had in Atlanta, who had made a bank at Macon (Georgia); and, they got \$180,000 in bills in the job and left possibly \$15,000 to \$20,000 in silver because they didn't want to carry it away. ENNIS agreed that when they pulled their job they would not take any silver, because it is hard to get rid of, and wouldn't even bother to pick it up. ENNIS commented that he didn't necessarily want \$180,000, but would be satisfied with \$80,000.

things slowed down, he would get in touch with ENNIS, when he would get in touch with ENNIS, they could get together and see what they could do.

#### LEADS:

ATLANTA DIVISION

At Atlanta, Georgia

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Atlanta has conducted other investigation in the past concerning as well as other WORTMAN hoodlums:



### CHICAGO DIVISION

### At Chicago, Illinois

Chicago should refer to previous information furnished concerning FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, aka BUSTER, who in the past has been in close contact with top Chicago hoodlums. It would appear from information set out that ENNIS and WORTMAN were together in Chicago, and possibly had contact with a Chicago tailor, undoubtedly known to the Chicago Office.

The information concerning ENNIS' alleged trip to Chicago next week is furnished for information in the event of any bank jobs involving entrance at night and attempts to "peel" or enter a vault.

Chicago should further refer to their file

If Chicago Agents have interviewed and any of his associates, this may be the circumstance ENNIS refers to as previously set out; however, this is probably an interview by Internal Revenue Service Agents.

### KANSAS CITY DIVISION

Should endeavor to identify the banks set out in the body of this communication, as they appear to be in the Ozarks or southwestern section of Missouri. Kansas City should use extreme care in the event of any dissemination made of this information.

### Kansas City should endeavor to identify

It is noted that several days ago informant advised and had another discussion regarding boats, fishing, etc.; and, invited to come down "any time." Springfield will make further efforts to further identify his location, activities, and background.



#### ST. LOUIS DIVISION

St. Louis should refer to discussion concerning a possible mail truck robbery, as mentioned in the body of this communication. No specifics concerning this truck are known, other than as mentioned. Springfield is disseminating this information to the Postal Inspectors at East St. Louis, Illinois, for their information. The information concerning HARVILL and his tax matters is being disseminated to the Internal Revenue Service at East St. Louis, Illinois.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2810)

9/9/63

FROM:

SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-112) (P)

SUBJECT:

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, Aka

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00: Springfield

Re report of SA at Springfield. dated 6/28/63

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of index pages for re report.

Enclosed for St. Louis are two copies of index pages for re report.

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Special Agent in Charge

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FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, aka "Buster", "Bus", and members of the WORTMAN gang

Informant advised ENNIS carried on a conversation with regarding various "pimps" in the East St.

Louis area. ENNIS was very critical of one of the WORTMAN gang who is a bouncer and manager of the Paddock Lounge in East St. Louis who is doing some pimping. ENNIS said that when "BUS" finds out about this he is going to knock somebody's head off" and further that "BUS" keeps track of who is in the pimping and prostitution racket because he, "BUS", has got a guy in the Sheriff's Office who also hates those (obscene) ENNIS made the comment prostitutes -- that's "This guy don't rule us with no (obscene) iron hand. We can do about anything we want to. But our word is bond. up there and tell him something or somebody is all right and the guy does everything this guy's against -- the next time we go up there for somebody we want to do a favor for -- he's going to tell us to go (obscene)." According to source, it was not clear whether ENNIS was talking about WORTMAN or in the above conversation.

WORTMAN gang members who pulled a pistol on several individuals recently. The East St. Louis Police were aware of it and did nothing about it but told "the guys" they should slow it down. According to source, ENNIS claimed it shock things up at the Paddock.

ENNIS, AS WELL AS WORTMAN AND OTHER WORMAN ASSOCIATES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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URGENT 9-10-63 9-56 AM CDT WEK

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /62-9-52/
FROM SAC. SPRINGFIELD

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SCOTT WAS IDENTIFIED BY WORTMAN HOODLUMS AS INDIVIDUAL WHO KILLED ELMER DOWLING AND MELVIN BECKMAN IN MARCH OF SIXTYTWO.

AGENTS LAST EVENING OBSERVED SCOTT-S AUTOMOBILE WAS AT HIS HOME AND HIS SUIT COAT WAS HANGING IN THE BACK. INFORMATION CONCERNING PLANNED HIT DISSEMINATED TO

NO FURTHER DISSEMINATION PLANNED DUE TO NATURE AND CHARACTER LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AND POSSIBLE COMPROMISING OF SOURCE. NO INDICATION HIT WAS CARRED OUT LAST NIGHT. ENNIS DID NOT RETURN TO HIS TRAILER UNTIL AFTER FOUR AM TODAY.

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BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

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