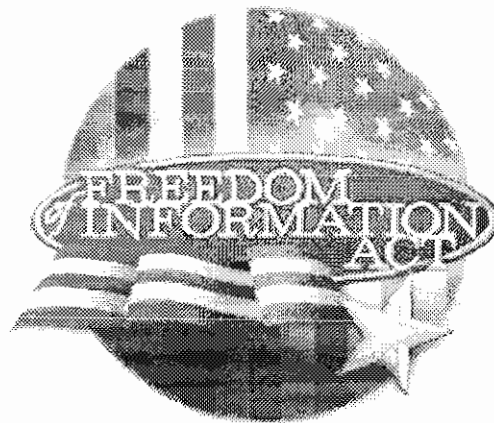


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MERRY -GO- ROUND

By Drew Pearson
And Robt S Allen

(The authors of the columns in the space below are given the widest latitude. Their viewpoints do not necessarily always reflect those of The Daily Mirror.)

(Editor's Note)—The Washington Merry - Go - Round's famous Brass Ring award goes this week to John Edgar Hoover, lawyer, criminologist, and Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation since 1924.)

WASHINGTON.—For a year or so, J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the FBI, has not been particularly happy.

Almost every week, from Capitol Hill, came a Dies Committee blast about spies and saboteurs. These made headlines and caused people and editorial writers to query: "What is Hoover doing about these foreign spies? Why leave everything to Dies?"

Hoover said nothing. For during that year he had under surveillance the greatest spy ring ever shadowed in the U.S. A leak that they were being shadowed would have sent every suspect to cover, upset FBI evidence collected during countless months.

For instance, Hoover's men knew, more than a year ago, that a Nazi ring was plotting to blow up the British liner Queen Mary, docked in New York. They knew it because they could then tap telephone wires, and they listened in on the plot.

Right in the middle, the Supreme Court ruled that wires could not be tapped, and the FBI since had to shadow spies instead of listen in on them. To have arrested the saboteurs then would have meant that the others, suspected but not yet in the net, would have fled the country.

Hoover had the Queen Mary carefully guarded. She sailed undamaged. More than a year ago, also, Hoover learned that a Nazi agent inside the Sperry gyroscope plant was trying to lay hands on the blueprints of the secret bombight. Her prints were almost in his reach

when the FBI found out about it—For more than a year those plans have been kept tantalizingly just out of reach while Hoover waited for more spies to walk in.

All this time, Dies was issuing blasts about spies, though arresting none. Finally, Hoover was ready; and two weeks ago the biggest spy ring in our history was nabbed.

FBI Efficiency

The machinery by which they were arrested and confessions secured from many illustrates the quiet efficiency of the FBI. It all happened on a Sunday. The arrests were made simultaneously in about 20 different parts of New York and vicinity. Each suspect was brought to a different room at FBI quarters and quizzed by a different agent. The rooms were so separated that no prisoner knew his colleagues were in adjoining rooms and might be spilling the goods on him.

Examination continued all afternoon, interrupted by time-out for a sandwich, a cup of coffee or a smoke (FBI men have instructions to "kill their prisoners with kindness"). In the end, the evidence placed before the prisoners was so overwhelming that most of the boys pleaded guilty.

Exit FBI Politics

Hoover has been in charge of the Bureau for about 20 years. Harlan F. Stone, now Chief Justice, then Attorney General under Coolidge, put him there. Prior to that, Hoover was a clerk who burned midnight oil studying law and worked his way up to chief assistant in the FBI.

Hoover's predecessor was the famous William J. Burns, who under President Harding had made a shambles of the FBI. Politicians and ex-convicts of the Gaston B. Means type were hired as investigators. If a Senator wanted a certain matter dropped, it was.

Hoover learned there must be no politics in the FBI. He has been right on that ever since. He is a glad-hander, will talk the arm off a Congressman, but kind words is all the Congressman gets. Hoover will drop nothing because of political pressure. Nor will he investigate a Congressman, Senator or newspaperman without written orders from the Attorney General himself.

The sorry example of Burns made Hoover resolve that

one of his agents must be a college graduate, a rule followed, even today.

Plain Beginnings

Despite the atmosphere of guns and gangsters surrounding the FBI, there is nothing sensational about Hoover's past or his present. He came from plain surroundings, and until a few years ago lived with his mother in the unfashionable Washington house in which he was born. His family has been a family of government workers; his brother was Chief of the Bureau of Navigation of the Commerce Department.

No gull got Hoover ahead. His success stems from ceaseless, unremitting work, personal integrity, scrupulous care not to infringe on civil liberties.

The CIO, suspicious of Hoover, accused him of planting labor spies. If there are saboteurs inside national defense factories, Hoover will plant men to trap them. But, though the CIO may not appreciate it, Hoover is a circumspect protector of civil liberties.

No suspect gets his reputation ruined by having his name splashed in the headlines unless Hoover has the goods on him. There are no raids on the private or political files. Hoover is tough, but respects the rules—especially fundamental liberties. The nation is lucky to have him on the job.

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These Charming People

(J. Edgar Hoover, brilliant and popular director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, turns from crime today to colonizing—Igor Cassini.)

By J. EDGAR HOOVER
SOME FACTS ABOUT THE FBI

The Federal Bureau of Investigation was created in July, 1908, with 35 employees who worked out of Washington. With the growth of the country and the expansion of the Government, the FBI has today 8,861 employees and 84 offices extending throughout the United States, Hawaii, Alaska and Puerto Rico.



J. Edgar Hoover

Each session of Congress has added additional laws for the FBI to enforce, all aimed to meet newly arising national problems.

In 1932, following the kidnapping of the Lindbergh child, the FBI was given authority to act in such cases. Since then, 394 kidnappings have occurred. Of these, 302 have been solved. The two others are still under active investigation, and will be solved.

In 1934, the FBI was authorized to investigate bank robberies. Since the passage of this Federal statute, bank robberies have decreased 80 per cent; bank robbery insurance has been reduced 25 per cent in many States.

Since the outbreak of hostilities abroad, the FBI's energies have been directed to the perfection of preventive measures against foreign agents. This work, while less spectacular than smashing kidnapping or bank robbery gangs, requires extensive training and intricate planning. Spies and foreign agents cannot be caught with headlines.

Spying is as old as man. Counterespionage takes greater ingenuity than espionage. The only thing new about foreign agents is their appellation, "Fifth columnist." Yet they have throughout the ages been as effective as armies in building empires and destroying countries.

The United States has long been regarded as a paradise by spies, foreign agents and subversive groups. Were they could come and go as they pleased. They met no resistance in creating pressure groups and "Front Organizations" and

promptly met with vociferous protests of the pseudo liberals prating about the civil liberties of these termites of intrigue and destruction.

Spying on the spies, or counterespionage, is the chief line of attack of the G-men against enemy agents in this country. President Roosevelt selected the FBI two years ago to lead the attack against espionage, sabotage and subversive agents. Today, the American intelligence services are more closely coordinated than ever before in our history in this drive to insure the internal security of the United States. The Army and Navy Intelligence Services work in close co-operation with the FBI. Intelligence agencies the world over teach their agents that it is better to be arrested than to be followed and their sources of information uncovered.

Catching spies is not accomplished like the storybooks would have us believe—on vast life it is even stranger than fiction. In one spy case, the FBI clinched its suspicions from a trade mark; in another from a plot to kidnap a high ranking Army general and incidentally steal the plans for coastal defense. In both instances, the spies landed behind bars.

Sabotage, an ancient weapon, meaning the malicious destruction of property, has taken new forms. In medieval times, peasants sought vengeance against their masters by stamping out their crops with wooden shoes called "Sabots."

While none of the recent fires and explosions which have caused so much hysteria has turned out to be the act of a foreign-inspired saboteur, yet this fact has caused American law enforcement and industry to increase their vigilance rather than lessen it. Frequently, carelessness can result in disasters as extensive as those caused by malicious acts.

In one fire, rather than promptly call the fire department, employees tried to extinguish the flames with the result that the fire was able to spread before fire-fighting equipment arrived. In another case, a fire got out of control because there was not sufficient water pressure due to a 76-day drought.

Headlines recently referred to a fire on a ship under construction. A fire marshal characterized it as a "huge" fire. Investigation showed, however, that a rubber cable accidentally came in contact with a riveter's furnace and, while causing much smoke, resulted in but \$90 of damage.

Industrial accidents have been due to a speed-up of industry, carelessness of a workman or spite work of a disgruntled employee. Several cases have occurred where the wrongdoer was identified and openly admitted his acts were the result of spite work.

With the declaration by the President of a national emergency, the FBI put into operation its law enforcement officers mobilization plan for national defense. The groundwork for this plan was laid as far back as 1924, with the creation of the identification division, which is today the world's largest repository of fingerprint records. Then in 1935, the FBI National Police Academy was founded to afford uniform and scientific training to police executives throughout the United States. At present, over 180,000 peace officers are welded into a vast domestic force ready to defend the nation from within, while the Army and Navy prepare to repel foreign invaders.

Science is acting in the fight against Fifth Columnists. Another important aid to the FBI law enforcement officers mobilization plan for national defense is the technical laboratory of the FBI, manned by the greatest aggregation of scientific talent in crime detection work in the world. An endless stream of evidence to be examined pours through the laboratory—ciphers and codes to be broken, hacksaw blades to be examined under the spectrograph, particles of steel are traced; a single thread oftentimes is the only clue.

Work of such versatile and varied character as the FBI is called upon to perform requires a personnel with qualities equally as versatile. There are FBI agents who can be called upon to speak, read or write any one of some 20 different languages from Hindustani to Chinese. Every trade, occupation and profession is represented among the FBI agents, including aviators, bankers, cowboys and even a hypnotist! All special agents are college trained in law or accounting, or are college graduates with special language qualifications or extensive investigative experience.

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Washington, D. C.

July 8, 1941.

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

Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that I have not at any time advocated the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or by violence.

I am not now, nor have I been a member of any organization that advocates the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or by violence.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Subscribed and duly sworn to before me by the above-named person, this 8th day of July, 1941,
at city of Washington, county of ,
and State (or Territory or District) of Columbia

Wm. C. Jackson
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J. E. Hoover Re-elected to G. W. Board

**Freer, of FTC, Named
As University Trustee**

G-man Chief J. Edgar Hoover has been re-elected for a three-year term on the board of trustees of the George Washington University, it was announced yesterday.

Robert E. Freer, of the Federal Trade Commission, was named to the board for the first time. He also will serve three years.

The board elected Robert V. Fleming, J. Edgar Hoover chairman; Arthur Peter, vice chairman; Harry C. Davis, secretary, and Henry P. Erwin, assistant secretary.

Hoover received a law degree from the university in 1916 and a master's degree in law in 1917. The university gave him an honorary degree of doctor of laws in 1935. Freer graduated in 1931 with an A. B. degree.

Others re-elected with Hoover to the board were Avery Delano Andrews, Clarence A. Aspinwall, Mrs. Joshua Evans Jr., Dr. Charles M. Mann, Walter R. Tuckerman, Capt. Chester Wells and Erwin.



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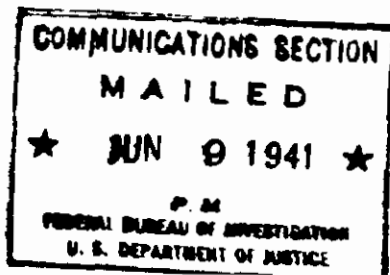
Dear Mr. Hoover:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your contribution of \$5.00 to the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any participating Special Agent of the Bureau who dies, from any cause, while employed as a Special Agent.

Sincerely yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director



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**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
April 30, 1941**

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

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who has contributed to this fund subsequent to April 15, 1941, and who dies from any cause, while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of five dollars (\$5), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Bureau, to be included in said fund. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

The Director of the Bureau will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping, and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director of the Bureau in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of said Bureau shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director.

Upon the death of any Special Agent, the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of \$5,000.

The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary:

Name my estate Address _____
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Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
Special Agent

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For record purposes I have talked to Mr. Derek Fox of the United States News with reference to the two photographs that Harris and Ewing took of the Director. Copies are attached.

Mr. Fox has always been very cooperative but pointed out that in the event the photographs were used the Harris and Ewing credit line would have to be used and they would probably want \$3.00 for each one. He stated he would be glad to try to get the negative but I told him not to do this since it would be too much trouble.

With reference to the request from Harris and Ewing for a copy of the Director's photograph, it is suggested that they be informed of the two photographs which they took for the United States News. In that way Harris and Ewing will then have to get clearance from the U. S. News to use the photographs.

Respectfully,

L. B. Nichols

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Dear Mr. Marquis:

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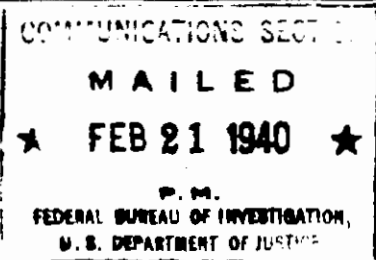
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Dear Sir:

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The new edition will come from the press early in May. It will be the 21st edition of this standard reference work, the last previous issue having been published two years ago. If you desire a copy of the new book may we suggest that you take advantage of the special discount of 10 per cent to those re-mitting in advance of publication and send us your check for the sum of \$9.00 per copy. If you prefer to be billed for the book after publication just fill in the enclosed order form.

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF JOHN EDGAR HOOVER,
DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.

John Edgar Hoover was born January 1, 1895, in the District of Columbia, and was educated in the Public Schools of the District of Columbia, graduating from Central High School in 1913. He holds the Degrees of LL. B., and LL. M., from George Washington University and also the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from the George Washington University, Pennsylvania Military College, New York University, Westminster College, Oklahoma Baptist University, and Georgetown University. He holds an honorary degree of Doctor of Science from Kalamazoo College. He has been admitted to practice law before the bar of the District Court of the United States for the District of Columbia, the United States Court of Claims, and the United States Supreme Court. He is a trustee of the George Washington University and a member of the Board of Directors of Emergency Hospital, Washington, D. C.

Mr. Hoover entered the Department of Justice in 1917 and in 1919 was appointed Special Assistant to the Attorney General. From 1921 until 1924, he served as Assistant Director of the Bureau of Investigation, and in May, 1924, he was named Director.

Mr. Hoover holds the Commission of Lieutenant-Colonel in the Military Intelligence Division of the Officers Reserve Corps, United States Army. He is a member of the Columbia Country Club, Chevy Chase, Maryland; the Metropolitan and University Clubs, Washington, D. C.; the Masonic Fraternity; the Kappa Alpha Fraternity; an honorary member of the Omicron Delta Kappa Fraternity and of the Zeta Sigma Pi National Honorary Social Science Fraternity; a life member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police and is an honorary member of many state-wide police, sheriffs, and other law enforcement associations. In November, 1933, Mr. Hoover was named a member of the Royal Order of the Crown of Roumania, with the rank of Commander, and in July of 1938 he was awarded the Commandery Cross of the Order of The Star of Roumania, as a result of his activities in promoting closer international police collaboration.

Mr. Hoover was the recipient on November 9, 1936, of the Distinguished Service medal from the Boys' Clubs of America "in recognition of his services on behalf of the boyhood of America and in crime prevention work." The only other similar medal ever awarded by the Boys' Clubs of America was presented to the late John Hays Hammond.

On April 14, 1937, Mr. Hoover received the Medal of Achievement from the Penn Athletic Club in Philadelphia "for distinguished public service." On May 11, 1937, Mr. Hoover was awarded the Gold Medal of the National Institute of Social Sciences in New York City "for distinguished services rendered to humanity." On August 11, 1938, the District of Columbia Department of the American Legion awarded Mr. Hoover its Annual Citation of Distinguished Citizenship. He is the recipient of the Gold Medal for Valor in Citizenship which was awarded May 2, 1939, in New York City, by Liberty Magazine. On June 14, 1939, Mr. Hoover was awarded the Alumni Achievement Award by the George Washington University Alumni Association.

The FBI National Police Academy Associates conferred their first Honorary Award on Mr. Hoover on September 27, 1939, in recognition of his pioneering in the field of Police Training.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation of the United States Department of Justice, founded on July 25, 1908, in addition to its investigations of offenses against the laws of the United States, is a service agency to American law enforcement. Mr. Hoover has under his immediate supervision the Identification Division, the Crime Laboratory, the Uniform Crime Reporting project, and the FBI National Police Academy.

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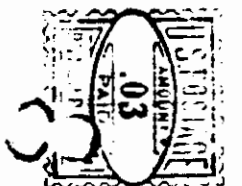
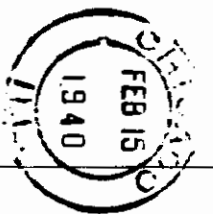
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Mr. John E. Hoover,
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Washington, D. C.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
October 5, 1939

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Time 4:27 p. m.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

J. E. Hoover

I called SAC Pieper at San Francisco and told him I had just talked to Mr. Hoover at which time the Director advised that he had called Mr. Pieper from Chicago at which time there seemed to be considerable discussion as to whether a collect call from John Edgar Hoover would be accepted. Mr. Pieper stated that he had taken the call mentioned and that he told the operator the call would be accepted but to wait a minute. He stated he said this in order to get the people out of his office before talking to the Director. He stated his one idea in mind was to make the call as private as possible for the Director and was sorry if any other impression was given. I told Mr. Pieper that the Director wants it emphatically understood that anyone answering a call on the Washington telephone be instructed to accept the charges if a Bureau official is calling unless, of course, the official is calling someone who is not present in the office.

I told Mr. Pieper that the Director is leaving Chicago this afternoon on the "City of San Francisco". I told Mr. Pieper the Director does not want anyone to be advised of his arrival, however, he also does not want to make a mystery of his arrival. Therefore, I told Mr. Pieper if any inquiries are received as to whether Mr. Hoover will arrive on the "City of San Francisco" it will be proper to reply affirmatively.

I told Mr. Pieper the Director wants him to meet the train with three cars, namely, the car which has been previously discussed for the Director's use, a car for baggage and another car for the use of Mr. Clegg, Mr. Ladd and perhaps one or two others. Mr. Pieper stated a good chauffeur has been obtained for the Director.

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I inquired if good reservations were secured for Mr. Hoover and Mr. Pieper stated the reservations which the Director liked very well the first time he was in San Francisco have again been obtained.

In answer to my inquiry Mr. Pieper stated arrangements have been made whereby the Director will enter a side door of the hotel and ascend immediately to his suite of rooms without having to register. I told Mr. Pieper to be sure the rooms have been aired in the event they are not air-conditioned. I told Mr. Pieper to have plenty of paper and pencils available.

I told Mr. Pieper the Director will be on Car N-125, Rooms L and M.



E. A. TAMM

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
New York, N. Y.**

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March 20, 1939

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

J. Edgar Hoover
✓ CONFIDENTIAL

On the evening of March 18, 1939, I met Mr. John Cahill at the Lexington Hotel, and during the conversation he mentioned to me that he did not know whether you realized how much the present Attorney General, Frank Murphy, thought of you and the Bureau. Mr. Cahill stated that he felt that probably you were so close to the situation in Washington that you hadn't realized the close esteem in which the Attorney General held you.

Cahill said that he felt that if the Bureau at this time needed any increase in its appropriation, it was never in a better position to secure assistance than from the present Attorney General. Mr. Cahill's remarks came about during a general discussion that was had concerning the volume of work, at which time he said that he knew that the Attorney General appreciated the promptness and the dispatch with which you operated the FBI.

I don't know whether Mr. Cahill has talked with the Attorney General concerning this matter or upon what he based his statements, but he did indicate that he knew of his own knowledge that the Attorney General would assist you in securing any increase in appropriation which you felt was necessary for the proper operation of the Bureau.

I thought that you would be interested in knowing of Mr. Cahill's remarks.

F. E. Toxworth

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DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

January 4, 1938

Time: 11:15 A. M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

J. E. Hoover

Mr. Fred O. Bailey of the United Press Associations in Washington called informing that the perennial report that Mr. Hoover will resign on July 1st has "cropped-up" again—this time in the Washington Merry-go-round. He stated the Director couldn't be reached and asked my advice on the matter.

I answered Mr. Bailey stating that, without being quoted for publication, this statement by the press is about as accurate as anything ever published in the Washington Merry-go-round column, meaning thereby any inference he would care to draw. When asked by Mr. Bailey if it could be said that the report was unofficially denied, I replied to the contrary stating that the best thing Mr. Bailey could do was to ignore it.

When asked if the Director would make any direct comment on the report, I advised that Mr. Hoover never wants to become involved in any controversy with newspaper-men on matters of this kind. I also informed Mr. Bailey that the matter would be referred to Mr. Hoover, and that the Director would surely get in touch with him if he wished to make any report.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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J. E. HOOVER

Mr. Frank H. Long
Young Men's Christian Association
Roanoke, Virginia

Dear Mr. Long:

I appreciate very much your thoughtfulness in sending me a copy of the editorial which appeared in the Roanoke Times on January 5, 1939.

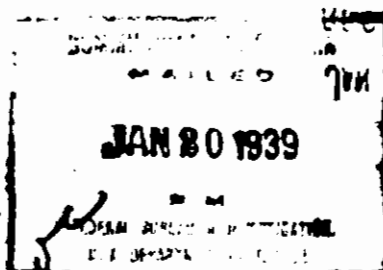
For your information, I am happy indeed to advise that the news item referred to in the editorial was without foundation for I have not made such a statement.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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Uncle Sam's No. 1 G-Man

According to Drew Pearson and Robert S. Allen, conductors of "Merry-Go-Round," a widely read Washington column of political gossip, J. Edgar Hoover, Uncle Sam's No. 1 G-man, plans to resign about July 1. During the past two years, it is said, Mr. Hoover has received several tempting offers from private business and he has now concluded to accept one of them and follow his chief, former Attorney-General Homer Cummings, into retirement.

To some it has appeared that Mr. Hoover was overly given to publicizing himself in connection with the activities of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. That may be true, but there can be not the slightest question but that he has built up and developed the FBI into the most effective agency to combat crime which the United States has ever known. One by one the Nation's public enemies have been run down and put behind bars or under the sod by the intelligent and courageous operatives recruited and trained by Mr. Hoover for the FBI.

He has done a magnificent job, one that entitles him to the thanks and gratitude of the country. We hope that the report of his contemplated resignation is not correct. The Government could ill afford to lose his services in the very responsible and important position that he fills so creditably and usefully.

Mr. Tolson ✓
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Mr. Clegg ✓
Mr. Coffey ✓
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

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Washington, D. C.

December 7, 1938

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

J. Edgar Hoover

This is to advise you that the records of
the Agents' Insurance Fund have been changed to
show that your beneficiary in this fund is your
estate.

Respectfully,

A. H. Crowl
A. H. Crowl

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.**

December 6, 1938.

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

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who has contributed to this fund and who may lose his life by violence in line of official duty, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of ten dollars (\$10), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Bureau, to be included in said fund. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

The Director of the Bureau will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping, and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director of the Bureau in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of said Bureau shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director.

Upon the death of any Special Agent, the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. In the event of a finding that the death was by violence in line of official duty, appropriate instructions will be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the full amount of said fund as of the date of death.

The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary: Fund to be paid to my estate.

Name _____ Address _____
Relationship _____

Very truly yours,

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Mr. W. J. Bushwaller
The Fidelity and Casualty
Company of New York
806 American Security Building
730 - 15th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Bushwaller:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your communication dated July 28, 1938, with which you enclosed a draft payable to my order in the amount of \$70, and a draft payable to James E. Crawford in the amount of \$450, in settlement of claims resulting from the automobile accident which occurred in June, 1938.

Confirming your conversation with Mr. Tolson recently, it is understood that you will forward this Bureau a copy of the form release to be executed covering repairs to the Lincoln car damaged in the accident. As soon as the car is received from the Warfield Motor Company, I shall be pleased to execute and return this release to you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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THE FIDELITY AND CASUALTY COMPANY OF NEW YORK

W.J. Bushwaller, Claims Manager
806 American Security Building
730 15th Street, N.W.

Washington, D. C.

July 28, 1938

Mr. J. E. Hoover,
Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Re: Standard Oil Company of N.J. --
J.E.Hoover, etal - 55-AL-11330 MF

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 22, 1938, together with the duplicate general release which you executed, and the duplicate personal injury release executed by James E. Crawford.

In furtherance of my letter of July 21, 1938 to Mr. Tolson, I am enclosing herewith our draft #L-362993A, payable to your order, in sum of \$70.00, in full settlement of all claims for personal injury and property damage resulting from accident on or about 6/15/38; and our draft #L-363005A, payable to James E. Crawford, in sum of \$450.00, in full settlement of all claims for personal injuries resulting from accident on or about 6/15/38, the latter draft for delivery to James E. Crawford.

I wish to thank you for your cooperation in connection with the settlement of both your claim, and that of James E. Crawford, and shall appreciate your acknowledgment of the receipt of the enclosed drafts.

In reference to settlement for the amount of repair to the damage to your automobile, I beg to advise that in view of the regulations by which your Department is governed, it will be agreeable to us to depart from our regular Company requirements

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and to issue our draft in settlement to the Warfield Motor Company in return for a property damage release, executed by whoever is authorized to execute such a release for either the Department of Justice, or the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Very truly yours,

/s/ W. J. Bushwallar

Claims Manager

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to
PR 093.712/40

July 20, 1938

My dear Mr. Hoover:

Acknowledgment is made of the receipt of your letter of July 14, 1938 transmitting the decoration of the Order of the Star of Rumania, degree of Commander, conferred upon you by the King of Rumania. It is noted that no diploma accompanied the decoration.

In accordance with existing Constitutional and legislative provisions, this decoration will be held in the custody of the Department of State until such time as you may be in a position legally to receive it.

Sincerely yours,

For the Secretary of State:

Stanley Woodman

Stanley Woodman
Acting Chief, Division of Consular Affairs

Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER

FBI JUSTICE WASHN DC

YOUR PERSONAL SACRIFICES UPON THE ALTER OF JUSTICE YOUR PATRIOTIC
SERVICE TO THIS COUNTRY IN BUILDING A GREAT BUREAU MUST GIVE YOU
DEEP GRATIFICATION ON THIS YOUR TWENTY FIRST ANNIVERSARY YOU
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July 8, 1933

Honorable Radu Irimescu
The Minister of Roumania
Royal Roumanian Legation
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Minister:-

I am most appreciative of your action this morning in awarding to me on behalf of His Majesty, The King of Roumania, the Order of the Star of Roumania, in the degree of Commander.

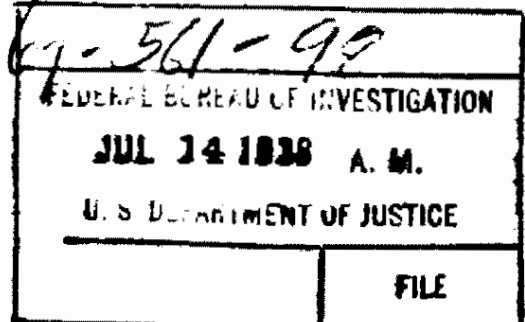
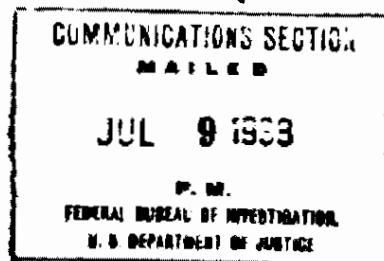
It will be sincerely appreciated if you will express to His Majesty, The King, my profound gratitude for this highly honored award.

With expressions of my highest esteem and kind personal regards,

Very sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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July 22, 1938

Mr. W. J. Bushwaller
Fidelity & Casualty Company of N. Y.
American Security Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Bushwaller:-

In reply to your letter of July 21, 1938, addressed to
Mr. Tolson, I am returning herewith a general release which I
have executed and the personal injury release properly executed
by James E. Crawford.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure

Special Delivery

Mr. Tolson	
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Mr. Tamm	
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W. J. BUSHWALLER, CLAIMS MANAGER
808 AMERICAN SECURITY BUILDING
730 15TH STREET, N. W.
PHONE: NATIONAL 7034

WASHINGTON, D. C.

July 21, 1938

Mr. Clyde A. Tolson
Room 5744
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Re: Standard Oil Company of N.J.--
J. Edgar Hoover, et al
55-AL-11330 MF

Dear Mr. Tolson:

Confirming our conversation at your office on July 19, 1938, and our subsequent telephone conversation, I am enclosing herewith general release, reciting a consideration of \$70.00, for execution by Mr. Hoover, and personal injury release, reciting a consideration of \$450.00, for execution by James E. Crawford.

These releases are submitted in duplicate, and our Company regulations require that both the originals and duplicates be executed and returned to us.

The enclosed releases are submitted by way of compromise and should not be construed as an admission of liability.

Both copies of the general release should be signed by Mr. Hoover, and both copies witnessed by two witnesses. Both copies of the personal injury release must be signed by James E. Crawford, both copies must be signed by two witnesses, and both copies must be acknowledged on the reverse sides thereof before a notary public.

Upon return of the releases, executed as above requested, we will promptly forward to you our drafts payable to John Edgar Hoover in sum of \$70.00, and to James E. Crawford in sum of \$450.00, in full settlement of their claims.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Very truly yours,

W. J. Bushwaller
Claims Manager

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J.E. Hoover

Mr. W. J. Bushwaller of the Fidelity and Casualty Company of N. Y., talked with JAMES CRAWFORD today relative to his claim for personal injury arising out of the automobile accident in the armored Lincoln in June. Mr. Bushwaller explained to Crawford that all of the expenses to which he has been put in this matter, including compensation for wages while he was on sick leave (despite the fact that he receives pay on leave) amounted to approximately \$150. and usually his company suggests as a basis for settlement in such matters the total expenses incurred in an injury multiplied by three and, accordingly, he offered to settle with Crawford for \$450. Upon receipt of a complete release from Crawford relieving his company of any further liability. Crawford spoke to me about this after he had talked to Mr. Bushwaller and I agreed with him that it was a very fair offer. In line with Crawford's request, I advised Mr. Bushwaller of his reaction to the matter and the claim will be settled on this basis.

I also informed Mr. Bushwaller after talking with you that your only claim for property damage would be \$70 (\$60 to cover the replacement of a traveling bag and \$10 to cover the doctor's visit to the office). Mr. Bushwaller will send the appropriate release forms to the Bureau so that they may be executed and full settlement of these claims may be made.

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Nathan
- Mr. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Crowl
- Mr. Dawsey
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July 2, 1938

U. S. Employees' Compensation
Commission
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

The following papers are forwarded herewith in
connection with an injury sustained by me on June 15, 1938,
while on official duty:

Employees' Compensation Commission forms
C. A. 1 and C. A. 2,
Photostatic copies of statements submitted by
James E. Crawford, Thaddeus B. Salton,
Edward F. Finnegan, and Mrs. Howard Peterson.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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July 6, 1938

Mr. W. J. Bushwaller
Fidelity and Casualty Company of N. Y.
American Security Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Bushwaller:-

For your information, I am transmitting to you herewith
copies of communications from Dr. William Earl Clark dated July 5,
1938, concerning his examination of the writer and James E. Crawford
on June 15, 1938, following the automobile accident which occurred on
that date when a car belonging to this organization was struck from
behind by a Standard Oil Company truck.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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DR. WILLIAM EARL CLARK
DR. CLAPHAM PRICE KING
DR. FRED A. J. GEIER
DR. HILL CARTER
1029 VERMONT AVENUE
WASHINGTON

July 5, 1938.

Mr. W. J. Bushwaller,
Fidelity & Casualty Co. of New York,
American Security Building,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Bushwaller:

On June 15, 1938, I was called to the office of Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, in the Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, on account of an injury which he had sustained in a motor accident.

Mr. Hoover had no laceration or broken bones, but he was badly shaken up and mildly shocked. He complained of headache, and evidently he had sustained a blow over the chest and had some difficulty in getting a full breath.

Examination of his heart and lungs failed to show any evidence of injury internally. There was no rigidity of the abdomen and no localized tenderness or muscle spasm.

I suggested medication for the headache and something for his nerves, and I advised him to go home, take a hot bath and go to bed. I did not see him again but I kept in touch with him by telephone during the next few days.

Very truly yours,

WEC-R.

Wm. Earl Clark

DR. WILLIAM EARL CLARK
DR. CLAPHAM PRICE KING
DR. FRED A. J. GEIER
DR. HILL CARTER
1028 VERMONT AVENUE
WASHINGTON

July 5, 1938.

Mr. W. J. Bushwaller,
Fidelity & Casualty Co. of New York,
American Security Building,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Bushwaller:

On June 15, 1938, I was called to the Federal Bureau of Investigation to see James E. Crawford, who had sustained injuries in a motor accident.

While driving Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, and waiting at the traffic light at 17th Street and Constitution Avenue, they were rammed from behind by an oil truck. The contact caused Crawford's head to strike the glass partition between the front and the back seats. When I saw him he was perfectly conscious, his pulse was normal and his pupils were normal, and although he was suffering from mild shock and had a bad headache and dizziness I could make out no evidence of serious brain injury. There was a tender area over the crown of his head above the occiput, and there seemed to be a depression at this same point.

I sent him into Emergency Hospital and had him x-rayed. X-ray disclosed a fracture of the outer table of the skull in this region. We put him to bed and kept him under observation for a week. We have seen him at intervals since and he has complained of dizziness and also of a queer stuffy feeling in his ears, but he is gradually improving and I would feel that he could return to his duties as chauffeur in the near future.

Very truly yours,

WEC-B.

Wm. Earl Clark

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July 8, 1938.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

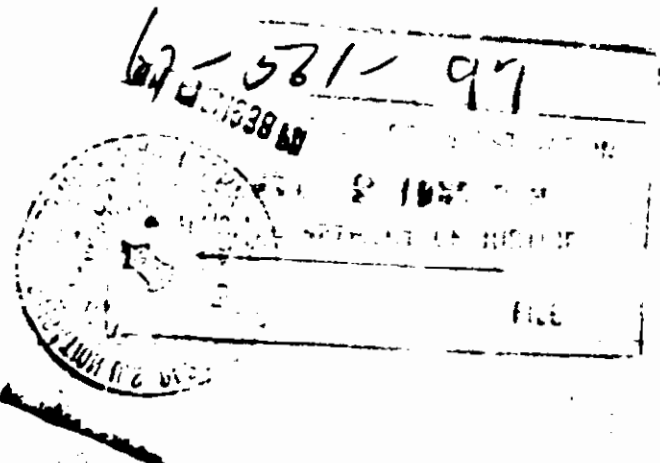
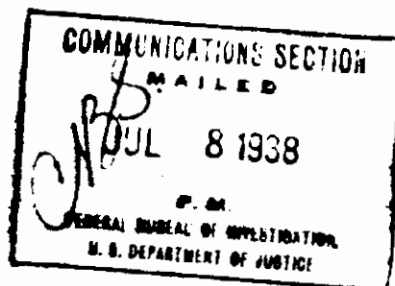
RE: Roumanian Medals.

I telephoned Mr. Lester, at Kansas City, and informed him that the Roumanian Minister had conferred medals on both Mr. Lester and me; that I had received Mr. Lester's medal and certificate for him and would hold it for him until he returned to Washington. Mr. Lester stated that the medals had to be deposited with the State Department. I stated that this was true but I would hold Mr. Lester's medal for him until he came back so he could have some pictures made of it if he so desired.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Crowl
Mr. Dawsey
Mr. Egan
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Date 6-20-58

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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Mr. Bushwaller of the Fidelity and Casualty Company of New York telephoned me again yesterday concerning the automobile accident. He stated he hoped that you would arrange for a complete physical examination so that both you and he might be assured that there will be no permanent injury to you as a result of the accident.

He also inquired concerning the driver of the car and I explained to him that the driver has a fracture of the skull and will be in the hospital for some time.

Also, he stated that he had communicated with his New York headquarters and had been authorized to say to you that whatever action should be taken in connection with the armored car is satisfactory with them. He stated that if it was felt that the car should be sent back to the factory to be re-built, this would be entirely satisfactory, or if it were necessary to have the car sent to Pittsburgh, where it was armored, this procedure would be entirely satisfactory.

I explained to Mr. Bushwaller that the car was being checked over by Mr. Warfield and just as soon as a report is received, he would be notified.

CLYDE TOLSON
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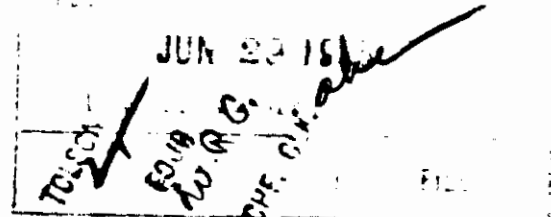
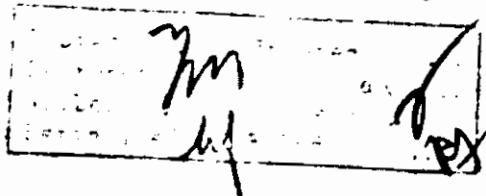
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J. E. Hoover

I telephoned Dr. Clark today and requested that he submit reports covering his examination of you and of JAMES CRAWFORD in connection with the recent automobile accident so that these preliminary reports might be made available to the physicians of the Fidelity and Casualty Company of New York.

I also arranged for him to see Crawford today inasmuch as Crawford complained that he still suffers from dazy spells.

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CLYDE TOLSON

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June 11, 1938

Reverend Ralph C. Lankler
Memorial Presbyterian Church
Seventh Avenue at St. Johns Place
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear Reverend Lankler:

I want to express to you my personal appreciation of your fine letter of June 8th, extending your congratulations upon my article, "If I Had a Son" which appeared in the June issue of Woman's Day Magazine. I trust, if ever I am privileged to be in a position to speak with authority on this subject, that I will not fail in following my convictions as expressed in the article.

With respect to the inquiry as to whether I am a church member, I am happy to advise you that I am a Presbyterian, affiliated with the Church of the Covenant in Washington, and do attend this church. I might add that in my younger days I taught a Sunday School Class, was active in the Christian Endeavor Society, and cherished an ambition to follow the ministry previous to my study of law.

Your interest in writing as you did is a source of deep gratification to me.

With expressions of my best regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover

Mr. J. E. Hoover

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MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
7th Ave at St. Johns Place
Brooklyn, New York

Reverend Ralph C. Over Lankler, Minister

June 8th, 1938

J. Edgar Hoover Esq.,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

I wish to congratulate you on the very splendid article entitled "If I Had a Son", appearing in the Woman's Day magazine. I am curious to ask you one question.

You say that if you had a son you would not only send him to church, but would attend church services with him. I am wondering if you are a church member and if you do attend church. There are thousands of boys in America who admire you more than they do their own father and if we could have this bit of testimony on your part it would be very beneficial to us in keeping youth active in the Church.

Sincerely yours,

Ralph Lankler

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Miami, Florida
June 9, 1938.

Honorable Homer S. Cummings
Attorney General
Washington, D. C.

Dear General:

It is most difficult for me to express in words my appreciation for the fine telegram which you sent today to those of us in the FBI who have been working upon the Cash kidnapping case. All of the agents and employees are highly grateful for your thoughtful-ness and kind words of commendation. State's Attorney Barley and Sheriff Coleman and their aids are likewise appreciative, and Messrs. Tolson, Connelley and Burns have asked me to express to you their thanks also.

While this has been an unusually tough case, and certainly in a section of the country where the climate at this time of the year is far from that which one would willingly seek, we were determined to win out in the case, and we have. We are proud to have done, as I have so often told you, what we are known and had the fine support that you have always extended to the FBI.

Expressing my every best regards to all
good wishes to Mrs. Cummings and yours I am, Sir,

Sincerely,

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I CONGRATULATE YOU AND YOUR ASSOCIATES MOST HEARTILY ON YOUR SUCCESS IN THE CASH KIDNAPING CASE. IT WAS A BRILLIANT PIECE OF WORK. PLEASE CONVEY MY SINCERE APPRECIATION AND THANKS TO STATES ATTORNEY G A WORLEY AND TO D C COLEMAN, SHERIFF OF DADE COUNTY, AND THEIR ASSISTANTS WHO COOPERATED SO INDEFATIGABLY WITH YOU. I ALSO COMMEND THE EXCELLENT WORK OF YOUR ASSISTANT CLYDE A TOLSON AND THAT OF INSPECTOR E J CONNELLEY AND SPECIAL AGENT MYRON GURNEA AND THE OTHER FBI MEN WHO WORKED ON THE CASE. I DESIRE TO EXPRESS ALSO TO THE CITIZENS OF THE COMMUNITY MY PROFOUND APPRECIATION FOR THE THOROUGH AND GENEROUS MANNER IN WHICH THEY CONTRIBUTED TO THE SOLUTION OF THE CASE. THE RESULT IS A STRIKING ILLUSTRATION OF WHAT CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH THE COOPERATION OF FEDERAL AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES WITH THE WHOLE-HEARTED ASSISTANCE OF THE PUBLIC=

HOMER CUMMINGS.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
May 4, 1938.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Mr. Waldrop, of the Washington Herald, called regarding the following story he has received: "New York Police Commissioner Valentine is now in Washington on secret leave. Reported possible J. E. Hoover successor. (Special 350 Intercity News Service).

Mr. Waldrop stated that the above is unquestionably an accurate story and he desired to pass the news along to the Bureau. I told Mr. Waldrop that the Director would appreciate having this news and that I would place a note concerning the story on his desk.

Respectfully,

P. E. Foxworth
P. E. FOXWORTH.

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Mr. Glavin	
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Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Pennington	
Mr. Schilder	
Mr. Tamm	
Mr. Tracy	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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United States Department of Justice
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Mr. Tracy _____
Miss Gandy _____

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Date Nov. 12, 1937

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

J. E. Hoover

By reference from the Director's office, I telephonically spoke to Assistant Solicitor General Bell concerning the manner in which the Director's appointment is made.

Mr. Bell wanted to know whether the Director's position was confirmed by the Senate.

After securing negative information from Judge Holtzoff, I advised Mr. Bell that the Director's appointment was made by the Attorney General and did not require confirmation by the Senate. Judge Holtzoff advised me that this information was undoubtedly desired by the Assistant Solicitor General in connection with the re-organization plans which may come up in the special session of Congress.

Respectfully,

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J. E. Hoover

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THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Washington

July 28/57

Dear Edgar:

For twenty years you have been a trusted member of the Department of Justice.

It is a record of distinguished public service rendered with zeal, fidelity and intelligence.

Yours has been a difficult task, but you have discharged it in a manner that has won the confidence of your associates and the high favor of your country-men.

I cannot let the anniversary pass without sending you my affectionate greetings and my best wishes for your continued success in the days to come.

Faithfully yours,

(Signed) Homer Cummings

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

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June 12, 1957.

Mr. John Edgar Hoover,
Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

This will acknowledge receipt of your
contribution of \$10 to the fund to be paid to the
designated beneficiary of any participating Special
Agent of the Bureau who may lose his life by violence
in the line of official duty.

Respectfully,

W. R. Glavin,
Chief Clerk.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.**

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

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who has contributed to this fund and who may lose his life by violence in line of official duty, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of ten dollars (\$10), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Bureau, to be included in said fund. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

The Director of the Bureau will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping, and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director of the Bureau in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of said Bureau shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director.

Upon the death of any Special Agent, the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. In the event of a finding that the death was by violence in line of official duty, appropriate instructions will be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the full amount of said fund as of the date of death.

The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary:

Name Mrs. Annie M. Hoover Address 413 Seward Square, S. E.,
Washington, D. C.
Relationship Mother JUN 10 1937

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover
Special Agent

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J. E. Hoover

I told Mr. Stewart that the report was absolutely baseless, ridiculous and had no foundation whatsoever. I asked him if the wire disclosed the name of the Assistant United States Attorney who furnished this information and he stated that it did not.

Mr. Whitely stated that, of course, he would like to keep Mr. Berkson out of the picture entirely in view of the fact that he is an important contact and can be used by that office from time to time.

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T. B. Quinn

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November 25, 1936.

Time - 2:09 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Re: Rumors of Director's
resignation.

During a telephone conversation with Mr. Snyder he stated that he has been having difficulty with the stories which have been appearing lately concerning reports of my resignation. Mr. Snyder stated that he had taken it on himself to state that as far as he knew there was not a word of truth to the report and to point out some of the ridiculous assertions which had been made.

Mr. Snyder stated that Mr. Hawthorne had received an inquiry from the New York office of the Associated Press as to whether I was going to accept a position in New York and that he, Mr. Snyder had stated that as far as he was informed there was nothing to this report; that Mr. Hawthorne then received orders from New York to write a speculative story on the subject. Mr. Snyder stated that the story, which was full of absurd statements, had been shown to him by Mr. Hawthorne; for example that the salary offered in the new position is to be \$12,000 per year and that this would lure me to New York. Mr. Snyder stated he told Hawthorne to leave this in because it showed how absurd the whole thing really is; that if I really wanted to make money I would not leave here for New York for that sum. Mr. Snyder stated that he was unable to stop the story, however, having no authority over the Associated Press.

Mr. Snyder stated that the Attorney General was asked at his press conference this morning about the New York offer and he stated that as far as he was concerned the story is nonsense and that it was a waste of time to talk about it. I told Mr. Snyder I would come around and talk to him today about it as I thought there were one or two angles which I felt he should know about and which I thought would clarify the situation.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Dawsey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
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September 10, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Re: Names of Directors of
FBI and tenure of Service

Pursuant to request of Mr. Quinn there is set forth herein a list of Directors of the Bureau of Investigation, together with the tenure of service. I desire, however, to call your attention to the fact that in the early history of the Bureau there were both Directors and Chiefs of the Bureau. A survey of the register of the Department reveals numerous Chiefs and accordingly it was assumed that you did not desire that information.

The Directors and their period of service are as follows:

- 7-25-08 By order of Attorney General Charles J. Bonaparte all investigative matters coming under the jurisdiction of the Department were placed under the Chief Examiner who at that time was Stanley W. Finch. Mr. Finch occupied the position of Chief or Director of the Bureau of Investigation until April 30, 1912, at which time he was made Special Commissioner for the suppression of White Slave Traffic.
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- 4-30-12 Alexander Bruce MacLuski, an Assistant Director of the Bureau of Investigation was appointed Head of the Bureau upon the removal of Stanley W. Finch. Mr. MacLuski resigned on February 10, 1919.
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- 2-10-19 William E. Allen of Texas was Acting Director until the appointment of William J. Flynn.
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- 7-1-19 William J. Flynn, former Chief of the Secret Service Division and of the Police Secret Service Section of the Railway Administration, was appointed Director of the Bureau of Investigation which position he held until August 21, 1921. On August 22, 1921 Flynn's resignation was accepted and he remained in office until September 27, 1921.
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- 8-22-21 William J. Burns was appointed Director of the Bureau of Investigation which position he held until May 9, 1924. His resignation, however, was accepted to take effect on June 14, 1924.
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- 2-20-24 J. Edgar Hoover who from August 1, 1919, had served as Head of the Intelligence Division as a Special Assistant to the Attorney General was appointed Acting Director. On December 19, 1924, he was appointed Director.

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Memorandum for Mr. Tolson

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September 10, 1936.

With reference to Mr. Quinn's request as to the date of the passage of the Statute authorizing Special Agents to carry guns, it is desirable to advise that Public No. 402-73rd Congress was approved June 18, 1934. This Act not only authorized the Director, Inspectors and Special Agents of the Bureau of Investigation to carry firearms, but likewise gave them the power of arrest.

Respectfully,

R. E. Joseph.

C O P Y

301 Continental Bank Building,
Salt Lake City, Utah.
September 2, 1936.

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

J. E. Hoover

Dear Sir:

In accordance with instructions furnished the Salt Lake City office by the Director, Agent in Charge W. A. Rorer, and Special Agent Val C. Zimmer personally met the Attorney General Homer S. Cummings, at his train upon his arrival in Salt Lake City at 8 A.M. September 1, 1936. He was immediately offered the services of the personnel of the Salt Lake City Bureau office, and stated that he desired agents to meet him at his hotel at 10 A.M. as he would like to visit the FBI offices and those of the U.S. Marshal and the U.S. Attorney.

Agents Rorer and Zimmer met the Attorney General at 10 A.M. and accompanied him to the offices of the U.S. Marshal and the U.S. Attorney where he was introduced. He was also accompanied to the office of the U.S. Collector of Customs and to the office of Knox Patterson, Special Assistant to the Attorney General located in the Judge Building, Salt Lake City, Utah. He was then brought to the FBI offices and was introduced to the vice-president of the Continental National Bank, Continental Bank Building, who was at the offices. He remained at the offices approximately forty minutes, and received a telegram over the phone at the office. He occupied the desk of the Agent in Charge for a considerable part of the time, and discussed the work of the Bureau with the agents, with Mr. Culbertson and with Knox Patterson. He stressed the Bureau's efficiency to those present. He credited the Director with phenomenal success and was told by the agents that the Director constantly called to the attention of the Special Agents, that the progress of the Bureau was due to a very great extent to the cooperation of the Attorney General, and he replied jokingly that he and the Director had an agreement whereby each praised one another. He was shown the offices throughout and inspected each room.

After leaving the Bureau offices he was taken for an hours ride around Salt Lake City, observing the places of interest, being accompanied by agents Rorer and Zimmer. At noon he was taken to the Presidential train where he conferred with the President for a few minutes and was then accompanied by agents to the Hotel Utah where a luncheon had been arranged

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and those present, in addition to the Attorney General were Mr. Sam King, Attorney of Salt Lake City and Washington, D. C. and brother of U.S. Senator William King, Mr. Knox Patterson, Special Assistant to the Attorney General located at Salt Lake City, Gilbert Mechan, U.S. Marshal, Alf Gunn, Chief Deputy U.S. Marshal, John S. Boyden, Assistant U.S. Attorney, Karl King, Attorney, Salt Lake City, Special Agent Val C. Zimmer and Special Agent W. A. Rorer.

During the course of the luncheon the Attorney General stated to those assembled that in connection with law-enforcement the Federal Government was doing its share, and that if the State, County and City Police performed their duties with a small amount of the efficiency of the FBI, that crime would no longer be a problem. He further advised those present that by custom the employees of the offices of the U.S. Attorney and the U.S. Marshall are political appointees, and the the FBI's efficiency is largely due to the fact that its personnel are non-political. He stated that this is rightly so, and he trusts that it will always remain so. He stated that he is very proud of the personnel of the FBI; that its special agents are picked with particular care not only from an educational standpoint but with a view towards discovering the facts of their entire life. He stated that he is personally acquainted with many of the Special Agents, and that he knows them to be not only well trained and intelligent, but men who are always found to be perfect gentlemen.

From the luncheon the Attorney General attended the funeral services of the burial of the late Secretary of War George Dern, and returned to the railway station at 6 PM directly from the burial, where he was met by agents Rorer and Zimmer and furnished with the current daily newspapers, at which time he expressed appreciation for the consideration shown him. He left on the special train on which he arrived, and the Bureau was advised immediately by wire of his departure.

Very truly yours,

W. A. RORER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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AN ACT

To fix the compensation of the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, effective on the first day of the first month next following the approval of this Act, the compensation of the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice shall be \$10,000 per annum.

Approved, June 5, 1936.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

June 10, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON.

Miss Elizabeth Oldfield of the Washington Times telephoned on three occasions today with regard to the newspaper article concerning the Director's contemplated resignation. I informed her, after talking with the Director, that this story was something like the story of Mark Twain's reported death and told her that the Director when informed advised that apparently it was greatly exaggerated.

Respectfully,

T. D. Quinn
T. D. Quinn.

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June 25, 1936.

Mr. H. P. ~~X~~Donald,
~~X~~Editor,
The Register,
Mobile, Alabama.

Dear Mr. Donald:

~~X~~ I have just read the ~~X~~editorial entitled
"A Raise For G-Man Hoover," which was published in the
Register on May 27, 1936.

While I am most appreciative of the approval
which you accord to the action of Congress in granting
me an increased salary, I am indeed pleased to observe
that you take the opportunity of pointing out that
police officers throughout the country are often underpaid.

With best wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

I thought you might be interested in reading the attached copy of an editorial entitled "Hoover Earns This Salary And The Agents Deserve Protection," which appeared in the June 5, 1936, issue of the Jackson, Mississippi, Clarion-Ledger.

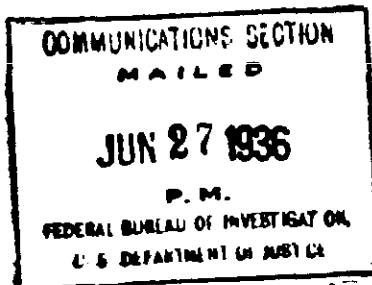
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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

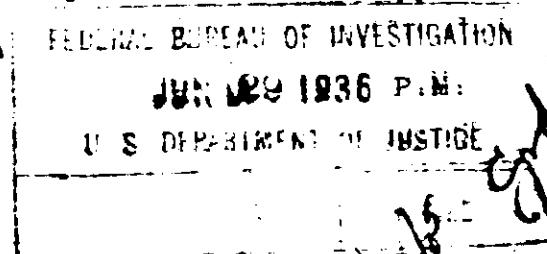
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Hoover Earns This Salary And The Agents Deserve Protection

Congress passes a bill increasing J. Edgar Hoover's salary as chief of the bureau of investigation, department of justice, from \$8,000 to \$10,000 a year.

The president will probably sign it. And few, even among the most rabid of advocates of "economy," will protest.

Ten thousand dollars a year is not an excessive salary for that office, considering its responsibilities, requirements, and dangers, — considering also Mr. Hoover's impressive record of achievement in reorganizing, modernizing, and improving the efficiency of the department.

Police-chiefs in many cities get this much, or more.

We also think the proposal that pensions be paid dependents of agents in this department who are killed in the line of duty is just and reasonable.

Their duties often are dangerous. They sometimes are in greater danger of death than soldiers in front line trenches. And it is literally "war" they are waging with crime. They are literally defending the nation in the sense that soldiers do in war. They are entitled to the protection which the government gives soldiers and their dependents.

To paraphrase a war insurance slogan: "There is no armistice with crime."

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

June 17, 1936.

WRG:REL

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

RE: RETIREMENT.

In accordance with your suggestion, I am submitting herewith certain information concerning retirement payments which would be made by the Director and benefits which would accrue to him in event no back payments for previous service were made.

In the event the retirement legislation is approved by the President and becomes effective during this year, and if retirement deductions are made from the Director's salary until he reaches the retirement age of 62 years, there will have been deducted an amount of \$7,350.

Interest compounded annually would amount to approximately \$4,000. There would be an amount to the Director's credit of approximately \$11,000. taking into consideration the \$1.00 a month deductions from the amounts paid which are held in a retirement fund. Considering that these are the only payments made by the Director, his annuity after retirement would be approximately \$1,550. If he elected to accept a preferred annuity, he would receive an amount of approximately \$1,750. per annum.

If the Director elects to make back payments from the effective date of the Retirement Act, August 1, 1920, there will be payments due amounting to \$5,068.55. It is my recommendation that back payments be not made by the Director.

Respectfully,

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U. S. Department of Justice

Postoffice Box 314,
Birmingham, Alabama,
June 6, 1936.

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith a clipping from the
Birmingham News of June 3, 1936, entitled **A DESERVED REWARD**
FOR J. EDGAR HOOVER.

This article was written by Osburn Zuber, Associate
Editor of the Birmingham News. Mr. J. E. Chappel is President
and General Manager of the News, there being no designated Editor
of this paper,

Very truly yours,

E. P. Guinane
E. P. GUINANE,
Special Agent in Charge

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A Deserved Reward For J. Edgar Hoover

The Senate has passed and sent to the White House a bill to increase the salary of J. Edgar Hoover from \$9,000 to \$10,000 a year. This is a recognition by an appreciative Congress of the conspicuously fine work that has been done by the chief of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. In thus rewarding Mr. Hoover, Congress has reflected the admiration which a grateful public feels toward Mr. Hoover for his brilliant and highly successful leadership in the war against criminals.

The name of J. Edgar Hoover has been prominent in the news only in the last few years, during the sensational campaign of the G-men against kidnapers, bank bandits and other criminals. But Mr. Hoover's fine service to the public really began before that time. For, from the time he first took charge as chief of the Bureau of Investigation in 1924, he had been quietly building up his organization of G-men, increasing their skill and efficiency in crime detection, training them in scientific methods, and thus preparing them for the time—which he must have foreseen—when the federal agents would be called on to wage a war against organized crime such as this country had never before seen.

That time did not come until Congress and the American people, outraged by the growing seriousness of the kidnaping menace, saw the necessity for enlarging the scope of the federal agents' activities and authority. Congress passed a series of bills to enable the G-men to take a larger and more effective part in the fight on crime, supplementing and cooperating with the state and local law enforcement authorities. When the time came, Mr. Hoover and his men were ready. The extraordinarily effective work that they have done is due in large part to

the intensive preparation which had been made under Mr. Hoover's guidance in the years when the Bureau of Investigation was a small and relatively obscure federal agency. Mr. Hoover made the organization what it is today.

The American people will applaud this deserved increase in salary which Congress has voted him. Certainly J. Edgar Hoover is worth at least as much to the American people as the average member of Congress.

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Mr. J. L. Cleveland,
Editor,
The Leader,
Frederick, Oklahoma.

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Dear Mr. Cleveland:

My attention has just been called to the
editorial entitled "The C-Men's Larger Job," which
appeared in the May 12, 1936, issue of The Leader.

I want to thank you for your commendation
of the work of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.
It is very encouraging to receive such editorial
approval and it is hoped that our future endeavors
in law enforcement will continue to merit your approval
and confidence.

Your name has been placed on this Bureau's
mailing list to receive future editions of Uniform
Crime Reports and other publications which are periodically
released.

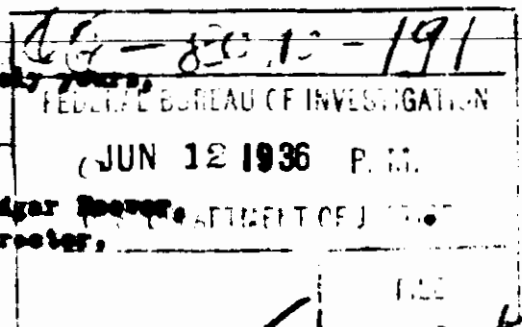
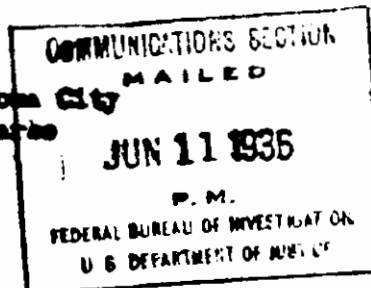
With best wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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THE G-MEN'S LARGER JOB

American citizens of the law-abiding type may disagree on economic questions, but there seems to be a unanimity of approval of the activities of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which has done such effective work in rounding up the "big shots" in crime. Congress stopped in its wrangling over other appropriations to increase the money provided for this bureau, and the House voted with alacrity to raise the salary of J. Edgar Hoover, its director, from \$9,000 to \$10,000 a year.

Hoover, however, reminds the country that the bureau's task has only begun, and that there is much more to do. He and his men, with the cooperation of state and local officials, have captured the most spectacular criminals. Some of them are in prison, others are dead. The kidnaping industry has received a mighty set-back. Bank robbing is no longer the profitable pursuit it was for a time. Outlawry has much less to commend it to the bold and reckless. Hoover and his G-men are operating with the same degree of thoroughness as did the vigilantes in pioneer days—under new conditions and with new methods. They have shown the difference between going out with an ancient revolver to capture a desperado armed with a machine gun, and the calculating rounding up of lawbreakers with weapons better than the outlaws have and strategy which outmatches theirs.

All this has been most impressive, has given the newspapers headlines and their readers thrills. But there are others whose names are not so familiar—who are not dodging justice in the highways nor seeking to conceal themselves by plastic surgery—others who wear cloaks of respectability and live in luxury and ease. These others are the crooked politicians, on whom Hoover has declared an open season.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation, it would appear, is now about to operate upon those who are responsible for the difficulties law-abiding citizens have experienced in having their laws enforced. There is hope that the activities of the bureau may extend to the racketeers who thrive through intimidation and high pressure on the helpless objects of their greed. If this is done, the United States may begin to lose to some extent its reputation of having more laws and less law-enforcement than any other country.

Undoubtedly there is a need of just such a campaign as Mr. Hoover suggests—a campaign to trace the crime streams to their source and to get to the real powers behind the outposts of the criminal army.

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J. Edgar Hoover

J. Edgar Hoover
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June 12, 1936.

**BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF JOHN EDGAR HOOVER,
DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.**

John Edgar Hoover was born January 1, 1895, in the District of Columbia, and was educated in the Public Schools of the District of Columbia, graduating from Central High School in 1913. During the same year, 1913, Mr. Hoover entered the Library of Congress as a Clerk, and enrolled in George Washington Law School as an evening student. He holds the Degrees of LL. B., and LL. M., and also the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from the George Washington University, Pennsylvania Military College, and New York University. He has been admitted to practice law before the bar of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, the United States Court of Claims, and the United States Supreme Court. He is a trustee of the George Washington University.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Room 5744 6/1 1936.

To: ☒ Director

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Clyde Tolson

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May 21, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

There is attached hereto a membership card, certifying the Director's membership in the Interstate Peace Officers Association. This card was presented to me for delivery to the Director by Chief of Police Harry J. Mead, who is Secretary-Treasurer of the organization. He likewise presented me with a similar membership card.

There are also attached hereto newspaper clippings relative to the talk which I made before the Interstate Peace Officers Association at Joplin, Missouri. One shows the preliminary announcement, another the result of an interview which is reported with a fair degree of accuracy, and the third purports to cover the talk which I made while in Joplin.

Respectfully,

H. H. Clegg.

June 12
May 26, 1936.

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JMH:RCB

June 2, 1936.

Mr. William ~~Powers~~,
Page,
United States Senate,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Powers:

When I returned to the office today
I received the message that you had called
to inform me of the passage in the Senate of
the bill to increase my salary. It was indeed
kind of you to think of me and I wanted you to
know how deeply appreciative I am of your
thoughtfulness.

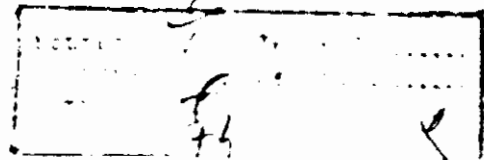
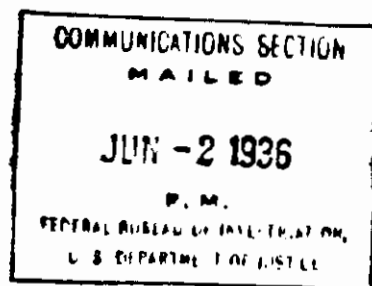
With expressions of my best regards,
I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Stated that he wanted to let the Director know that the bill to increase his salary had passed the Senate. I thanked Mr. Powers on behalf of the Director for calling. cek

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

420 Post Office Bldg.,
Dallas, Texas.

May 29, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith editorials
as follows: "The Rumors Concerning J. Edgar Hoover"
from the DALLAS TIMES-HERALD of May 27, 1936; and
"Fighting Crime" from the DALLAS NEWS of May 28,
1936.

I am also transmitting a news item from
the DALLAS JOURNAL of May 28, 1936, captioned "Landon
Likely to Get Second Ballot Victory -- Edgar Hoover
in Trouble Over His Run-In With Jim Farley."

Very truly yours,

F. J. Blake
F. J. BLAKE,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Dallas Journal
MAY 28-1936
DALLAS, TEXAS

Landon Likely to Get Second Ballot Victory

Edgar Hoover in Trouble Over His Run-In With Jim Farley.

BY RAY TUCKER.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—Despite his bitterness toward Al Landon, Herbert Hoover's public pronouncement that he is not a presidential candidate may insure nomination of the Kansas Governor on the second ballot at Cleveland.

Numerous minor bosses have withheld commitments to Mr. Landon because their subordinates and constituents had a sneaking admiration for the ex-President. They were sitting on the fence. But Mr. Hoover's statement has encouraged them to declare for the Kansan. Several minor New York leaders have climbed aboard the Landon bandwagon since Mr. Hoover spoke out, and Washington headquarters reports that they have had similar accessions from other sections.

The Landonites have grown so cocky that they figure a smart deal for a vice-presidential candidate will put their man across as it did Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1932. Though Representative James W. Wadsworth is an ideal man in other respects, he is tarred by his charter membership in the American Liberty League. The Landon people's one-two-three choices are Senator Vandenberg of Michigan, Senator Staiwer of Oregon (both potential rivals) and ex-Gov. Alvin T. Fuller of Massachusetts.

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G-Man J. Edgar Hoover will soon discover that he bit off more than he can chew when he assailed Jim Farley's postal inspectors for not cooperating in catching a gangster.

On June 1 the Postmaster General is expected to issue an order pro-

viding that Department of Justice agents can obtain helpful information only from postal inspectors. In the past local postmasters and local policemen have turned in most of the tips on thugs that showered favorable headlines on the G-men. But hereafter J. Edgar's boys must go through "channels" so as to avoid clashes and misunderstandings.

Nobody knows whether it was accident or coincidence, but Mr. Hoover's sideswipe at the extremely efficient but nonspectacular post office detectives came only a few weeks after Mr. Farley declared at an employees' dinner that "The best Government detectives are the postal inspectors, and the Treasury agents come next." Together with many other folks at Washington, he ranked the G-men at the foot of the sleuthing class.

Associated Press

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News **Fighting Crime** 5-27-36

Particulars are lacking on the provisions of the new bill approved by the Senate Judiciary Committee, which will enlarge the powers of the Bureau of Criminal Investigation of the Department of Justice, more widely known as the "G-Men." The remarkable record against sinister criminality made by J. Edgar Hoover's force earns public approval of any measure that can make the group even more effective. Few larger powers than now possessed can be constitutionally supplied and the chief obvious opportunity for Federal support is in enlarged personnel, facility and financing.

The new bill carries a \$1,000 hike in pay for the chief of the bureau; this may occasion some carping from the penny pinchers. If the salary raise is contrasted with the saving effected to business and industry by the detention behind bars of the merciless and murderous thugs rounded up by the G-Men, it is clear that we could afford to pay many Hoovers.

The Nation as a whole indorses the Senate effort to increase the efficiency of the Federal force. The forty-eight separate States are willing and anxious to pay their own bills for the service within their borders, if they can be guaranteed as good results by their own police.

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News **THE RUMORS CONCERNING J. EDGAR HOOVER** 5-27-36

THE BILL to raise the salary of J. Edgar Hoover, director of the bureau of investigation in the department of justice, from \$9,000 to \$10,000 a year seems certain of enactment.

The measure has been described as a reward to the chief of the G-men for efficient service, but there are persistent rumors that Mr. Hoover's place is to be given to someone else.

These rumors may be nothing more than anti-administration propaganda, but the fact that Mr. Hoover is a holdover from the previous administration annoys many Democrats who have failed to obtain jobs with the government. The increase in salary will whet the appetites of job seekers.

The president and Attorney General Cummings are to be commended for thus far disregarding politics in the case of Mr. Hoover. The public has cause to hope that they will continue to recognize that the bureau of investigation is a branch of the government that should not be affected by the spoils system. Meanwhile, it is reasonable to assume that Mr. Hoover will have discretion enough to do his work without engaging in disputes with other department heads.

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May 20, 1936.

Time: 12:40 P. M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

RE: Bill to increase the Compensation
of the Director.

Judge Holtzoff telephoned me this afternoon and advised me that the clerk of the Senate Judiciary Committee called him, Judge Holtzoff, and said that the sub-committee reported favorably on the bill to increase my compensation. Judge Holtzoff stated that the clerk of the above committee further advised him that Senator Ashurst is going to give the bill his strongest support. I thanked the Judge for advising me of the above.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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May 13, 1936

Mr. Frank P. Duggan,
President,
Omikron Delta Kappa,
University of Maryland,
College Park, Maryland,

Dear Mr. Duggan:

I wanted you to know how much I appreciated your courtesy to me today in connection with my receipt of honorary membership in the Omikron Delta Kappa Fraternity. I enjoyed very much my visit to the University and the cordial welcome which was extended to me there.

I do hope that the opportunity will present itself so that you can visit the Federal Bureau of Investigation offices here as I feel that you would be very much interested in various phases of the work which we are trying to do.

With kind regards, I am.

Sincerely yours,

(Stamped) 
J. Edgar Hoover

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May 13, 1936

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

RE: Director's Salary Increase.

Judge Holtzoff telephoned and stated that he had been informed by the clerk of the Senate Judiciary Committee that the bill increasing the Director's salary had passed the House and been received in the Senate; that Senator Ashurst wanted to put the bill through now but other Senators feared that the bill would be a precedent for similar bills for other officials; that a sub-committee had been appointed to consider the matter under the chairmanship of Senator Austin. Judge Holtzoff stated that he would remind the Committee of the bill consolidating the Treasury investigative agencies which provided a salary of \$10,000 for the director of the combined unit.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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A RAISE FOR G-MAN HOOVER

With memories fresh in mind of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's feat of wiping clean the slate of American kidnapers, there is little likelihood of serious congressional opposition to Attorney-General Cummings' request for a \$1,000-a-year raise for J. Edgar Hoover.

The salary boost will give Chief Hoover \$10,000 a year, which is less than many metropolitan police chiefs receive. Hoover has shown himself the equal of any of them as a law enforcement official.

The American people, for some inexplicable reason, ordinarily are as parsimonious in paying their good public servants as they are loose in controlling the expenditures of others. With a few exceptions, American police officers are dangerously underpaid. Paradoxically, some of the lowest paid departments are those in cities where the most extravagant public administrations are permitted.

It is a fortunate circumstance that many excellent police executives are in the work more for the love of it than the pay. Ordinarily, a police executive's salary, even though inadequate, is sufficient for him to live in reasonable comfort. The great menace of niggardly police pay schedules is in the lower brackets where bare-living salaries repel competent men and invite petty graft.

So, while endorsing the plan for upping G-Man Hoover's annual pay \$1,000, we would invite consideration of the adequacy of peace officers' pay everywhere. The gibe of "big feet and no brains" hurled at policemen is a product of the fact that "feet" is all we pay for.

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May 4, 1936.

Honorable Homer S. Cummings,
The Attorney General,
United States Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Attorney General:

My enthusiasm upon being able to effect the capture of Alvin Karpis was exceeded only by my extreme pleasure upon receiving your kind telegram of congratulations at the termination of this manhunt. The interest manifested by you in this case since its initiation has been a real inspiration to us in the Bureau. It really makes one feel that the many hours of toil which this case has demanded are more than compensated for when such a fine tribute is received from one whose approbation means so much, both personally and officially.

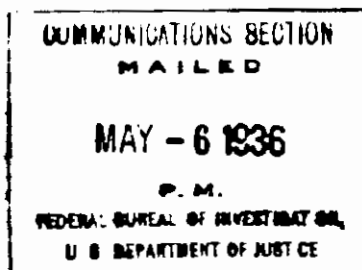
The Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau Office at New Orleans has informed me that Mr. Stanley and you endeavored to reach me by telephone shortly after my departure from New Orleans. I am indeed sorry that we were unable to make connections for I would like so much to have been able to talk to both of you.

With expressions of my kindest regards and highest esteem, I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Mr. Holtzoff notifies A.G. that the Bill sponsored by A.G. to fix salary of Director of FBI at \$10,00 per year, passed the House on May 4.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

The bill (H. R. 11,616), sponsored by you, to fix the salary of the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at \$10,000 a year, passed the House this afternoon and now goes to the Senate.

Respectfully,

Alexander Holtzoff
Alexander Holtzoff

Copy to Mr. Keenan

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May 5, 1936.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

RE: Bill to increase Director's salary.

Judge Holtzoff telephoned and advised that the bill to increase my salary passed the House yesterday; that Congressman Faddis who objected to the bill before, publicly withdrew his objection. I thanked Judge Holtzoff for his interest in the matter.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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April 15, 1936.

Mr. E. Randolph Preston,
Special Assistant to the Attorney General,
c/o United States Attorney,
Ancon, Canal Zone.

My dear Mr. Preston:-

I have received your letter of March 27th with which you enclosed a copy of the communication which you forwarded to Judge John J. Parker of Charlotte, North Carolina, on the same date.

I want to sincerely thank you for your commendatory statements concerning me and the work of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. It was very kind indeed of you to write to me. I have conveyed your regards to Miss Gandy, who asks to be remembered to you.

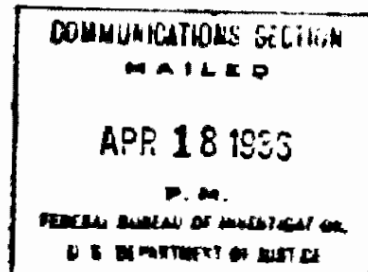
With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
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Mr. Randolph Preston commends Dir. on not accepting position with private firm. Encloses lett. he has written to Judge Parker making reference to Dir. Asks that Dir. write him a letter and put him on mailing list.

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Colon, Canal Zone,
March 27, 1936.

Mr. Nathan	✓
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Mr. Edwards	
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Mr. Foxworth	
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Mr. Lester	
Mr. Quinn	
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Mr. Tracy	
Miss Gandy	✓

My dear Hoover:

Mrs. Preston and Ran^d, who read and cut out everything about you, have sent me a clipping in which it is stated that you have refused private employment at nearly three times your present salary. I am glad to know that you are going to remain with us, but am not surprised.

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If you went into private employment at your present age you could amass a half million or million dollars before your life was over, but as the old Latins used to say - and they had a heap of sense - "what's the use". You have no family and the money would probably be squabbled over by relatives. In your present position you are accomplishing as much good as any man of my personal acquaintance. The Bureau is largely your brain child and in it you will have a monumental work that will probably serve for generations to come.

I am enclosing a copy of letter written to my dear friend Judge Parker, in which there are references to you.

I am now engaged in the trial of an old land case involving a claim for about a million dollars and will probably be here until May, so please write me a letter and put me on your list for publications you send out.

Always remember me to Miss Gandy, who is one of the most delightful women in the Department. *I am sending her an interesting book on Panama*

Very cordially yours,

Randolph Preston

RANDOLPH PRESTON,
Special Assistant to
Attorney General.

*Ans
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Anson, Canal Zone,
March 27, 1936.

Judge John J. Parker,
Charlotte, N.C.

My dear Parker:

Our mutual friend Alexander Holtzoff has done me the courtesy of sending your opinion recently rendered in the case of Greenwood County et al vs Duke Power Company and Southern Public Utilities Company. I have read it with the greatest of pleasure and approval. Your style of writing reminds me of Chief Justice Hughes, whose opinions I think are Twentieth Century models of judicial style.

There is a further reason I am glad and proud of the fact that you had the opportunity to render this opinion. Upon many occasions, both in Washington and throughout the United States, in discussing you with other lawyers I have stoutly maintained that you were one of the finest types of conservative-liberal judges, but have not always found my brethren in agreement owing to the still existing misunderstanding of your views that is the result of the vicious attack upon you at the time you were up for confirmation for a position on the Supreme Court of the United States. This opinion will, I think, do much to put you in the true light before the liberal lawyers of America. You know as your life long friend and admirer that I want to see this done.

I have a similar feeling about the vindication which I am sure is coming for my chief, Attorney General Cummings. He adopted a non-partisan attitude in the selection of attorneys to argue important cases. For instance in the selection of a man to argue the T.V.A. case he appointed Mr. John Lord O'Brien, who was in the Department under Hoover. Mr. Holtzoff is also a hold-over from the Hoover administration. Many other instances could be cited. While I am not in the Attorney General's confidence, I feel that he was actuated by the most patriotic motives. However, you will understand that the conduct of Mr. Hoover, and of the group of which he is the head, has been so vicious, unfair, and at times almost indecent, that those who through life have been personally devoted to the President and his family, both personally and officially, bitterly resent anything that looks like the continuance of the Hoover influence.

This has given rise in the south to criticism of the Department which, I think, is unfounded and is passing away. When all is said and done the Attorney General has accomplished a great work in the matter of checking the crime wave which in the Hoover administration was sweeping the country and of bringing kidnapers and gangsters to justice. In this matter he has been most ably aided by Hon. J. Edgar Hoover, who is in my judgment, one of the outstanding men in public life in America today. In addition to this the Attorney General has been able, with the help of Assistant Attorney General Keenan and others, to have Congress pass a more adequate system of criminal laws and the crime situation is rapidly returning to normal.

These more or less prosaic activities of the Department are lost sight of in the mad excitement of the New Deal decisions. As to these, I do not believe that any other group of lawyers would have done much better. Those who, like myself, were raised in an atmosphere of strict constitutional construction had little hope of the Supreme Court doing otherwise than it did.

Excuse my long digression but I have much time for reflection and miss you and my other friends very much. Please write me a long letter as I know you have an entirely non-partisan and friendly attitude toward the Department of Justice, whose members in turn, without regard to party, esteem you very highly. Please remember me to your assistant Mr. Henderson and to your very charming lady secretary, if she is still with you, and to all the members of the Charlotte Bar.

With best wishes I am,

Very sincerely yours,

RANDOLPH PRESTON,
Special Assistant to
Attorney General.

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MAILBOX

April 17, 1936.

Personal and Confidential

Honorable Francis B. Walter,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Congressman:

First, I want to apologize for not having previously acknowledged your very kind letter of April 2nd, but I have been in and out of the city so much in connection with official matters that I have gotten behind in my personal correspondence.

I want you to know that it is very gratifying to me to learn of the action taken by the Judiciary Committee upon the bill which was favorably reported out to that Committee concerning my compensation. Irrespective of whether the bill ever becomes a law, I shall always treasure that evidence of respect and confidence on the part of the Committee. It means more to me to have the confidence and approbation of thinking and sincere citizens than it does to receive monetary reward. Consequently, I value so much the action of the members of the Judiciary Committee of the House.

I do hope that you may have the opportunity at some early date to come down to our headquarters here and go through and see first hand the work which we are trying to do in the field of law enforcement. I think that you would be interested in seeing it.

Allow me to take this occasion to express to you my sincere appreciation of your ever-evident interest in the work which the Federal Bureau of Investigation is trying to do.

With expressions of my very best regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

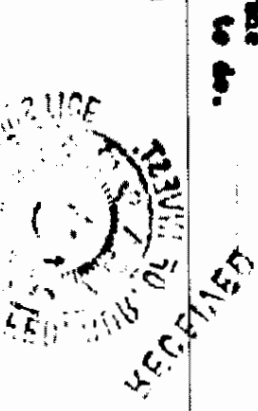
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April 2, 1936.

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
 Director
 Federal Bureau of Investigation
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

On rare occasions Bills are reported favorably by the Judiciary Committee without contra-argument. Never, however, has a Bill been favorably reported by our Committee where there was such unanimity of approval as that which was expressed Tuesday when we approved the Bill which will to some small degree give concrete evidence of appreciation for your great contribution to the Nation's welfare. Perhaps, I am doing an improper thing in divulging the proceedings at an Executive Session but I feel that I must tell you and I am sure I am voicing the sentiments of the entire Congress and the Nation that our great Government is, indeed, fortunate in having you as one of its servants.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Francis E. Walter

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John Edgar Hoover

March 17, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HENRY STIDAM,
Special Assistant to the Attorney General

I have received your memorandum of March 17th relative to the inquiry made by the United Press concerning my health. I personally do not see a necessity for the making of any public statement concerning my physical condition. It is a fact that I have been having serious sinus trouble, and am still under treatment for it, but I do not consider that the condition of my health is of sufficient importance to be commented upon by me to the press.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Henry Suydam,
Special Assistant to the Attorney General.

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Dear Mr. Quinn:

Did you ever read a more imaginatively concocted piece of work? Couldn't even get routine knowledge correct. Note the paragraph immediately following "Reason of Huff". The "appointment" is so wrong that a fifth-rate country paper would bounce the writer for inaccuracy. Even an accusation should have plausibility in its superficial facts. REC.

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Hoover, G Men Leader, May Resign Post

Reported in Huff Over Subordination and Recent Reprimand

G-men circles in San Francisco are agog over private reports their chief, J. Edgar Hoover, is threatening to quit in a huff.

Thus far no official hint has reached outside the inner circle of Hoover's intimates, according to information received by Federal circles here.

W. S. Listerman, who trained in Washington under Hoover and recently was brought from New Jersey to head the bureau here, expressed surprise yesterday over the report.

REASON OF HUFF

Hoover's reported huff is due to the appointment of Joseph B. Keenan, assistant attorney general in charge of crime prosecutions, to the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice, the post formerly held by Hoover.

The subordination of Hoover to Keenan followed shortly after word reached San Francisco Attorney General Cummings had called Hoover on the carpet for a reputed reprimand as a so-called "publicity bound."

That was about the time the "movies" and the magazines were filled with the exploits of the G-men, featuring Hoover as the outstanding hero.

"TOO MUCH PUBLICITY"

"Mr. Hoover," the Attorney General said in effect, according to the version reaching high Government circles here, "I want you to realize that I am the head of the Department of Justice. It seems to me there is too much Hoover in the publicity going out from your department."

The chief G-man has issued stringent orders that no information, except on the most minor offenses, shall be given out by his subordinates, even though they be in charge of the various bureaus. Everything must be referred to him in Washington, to be given its "press release" there.

To tighten up any leaks Hoover recently ordered all agents take an "oath of secrecy" whenever they were assigned to a new district.



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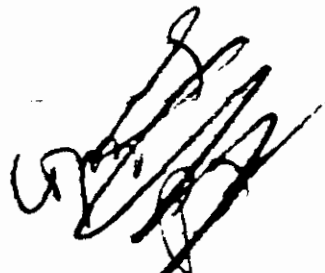
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Judge Holtzoff sends copies
of House and Senate Bills to
increase compensation of Director.

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74TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 11616

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 4, 1936

Mr. SUMNERS of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered to be printed

A BILL

To fix the compensation of the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

- 1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
 - 2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
 - 3 *That, effective on the first day of the first month next follow-*
 - 4 *ing the approval of this Act, the compensation of the Director*
 - 5 *of the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the Department*
 - 6 *of Justice shall be \$10,000 per annum.*
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74TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 4169

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 24 (calendar day, MARCH 4), 1936

MR. ASHBURST introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To fix the compensation of the Director of the Federal Bureau
of Investigation.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That, effective on the first day of the first month next
4 following the approval of this Act, the compensation of the
5 Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the
6 Department of Justice shall be \$10,000 per annum.

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington Field Office, Room 5252
Washington, D. C.

February 12, 1936.

PERSONAL and CONFIDENTIAL

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In connection with your anticipated visit to Miami, Florida and thence to Habana, Cuba; Nassau and Puerto Rico; returning to Miami, Florida, I conferred with Commander V. M. Thompson, Special Assistant to the Secretary of the Treasury, and with Mr. E. T. Ackan, who is attached to the office of the Honorable Stephen B. Gibbons, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, and through Mr. Gibbons have arranged that the freedom of the port at Miami, Florida and Customs courtesy be extended to you and those who will accompany you when you return from your trip, by aeroplane, to Miami, Florida. In order that no possible misunderstanding may arise when you return to Miami, Florida, there is annexed hereto copy of a letter dated February 11, 1936, from the Honorable Stephen B. Gibbons to Mr. John Klein, Deputy Collector of Customs, Miami, Florida, authorizing the extension of the usual Customs courtesies and free entry privileges to you, Mr. Tolson and Mr. Hottel. Complying with the request made in connection with this matter, as embodied in my letter to Mr. Gibbons, your arrival at Miami will not be made known to the press or others not officially interested. The extending to you of the usual Customs courtesies and free entry privileges will eliminate any examination of luggage or other procedure which may cause you any delay or necessary loss of time when you return to the United States via Miami, Florida. A copy of the letter from Mr. Gibbons to Mr. John Klein, Deputy Collector of Customs, Miami, Florida, is enclosed in an envelope so indicated and marked "No. 1".

PROOF OF CITIZENSHIP UPON RETURN TO UNITED STATES VIA MIAMI, FLORIDA

Upon your return to the United States, via Miami, Florida, it would customarily be necessary to exhibit proof of citizenship. I have, however, arranged through the cooperation of Miss Ruth Shipley to have instructions issued by Colonel Daniel W. MacCormack, Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization, Department of Labor, to his representatives at Miami, Florida to waive the customary procedure in connection with proof of citizenship. Colonel MacCormack is presently out of the city, but upon his return on Monday, February 12, 1936, Miss Shipley

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*Letter to Miss Shipley
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will confer with him and see that the arrangements in this respect are perfected.

There is annexed hereto a letter dated February 11, 1936, addressed to you by the Honorable Wilbur Carr, Assistant Secretary of State, in which he makes reference to the general letter of introduction for you to any American Diplomatic and Consular officer within whose territory you may visit. He further states that he has also written to the Honorable Jefferson Caffery, American Ambassador at Habana and to Mr. Henry, American Consul at Nassau concerning your trip. When Mr. Carr was informed of your anticipated trip he indicated very keen interest and desire to extend every possible courtesy to you, through his office and the offices of the State Department representatives wherever you may visit. —This most cordial feeling, I am quite sure, is the result of his recent visit to your office.

There is also attached hereto a letter dated February 11, 1936, signed by the Honorable Cordell Hall, Secretary of State, to the American Diplomatic and Consular officers which refers to your anticipated trip and bespeaks for you and your party such courtesies and assistance which the Diplomatic officers may be able to render, consistent with their official duties.

HABANA, CUBA

<u>American Ambassador:</u>	Honorable Jefferson Caffery
<u>Residence:</u>	Country Club Park
<u>Office:</u>	American Embassy

There is attached hereto copy of a letter dated February 11, 1936, from Honorable W. J. Carr, Assistant Secretary of State, to the Honorable Jefferson Caffery, American Ambassador, Habana, Cuba. It will be noted in the last part of this letter that the possibility exists that you will likely wish to leave with him your address in order that any urgent communications from your office may be transmitted to you. Copy of this letter to Mr. Caffery from Mr. Carr is enclosed in an envelope so indicated and marked "No. 2".

<u>Hotel:</u>	<u>THE SEVILLA-BILTMORE on the Prado</u>
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is now the leading hotel and is being occupied by guests who enjoy international prominence.

Amusements: Exclusive Dining Places:

I have been informed that the "PATIO ON THE PRADO" caters to the more exclusive class at Habana for dinner and supper and the guests to a large extent are members of the Diplomatic Corps and high government officials. Another place which Mr. Sumner Wells, the former Ambassador to Cuba, recommends as being very exclusive, is the "SANS SOUSI", which, I understand, is an open air cabaret which caters to the more elite class of Cuban society.

Government Transportation Request:

I have been informed by the State Department that the transportation facilities in Cuba are required to report immediately to the Cuban Government the identity of all persons traveling on Government Transportation Request.

NASSAU, BAHAMAS:

American Consul: Frank Anderson Henry

I am transmitting herewith copy of a letter dated February 11, 1936, from the Honorable Wilbur J. Carr to Mr. Henry advising him of your anticipated trip and expressing his appreciation for anything he may be able to do for you while at Nassau. The last part of the letter makes reference to the very splendid work which you and your men have been doing for our Government. A copy of this letter is enclosed in an envelope so indicated and marked "No. 3".

I am also forwarding herewith copy of a letter dated February 11, 1936, from Miss Ruth Shipley, Chief, Passport Division, Department of State, to the Honorable F. Lamont Belin who resides on an estate known as "On the Edge of the Blue" at Nassau, Bahamas. Miss Shipley has been personally acquainted with Mr. Belin for many years and she referred to him as a career man of the State Department; former Ambassador to Poland, related to the DuPonts of Delaware and a man who has a splendid personality and is enjoying life on his very beautiful estate known as "On the Edge of the Blue" at Nassau. There is attached to the copy of this letter the personal card of Miss Shipley introducing you to Mr. Belin.

It will be noted in this letter that Miss Shipley stated that she had been asked whether she knew anyone in Nassau to whom a letter of

introduction could be given for you. I assure you that this is entirely incorrect and that I made no such suggestion really; on the other hand, that you preferred to have time at your disposal to do what you desired to do. Miss Shipley evidently used this phraseology not knowing just what else to say. This letter is enclosed in an envelope so indicated and marked "No. 4".

Hotel: FORT MONTAGUE

I am informed that this hotel is the most exclusive one there.

PUERTO RICO:

Governor: Honorable Blanton Winship

There is annexed hereto copy of a letter dated February 11, 1936, to Governor Winship from Miss Ruth Shipley of the Department of State, advising him of your anticipated trip, and suggesting that you undoubtedly will pay your respects to him. Attached to this letter is a personal card of Miss Shipley introducing you to the Governor. This letter is enclosed in an envelope so indicated and marked "No. 5".

United States Federal Judge: Robert A. Cooper

United States Attorney: A. Cecil Snyder

United States Commissioner:

<u>At San Juan:</u>	Honorable Raymond C. Julia
<u>At Mayaguez:</u>	Honorable William Falbe

Hotel: CONDADO-VANDERBILT

is the only hotel which I understand has facilities which are acceptable.

CABLE OR WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS - BY CODE OR OTHERWISE - WITH YOU OR BY YOU SHOULD EMERGENCY REQUIRE SAME:

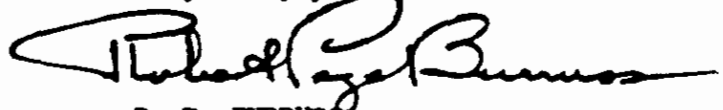
I have arranged with Miss Ruth Shipley of the Department of State, should an emergency arise to reach you by cable or wireless - by

code or otherwise - through the officials above referred to. I may suggest, if agreeable to you, that you indicate to the American Ambassador or Consuls, or to the office of Governor Winship where you may next be located, and, should you deem it advisable, can arrange upon instructions from your office to reach you through the channels above referred to. The same facilities will be at your disposal should you care to reach your office at Washington, D. C.

May I respectfully suggest that consideration be given to the use of Travelers' Checks by you while on this trip, and further that you may desire to take out Travelers' Insurance. Might I further take the privilege of suggesting that travel both by plane and by railroad to the South is extremely heavy at this season of the year and that reservations should be made as far in advance as possible.

I am also sending to you an original letter dated February 11, 1936, addressed to me by Miss Ruth Shipley, Chief, Passport Division, Department of State, which indicates the action taken by her and other officials in connection with your trip South. She has exhibited keen interest and cooperation and a desire to be helpful and the thought has occurred to me that you may care to drop her a note of thanks.

Very truly yours,



R. P. HURRUSS
Special Agent.

RPB:EE
(Enclosures)

February 11, 1936.

Dear Mr. Burruss:

Mr. Carr has issued a general letter of introduction for Mr. Hoover and has also written to the Ambassador at Habana and the American Consul at Nassau. I have personally written to General Winship, the Governor of Puerto Rico, and I have also written a personal note to Mr. Lamot Belin at Nassau. I am enclosing cards for presentation to these two gentlemen, who will be very glad indeed to have the pleasure of seeing Mr. Hoover and his friends. If there is anything further that I can do, be sure to let me know.

Very sincerely yours,

Arthur Shipley

Enclosures:
Cards of Introduction.

Robert P. Burruss, Esquire,
Care of Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE, U. S. A.

To the

Diplomatic and Consular Officers of the United States of America.

Introducing: J. Edgar Hoover, Esquire.



DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

February 11, 1936.

To the American

Diplomatic and Consular Officers.

Sirs:

At the instance of the Honorable Wilbur J. Carr, Assistant Secretary of State, I take pleasure in introducing to you J. Edgar Hoover, Esquire, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice, who, accompanied by Mr. Clyde Tolson, Assistant Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice, and Mr. Guy Hottel of Washington, D. C., is about to proceed abroad.

I cordially bespeak for Mr. Hoover and his party such courtesies and assistance as you may be able to render, consistently with your official duties.

Very truly yours,

ROOM 5730

**DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.
OFFICIAL BUSINESS**

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID
PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300

Letter from

Hon. Stephen B. Gibbons, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury

To: Mr. John Klein, Deputy Collector of Customs, Miami, Fla.

Dated: February 11, 1936.

NO. 1.

February 11, 1936.

**Mr. John Klein,
Deputy Collector of Customs,
Miami, Florida.**

Sir:

You are authorized to extend the usual Customs courtesies and free entry privileges to Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Mr. Clyde Tolson, Assistant Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and Mr. Guy Hottel, Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, who will arrive in Miami by air from Havana on February 22 or a few days later.

Mr. Hoover and his party desire that their arrival be kept a secret. Therefore, it is requested that their arrival be kept from the press and others not officially interested.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Stephen B. Gideon

Assistant Secretary.

Encl.

Washington Field Office, Room 8252
Washington, D. C.

February 11, 1936.

STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL

Hon. Stephen B. Gibbons,
Assistant Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Mr. E. T. Aiken

Dear Sir:

With reference to the telephone conversation between you and Commander V. M. Thompson, Special Assistant to the Secretary of the Treasury, this morning, it is respectfully requested that customs courtesy be granted at Miami, Florida, upon the return to the United States on February 22nd, 1936, or a few days later, to the following:

Mr. John Edgar Hoover,
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice.

Mr. Clyde Tolson,
Assistant Director, Federal Bureau of
Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice.

Mr. Guy Hottel,
Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice.

The above mentioned persons, according to their present itinerary will leave Washington, D. C. for Miami, Florida, February 14th, 1936, and will then visit Nassau, Bahama Islands; Havana, Cuba and Puerto Rico; then returning to Havana, Cuba and thence to Miami, Florida, all travel to be made by aeroplane.

The trip above referred to is to be made both for business and to an extent for pleasure, and it will be highly appreciated if you can confidentially arrange with the officials at Miami, Florida to extend to them the freedom of the port. When making these arrangements with your representatives at Miami, Florida, may I suggest that they be requested not to make known to the press, or anyone else the anticipated arrival of the officials above referred to, as Mr. Hoover particu-

larly desires that no publicity be given to his arrival.

If entirely agreeable and consistent, I will appreciate receiving a copy of your letter to your representative at Miami, Florida, in order that Mr. Hoover may have same available when he arrives there from Havana, Cuba.

Please accept assurance of my appreciation for any courtesy which you may extend in this matter.

Very truly yours,

RFB:EE

R. P. BURRUSS,
Special Agent.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID
PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300

Letter From

Miss Ruth Shipley, Chief, Passport Division, Department of State

To: Hon. Blanton Winship, Governor of Puerto Rico.

Dated: February 11, 1936.

NO. 5.

February 11, 1936.

My dear Governor Winship:

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Head of the G Men of the Department of Justice, is making a flying trip to Nassau, Habana and San Juan. He is accompanied by Mr. Clyde Tolson, Assistant Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and Mr. Guy Hottel. I do not know the nature of his trip but I understand that it is for rest and recreation, and that they desire that no publicity be given to the trip. However, I believe there is a case pending down there in which Mr. Hoover is interested. He will undoubtedly present himself to pay his respects to you and I thought you would like to know in advance of his coming. I have given him a card of introduction to you.

With very cordial remembrances and best regards,
I am,

Sincerely yours,

The Honorable
Blanton Winship,
Governor of Puerto Rico.

Frank Shipley

General Blanton Winship
Gobierno y Puerto Rico
San Juan

Dear General Winship:
This will introduce
Mr. J. Edgar Hoover of
Mrs. Frederick M. Shipley
the Department of Jus-
tice about whom I
wrote you.
5508 Thirty-ninth Street
Ruth Shipley

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID
PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300

Letter from

Miss Ruth Shipley, Chief, Passport Division, Department of State

To: Honorable F. Lamont Belin, "On the Edge of the Blue", Nassau,
Bahamas.

Dated: February 11, 1936.

No. 4.

February 11, 1936.

Dear Mr. Belin:

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Head of the G Men of the Department of Justice, is making a personal flying trip for recreational purposes to Nassau, Habana, and San Juan. He is accompanied by Mr. Clyde Tolson and Mr. Guy Hottel. I have been asked if I knew anyone in Nassau to whom I might give a letter of introduction and it occurred to me that you would be just the very person whom Mr. Hoover and his friends would like to know in case they are to be completely carefree on their trip. Consequently, I have given Mr. Hoover a card thinking that you might be glad of the chance to see him. He is having a very colorful career.

The tickets for the President's Ball arrived in due course and Bill greatly enjoyed using them. He was very keen to dance to Guy Lombardo's music and I feel he did more work following Guy Lombardo around
from

The Honorable
F. Launot Belin,
"On the Edge of the Blue",
Nassau, Bahamas.

From hotel to hotel than he did dancing but, nevertheless, he had a good time. Many many thanks to you for your kindness.

With warmest regards to Mrs. Belin and yourself,

Very sincerely yours,

Rich Shipley

The Honorable
F. Hammet Belin
"On the Edge of the Blue"
Nassau

Dear Mr. Belin:

This will introduce
Mr. J. Edgar Hoover of
the Department of Jus-
tice, about whom I
wrote you.

5209 Thirty-ninth Street
Ruth Shipley

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID
PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$500

Letter from

Hon. Wilbur J. Carr, Assistant Secretary of State

To: Hon. Jefferson Caffery, American Ambassador, Habana, Cuba.

Dated: February 11, 1936.

NO. 2.

February 11, 1936.

My dear Mr. Caffery:

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, accompanied by Mr. Clyde Tolson, Assistant Director, and Mr. Guy Hottel, is making a brief flying trip to Nassau, Habana, and San Juan, arriving in Habana in the early part of the week of February 17. Mr. Hoover will undoubtedly get in touch with you if the length of his stay in Habana permits.—I understand that it is to be a private, personal trip and that they desire no publicity. I have given him a letter of introduction and I will greatly appreciate anything that you may do to be of assistance to him. He will likely wish to leave with you his address in order that any urgent communications from his Department may be transmitted to him.

With cordial remembrances,

Very sincerely yours,

W. J. Carr

The Honorable
Jefferson Caffery,
American Ambassador,
Habana, Cuba.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PAYMENT OF POSTAGE \$200

Letter from

Hon. Wilbur J. Carr, Assistant Secretary of State

To: Frank Anderson Henry, Esq., American Consul, Nassau, Bahamas

Dated: February 11, 1936.

NO. 3.

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INVESTIGATION
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.
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LETTER BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID
PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$200

Letter from

Hon. Wilbur J. Carr, Assistant Secretary of State

To: Frank Anderson Henry, Esq., American Consul, Nassau, Bahamas

Dated: February 11, 1936.

February 11, 1936.

My dear Mr. Henry:

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, - perhaps better known as the Chief of the G Men - is making a brief flying trip to Nassau and will doubtless call upon you. He is accompanied by Mr. Clyde Tolson, Assistant Director, and Mr. Guy Hottel. I understand that it is to be a private, personal trip and that they desire no publicity. I should greatly appreciate anything that you may be able to do for these gentlemen consistently with your official duties. I am sure that you are familiar with the very splendid work which Mr. Hoover and his men have been doing for the government.

Very sincerely yours,

W. J. Carr

Frank Anderson Henry, Esquire,

American Consul,

Nassau, Bahamas.

OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

December 24, 1935.

Time - 12:41 P. M.

MEMORANDUM

Re: The Director's Salary.

Mr. Brien McMahon telephoned me this afternoon and stated that he had just sent a letter to the Budget with reference to my salary. Mr. McMahon told me that he had just talked to the Attorney General about it.

J. E. H.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Joseph
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

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October 14, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

J. E. Hoover

I desire to acknowledge receipt of your contribution of \$10 to the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Bureau who may lose his life by violence in the line of official duty.

Respectfully,

W. R. Glavin.

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J. A. Glavin

J. E. Hoover

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

October 10, 1935

Mr. Tolson called to say that in conversation with Mr. Lester about his trip north to make speeches Mr. Lester advised that the faculty of Johns Hopkins is desirous of recommending that the Congressional Medal of Honor be awarded to Mr. Hoover.

Also:

While Mr. Lester was in New England he made eight speeches in three days and after his speech making was over the faculties of Smith and Hobart colleges, two very heavily endowed Colleges, visited him and offered him the Presidency of these two colleges. Mr. Lester declined, and was assured by the faculties that if the salary were any drawback they would meet any demands he would make in this connection.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

SJT:RCL

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

September 19, 1935.

9:15 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Hanson of New York City telephoned and stated that while at police headquarters yesterday afternoon, Special Agent Jim Amos was informed by Harry Butts, ballistics expert, that it is freely rumored around the New York Police Department that Mr. Hoover is going out of office as Director and that Commissioner Valentine is to succeed him; that H. E. Burckman is to take Valentine's place.

I inquired of Mr. Hanson if he knew as to the source of the rumor of if any further details were known. He stated that he did not know the source of the rumor or any other details. I inquired if there were any situation in New York City that might lend itself to such a rumor. Mr. Hanson stated that he has heard and there has been some comment in the paper concerning the assigning of two detectives by Valentine to guard the Mayor after receipt of certain threats; that the Mayor found out about the guard, ordered the men taken away at once and that Valentine was quite provoked about it. The news and general comment at that time seemed to indicate that a situation had arisen and it was rumored that Burckman would take Valentine's place.

Mr. Hanson stated that Agent Amos is to be at police headquarters again today and if any further information is received, he will communicate with the Bureau.

Respectfully,

S. J. Tracy.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

NATHAN
CHIEF
TOLSON
THREX
LESTER
FOUR
FRACY
IDENT UNIT

Well, well these kind of rumors have usually started about 9 months before Presidential elections. This time they are starting a little sooner. Possibly the delay in Ethiopian hostilities has created a dearth of news so they have to fill in. D. C. N.

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Washington, D.C.
August 16/35

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Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Joseph	.....
Mr. Keith	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Schmidt	.....
Mr. Schliker	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

Major J. Edgar Hoover -

Dear Sir and Brother:

I have recently learned that you are a Commissioned Officer in the Officers' Reserve Corps, U. S. A. Also a Mason. That makes you eligible for Membership in the National Sojourners, which only Commissioned Officers and Masons, are members.

We are jealous of our Membership, but have decided that you are to be approached toward becoming a member. Accordingly, I am enclosing a membership blank, which I hope you will fill out and send to our Secretary, Major E. S. Bettelheim, Jr. - 1700 Eye St., N. W. Further communications will be forwarded by his office. I know you will enjoy this membership as much as I have, since its formation in 1923. Anything I can explain will be done cheerfully and willingly.

Fraternally,

/s/

Nathan Williams
1816 Kalorama Rd.
Phone: Col. 3811.

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Washington - D.C.

August - 16/35 -

Major J. Edgar Hoover -
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are a Commissioned Officer in the
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We are jealous of our membership,
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Accordingly, I am enclosing a membership
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him, Jr - 1700 Eye St., Mr. Furber com-
munications will be forwarded by his office.
I know you will enjoy this membership as
much as I have, since its formation in
1923. Anything I can explain will be
done cheerfully & willingly.

Maternally
Nathan Williams - 1816 Katorama Rd. Phone col. 38

Mr. Nathan
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Mr. Baughman
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Mr. Quinn
Mr. Scheidt
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Gandy



APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP NATIONAL SOJOURNERS

Washington Chapter, No. 3

The undersigned represents, on honor, that he is a Master Mason in good standing, that he holds or has held a Commission in the United States Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard Service, Public Health Service, Coast and Geodetic Survey Service (or Reserve Corps of these bodies), and in furtherance of his Masonic Obligation to promote welfare of its members and perpetuate allegiance to the American Flag, hereby applies for membership in the National Sojourners.

Applicant (sign full name) _____

Print name if signature is not legible

Rank _____ Organization _____

Present, Reserve, Ex.

Years in Service _____

Military or Business Address _____ Phone _____

Civil Address _____ Phone _____

CHAPTER OF	NAME	NO.	CITY	STATE
Blue Lodge				
Eastern Star				
Grotto, MOVPER				
Tall Cedars				
Chapter, RAM				
Council, R&SM				
Commandery, KT.				
Consistory 32°				
Shrine, AAONMS.				

Chairs Occupied _____

Other Masonic History _____

Have you ever applied for membership in any other Chapter of National Sojourners? _____

Recommended by Captain Nathan Stillman

Dated at Washington this 16th day of August, 1935

Approved by Membership Committee _____ Elected _____

This application must be accompanied by check for \$2.00 annual dues. Check made payable to the Treasurer, National Sojourners.

This application to be forwarded to Secretary, Washington Chapter No. 3.

Major

Gert. Edwin S. Bettelheim, Jr.
University Club, Washington, D.C.

1700 Eye St. NW.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

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

August 24, 1935.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who has contributed to this fund and who may lose his life by violence in line of official duty, I am forwarding herewith (~~CHECK~~ ~~MONEY ORDER~~ - CASH) in the sum of ten dollars (\$10.00), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Bureau, to be included in said fund. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

The Director of the Bureau will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping, and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director of the Bureau in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of said Bureau shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director.

Upon the death of any Special Agent, the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. In the event of a finding that the death was by violence in line of official duty, appropriate instructions will be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the full amount of said fund as of the date of death.

The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary:

Name Mrs. Annie M. Hoover Address 413 Seward Square, S. E.
Relationship Mother

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Very truly yours,

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enr*

J. E. Hoover
Director.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

CT:BN

July 29, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

On Saturday, July 27, Agent in Charge Brantley, who is in Washington, advised me of the receipt of information from his office in Oklahoma City to the effect that Mr. Mark T. Little, a former Agent of the Bureau, is now Acting Agent in Charge of the office of the Division of Investigations, Interior Department, at Oklahoma City. Mr. Brantley had received word that Mr. Mark T. Little had circulated a story to the effect that the Director was going to resign and intended to establish an international detective agency. The report further indicated that Mr. Tamm was slated to become Director of the Bureau.

I telephoned Mr. John Little, Acting Agent in Charge of the Oklahoma City Office, and instructed him to communicate with Mr. Mark Little and to inform him that this is an absolute falsehood, that Mr. Hoover has no intention of resigning, and further if he did resign he certainly would not establish any international detective agency. Mr. John Little stated that he would communicate with Mr. Mark Little and that he would verify his conversation with Mr. Little in this matter by letter.

Respectfully,

Clyde Tolson.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 1276

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

July 29, 1935

JBL:CGC

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N. W.,

Dear Mr. Hoover:

In accordance with telephonic instructions from Mr. Tolson, Mr. Mark T. Little, formerly an Agent in the Bureau, called at the Oklahoma City office today, at my request, in connection with the statement or rumor reported to emanate from Mr. Little to the effect that you contemplate resigning as Director in order to establish an international detective bureau and would be succeeded by Mr. E. A. Tamm as Director.

Mr. Little stated that he first received this report in East Texas, the sources of which he declined to reveal, but stated that he received the same information from two independent sources, which sources considered the report to be well founded and "to be a matter of general knowledge in Washington." Mr. Little stated that the report, as he heard it, was to the effect that you were to be succeeded by Mr. Tamm or Mr. Tolson.

Mr. Little stated that he attached no credence whatever to the story, considering it merely idle gossip, and in the event he has unwittingly repeated this report, it was unintentional and he sincerely regrets that the source of such a report should be attributed to him. He was advised that the report is untrue and that there is no basis whatever for the circulation of a story of this character. Mr. Little stated that "his lips would be sealed" so far as any further repetition of this story is concerned. During the interview, Mr. Little spoke only in the highest terms of you, and it was noted that he referred to you frequently as "the boss" with apparently no premeditation.

Mr. Little is presently Acting Special Agent in Charge for the local office of the Division of Investigations of the Department of the Interior, and stated that he wished to dispel any ideas that the rumor referred to emanated in any manner as propaganda in connection with any antagonistic feelings formerly reported to exist between the Bureau and

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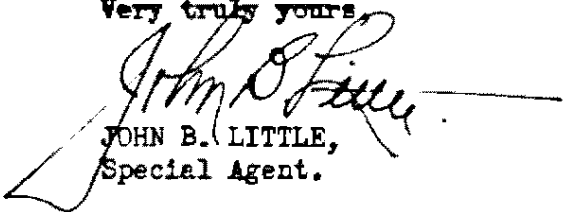
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the Division of Investigations of the Department of the Interior, as a result of alleged proselyting on the part of the Department of the Interior in employing Bureau trained Agents.

The information resulting in the interview with Mr. Little was occasioned by information furnished by me to Mr. Brantley. Although I knew from the first that any statement of this character would be false and without basis, I appreciate the fact that you desire to be advised thereof promptly. I shall be governed accordingly in the future and should any information of a like character be received by me, while acting in charge of a Bureau office, I shall see that the same is furnished you directly.

Very truly yours,



JOHN B. LITTLE,
Special Agent.

Photostat copy of authority to Director
to direct expenditure of emergency fund
of \$20,000. Dated July 26, 1935.

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Assistant Attorney General Dickinson
Assistant Attorney General Jackson
Assistant Solicitor General MacLean
Mr. Hoover, Dir. Fed. Bu. of Investigation
Mr. Tolson, Asst. Dir. Fed. Bu. of Investigation
Mr. Bates, Dir. Bureau of Prisons
Mr. Finch, Pardon Attorney
Mr. Beardslee, Dir. Bu. War Risk Lit.
Mr. Lawrence, Taxes and Penalties Unit
Mr. Carusi
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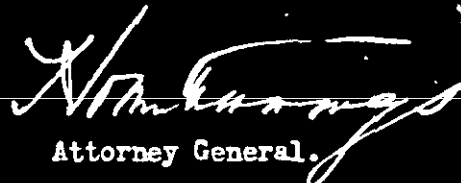
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

July 26, 1935.

Order No. 2731

Pursuant to the authority conferred upon me as head of the Department of Justice by Section 161, R. S. (Section 22, Title 5, U. S. Code) I hereby delegate to J. Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, full authority to direct the expenditure of the emergency fund of not to exceed \$20,000 of the appropriation "Salaries and Expenses, Federal Bureau of Investigation 1936" contained in the Department of Justice Appropriation Act approved March 22, 1935 (Public No. 22 - 74th Congress) and to make a certificate of the amount of such expenditure as he may think it advisable not to specify, as required by said act.


Attorney General.

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July 23, 1935.

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Mr. Alfred Hampton,
Box 423,
Gilroy, California.

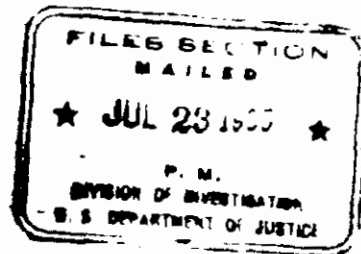
Dear Mr. Hampton:

Thank you very much indeed for
your note of July 14, in which you enclose
a copy of an article which appeared in the
Gilroy Evening Dispatch of July 12. It
was kind of you to send a copy of this
clipping to me.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Baughman.....
Chief Clerk.....
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Hon. "J. E. H." Hello Justice; Have watched your amazing career with interest & admiration, especially since your able and forceful presentation of the Govt's side before Secy. W.B. Wilson in the "Martins case". Continued success and good luck to you. Sincerely, Alfred Hampton.

Hon. "J.E.H."

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/s/ Alfred Hampton.

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This certainly is news to me re application for Labor Dept.

J. C. H.

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H. J. Edgar Hoover.
Dept. of Justice.
Washington
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AFTER 5 DAYS, RETURN TO

Alfred Humphreys

Box 423

GILROY, CALIFORNIA

Oakland Evening Dispatch

Oakland, California

July 22, 1935.

Local Man Played Part in Steering Noted G-Man's Life

Napoleon once said: "the changes in the course of empires hang on threads and not ropes." and this historic assertion was exemplified here today by a local man, Alfred Hampton, when he casually revealed he once played a "minor part" in the career of J. Edgar Hoover, the keystone G-Man being credited with the recent gratifying amazing cleanup of crime conditions throughout the nation.

Hampton, now retired, who was active in Federal politics for many years, was chief assistant to Commissioner General of Immigration Anthony Caminetti during the Wilson administration, and it was during this term of office he met the now famed head of the Department of Justice agents' bureau.

Caminetti was the storm center of several political battles during his term of office, and once while he was absent for a period from his official desk in Washington Hampton was in charge of the Bureau of Immigration.

Hoover Sought Transfer

It so happened during the period a decision was to be made on a \$1600 a year appointment, a "good Government job" in those days, and among the applicants for it was J. Edgar Hoover, then a \$1600 a year man but a highly

regarded one in the Department of Justice.

Young Hoover was highly recommended for the post and he was an efficient worker.

Hampton finally took the stand that all things being equal, it would be good policy to promote eligible men already familiar with the bureau's work and already working in it, so young Hoover's application for a transfer was reluctantly turned down.

Hoover Makes Own Way

And it wasn't long before Hampton's judgment was confirmed in an opposite way—for shortly afterwards a ticklish case of deportation of a representative of the Russian Government came up for action in the Immigration Bureau, and it was Hoover's brilliant investigation work for the Department of Justice and his forceful presentation of the case that brought about the deportation of the Russian plotter.

From this case on, Hoover's climb to position and fame as an investigator began resulting in his headship of all G-Men forces today, with credit accorded him as organizer of the most mobile, brilliant, swift force of crime investigators and criminal trappers in American penal history.

"On such apparently small decisions do great developments hinge," says Hampton, who has a fund of such reminiscences, and who, some day, the Dispatch may be able to coax into preparing a series of articles on experiences in the Federal service.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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July 29, 1935.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF JOHN EDGAR HOOVER,
DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.

John Edgar Hoover was born January 1, 1895, in the District of Columbia and was educated in the Public Schools of the District of Columbia, graduating from Central High School in 1913. During the same year, 1913, Mr. Hoover entered the Library of Congress as a Clerk, and enrolled in George Washington University Law School as an evening student. He holds the Degrees of LL. B., LL. M., and LL. D., from The George Washington University and has been admitted to practice law before the bar of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia; the United States Court of Claims, and the United States Supreme Court. He is a trustee of The George Washington University.

Mr. Hoover entered the Department of Justice in 1917 as a Clerk and in 1919 was appointed Special Assistant to the Attorney General. From 1921 until 1924, he served as Assistant Director of the Bureau of Investigation, and in May, 1924, he was named Director.

Mr. Hoover holds the commission of Lieutenant-Colonel in the Military Intelligence Division of the Officers Reserve Corps, United States Army. He is a member of the Columbia Country Club, Chevy Chase, Maryland; the Metropolitan and University Clubs, Washington, D. C.; the Masonic Fraternity; the Kappa Alpha Fraternity and is a life member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police; is a life member, International Association for Identification; an honorary member of the New England Association of Chiefs of Police; an honorary life member of the Sheriffs' Association of Texas; Vice-Chairman of the Advisory Board of the International World Police Association; an honorary member, Judges and Police Executives Conference of Erie County, New York; and an honorary member of the New Mexico Sheriffs' and Police Association. In November, 1933, Mr. Hoover was named a member of the Royal Order of the Crown of Rumania, with the rank of Commander, as a result of his activities in promoting closer international police collaboration.

The Bureau is charged with the duty of investigating violations of the laws of the United States and collecting evidence in cases in which the United States is or may be a party in interest. The organization has an annual appropriation of five millions of dollars, with a personnel of over fifteen hundred employees throughout the United States. Under the direction of the Attorney General, the Director of the Bureau directs the work of the Special Agents who are employed for the purpose of detecting crime and collecting evidence for use in proposed and pending cases for prosecution.

Mr. Hoover has under his immediate supervision the Identification Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which has on file over 5,000,000 sets of fingerprint records of persons who have been arrested in the United States and foreign countries, representing the largest and most

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Also, Mr. Hoover has under his supervision the Technical Laboratory of the Bureau, wherein scientific detection aids are utilized in connection with the solving of crimes under the Bureau's jurisdiction. The experts of this laboratory also assist State and local law-enforcement officials throughout the country in the use of scientific crime detection aids, such as handwriting and typewriting analysis, the examination of blood, hair and bullets, the use of ultra-violet light in the examination of substances and the decoding of cryptographic messages.

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June 18, 1935

Mrs. Joshua Evans, Jr.,
3405 Lowell Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Evans:-

I thought you might like to have the enclosed copy of an excerpt from the radio broadcast of Mr. Lowell Thomas of June 10th, which refers to the action of The George Washington University in conferring the Degree of Doctor of Laws upon me recently.

I trust you have not forgotten that you promised to pay us a visit and permit us to show you some of our activities here in the new Department of Justice Building.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Edgar Hoover

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Speech from Lowell Thomas'
Broadcast

June 10, 1935NBC-RTI Network

Well, this week begins with one piece of welcome news. A notable victory for John Lee's lesson to kidnapers. Those Sam's policemen are wearing a new feather in their hats tonight. The success of the Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice in the Beyerthamer case was just about the wildest thing in the annals of American crime. This morning's story alone was enough to electrify the country. Two people laid by the heels at Salt Lake City. In Butte, Montana, another man takes it on the run at the sight of a cop, leaving \$15,000 in ransom bills in his abandoned car and all this within a week after the Beyerthamer family turned over the \$200,000 to the snafu. The government men have had Burton and Margaret Bailey behind the bars in Salt Lake City ever since Friday night.

But this afternoon another sensation broke. J. Edgar Hoover's men found the hideout of the kidnapers in Graham, and there's a real endowment in everything and it may cause the criminal world to scratch its head and ask - done kidnapping pay now? The confession of the Bailey has the police of five western states looking for an escaped bank robber named William R. Lee, the man who took it on the land in Butte, leaving his car and \$15,000 in ransom bills. Every trail, every bus, every car traveling the roads of the northwest and of the later-mountain states has been surrounded by a cordon of patrols.

It turns out today that there's an eastern angle to the story of the Baileys. They used to live in Camden, New Jersey. Philadelphia and Camden police plucked the young man several times on suspicion of robbery but they always had to let him go for lack of evidence. And an interesting story about the Baileys was unearthed by the Philadelphia records. The lived in a boarding house in Camden. When they left, Bailey told his landlady and a fellow boarder "I've got a deal on that's going to fix Margaret and me up for life." And now it looks as though he spoke the truth, though not in the way he meant. He expected an easy life. Instead it's probably going to be prison life and the prosecutor in Camden declares that he's going to insist on a death sentence for all the conspirators.

All this adds considerable point to a ceremony at George Washington University last week when the faculty conferred a degree of Laws on J. Edgar Hoover. It's an honor in baseball that whenever a player gets a public testimony, he promptly walks to the plate and strikes out and he finally every ball that comes his way in the field too. It seems to work the opposite way with the brilliant young head of that Bureau of Investigation. The citation of the University was: "This degree was granted to John Edgar Hoover, administrator trained in law and technique and social justice who by reason

of character, courage and skill has caused his name to be associated with those who believe in the nobility of government and the worthiness of life." On top of that, young Hoover and his men went right out and more than justified this citation. Nineteen years ago Hoover was a pale faced, dark eyed, dark haired lad who laboriously got his law degree at George Washington University working nights. Daytimes he worked in the Library of Congress. It was a job paying \$30 a month and the advice he got from the elder fellows there was "Don't break your neck around here, youngster; it won't get you anywhere." Well, young J. Edgar Hoover paid no attention to the advice. He broke his neck consistently. He got a raise, he got another raise. Presently he was making more than any of the elder men who had given him that thorny advice. He was the highest paid clerk on the job when he got his law degree and quit to take another position in the United States Department of Justice. In 1924, Chief Justice Stone of the Supreme Court was Attorney General then. He was organizing a new division of investigation and when he looked through his department to find a head for it, he picked J. Edgar Hoover. The rest is a matter of criminological history. The breaking of the Weyerhaeuser case - the latest chapter.

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June 12, 1935.

Mr. Henry A. Morrow,
Second National Bank Uptown Building,
1331-1333 G Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Henry:

Many thanks for your letter of
June 11, 1935, in which you extended your
congratulations upon my being the recipient
of the Degree of Doctor of Laws. I also
value the clipping, and shall see that it
is put in the secret archives for my children
and grandchildren.

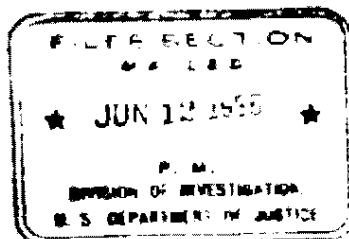
With best regards and good wishes,

I am

Sincerely,

J. Edgar Hoover

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MEET "DOCTOR" HOOVER, LL D.

The Chief of the Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice, J. Edgar Hoover (left), takes a short time out from his duties of chasing public enemies to receive an honorary degree from President Cloyd Heck Marvin of George Washington University.

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June 11, 1935

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover,
Division of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Doc Hoover:

I think perhaps you may not have seen
the enclosed clipping from The United States News
of June 10th, and I take pleasure in enclosing it
in order that it may be properly preserved for
your posterity.

With best personal wishes and congratula-
tions on this new honor, I am

Sincerely yours

Henry J. Collins

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Mrs. Joshua A. Evans, Jr.,
3405 Lowell Street, Northwest,
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mrs. Evans:

I want you to know how grateful I am for your courtesy in sending me a ticket for a seat in your box at the Commencement Exercises held last night. As you know, this ticket was used by Miss Helen Gandy, secretary to Mr. Hoover, and I know that she thoroughly enjoyed the proceedings.

I want to again express to you my sincere thanks for your helpfulness in connection with the entire matter. While Mr. Hoover is thoroughly deserving of the honors conferred upon him by George Washington University, I know that your personal interest in the matter has been of the utmost assistance.

With kind personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Clyde Tolson

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THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

PRESIDENT'S ROOM

3 June 1935

Mr. C. A. Tolson,
The Westchester Apartments,
Washington D. C.

My dear Mr. Tolson:

At the request of Mrs. Joshua A.
Evans, Jr., I am enclosing a ticket for
a seat in her box on the occasion of our
Commencement Exercises.

Yours sincerely,

Myrna Sedgwick

Myrna Sedgwick
Secretary to the
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Letter Mrs. Evans
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June 1, 1935.

Mr. Robert F. Smith,
Alma Temple Headquarters,
1315 K Street, Northwest,
Washington, D. C.

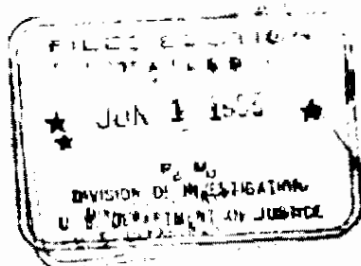
My dear Mr. Smith:-

I want you to know how very grateful I am for your courtesy in supplying me with two ring-side seats for the Gansneri-Klick match to be held at Clark Griffith Stadium on Monday evening, June 10th. It was more than kind of you to make these tickets available, and I hope that I shall have an opportunity some time in the future to reciprocate your courtesy and thoughtfulness.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF
WASHINGTON, D. C.

April 2, 1935

Major J. Edgar Hoover, MI-Res.,
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

My dear Major Hoover:

I am in receipt of your letter of April 1, and have directed that the necessary application forms for appointment in the Military Intelligence Reserve be forwarded to Mr. Glavin.

Orders have been requested convening a board of officers to conduct your examination for promotion to the grade of Lieutenant Colonel. On receipt of the orders, I will Communicate with you with a view to fixing a convenient time for the examination.

Sincerely yours,

F. H. Lincoln,
Colonel, General Staff,
Chief, Operations Branch

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. J. W. GARDNER
GENERAL AGENT AND CHIEF CLERK.

Reference is made to your memorandum advising of a suspension by the General Accounting Office in the voucher submitted by me covering official travel on November 10th and 11th, 1933, the suspension representing the difference between the cost of air transportation used by me and the available railroad rate.

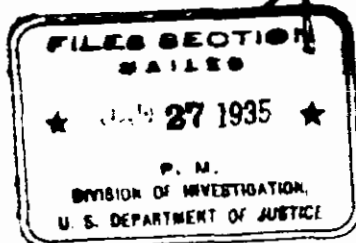
This is to advise you that the travel performed on the above-mentioned dates was occasioned by an unforeseen development connected with an important investigation at the New York Office, by reason of which it became necessary for me to proceed to that city for a special conference. Inasmuch as this conference was essential in order to determine the further procedure in a criminal case at New York, it was essential that I proceed there as rapidly as possible using air transportation to affect the necessary saving in time. This was a matter which could not have been postponed to permit travel by train, for to have done so would have nullified the developments in the case up to that time and rendered it impossible to protect the interests of the Government in that case.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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J. W. GARDNER
GENERAL AGENT AND CHIEF CLERK

Department of Justice
Washington

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Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman.....
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Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION.

The General Accounting Office whose audit of accounts paid by this Department is final has suspended for refund or explanation the following in connection with the settlement of your November, 1933, expense account:

Nov. 10-11, 1933, secured transportation by air, Wash., D.C. to New York and return T.R. J 448641 and J 448642 \$20.04
Tariffs on file in this office show RR fare, Washington to New York and return (Week-end rate) \$10.20
Round trip parlor car seat 3.76 15.96
\$ 6.08

In the absence of a showing of an emergency, transportation by air at a cost in excess of railroad transportation is not allowable. 9 Comp. Gen. 354 and 10 Comp. Gen. 301 is 408."

In view of the above, you are kindly requested to advise this office as to why you did not obtain round-trip ticket as required by Paragraph 16 of the Standardized Government Travel Regulations. In the event that satisfactory explanation cannot be made, you are requested to refund the difference of \$6.08 by check or money order payable to the order of "Treasurer of the United States and forward the same direct to this office.

Very truly yours,

J. W. Gardner
General Agent and Chief Clerk.

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Callahan J. McCarthy
80 Broad Street
Elizabeth, N. J.

December 14, 1934.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I wish to thank you for your communication of December 12 and, also, for the copy of your illuminating address delivered at the Attorney-General's conference on crime in Washington on December 11.

Your reference to a national training school for law-enforcement officers meets with the approval of every red-blooded American who desires to see the police force divorced from politics.

My observations of many years lead me to believe that the only way to solve the problem is to have all police orders emanate from the national capital, with all the states and territories coordinated into one police unit and each state cooperating with the others. This would redound to the advantage of the whole United States.

It is only natural that when the local politician is appealed to he exerts his influence in order to maintain his good graces with the voters. If the orders were issued from Washington it would relieve him of this self-imposed duty and the communities would benefit, crime would decrease, and the glorified gangster who appears too often on the front page of our metropolitan newspapers would soon be back in the obituary column where he belongs. Instead of having a cooper casket and a floral parade with a morbid, curious audience, he would receive the same American funeral that we all receive when we answer the last roll call.

You are doing good missionary work, for which you will receive the proper credit in the not far distant future. You have laid a solid foundation, and it will not require many years for the American public to appreciate the efforts, vision, and foresight of John Edgar Hoover in exterminating America's criminals.

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This month's issue of the Fraternal Order of Police Journal, which is published in Pittsburgh, Pa., and which, I think, you receive a copy of each month, will contain a picture of the Elizabeth Police Laboratory on their trip to you November 17. Your assistants, Messrs. Edwards, Coffey, and Schilder, are in the photograph, and I sent it along to Pittsburgh, together with some copy.

When he received it, the editor wrote back and asked me where our good friend, John Edgar Hoover, was and why he was not in the picture. He thought that we had slighted you and failed to extend to you an invitation to be photographed in front of the Department of Justice Building. I explained to him that you had been very busy that morning and more urgent business had required your immediate attention, but we hoped that we would secure a picture of you with the Elizabeth Police Laboratory in the not far distant future. This explanation satisfied the editor, and in his reply he stated that as long as we did not slight you or fail to invite you to have your picture taken, he felt that we had done our duty.

I would appreciate receiving all your circulars and bulletins which you mail out frequently, along with the fingerprint copies or picture of our undesirables.

Again thanking you for your courtesy in sending me your article on "Detection and Apprehension," I am,

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Callahan J. McCarthy.

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GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK ARIZONA
El Tovar Fred Harvey

December 10, 1934

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I just returned to my desk yesterday and this morning I have your most courteous note of December 5th referring to the cordial and very instructive reception accorded to me and the many National Park Representatives by yourself and staff. It was my intention to write you a note to express my thanks for your kindness in receiving us and for the instructive showing of your operation by your excellent assistants.

I have already had occasion to mention a number of times the fine work your Department is doing and, particularly the efficiency displayed and indicated in each department. I will also take the liberty of mentioning the unusual fine impression created by your personality; I say unusual because several of us remarked about it. Please pardon me, but you truly radiated confidence and ability.

I was very sorry to leave Washington before Mr. Keenan returned as I had left him here and was looking forward to a visit with him in Washington. I hope some day to have the pleasure of showing you a bit of the Grand Canyon and in a small measure to reciprocate your kindness.

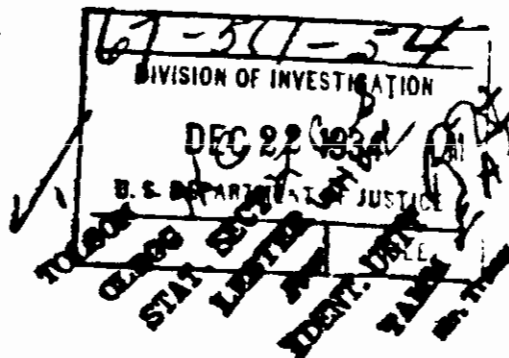
Sincerely yours,

VICTOR PATROSSO,
Manager

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You are winning
"golden opinions" - Congratulations!

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

September 14, 1934

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Mr. Tamm

MEMORANDUM TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Dear Mr. Cummings:

I have just written Mr. Hoover a letter, of which the attached is a copy.

I am calling this to your attention as I think it due Mr. Hoover that you should know how ably he has assisted me in this matter, which, as you know, had its inception during your absence.

Very truly yours,

Harold M. Stephens

HAROLD M. STEPHENS
Assistant Attorney General

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Dear Hoover;

You are ~~winning~~ winning
"Golden opinions" - Congratulations!

H.S.C.

September 14, 1936
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My dear Mr. Hoover:

Please permit me to compliment you and your assistants upon the promptness and dependability of the reports concerning the New Orleans situation.

Each day since this matter was called to the attention of the Department you have kept me fully and efficiently informed so that, if necessary, I could advise with respect to it on short notice.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Division of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Clegg	✓
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Chief Clerk	✓
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DIRECTOR J. EDGAR HOOVER OF THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION WAS MADE A COMMANDER OF THE ORDER OF THE CROWN OF ROUMANIA IN A CEREMONY TODAY AT THE ROUMANIAN LEGATION.

THE DECORATION WAS CONFERRED BY THE ROUMANIAN MINISTER IN BEHALF OF KING CAROL IN RECOGNITION OF HOOVER'S WORK IN THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF POLICE CHIEFS. HOOVER, IN ACTIVE CHARGE OF FEDERAL AGENTS CARRYING ON THE GOVERNMENT'S CAMPAIGN AGAINST CRIME, LONG HAS BEEN ACTIVE IN FOSTERING INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN TRACKING DOWN CRIMINALS.

THE DECORATION WILL BE HELD FOR HOOVER BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT UNTIL HE RETIRES FROM GOVERNMENT SERVICE.

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May 25, 1934

Mr. T. T. Keliher,
Chief Special Agent,
Illinois Central Railway System,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Keliher:

I heard with sincere gratification the reading of your resolution introduced before the Protective Section of the American Railway Association meeting, expressing appreciation for the cooperation which it has been the privilege of representatives of the Division to extend to members of your organization. I desire to thank you for the friendly sentiments contained in your resolution and to assure you of my desire to continue our cordial relationships to our mutual advantage.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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WHEREAS, the Protective Section of the American Railway Association is deeply indebted to the United States Department of Justice for its splendid work and cooperation during the past years, and,

WHEREAS, this occasion presents a suitable opportunity for expressing the esteem in which we hold the Honorable Attorney-General, Homer S. Cummings, and the Director of the Division of Investigation of the United States Department of Justice, Honorable J. Edgar Hoover.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the members of the Protective Section of the American Railway Association in meeting assembled at Washington, D. C., this 22nd day of May, 1934, express our deep appreciation and thanks to them, the supervisors and the attaches of their departments throughout the country for their unfailing courtesy, tact, fairness, and ability in the discharge of their official duties, which have done much to aid this Association in the successful results of the prosecution of persons violating the Federal Laws affecting the railroads and the traveling public, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of this meeting be requested to transmit to the Honorable Attorney-General and to the Director of the Division of Investigation of the United States Department of Justice, the preamble and resolution adopted on this occasion.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Washington, D.C.

December 27, 1933.

MEMORANDUM TO MR. J. EDGAR HOOVER

I thought you might be interested in the inclosed
letter and my answer thereto.

/s/ William Stanley

William Stanley,
The Assistant to the Attorney General.

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December 27, 1933.

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Mr. Cren J. Thornton,
807 J Street,
Sacramento, Cal.

Dear Sir:

The Attorney General has requested me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of December 5 in reference to Mr. J. Edgar Hoover.

This Department is not only satisfied, but extremely pleased with the administration of the Bureau of Investigation by Mr. Hoover.

Very truly yours,

William Stanley,

The Assistant to the Attorney General.

(COPY)

807 J Street,
Sacramento, California,
December 5, 1933.

The Attorney General,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

If you really want to learn some of the reasons why John Edgar Hoover should not occupy the position of Director of the Division of Investigation the only steps that need be taken will be to send a capable, unbiased and unafraid investigator to the offices of the U. S. Attorneys in the various judicial districts of the country, contact the heads of the Police Departments in the principal large cities and the Sheriffs in the counties in the populous centers and ask why:

- 1- Despite the favorable newspaper publicity, magazine and radio propaganda that has been forced upon the American public during the past few months, the Division of Investigation and all who have any connection therewith, are the laughing stock of every police and crime detecting agency in the country.
- 2- Why the much boasted of "cooperation" of police officials, sheriffs and other officers interested in the detection and prosecution of crime does not, in reality, exist.
- 3- Why an organization which, up to the time John Edgar Hoover became the directing head, functioned effectively as an investigative agency, now is nothing more than a very efficient political machine, subordinating its real purpose to that of furthering the political aims of John Edgar Hoover and keeping him in the position he is so thoroughly disqualified to fill.
- 4- Why no trace remains of that morale, among the employees who have been in the service longer than three years, which is so essential to the success of any organization which employs any considerable number of persons.
- 5- Why fear only actuates every move made by the present employees; all sense of loyalty, voluntary cooperation, love of the work and respect for the superior officers, having been absolutely destroyed by the administrative policies outlined and put into effect by J. E. Hoover.
- 6- Why the name "John Edgar Hoover" and the names of a majority (fortunately not all) of his administrative assistants, special agents in charge and others in authority, are always preceded by, "the dirty so-and-so" when they are mentioned by any employees who have been in the service long enough to have discovered what an inefficient and unpopular organization they represent.

- 7- Why a personnel "turn-over" which, if equaled in any private organization not having the resources of the U. S. Treasury behind it, would wreck the employing company, is necessary.
- 8- Why has it been necessary for the Bureau to lose the many thousands of dollars worth of experience, training and ability which it has lost in the last three years due to the forced resignations of many capable and outstanding agents; these resignations following a studied plan to harrass, intimidate and annoy; said plan having been initiated by J. E. Hoover and carried out by his subordinates.
- 9- Why all semblance of "humanness" has been eliminated from the Special agents in charge in most of the Bureau offices: these men, normally splendid fellows, having been so thoroughly brow-beaten, cowed and bound up in assinine rules, regulations and red-tape that they dare not follow their own judgments in deciding any matter but must first look in the manual and see what John Edgar Hoover would do in a like situation. This might not be so bad if John Edgar Hoover knew the right answer but, in many instances he does not.
- 10- Why are thousands of dollars of the Government's money expended unnecessarily because of J. E. Hoover's policy of keeping many agents constantly in a travel status, with the result that many of them always have pending cases in widely separated sections of the country, requiring frequent travel for grand jury and trial attendance and necessitating huge expenditures for unnecessary travel expenses.

This probably only duplicates information already in your possession; if so, is it not about time the tax payers who pay the salaries of John Edgar Hoover, et al, be given a "Kiss Deal" and that said salaries be transferred to others who will come nearer to returning value for the pay checks they receive?

You may wonder at my interest in the matter. It is because of my great regard for a cousin of mine, formerly a special agent who, after devoting 11 years of his life to the service of the Bureau of Investigation, was forced out by the tactics described and left, a broken man physically and disheartened and discouraged mentally.

Yours very respectfully,

Oren J. Thornton.

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OFFICE OF
DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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May 16, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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

I received a telephone inquiry from the Frederic J. Haskin Information Service this afternoon as to whether you were a member of the Republican or Democratic party. I told the individual making the inquiry that you are a native of Washington and have lived in Washington all of your life and I felt quite certain you had never been affiliated with any political organization.

Respectfully,

Clyde Tolson.

*I have never participated
in any political activity &
have no such affiliations.*

J. E. H.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

Room 318 3/c 1934.

To: ☐ Director
☐ Mr. Nathan
☐ Mr. Edwards
☐ Mr. Clegg
☐ Mr. Lester
☐ Miss Gandy
☐ Miss Finnell
☐ Chief Clerk
☐ Chief, Unit ☐
☒ Personnel Files
☐ Files
☐ Printing Section
☐ Supervisor, Steno. Pool
☐ Inspector
☐ Miss Sheaffer.

Clyde Tolson.

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March 1, 1934.

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Sen. William F. Connery, Jr.,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Congressman:-

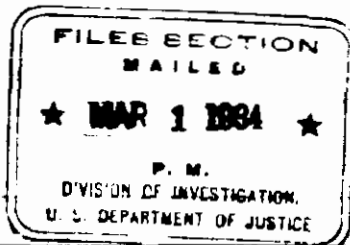
I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated February 27th, with which you enclosed a letter addressed to you by Mr. Dorsey W. Hyde, Jr., Secretary of the Washington Chamber of Commerce, concerning your nomination of Mr. Hoover to receive the Achievement Medal of The United States Flag Association.

I am most appreciative of your courtesy in forwarding this communication to me and I have taken the liberty of showing it to Mr. Hoover.

With best personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Clyde Tolson,
Assistant Director.



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Congress of the United States
 House of Representatives
 COMMITTEE ON LABOR
 Washington, D.C.

February 27, 1934.

Mr. Clyde A. Tolson, Asst. Director,
 Bureau of Investigation,
 Department of Justice,
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Tolson,

I am enclosing a letter which I received
 from Dorsey W. Hyde, Jr., in reply to our letter
 concerning Honorable J. Edgar Hoover.

With all personal good wishes,

Cordially,

William P. Connery, Jr.
 William P. Connery, Jr.

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Since the 800,000 Americans of the District
on American principles to be represented
The inhabitants of the District should not be the only Americans in the Republic denied the rights and privileges of American citizenship.
Will you help? Write us and we will tell you how.

which pay National Taxes, obey National Laws
national Government which taxes them, which

to war in the Nation's defense, they are entitled
laws for them, and which sends them to war

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February 17, 1934.

Honorable William P. Connery, Jr.,
House Office Building,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Representative Connery:

This is to acknowledge your courteous letter of February 15th in reference to the Achievement Medal to be awarded by the United States Flag Association.

I will be delighted to present your nomination of the Honorable J. Edgar Hoover to the Award Committee when Mr. Neel calls the meeting to act upon this question.

Sincerely yours,

Dorsey W. Hyde
Secretary.

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Office of
Lester Massingham
SHERIFF of BUTLER COUNTY
Poplar Bluff, Mo.

January 31, 1934.

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
U. S. Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find copy of the resolutions passed
at the second annual meeting of the Midwest Peace Officers'
Association.

I also wish, at this time, to thank you personally
for sending a representative of your Department to meet with
us. Mr. Yearsley's talk was highly enjoyed by all present.

Mr. Roy Presnell, Sheriff of St. Francois County,
Farmington, Missouri, was elected President for the coming
year and the next meeting of this association will be held
in Farmington, the date not yet determined.

Again thanking you for the many courtesies extended
by your Department in the past, I remain,

Respectfully yours,

(Signed) Lester Massingham
Sheriff.

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This organization expresses in the highest terms of appreciation the services rendered peace officers by J. Edgar Hoover, Superintendent of the U. S. Bureau of Investigation at Washington, D. C., in furnishing at all times information and suggestions in the detection of criminals. ***

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IOWA STATE SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION
525 Flynn Building
Des Moines, Iowa.

Dec. 26th, 1933

Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt,
President - United States,
Washington, D. C.

My dear President:

At the 9th Annual school of instruction of the Iowa State Sheriffs' Association, held in Des Moines, Iowa on December 13th, 14th and 15th, 1933, a resolution was passed commending the work of J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Division of Investigation of the United States Department of Justice.

I am pleased to enclose herewith a copy of this said resolution. With kindest of wishes for the New Year, I am

Yours very truly

(S) R. W. Neborgall

R. W. Neborgall

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4--WHEREAS, The Hon. J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Division of Investigation of the U. S. Department of Justice has at all times personally and through his department, extended to all law enforcing agencies of this State the finest co-operation humanly possible.

AND WHEREAS, the Honorable J. Edgar Hoover has contributed very materially to our program by making it possible for us to be honored with the presence of, and an address by, Mr. H. H. Clegg, Assistant Director of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

AND WHEREAS, the co-operation of the Bureau and the presence of Mr. Clegg on our program has been of material service to the Sheriffs of Iowa.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Iowa State Sheriffs' Association in Convention assembled that this Association go on record as heartily endorsing the administration of the Honorable J. Edgar Hoover and as heartily endorsing and commending the work of his department. This Association extends its sincere thanks for the splendid co-operation it has at all times received from the said Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice and reiterates its desire to in turn be of service to the said National Bureau. The Secretary is hereby directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Hon. J. Edgar Hoover, To His Honor the President of the United States, To The Attorney General of the United States and to the Senators from Iowa.

COPY

December 26, 1933.

The Hon. J. Edgar Hoover,
Director Div'n of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

I am taking the first opportunity after the close of our 9th annual school of the Iowa State Sheriffs' Association, to drop you this little note of thanks for your splendid co-operation in sending Mr. H. H. Clegg to Iowa for the purpose of addressing our convention.

Mr. Clegg gave a very fine address which was highly appreciated by our membership. We want you and Mr. Clegg to know that those efforts were fully appreciated.

I am pleased to enclose herewith a copy of a resolution as passed by the 9th annual school of instruction of the Iowa State Sheriffs' Association. As you will notice from the resolution itself, a copy is going to the President and the Attorney General of the United States and the Senators from Iowa.

May we again say that at any time this organization or its members may be of service to you or to your department, you have but to command. With kind personal regards, I am

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Yours very truly,

R. W. Nebergall

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SAN ANTONIO
Business & Professional Men's Post No. 10
AMERICAN LEGION

October 14, 1933.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Director,
Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

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We are enclosing for your information
copy of a resolution recently adopted by this
post and are very glad to take this stand, as
a unit of The American Legion, to assist in every
possible manner, in the upholding of law and order.

Sincerely Yours,

J. E. COONE,
Adjutant..

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THE STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF BEXAR.

A RESOLUTION OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL
MEN'S POST NO. 10, SAN ANTONIO, DEPARTMENT
OF TEXAS AMERICAN LEGION

WHEREAS, the marked increase in crime, and particularly crimes of violence, is not receiving the special attention of governmental departments, both Federal, State and Municipal; and,

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, of which Mr. J. Edgar Hoover is Director, is devoting special attention to the detection and suppression of crimes, particularly crimes of violence, and other Federal officers and departments have also rendered specially meritorious services in aiding in the suppression of crimes;

WHEREAS, the splendid efforts of said Department and other Federal Departments requires for its continued success not only the approval and commendation of the public generally, but the fullest co-operation of the public and the State and Municipal authorities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Business and Professional Men's Post No. 10, of San Antonio, Department of Texas American Legion, that we commend the excellent work of the Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, and pledge the fullest support of this Post to law enforcement and the suppression of crime of all kinds, and particularly crimes of violence against person or property; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Post make the purpose of arousing public interest and public co-operation in fighting and suppressing crime one of its major activities for the future, and that it pledge its support to the State and Municipal governments; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this post shall use its best efforts to arouse the interest of all local civic organizations and governmental agencies and the public generally in giving fullest co-operation to all officers and governmental agencies in the suppression of crime; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Adjutant of this Post is hereby directed to furnish true copies of this Resolution to Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director, Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., to Hon. J. Quinn, Mayor of the City of San Antonio, to Hon. Walter C. Byrne, District Attorney of Bexar County, and to Hon. Albert Hauser, Sheriff of Bexar County, Texas.

Passed and approved this 9th day of October, A. D. 1933.

SAS. F. HOLLERS
Post Commander.

Attest:

J. E. GOODE
Post Adjutant.

COPY

October 13, 1933

J. Edgar Hoover, Esq.,
Director, Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

Referring to my letter of
August fourteenth:

I enclose copy of resolution passed by the
Association at its last meeting, September
twenty-eighth, which is self-explanatory.

Please permit me to add my hearty endorse-
ment to this unanimous resolution, and to wish
you continued success and happiness in your
splendid work.

Very sincerely,

HINTON G. CLABAUGH

Enc.

President.

Chicago Railway Special Agents
& Police Association.

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The following resolution was passed at the meeting of September 28, 1933:

WHEREAS, we, the members of the Chicago Railway Special Agents and Police Association, representing all the steam and electric railroads entering the Chicago area, have learned with pleasure of the re-appointment of Mr. J. Edgar Hoover as Director of the Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; and

WHEREAS, we praise his very noteworthy and broadly constructive work to suppress crime throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, we are not unmindful of the fact that Mr. Hoover and Mr. Melvin E. Purvis, his Agent in Charge at Chicago, as well as Mr. Wm. A. McSwain, the predecessor Agent in Charge, have been most generous, untiring, and helpful to us at all times in our work; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that we take occasion at this meeting - our first since Mr. Hoover's reappointment - to unanimously express our obligation to him accordingly, as well as to give assurance that he may rely on our unremitting support; and be it

RESOLVED that we commend the Attorney General of the United States for his wisdom in having made this reappointment; and be it further

RESOLVED that this expression of our sentiments be conveyed to Mr. Hoover through the president of this Association, a copy hereof having been included in the minutes of this meeting.

VHB:JMS

October 21, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I called Mr. Mester with regard to an opinion which Mr. Beardalee stated he had prepared fixing the status of the Director as an officer of the United States within the meaning of the Statute. Mr. Mester stated that the opinion referred to did not cover this point; that the first draft of the opinion about which he had talked to Mr. Beardalee possibly did include some reference to the Director, but the final draft of the opinion which he sent to the Attorney General did not mention the Director's position.

Mr. Mester stated, however, that his study of this subject convinced him, and he was prepared to place it in the opinion but it was not required, that since the Executive Order of June 13 the position of Director of the Division of Investigation has a Statutory existence. As a matter of fact, it was in the Statutes before but had not previously been recognized by the Executive, that the Executive in this case took official notice of it and thus made it absolute, and Mr. Mester states that at present the Director of the Division of Investigation is an officer of the United States within the meaning of the several Statutes using that nomenclature and as such that the office of Director could not now be abolished by the Attorney General, whereas previous to the Executive Order it could be so abolished at any time.

Mr. Mester stated that he did not have a copy of the opinion which he had written at this time; that he had sent it to Mr. Stewart. Upon Mr. Stewart's return, however, he said he would get a copy and hand it to me.

Respectfully,

V. E. Hughes.

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July 31, 1933.

Hon. Frederic William Wile,
3313 Sixteenth Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

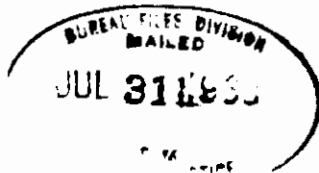
Dear Mr. Wile:-

In pursuance of your telephonic request, I am forwarding to you herewith a short biographical sketch. I trust that this will be satisfactory.

Sincerely yours,

Director.

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John Edgar Hoover was born January 1, 1895, in the District of Columbia. He was educated in the public schools of the District of Columbia and is a graduate of the George Washington University, holding the degrees of LL. B. and LL. M. He has been admitted to the practice of law before the United States Supreme Court, the United States Court of Claims and the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia.

He entered the Department of Justice in 1917 under the administration of Attorney General Thomas Watt Gregory. In 1919, he was appointed Special Assistant to the Attorney General by Attorney General A. Mitchell Palmer, and assigned to the office of Assistant Attorney General Francis P. Garvan, who was in charge of criminal matters. From 1921 to 1924, Mr. Hoover served as an Assistant Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation, and in May, 1924, was named Director of the Bureau of Investigation by Attorney General Harlan Phillips Stone. He was charged with the re-organization of that Bureau upon assuming the office of Director in 1924. During his administration as Director of the Bureau of Investigation there has been a decrease in the investigative personnel with an increase in accomplishments in the way of fines, convictions and recoveries. During the past year convictions were obtained by the Bureau of Investigation in 95.5% of all the cases investigated by it upon which indictments were returned. The Bureau lost less than 5% of its cases which went to trial. During Mr. Hoover's administration of the Bureau there have also been established and developed the national Division of Identification, the crime Laboratory, the collection of criminal statistics from all law-enforcement agencies of the United States, a training school for new appointees to the investigative forces, and a close coordination and cooperation of the police units and law-enforcement officials, not only of the United States but of Canada and foreign countries, resulting in the Bureau of Investigation acting in many instances as a clearing house for criminal information which has been of considerable assistance in the campaign for effective law-enforcement.

Mr. Hoover holds the membership of Major in the Military Intelligence Division of the Officers Reserve Corps, United States Army. He is a member of the University Club, Washington, D. C.; the Columbia Country Club, Washington, D. C.; the Economic Fraternity; Kappa Alpha Fraternity; and is a Life Member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, and an Honorary Member of the International Association for Identification, an Honorary Member of the New England Association of Chiefs of Police, and an Honorary Member of the Sheriff's Association of Texas.

July 20, 1936.

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1900 Bankers Bldg,
Chicago, Illinois.
August 5, 1933

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

Dear Mr. Hoover:-

Enclosed herewith find copies of the Resolutions
which were adopted by the International Association of Chiefs
of Police on August 3, 1933.

The first is for the President of the United States
and to the Attorney General expressing the convention's
appreciation of your appointment. The second is a resolution
of thanks to you for your efforts in cooperating with them,
and the third is a resolution on kidnaping and racketeering,
directed to the President and Attorney General of the United
States.

Respectfully,

J. S. EDAN,
Inspector

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RESOLUTION OF THANKS TO J. EDGAR HOOVER

WHEREAS, our distinguished associate, the Honorable J. EDGAR HOOVER, Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation, is endeavoring, through every means at his command, to solicit the interest of the general public with regard to promptly reporting the commission of a crime or the whereabouts of a criminal to recognized police authorities, and

WHEREAS, we realize that however efficient a police organization may be, the prevention of crime and the apprehension and prosecution of criminals is dependent on the willingness of citizens to give information and to testify when cognizant of facts which might lead to such apprehension and prosecution,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

That this Association, in convention assembled, express to Director J. EDGAR HOOVER its sincere appreciation of his efforts and its assurance of the undivided support of its members in this undertaking.

Resolution adopted, August 3, 1933
at Convention of the International
Association of Chiefs of Police,
Sherman Hotel, Chicago, Illinois.

RESOLUTION TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

WHEREAS, His Excellency FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, President, and Honorable HOMER S. CUMMINGS, Attorney General, the United States, have recognized the wisdom of the continuity in office of able police executives by reappointing J. EDGAR HOOVER as Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,
That the members of the INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE, in convention assembled, record their appreciation of this appointment.

Resolution adopted, August 3, 1933,
at Convention of the International
Association of Chiefs of Police,
Sherman Hotel, Chicago, Illinois.

I,.....John Edgar Hoover.....do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office of

.....Director, Division of Investigation.....
.....U. S. Department of Justice.....

on which I am about to enter: So help me God.

(Sign here).....John Edgar Hoover.....

Subscribed and sworn to before me this) Where born (State only) District of Columbia.
.....day) Date of birth January 1, 1895.

of.....AUG 12 1933.....A.D. 193) Whence appointed:

District of Columbia County.....

Congressional District.....

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Date of entry upon duty.....August 10, 1933.

Residence.....413 Seward Square, NE.

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CLAUDE P. HENSEL
SHERIFF
OFFICE OF SHERIFF LANCASTER COUNTY
LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
JULY 31, 1933.

Hon. John Edgar Hoover,
Director of Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed resolution introduced by M. L. Endres, State Sheriff of Nebraska, and passed at the mid-summer convention of Nebraska State Sheriffs held at Broken Bow, Nebraska, July 27th, 1933.

Respectfully yours,

Claude P. Hensel,
Secretary.

OPH-TAK

P. S. M. L. Endres, Nebraska State Sheriff, W. C. Condit, Chief of Police, Lincoln, and I, myself, were pleased to notice press report of your reappointment as Director of Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice.

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NEBRASKA
STATE SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION

RESOLUTION

Whereas, our National Bureau of Investigation advised all law enforcement agencies that after July 1st, of this year the sending of copies of letters containing identification data would have to be discontinued on account of the reduction in appropriations, and

Whereas, under recent date the Honorable John Edgar Hoover, Director of said Bureau has advised that he has been able to secure additional funds so that the ruling previously made is now being changed and the sending of copies of identification letters will be resumed and those reports will be furnished substantially as in the past, now

Therefore, be it RESOLVED BY THIS ASSOCIATION IN CONVENTION DULY ASSEMBLED that a vote of thanks be, and the same is, hereby extended to the said Honorable John Edgar Hoover for the excellent and far reaching results he has attained in this matter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of this Association be instructed to mail a copy of this RESOLUTION to the Honorable John Edgar Hoover, Director of the U. S. Bureau of Investigation, at Washington, D. C.

Introduced by

H. L. Endres, State Sheriff

W. C. Condit, President,
State Sheriff's Association

Passed at a Regular
Session of the Con-
vention held at Broken
Bow, Nebraska, July 27,
1933.

Claude P. Hensel, Secretary,
Nebraska State Sheriff's Association.

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July 8, 1933.

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Mr. T. O. Sturdivant,
Chief of Police,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Chief:

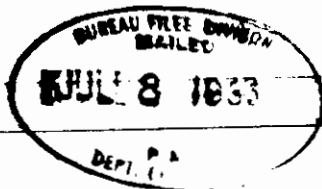
I am in receipt of your communication of June 30, with enclosure, and upon perusal thereof I am impelled to write and again record my indebtedness to you.

The contents of your letter to the Attorney General naturally please me greatly, not only because I am certain that commendatory words of this character from a person so well known in law enforcement circles as yourself must have a real effect, but primarily because this commendation is itself a fitting reward for days and nights of struggle and strain in the pursuit of efforts to make of this Bureau a real, vital coordinating factor in police operations. I was both touched and pleased by your letter and I want you to know of my profound appreciation.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director.



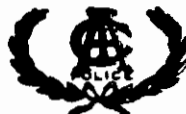
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T. O. STURDIVANT
CHIEF OF POLICE



CITY OF ATLANTA

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

June 30, 1933

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover,
Director, Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I have received your very cordial letter of the 22nd instant. I am naturally very happy to learn that our work for May exceeded that for the previous month, and that that fact was noticed by the Bureau.

I hope you will pardon the liberty I have taken in writing to the Attorney General in reference to a news story which was published in a local paper a few days ago. I would regard it as a calamity if such a change should be made, and I sincerely hope that it will not be considered.

If there is anything further that I can do in this connection kindly feel free to call upon me.

With kindest regards,

Very sincerely,

T. O. Sturdivant
Chief of Police

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June 30, 1935

Hon. Homer B. Cummings,
Attorney General,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

My Dear Sir:

Recently I read a newspaper story to the effect that there is some probability that Mr. C. Edgar Hoover will be replaced as Director of the Bureau of Investigation.

This disturbed me greatly. I do not know Mr. Hoover personally and therefore can have no interest in his political welfare as an individual but in my capacity as Chief of Police I am vitally concerned about the effect such a move would have on the efficiency of the Bureau.

For more than twenty five years I have been actively engaged in the pursuit of criminals, and I feel that my experience has been such as to qualify me to appraise the value of a well-organized, efficiently directed identification bureau.

Under Mr. Hoover's administration the national bureau has been developed to a point where its value to law officers cannot be over-estimated, and it is my firm conviction that the remarkable results which have been achieved in recent years should be credited to the exceptional ability and energy of the present Director.

It is my earnest hope, therefore, that you will consider this matter from the standpoint of public welfare and retain Mr. Hoover as head of the bureau where his great abilities may be utilized in the increasingly difficult and important work of criminal identification.

Respectfully,

THE PEACE OFFICER

June, 1933

Tennessee and Mississippi Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association

Mr. Hoover was unanimously endorsed by the Tennessee & Mississippi Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association, and his reappointment recommended to Attorney General Cummings, Washington, D. C. Mr. Hoover has charge of the most complete bureau of records and identification files in the world, and to his leadership and efficiency credit should be given for the splendid work done since he was elevated to his present position.

Peace Officers of our Association, being familiar with crime conditions, think Mr. Hoover's record justifies his continuance in office. The efficient, courteous and intelligent representatives of the National Bureau assigned to this jurisdiction have made many friends for the Bureau. It is always a pleasure to mingle and talk with them at our conventions.

Following the address of Mr. Dunn, a resolution was introduced commending Hon. John Edgar Hoover, Director of the U. S. Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C., for his excellent and efficient management of the Identification Bureau at Washington, and recommending his re-appointment to that office. On motion of Mr. F. P. McDonald, seconded by Mr. T. D. Harbour, this resolution was adopted by the Convention and the Secretary was instructed to furnish a copy of the resolution to each of the Senators and Representatives from Mississippi and Tennessee, as well as a copy to the Attorney General of the United States and also to Hon. John Edgar Hoover.

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801 Title Guaranty Bldg.
Saint Louis, Missouri.
May 12, 1933.

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

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd attended the Convention of the Association of Chiefs of Police and Sheriffs of the State of Missouri, which was held at Columbia, Missouri on May 8, 9 and 10, 1933.

At this convention a resolution was adopted expressing the appreciation of the peace officers of the State of Missouri for the splendid cooperation which you, as Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation, have rendered to the various law enforcement officials in this State.

I am enclosing herewith a copy of the resolution as adopted by this convention, and it is noted that the Secretary of the Association is to forward copies to you and to the Attorney General of the United States.

Very truly yours,

F. F. YEARSLEY, Acting,
Special Agent in Charge.

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RESOLUTION ADOPTED AT THE CONVENTION OF THE ASSOCIATION
OF CHIEFS OF POLICE AND SHERIFFS, STATE OF MISSOURI, at
Columbia, Missouri, May 8, 9 and 10, 1933.

Whereas Honorable John Edgar Hoover, Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, has been of infinite value to the law enforcement officials of Missouri in combating crime, and has personally, and thru the fingerprint division at Washington, and also thru his representatives in the field assisted us materially and cooperated splendidly in the suppression of crime, be it therefore resolved that we the members of the Missouri State Sheriffs and Police Officers Association, express our appreciation and thanks to Mr. Hoover for his assistance and our confidence in his continued success as Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation, and direct that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Mr. Hoover and also the Attorney General of the United States.

C O P Y

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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Mr. Edwards	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Clegg	<input type="checkbox"/>

April 25, 1933.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

The President is much pleased to learn that through the efficiency of your Bureau of Investigation young Chandler is being returned to his mother in Atlanta.

The President asks me to express to you his thanks for this very good piece of work.

Sincerely yours,

Stephen Early

STEPHEN EARLY
Assistant Secretary to the
President.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

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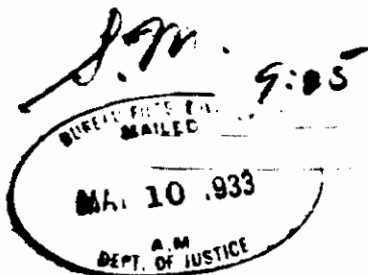
MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CANNON

With reference to your inquiry concerning the attached letter from Senator Homer T. Bone, I do not know what the Senator refers to unless it is the complaint made by an ex-agent named Bayliss. My recollection is that Bayliss made some sort of written complaint to the Attorney General in 1929. It was reviewed by Mr. Stewart who found it to be without merit.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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UNITED STATES SENATE
Committee on Naval Affairs

May 3, 1933

*Trans. to Mr. C. C. ...
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To
The Attorney General
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Attorney General;

I shall appreciate it if you will have
me furnished with a copy of a report made by
Mr. Edgar Hoover, of the Bureau of Investigation,
with reference to charges made against
him in 1929.

Thanking you for your attention to
this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Homer T. Bone

C O P Y

HHC:HCB

May 4, 1933

Honorable Sam W. McReynolds,
House of Representatives,
Washington D. C.

My dear Mr. Congressman:

Permit me to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated May 1, 1933, with which you transmitted a copy of a letter received from the Tennessee and Mississippi Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association, in which was quoted a resolution relative to the cooperative endeavors of the United States Bureau of Investigation in the cause of law enforcement.

I desire to express to you my deep appreciation for your kindness in transmitting the letter in question and I desire to express to you my gratification at the indorsement which comes in this instance from those who are engaged in the vocation of law enforcement. I value this type of indorsement particularly, as it is an expression from those who have occasion almost daily to work and cooperate with this Bureau in the field of investigation and fingerprint identification.

With expressions of my highest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director.

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COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UNITED STATES

Washington, D. C.

May 1. 1933

C O P Y

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Chief,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

For your information and file, I herewith
enclose a letter which is self-explanatory.

Very respectfully,

/s/ E. D. McReynolds.

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Tennessee
and
Mississippi

SHERIFFS & PEACE OFFICERS
ASSOCIATION
(Incorporated)
Memphis, Tenn.

April 27, 1933.

Hon. Sam D. McReynolds,
United States Congressman,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Congressman:

I consider it an honor and a pleasure to advise you that the Tennessee and Mississippi Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association, which is the official organization for all law enforcement officials in these two states, at its Annual Spring Convention in Meridian, Mississippi, April 19 and 20, 1933, passed the following resolution concerning the Honorable John Edgar Hoover and his administration of the United States Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice:

"Due to the splendid and effective administration of the United States Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, by its Director, the Honorable John Edgar Hoover,

"Due to the efficient progress under Director Hoover's supervision of the Identification Division of the Bureau, and

"Due further to the helpfulness and aid to the cause of law enforcement because of the cooperative endeavors of the United States Bureau of Investigation in its functions of investigation, identification and research,

"Therefore, be it resolved that the members of the Tennessee and Mississippi Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association assembled at Meridian, Mississippi, April 19, 1933, unanimously go on record as endorsing Mr. Hoover's administration, and desire to express our appreciation for this helpful cooperation and desire further to go on record as expressing our unanimous desire that the administration of the United States Bureau of Investigation be continued under the supervision of the Honorable John Edgar Hoover."

The above resolution is respectfully submitted for your information, and it is requested that the sentiment of the Association as reflected in the resolution receive your most careful consideration.

With expressions of my highest regards and best wishes, I am,
Sincerely yours,

/s/ S. R. Coleman, Jr.
President

W. T. Griffin
Secretary

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Lansing, Michigan

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Wilmington, Delaware

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HONORABLE SIR:

WHEREAS, on various occasions in convention assembled and in meetings of Committees, the International Association of Chiefs of Police has recorded on behalf of its members their appreciation of the efforts of John Edgar Hoover to make of the United States Bureau of Investigation, under his jurisdiction, a coordinating, practical and efficient aid to the law enforcement officials of the country and the successful consummation of various phases of its work in the development of the Identification Division and other activities initiated and brought to a successful consummation by him in the course of his progressive administration of the Bureau during the past decade, it is believed appropriate at this time, when a new national administration is to take over the reins of Government, to reiterate, in order to bring to the attention of those upon whom the responsibility for the future development of this great work will, in a material sense, devolve, its sense of approval and gratitude for these accomplishments. It is thought eminently fitting, at this time, to reiterate and quote, in its entirety, the resolution passed at the most recent convention of the International Association of Chiefs of Police held during the past year:

"WHEREAS, it is the sense of the members of the International Association of Chiefs of Police met in convention at Portland, Oregon, on this fourteenth day of June, Nineteen Hundred and Thirty-two, that they should appropriately express their appreciation of the services rendered to law enforcement officials throughout this and other countries by J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice. The Bureau of Investigation, under the direction of Mr. Hoover, is a source of daily aid and assistance to the Chiefs of Police and other law enforcement officials in the conduct of their efforts to combat crime. The field employees of the Bureau of Investigation are in constant contact with local and State law enforcement officials at all times, are manifestly under instructions to render every possible cooperative assistance in matters coming under jurisdiction, and the value of their services to law enforcement in general and to peace officers of the country in particular cannot be too highly recommended. It is the sense of the members assembled also, that fitting recognition should be shown the striking advance accomplished in combating crime through the organization and development of the Identification Division of the United States Bureau of Investigation under the supervision of Mr. Hoover. It is believed that this division has now attained a world wide reputation for expeditious and efficient service to law enforcement officials, and the value of the information promptly transmitted to peace officers cannot be over-estimated.

It is further believed that recognition should be made also of the comprehensive, tireless and self-sacrificing efforts on the part of Mr. Hoover in developing the pioneer work of collecting and publishing uniform crime records statistics. It is realized that this project is still in its infancy, but it is believed substantial progress has already been obtained toward the achieve-

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5th CHRIS. H. NEWTON, *Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada*
6th LEON V. JENKINS, *Portland, Oregon*
Sergeant-at-Arms
WILLIAM M. PETERSON, *Winnetka, Ill.*

ment of a comprehensive basis for uniform crime statistics. The value of statistics of this character is, of course, well understood and appreciated by all law enforcement officials.

Mr. Hoover has always been available for personal advice and cooperative counsel and assistance to the members of the Association at all times and has given unreservedly of his time and efforts to all modern plans and projects tending to combat crime and convict criminals.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That it is the sense of the members of this Association that this Resolution be spread on the minutes and that copies thereof be transmitted to the President and Attorney General of the United States."

It is desired to emphasize the non-political character of the International Association of Chiefs of Police and the desire of the Executive Committee of this association to avoid any possible indication of interference at this, or any other time, in political affairs, local, state or national. It has been manifest, however, that the conduct of the United States Bureau of Investigation, under the direction of John Edgar Hoover, has been of a non-political character and it is not believed that an endorsement therefore of the work of the United States Bureau of Investigation under his direction could be in any manner characterized as political in any sense. It is the sense of the Executive Committee of the International Association of Chiefs of Police that any change in the administration of the United States Bureau of Investigation would be prejudicial to the cause of practical, modern, efficient law enforcement as represented by the International Association of Chiefs of Police, and it is the earnest hope of all the members of this Executive Committee that no such change may be contemplated in this highly important position.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That it is the sense of the members of this Committee that this Resolution be spread upon the minutes and that copies be transmitted to the President-Elect, the Attorney General of the United States, when designated by the President-Elect, and to all of the Members of Congress of the United States.

George Black

SECRETARY

EDITORIAL

TENURE OF OFFICE

Once again we harp on one of our favorite subjects: In the past sixty days there has been a tremendous turnover in police personnel in the United States. Some changes were made because of obsolete constitutional provisions which prohibit sheriffs from succeeding themselves in office. Others were purely political. We believe that the public will soon realize the folly of electing inexperienced men to the office of sheriff every two or four years and will ratify any action to change the constitutions of those states which have not kept pace with advancements in law enforcement work during the past decade.

There is a possibility that some of the changes are for the best. We have no quarrel with the new executives and wish them success in their new work, but as they read this, we want them to visualize a condition which will vitally interest them four years from now when new state administrations come in and they, too, will have to give way to their successors.

More widespread is becoming the movement for state police and state bureaus of identification. The heads of these departments are being replaced in all of those states in which there has been a change of governors, or political control has passed from one party to another.

Does it necessarily follow that a Republican suddenly becomes a poor law enforcement officer because a Democrat was elected governor? Does a Democrat cease to become efficient the moment that a state goes Republican? Is the value of a warden to a penal institution ended the minute an opposite political party casts a majority at the polls?

How far-reaching this political practice extends will be watched with interest by the police chiefs of the United States who are now centering their focus upon the nation's capital. The United States Bureau of Investigation has never functioned in a manner more creditable than it has under the direction of John Edgar Hoover. His cooperation with the police chiefs of the United States has meant a great deal to the police profession.

We believe that a precedent is to be established in St. Louis. The police department there enjoys the reputation of being free from politics. Promotions are based upon merit and ability. Men are discharged for sound reasons and not because of political persuasion. The department is directed by a board of five commissioners, four of whom are appointed by the governor and the fifth member is the mayor of the city. The latter seldom interests himself in the affairs of the Police Board as the department is completely beyond the control of the city politicians. The worst recommendation a St. Louis police officer can have is a letter from a ward committee. In other words, politics are out!

The Commissioners appoint the Chief and the Commissioners make the promotions. There is only one place wherein politics sometimes raises its ugly head and that is in the Chief's office. The prevailing rule has been for a Republican governor to appoint a Republican police board and vice versa. These board members have always been respectable citizens and men whose names have seldom been identified in politics. Their salary is \$5,000 a year. Now and then they have been known to give their salary to the Police Relief fund.

A hopeful view that politics has been eliminated from the Chief's office may be taken from the fact that several recent police boards have ignored precedent and retained capable chiefs of opposite political faith. The late Colonel Martin O'Brien, Democrat, served under a Republican board as well as under a Democratic board, and the late Colonel William Young, Republican, his predecessor, served under both Republican and Democratic boards.

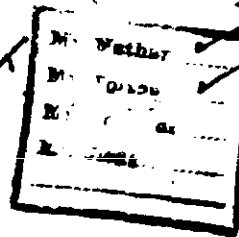
We are encouraged by the fact that a new St. Louis Police Board, composed of William L. Igou, Albert Bond Lambert, George T. Priest and John J. Phelan, all Democrats, announced immediately after its organization that there would be no changes in police heads. This means that Colonel Joseph A. Gerk, known to be a non-partisan and one of the foremost police executives in the United States, will remain St. Louis' Chief of Police.

Gerk has been given high honors by brother chiefs of this Continent. He is past-president of the International Association of Chiefs of Police. He was the United States' representative at the Police Conference held in Mexico two years ago. He is a member of nearly every important police committee in the United States. He is one of the champions of the new federal law enforcement plan and he is one of the best police chiefs St. Louis has ever had.

We hope that Governor Park and the St. Louis Board of Police Commissioners will set a precedent at this time to show to the world that ability and experience count for more in the police profession than political party.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 22, 1933



My dear Mr. Hoover:

Please let me thank you for the cooperation you gave us with reference to the Crippled Child Relief Organization of Minneapolis. Your action was quick and thorough and served the purpose splendidly.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

STEPHEN T. EARLY
Assistant Secretary to the
President

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

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Mr. Edwards	
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Memorandum for the Director, Bureau of Investigation -

There are returned herewith vouchers in favor of yourself in the amount of \$7.75 and of Mr. E. A. Tolson in the amount of \$5.10 for reimbursement of travel and other expenses including the per diem allowance incurred on March 20 and 21, 1933, in proceeding from Washington, D. C. to New York, N. Y., and return. Before the vouchers can be passed for settlement it will be necessary to support the same with further explanation in connection with the following items:

On March 20th you engaged a room in the New Yorker Hotel at New York City at a cost of \$2.00 and have furnished an explanation to the effect that the room was engaged for official purposes and not for personal reasons. Kindly advise as to why no room was obtained in the Federal Building or other Government offices in New York City for this purpose.

On the night of March 20th upon returning to Washington, you exchanged transportation request No. J-403,119 for a single room at a cost of \$6.75 and Mr. Tolson issued request No. J-459,353 for similar accommodations. In connection with the use of the single room the vouchers show the same was necessary in order to safeguard official papers, inasmuch as proper safety thereof was not assured by the use of the standard lower berth. It would appear that if the use of a single room was necessary to safeguard such papers, that one room would have been sufficient therefor.

Section 10 of the Act of March 4, 1933, restricts reimbursement to the "lowest first class." The travel regulations generally define the lowest first class Pullman accommodations as being a lower berth. This office has received informal and oral advice from the General Accounting Office to the effect that that office will allow "superior"


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Pullman accommodations under such circumstances as outlined in the two vouchers. However, in view of the specific prohibition in the Act, it will be necessary for the Disbursing Clerk to submit the question of reimbursement in these cases to the Comptroller General for decision thereon. In order to avoid any embarrassing criticism on the part of the Comptroller General, you are kindly requested to advise this office in detail as to the necessity for the use of the superior Pullman accommodations ~~in preservation of the law~~ and the necessity for the use of more than one single room.

Very truly yours,


J. W. Gardner,
General Agent and Chief Clerk.

SMC:LC

March 20, 1933.

Honorable John B. Dingell,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Congressman:

Mr. Clegg of this Bureau has conveyed to me your personal message in which you expressed your approval of the administration of this Bureau, based upon facts furnished you by law enforcement officials in your district.

I desire to express to you my sincere appreciation for your greeting and expressions of confidence. I am particularly pleased that your opinion has been formulated following a discussion of the work and functions of the United States Bureau of Investigation between yourself and those who are engaged in law enforcement work and have an opportunity to know from experience and association the value of the service rendered by this Bureau.

Please be assured that I shall be glad to be of any service possible in connection with any matter of mutual interest if you will inform me of your desires.

With expressions of my highest regard, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director.

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February 17, 1933.

Mr. John K. Acton,
Secretary, Northwest Oregon
Officers' Association,
Astoria, Oregon.

Dear Mr. Acton:

I am in receipt of your communication of February 7th, attaching a copy of a Resolution passed by the Northwest Oregon Officers' Association, at their meeting held in Corvallis, Oregon, February 4, 1933, speaking in commendatory terms of the cooperation which I have been able to afford law enforcement officials in connection with the work of the United States Bureau of Investigation.

I want you to know, and I would appreciate it if you will convey to your associates in the Northwest Oregon Officers' Association, my very great pleasure at receiving this commendation from the members of this Association. I feel that the approval of officials of long practical experience and high standing in law enforcement circles, such as are possessed by members of the Northwest Oregon Officers' Association, is a real honor, and that commendation of this kind possesses a significance which may not be attached to any ordinary, routine expressions of approval. It is for this reason that I value very highly the Resolution in question.

I will always be pleased to render in every possible way, either from the Seat of Government at Washington, or through the representatives of this Bureau in the field, every possible cooperation with you and the members of your Association.

With expressions of my best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director.

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Astoria, Oregon.
February 7, 1933.

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

Dear Sir:

As directed by President Earl A. Nott of the
Northwest Oregon Officers Association. I am enclosing a copy
of a resolution which was adopted at their last meeting.

Very truly yours,

John K. Aston (S)
Secretary
Northwest Oregon Officers Ass'n.

COPY

The Northwest Oregon Officers Association at its meeting in Corvallis, Oregon, February 4, 1933, adopted the following resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED, in convention assembled at Corvallis, Oregon, on February 4, 1933 by the Northwest Oregon Officers Association that this Association commends the work of the United States Bureau of Investigation and of its Director, Mr. John Edgar Hoover, and that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and a copy forwarded to Mr. Hoover at Washington, D. C.

John E. Astor (S)

SECRETARY.

WHDL:EB

February 11, 1933.

Mr. L. C. Chapman,
Superintendent,
Florida State Prison Farm,
Raiford, Florida.

Dear Mr. Chapman:

Reference is made to your recent conversation with Special Agent R. A. Alt of the Jacksonville office of the United States Bureau of Investigation, in which you spoke in very flattering terms of this Bureau and its work. Permit me to take this opportunity of thanking you for these kind remarks and to assure you that I appreciate them.

I am taking the liberty of enclosing certain articles concerning the work and functions of this Bureau, which I trust may prove of interest to you. These articles are as follows:

Civil Identification,
Crime Statistics,
International Exchange of Fingerprints,
Latent Fingerprints,
Interesting Latent Fingerprint Cases,
Compilation of Certain Leading Court Decisions
with Reference to Fingerprint Evidence,
Statistics Compiled from Fingerprint Cards,
February 1--December 31, 1932,
The United States Bureau of Investigation.

Sincerely yours,

Director

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CC-Jacksonville.

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U. S. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Department of Justice

Post Office Box 32,
Jacksonville, Florida.

February 7, 1933.

PERSONAL

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Director,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Please be advised of a recent visit paid the Florida State Prison Farm at Raiford, Florida, by Special Agent R. A. Alt, at which time in the course of an interview had with Mr. L. C. Chapman, Superintendent of the institution, the matter of the Bureau's Identification Division was brought up. Mr. Chapman stated "You know I am keenly interested in that work. It's the greatest step forward that justice has ever taken and Mr. Hoover certainly has it functioning beautifully in the great service it renders to law-enforcement officers."

For your information, I might state that Mr. Chapman, who is very much interested in criminology and penal institution work, is highly regarded in this state. Only recently he was lauded and commended by the inmates of his institution, for his fair and considerate treatment of them, in a testimonial scroll which they had, without solicitation, prepared and presented to him, and caused to be published in the Florida press.

Personally, I believe that Mr. Chapman's expression, above quoted, coming from a man of his standing, is one to which the Director and the Bureau can justly point with pride.

Very truly yours,

C. D. McKEAN
Special Agent in Charge.

HN:DSS

February 4, 1933.

Mr. Fred H. McDuff,
President, Alabama Sheriffs' and
Peace Officers' Association,
Room 209, City Hall,
Birmingham, Alabama.

My dear Chief:

I had occasion to write you a few days ago thanking you, as President of the Alabama Sheriffs' and Peace Officers' Association, for the cooperation exhibited at all times and particularly during the meeting of the association during the recent past toward all of the representatives of this Bureau with whom they have come in contact and with myself, as the Bureau head.

I am now in receipt of your letter of January 30, quoting a resolution adopted by the convention on January 26, generously praising my administration of the United States Bureau of Investigation. I want you to know how much I appreciate these words of praise and commendation. I feel that praise and endorsement from practical police officials engaged daily in the most important vocation of combating crime is of real significance and more gratifying than any commendation which might be received from those less versed in the problems inherent in law enforcement. I do consider it an honor to have been the subject of this resolution. It is a real satisfaction to receive this highly flattering comment from such leading representatives of law and order as yourself and your associates. I feel that the long years of struggle for effective cooperation on the part of this Governmental agency with law enforcement officials throughout the country have not been in vain, in view of the receipt of this token of appreciation from your organization. May I emphasize my desire to continue cooperating to the fullest possible extent with you and your associates in accomplishing the most comprehensive program possible of Federal and State cooperation in order to more effectively thereby serve the interests of the law abiding citizenry of the country. Our aims and ideals are the same and I feel that we should work in close harmony and cooperative endeavor for the purpose of effecting the accomplishment of these ideals.

With best wishes to you and all of my friends in Alabama, and hoping to see you personally soon, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director.

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ALABAMA SHERIFFS' AND PEACE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION

Office of the President,

Room 209, City Hall,

Birmingham, Alabama.

January 30, 1933.

**Hon. John Edgar Hoover, Director,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.**

My dear Mr. Hoover:

As President of the Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association of the State of Alabama, consisting of approximately five hundred sheriffs, chiefs of police and other duly authorized law-enforcement officials of this state, as well as being Chief of Police of the city of Birmingham, I consider it an honor and a pleasure to quote herewith one of the resolutions unanimously adopted by the convention in general assembly held at the Tutwiler hotel in Birmingham on January 26, 1933, which has reference to your efficient administration of the United States Bureau of Investigation, and the splendid progress that it has made under your supervision:

"Due to the splendid spirit of cooperation that exists between the various peace officers of the State of Alabama, and the United States Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice,

"Due to the splendid and effective administration of the United States Bureau of Investigation by its Director, the Honorable John Edgar Hoover,

"Due to the splendid progress under Director Hoover's supervision of the Identification Division of the aforesaid Bureau and,

"Due, further, to the helpfulness and aid to the cause of law enforcement because of the cooperative endeavors of the United States Bureau of Investigation, in its functions of investigation, identification, and research,

"Therefore, be it resolved that: We, the members of the Alabama Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association, in convention assembled, do hereby unanimously go on record as endorsing the administration of the aforesaid Bureau, under the direction of the Honorable John Edgar Hoover, and we desire hereby to express our appreciation for this helpful cooperation, and desire further to be on

"record as expressing our unanimous desire that the administration of the United States Bureau of Investigation be continued under the supervision of the Honorable John Edgar Hoover, and

"Be it further resolved that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Honorable John Edgar Hoover, Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation, the Attorney General of the United States, the President-elect of the United States, and his Attorney General, yet to be designated, as well as each of the United States Senators, and each of the members of the House of Representatives from the State of Alabama."

On the date that this resolution was passed by the convention in general assembly, the Secretary of same, Mr. George W. Houts, was instructed to telegraphically inform the Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt, President-elect of the United States, the sentiments of the entire body in assembly at the convention. On even date I am confirming that telegram to the President-elect by letter.

In accordance with the wishes of the members of the Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association for this state, copy of this resolution is going forward on even date to the Attorney General of the United States, as well as to each of the United States Senators and each of the members of the House of Representatives from the State of Alabama, and a copy of same will also be forwarded to the Attorney General of the United States yet to be designated by the President-elect.

I thought that you might possibly be interested in a copy of the letters forwarded to the persons named above, and I am therefore enclosing a copy of same herewith for your information in the premises.

You may be assured that all law-enforcement officials in this section of the country have readily recognized and greatly appreciated the efficient service that has been rendered by the United States Bureau of Investigation under your supervision. You may further be assured that the Association stands ready and willing at all times to assist you in matters of mutual interest.

The convention held in this city was a success in every respect, and the only thing lacking was your presence. However, they all enjoyed the address given by your very able assistant, Mr. Hugh H. Clegg, and although not present at the convention on account of illness, I have been reliably informed that he acquitted himself in a splendid manner.

With expressions of best wishes and highest esteem, I am,

Yours very truly,

FRED W. McDUFF
President.

C O P Y

February 1, 1933.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the thirtieth with a copy of the resolution of your Association respecting the Bureau of Investigation and its Director, J. Edgar Hoover.

I very much appreciate this expression of your commendation.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) William D. Mitchell

Fred H. McDuff, President,
Alabama Sheriffs' and Peace
Officers' Association,
Birmingham, Alabama.

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C O P Y

ALABAMA SHERIFFS' AND PEACE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION

Office of President
Room 209, City Hall

Birmingham, Ala.,
January 30, 1933.

Honorable William D. Mitchell,
Attorney General of the United States,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Mitchell:

As President of the Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association of the State of Alabama, consisting of approximately five hundred sheriffs, chiefs of police and other duly authorized law-enforcement officials of the State of Alabama, which recently held its annual convention at the Tutwiler Hotel located in Birmingham, Ala., on January 25th and 26th, 1933, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year and to transact and dispose of all new business brought before that body, as directed by the members of the Alabama Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association, I am quoting one of the resolutions unanimously adopted by the convention in general assembly, which has reference to the Honorable John Edgar Hoover, Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice:

(Pencilled note)

Dear Sir I have your letter of the 30 with a copy of the resolution respecting the Bureau of Inv. & its Director J Edgar Hoover. I very much appreciate this expression of your commendation.

"Due to the splendid spirit of cooperation that exists between the various peace officers of the State of Alabama and the United States Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice,

"Due to the splendid and effective administration of the United States Bureau of Investigation by its Director, the Honorable John Edgar Hoover,

"Due to the splendid progress under Director Hoover's supervision of the Identification Division of the aforesaid Bureau and,

Sincerely

"Due, further, to the helpfulness and aid to the cause of law enforcement because of the cooperative endeavors of the United States Bureau of Investigation, in its functions of investigation, identification and research,

"Therefore, be it resolved that: We, the members of the Alabama Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association, in convention assembled, do hereby unanimously go on record as endorsing the administration of the aforesaid Bureau, under the direction of the Honorable John Edgar Hoover, and we desire hereby to express our appreciation for this helpful cooperation, and desire further to be on record as expressing our appreciation and unanimous desire that the administration of the United States Bureau of Investigation be continued under the supervision of the Honorable John Edgar Hoover, and

"Be it further resolved that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Honorable John Edgar Hoover, Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation, the Attorney General of the United States, the President-elect of the United States, and his Attorney General, yet to be designated, as well as each of the United States Senators, and each of the members of the house of Representatives from the State of Alabama."

This resolution carries the sentiments of the entire body in assembly at the convention mentioned above.

I have been connected with the Police Department of Birmingham for the past thirty-odd years and have come into constant contact with the representatives of Mr. Hoover from all parts of the country, and wish to state that in my opinion he has organized the most efficient investigative agency in the entire Government service.

I could enumerate many instances where the cooperation and assistance received from his Bureau have been invaluable to law-enforcement officials generally throughout this section of the country. The fingerprint service he offers to the entire nation would be almost indispensable to all law-enforcement officials throughout the land.

I consider it an honor and a pleasure to transmit the sentiments of this body to you for your information in the premises.

Very truly yours,

FRED H. McDUFF,
President.

REPLY

WHDL:CS

February 1, 1933.

Sheriff Claude P. Mensel,
Secretary and Treasurer,
Nebraska State Sheriff's Association,
Lincoln, Nebraska.

Dear Sheriff:

Reference is made to your letter of January 28, 1933, enclosing a copy of the resolution passed by the Nebraska State Sheriff's Association at the convention at Omaha, Nebraska, January 25-26, 1933, suggesting my retention as Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation, and setting out the close cooperation between the Bureau and all Nebraska peace officials.

I am very grateful for this expression of confidence from your Association, and wish to thank both you and the Association for your thoughtfulness in adopting this resolution. Please accept for yourself, and extend to the members of your Association, my thanks for this kind expression of their regard for me, and convey to them my best wishes for the continued success of the Association.

I am taking the liberty of enclosing certain articles concerning the work and functions of this Bureau, which I trust may prove of interest to you and the members of the Association. These articles are as follows:

Adoption of Standard Classification of
Criminal Offenses.
Civil Identification.
Crime Statistics.
Interesting Latent Fingerprint Cases.
International Exchange of Fingerprints.
Latent Fingerprints.
Leading Court Decisions with reference to
Fingerprint Evidence.
Statistics Compiled from Fingerprint Cards.
Training of Personnel.
The United States Bureau of Investigation.

Very cordially yours,

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Enclosure #326420.

Director.

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C O P Y

**Wm. C. Condit
President**

**Claude P. Mensel,
Secretary**

**Office of
Nebraska State Sheriff's Association
Lincoln, Nebraska.**

January 28, 1933.

**John Edgar Hoover, Director,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.**

Dear Director:

**Enclosed please find copy of Resolutions passed by the
Nebraska State Sheriffs' Association in convention January 25th &
26th, at Omaha, Nebraska.**

With best wishes for you and your organization;

**Claude P. Mensel,
Secretary & Treasurer**

C O P Y

Wm. C. Condit, President

Claude P. Hensel, Secretary

Office of
Nebraska State Sheriff's Association
Lincoln, Nebraska.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS John Edgar Hoover, Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C. has materially assisted peace officers in the State of Nebraska in combating crime, and has personally, and through his representatives in the field, cooperated impartially in an effort to subdue crime, be it, therefore, **RESOLVED** that, in view of his devotion to duty, ~~as, the Nebraska State~~ ~~Sheriffs' Association,~~ adopt this resolution recommending that Honorable John Edgar Hoover be retained as Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation, and direct that copies of this resolution be mailed to Honorable Arthur Mullen of Omaha, Nebraska, Honorable James J. Farley of New York City, New York, Honorable George W. Norris, United States Senator of Nebraska, Honorable E. B. Howell, United States Senator of Nebraska, and to each Congressman, or the Congressman elect, from the State of Nebraska.

John J. Hays,
James Kargo,
J. C. Broady,
L. D. Hensel,
Carl Ryder,
A. E. Carter.

Committee on Resolutions.

OT:AMP.

December 19, 1932.

Mr. W. H. Lee,
Chief of Police,
Fort Worth, Texas.

Mr. Hoover

Dear Mr. Lee:

I have received the letter of December 12, 1932, signed jointly by you and Mr. Barney Finn, Superintendent of the Identification Bureau of the Fort Worth Police Department and I want you to know that I deeply appreciate the sentiments expressed therein concerning the administration of the United States Bureau of Investigation.

It has been my aim to administer the work of this Bureau on a purely non-partisan basis and I feel that the many expressions of appreciation received from law enforcement officials and agencies throughout the country are indicative of the value which this service has been in assisting them in their work of dealing with crime and criminals. It is most gratifying to know that the officials and agencies with whom the Bureau has such close official relationships are interested in the continuation of the policies for which we have worked so diligently during the past several years. Please accept my sincere thanks for your expressions of commendation and willingness to be of assistance in this regard.

I was interested in the results which have been secured in connection with your identification activities and I trust that you will let me know when I or any official of the United States Bureau of Investigation can be of any assistance to you in your work.

With my very best wishes of the holiday season, I am

Cordially yours,

Director.

OT:MP.

December 19, 1932.

Mr. Barney Finn,
Superintendent,
Identification Bureau,
Police Department,
Fort Worth, Texas.

Dear Mr. Finn:

I have received the letter of December 12, 1932, signed jointly by you and Chief of Police W. H. Lee of Fort Worth, concerning the administration of the United States Bureau of Investigation. I am extremely grateful to you for your expressions of commendation and willingness to be of any possible assistance in the movement initiated by the International Association of Chiefs of Police and the International Association for Identification to continue the present administration of the Bureau.

It has been my sole purpose as Director of this Bureau to cooperate in every possible manner with state and local law enforcement officials and agencies throughout the country in law enforcement work and the many expressions of appreciation which have been received from those with whom the Bureau cooperates have been extremely gratifying.

If I can be of assistance to you at any time in your work, I trust that you will feel free to call upon me.

With best wishes, I am

Cordially yours,

Director.

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CITY OF FORT WORTH

Police Department
W.H. Lee, Chief of Police

Fort Worth, Texas
December 12, 1932.

Mr. J. E. Hoover,
Director Bureau Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

You no doubt recall that this Department recently made arrangements with your Bureau in the handling of our investigation arrests. In other words, every prisoner going through the Department have their prints taken and a copy is furnished your Bureau with the request that if they are not identified, that the prints be returned.

The results obtained have been so gratifying that we feel we should go on record as at least appreciating the services rendered by your Bureau.

It may interest you to know that on the prints being mailed for identification requesting return of prints where no identification is made, the percentage being identified by your Bureau is in excess of 80%, ranging from vagrancy through the more serious crimes, etc.

The percentage being identified in our Bureau added to that identified in your Bureau practically convinces us that 80% of the tramps travelling the country are thieves.

We further want to assure you personally that we are both in absolute accord with the movement coming from within the ranks of both the International Chiefs of Police Association and the International Association for Identification to perpetuate the present head of the Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, knowing full well that should you again receive that appointment, the organization will continue to function with the able assistants you now have in charge.

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Should the time arrive when either of us can be of assistance in carrying out this suggestion, we want you to use us as you see fit. With warmest personal regards, we beg to remain,

Yours very truly,

W. H. Lee
CHIEF OF POLICE

Barney Finn
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LCS:KPM

December 3, 1932.

Mr. Leroy Goodwin,
Secretary-Treasurer,
International Association for
Identification,
1047 Hawthorne Street,
Youngstown, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Goodwin:

I am in receipt of your letter of November 28, 1932, wherein you advise of the resolution adopted by the International Association for Identification, with reference to the identification activities of the United States Bureau of Investigation, and desire to express to you my appreciation for your kindness in transmitting this to me.

It is, of course, a source of deep personal gratification for me to know that the Bureau's work has been so acceptable to the members of such an outstanding organization. In turn, I trust you will permit me to reciprocate the expressions of approval which you have indicated in your resolution and assure you of my own desire to afford you every assistance, individually and collectively, in all activities wherein we may be mutually interested.

With kindest regards and expressions of my esteem,

I am

Sincerely yours,

Director.

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INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR IDENTIFICATION.

November 28, 1932.

Mr. J. E. Hoover, Director
Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Be It Resolved that the International Association for Identification express its appreciation and thanks to Mr. J. E. Hoover, Director, Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice for his courtesy in assigning to Mr. L. C. Schilder and Mr. A. J. Rance the duty of attending this convention and representing the Bureau of Investigation.

Be It Further Resolved that the International Association for Identification appreciates the wonderful service rendered by the Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, and to assure Mr. Hoover that we deeply appreciate the consideration of that Bureau to our every reasonable suggestion that tends to improve, if possible, such services as are rendered the identification world by that Bureau.

Sincerely Yours.

(s) Leroy Goodwin

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December 13, 1932.

Mr. William T. Griffin,
Inspector of Detectives,
Memphis, Tennessee.

My dear Inspector Griffin:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated December 9, 1932, in which you quote a Resolution adopted at the Fall Convention of the Tennessee and Mississippi Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association relative to the work of the United States Bureau of Investigation.

I am deeply appreciative of this Resolution and want to thank you for your courtesy in forwarding it to me. It has been my aim as Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation to afford every possible cooperation in investigative, fingerprint, and crime statistics matters to state and local law-enforcement officials and agencies and I am pleased to receive this expression of endorsement from the organization which you represent.

With expressions of my best regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director.

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**TENNESSEE AND
MISSISSIPPI**

SHERIFFS & PEACE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION (INCORPORATED)

MEMPHIS, TENN.

Dec. 9th, 1932.

**Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Director, Department of Justice,
Bureau of Investigation,
Identification Div'n.
Washington, D.C.**

Dear Sir:

At the Fall Convention of the Tennessee & Mississippi Sheriff's & Peace Officers Association, held recently in Memphis, Tenn., the following Resolution was passed and the writer was instructed to furnish a copy of same to you also a copy to the United States Attorney General.

WHEREAS: Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation, has assisted and co-operated with all law enforcement officials personally, and through the Special Agents of the Bureau of Investigation assigned throughout the United States, and through the Fingerprint Division of the Bureau of Investigation, and, Whereas, this co-operation has materially assisted the officers in this section of the country in combating crime, be it RESOLVED: That the TENNESSEE & MISSISSIPPI SHERIFF'S AND PEACE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION go on record endorsing the work of Mr. Hoover and directing a copy of the Resolution to Mr. Hoover and The Attorney General of the United States, as well.

Yours very truly,

**W. T. Griffin (S)
Secretary.**

THE KANSAS STATE PEACE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

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J. A. JACKSON, President.
W. J. CUMMINGS, 1st Vice-Pres.
C. H. PAYTON, 2nd Vice-Pres.

D. K. FITCH, 3rd Vice-Pres.
JOE HOLSTON Jr., 4th Vice-Pres.
R. GEO. REID, 5th Vice-Pres.

H. B. BAKER, Secretary-Treasurer

OFFICE OF
H. B. BAKER, Secretary-Treasurer,
1321 Mulvane St., Topeka, Kansas

Topeka, December 9, 1932.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
Department of Justice,
Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

It is my very great pleasure to en-
close copy of resolution, which was passed by
the Kansas State Peace Officers' Association
in convention assembled at Lawrence, Kansas,
Friday, December 2, 1932.

I want to personally thank you for
the assistance which has been rendered to the
peace officers of Kansas and to our own
department.

Very truly yours,
/s/ H. B. Baker.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: John Edgar Hoover, Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C., personally and through his Special Agents throughout the field, has cooperated with all peace officers throughout the State of Kansas, and, whereas, the Identification Division of the United States Bureau of Investigation, under the direction of Mr. Hoover, has materially assisted us in combating crime, be it Resolved: That the Kansas State Peace Officers' Association express their appreciation to Mr. Hoover, and that a copy of this Resolution be directed to Mr. Hoover and also to The Attorney General of the United States.

Chairman J. Holston Jr.
G. A. Heid
L. D. White

Committee on Resolutions.

RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS: John Edgar Hoover, Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C., personally and through his Special Agents throughout the field, has cooperated with all peace officers throughout the State of Kansas, and, whereas, the Identification Division of the United States Bureau of Investigation, under the direction of Mr. Hoover, has materially assisted us in combating crime, be it Resolved: That the Kansas State Peace Officers' Association express their appreciation to Mr. Hoover, and that a copy of this Resolution be directed to Mr. Hoover and also to The Attorney General of the United States.

Charles J. Rolston Jr.
C. A. Reed
L. D. White

Committee on Resolutions.

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December 1, 1932.

Honorable James M. Broughton,
Honorary President, the International
Association of Chiefs of Police,
Portsmouth, Virginia.

My dear Chief:

I have yours of November 30, together with attached
enclosures.

I hardly know what to say. As a matter of fact, I
am deeply touched, so much so that I find it difficult to express
in appropriate words my personal appreciation and gratitude. It is
good to know that the many years of effort; the seemingly inter-
minable days and nights of struggle with vexing and almost in-
superable problems really bring a reward that is of lasting value;
that is, the approval and support of men like yourself who are
truly representative of the law enforcement sentiment and brains
of the country. No matter what the future may hold, I shall always
feel that my efforts along the lines of non-partisan law enforcement
and cooperative endeavors have not been wasted but that, on the
other hand, I have received ample fruition and a greater reward than
I deserve. I shall cherish the remembrance of your kindness and
support at all times.

I have no suggestions to make. I believe your letter
fully covers the situation appropriately and in detail.

I will be only too glad to see you at any time you come
to Washington and trust that you may be able to let me know a few
days in advance so that I may be certain of being here.

Assuring you again of my grateful appreciation and earnest
endeavor to deserve your support, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director.

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THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE

HONORARY PRESIDENT
James M. Broughton,
Portsmouth, Virginia.

Portsmouth, Virginia,
November 30, 1931.

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
Bureau of Identification & Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am sending you a copy of a letter which I
am mailing to the officers and members of the International Association Chiefs of Police.

It is my idea to later ask for a meeting of
the Executive Committee of the Association for the purpose
of passing resolutions in favor of carrying out the purpose
expressed in this letter.

I expect to take this matter up personally with
my friend, Harry Flood Byrd, Democratic leader of this State,
I will come to Washington sometime after the holidays and
talk with you personally about this matter.

Any suggestions you may care to advance will be
appreciated,

Yours very respectfully,

(s) J. M. Broughton,

Honorary President.

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THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE

HONORARY PRESIDENT
JAMES M. BROUGHTON
Portsmouth, Virginia.

Portsmouth, Virginia,
November 30, 1932.

Hon. Harry Flood Byrd,
Winchester, Virginia.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of my letter to the officers and members of the International Association of Chiefs of Police concerning a matter of importance to every police department and other law enforcing agency in the United States. It refers to the position occupied by the Honorable J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Bureau of Identification and Investigation of the United States Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

Frankly, his is a non-partisan position and has to deal with all police departments whether they be under Democratic or Republican control, and I am of the opinion that no change in political administration should affect the Bureau's directorship.

I hope to be able to see you sometime after the holidays and discuss this matter with you personally.

With fond personal regards, I remain,

Yours very respectfully,

(s) J. M. Broughton

Honorary President

THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GAIERS OF POLICE

Honorary President
James A. Doughton,
Parliament, Pa.

Parliament, Pa.

I am writing you in regards to the position held by the Honorable John Edgar Hoover, namely, the Directorship of the United States Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, in Washington, D. C., with the intention of arousing a concerted effort to maintain him in the said position, believing it to be to the best interest of every law enforcement officer in this country.

Here conditions normal, I believe we could safely say that no change in the Directorship of this Bureau would be possible. My reason for this confidence would be based upon the fact that as you know this Bureau has been conducted on a completely non-partisan basis with a view only to the best possible service that could be rendered the law enforcement officials of the country and the community that depends for its safety upon these officials. I think that you will agree with me that police work must be divorced from political considerations if modern ideals of efficiency and effective law enforcement are to be maintained. It has been universally recognized that the Bureau, and in this connection the Directorship of the Bureau, was not politically grounded or influenced and that political pressure should not be brought to bear during changes of political administrations. It might be well to admit that current times are not normal and I believe that pressure may be exerted from certain political sources in behalf of securing a change in the Directorship of the Bureau. It must be remembered that Mr. Hoover has not at any time engaged in any political activities. He was born and raised in the District of Columbia and, consequently, he has not had an opportunity to exercise the right of franchise.

He was originally appointed to the Department of Justice in 1917 under a Democratic administration and has been connected with the Department since that time. He was appointed to his present position in 1924 by Attorney General Stone and there were no political elements considered in the making of the appointment. In the administration of the Bureau he has consistently refrained from permitting political pressure of any kind to influence the appointments which have been made under his administration and he has a very definite rule in his Manual of Rules and Regulations that anyone resorting to any influence political or otherwise, will be immediately dismissed from the service. I sincerely believe that this is the only way that a law enforcement agency should be operated.

I would regret exceedingly the break-down of the splendid cooperation which has been built up not only in this country but internationally which I am

certain would ensue were political pressure brought to bear in the conduct of the Bureau, or were political considerations permitted to affect the Bureau's work and its personnel.

There is frankly some element of uncertainty attached to the future along these lines when there comes about any change of administration and while, as I have stated, I do not know of any specific indication of this kind, yet I feel that if friends of the Bureau feel that his administration merits the confidence and support upon the broad basis of efficient administration, they might express those thoughts in a proper manner to parties in whose hands will lie the decision as to whether there should or should not be any change in the Directorship of the Bureau.

My understanding is that if any change were made in this Department it would be after March 1st, 1933, and would be made by the new Attorney General. If you feel as I do in this matter, I would appreciate a letter from you on this subject, and would request that you direct a letter to any United States Senator or Congressman that will be in office after March 1st, 1933, giving your views and asking his influence to this end. Kindly send me two copies of any such letter you may write pertaining to this subject.

Yours very respectfully,

(s) J. E. Douglas,

Honorary President,

I. A. C. P.

October 1, 1932.

Mr. Otto Karbusicky, Secretary-Treasurer,
Iowa Association of Chiefs of Police,
612 - 11th Avenue, S. E.,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Dear Chief:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication transmitting on behalf of the members of the Iowa Association of Chiefs of Police, a copy of a resolution passed at your last convention, in which the work of this Bureau and its representatives are spoken of in favorable terms by the members of your Association.

I want to let you know how much I appreciate the kindness and courtesy which motivated this action on the part of your organization. I value higher than any other praise that has been received the commendation of practical, successful police officials in the field. This indicates that our efforts through the years have not been in vain inasmuch as the Bureau has received the approbation of those prominent in the line of law enforcement such as the representative members of the Iowa Association of Chiefs of Police. You may rest assured that if I can be of any assistance personally or officially at any time in the future to the members of your organization, I will esteem it a favor to be called upon.

With expressions of my best wishes and highest esteem,
I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director.

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Otto Karbusicky, Secy.- Treas.
612 11th Avenue S.E.
Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

J.W. Giellis, Pres.
Chief of Police,
Dubuque, Iowa

IOWA ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, X
Director, U.S. Bureau of Inves.,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

On behalf of the members of this
Association, I am attaching hereto, copy of resolution
passed at our last Convention, held in the City of
Dubuque, Iowa, Sept. 13-14-15-1932.

I am sure that there is nothing that
I could add, in extending our appreciation of the
splendid co-operation we have received from the
members of your Department.

With best wishes, I remain

Respectfully yours,

/s/ Otto Karbusicky

Sec'y-Treas.

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RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR COOPERATION.

WHEREAS, Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation, has assisted and cooperated with all law enforcement officials, personally, through the special agents, Mr. Wyner Hanni, Agent in charge of the United States Bureau of Investigation, St. Paul, Minnesota, and Mr. Reed Vetterl, Agent in charge of the United States Bureau of Investigation, Kansas City, Missouri, and other Agents assigned throughout the United States, and through the Fingerprint Division of the Bureau, and

WHEREAS, This cooperation has materially assisted the officers in this section of the country in combatting crime

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED

That the Iowa Association of Chief of Police go on record endorsing the work of Mr. Hoover, and directing a copy of this resolution to Mr. Hoover and the Attorney General of the United States.

/s/ Paul Steffen
/s/ F. R. Sanford
/s/ W. J. Cure
/s/ C. I. Grant

CHAIRMAN

(Motion: Moved - Seconded
Passed, 9/15/32)

Honorary President
JAMES M. BROUGHTON
Portsmouth, Va.

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SEPTEMBER 15TH 1932



HON. WILLIAM D. MITCHELL
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY GENERAL
WASHINGTON, D. C.

DEAR SIR:-

IT GIVES ME THE PLEASURE
TO ATTACH HERETO A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION
OF J. EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR, DEPT. OF INVESTIGATION,
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
FOR THE FAITHFUL AND DEDICATED WORK HE HAS
PERFORMED THE MEMBER OF THIS ASSOCIATION IN
LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY. I PERSONALLY HAVE KNOWN
MR. HOOVER WILL LONG CONTINUE THE PROGRESSIVE
WORK FOR HIS BUREAU THAT HE HAS ACCOMPLISHED IN
THE PAST.

VERY TRULY YOURS,

George C. Smith
ATTORNEY GENERAL

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RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION
OF
J. EDGAR HOOVER

WHEREAS, it is the sense of the members of the International Association of Chiefs of Police met in convention at Portland, Oregon, on this fourteenth day of June, Nineteen Hundred and Thirty-two, that they should appropriately express their appreciation of the services rendered to law enforcement officials throughout this and other countries by J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice. The Bureau of Investigation, under the direction of Mr. Hoover, is a source of daily aid and assistance to the chiefs of police and other law enforcement officials in the conduct of their efforts to combat crime. The field employees of the Bureau of Investigation are in constant contact with local and state law enforcement officials at all times, are manifestly under instructions to render every possible co-operative assistance in matters coming under jurisdiction, and the value of the services to law enforcement in general and to police officers of the country in particular cannot be too highly estimated. It is the sense of the members assembled here, that fitting recognition should be shown the striking advance accomplished in combating crime through the organization and development of the Identification Division of the United States Bureau of Investigation under the supervision of Mr. Hoover. It is believed that this division has now attained a world-wide reputation for expeditious and efficient service to law enforcement officials, and the value of the information promptly transmitted to police officers cannot be over-estimated.

It is further believed that recognition should be made also of the comprehensive, tireless and self-sacrificing efforts on the part of Mr. Hoover in developing the pioneer work of collecting and publishing uniform crime records statistics. It is realized that this project is still in its infancy, but it is believed substantial progress has already been obtained toward the achievement of a comprehensive basis for uniform crime statistics. The value of statistics of this character is, of course, well understood and appreciated by all law enforcement officials.

Mr. Hoover has always been available for personal advice and co-operative counsel and assistance to the members of the Association at all times and has given unreservedly of his time and efforts to all modern plans and projects tending to combat crime and convict criminals.

WHEREFORE, it is RESOLVED: That it is the sense of the members of this Association that this Resolution be spread on the minutes and that copies thereof be transmitted to the President and Attorney-General of the United States.

ALFRED SEYMOUR; Chairman

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August 10, 1932.

Mr. Claude P. Hensel,
Secretary, Nebraska State
Sheriff's Association,
Lincoln, Nebraska.

Dear Mr. Hensel:

I am in receipt, by reference from the Attorney General, of your communication of August 6th, attaching a copy of a Resolution passed by the Nebraska State Sheriff's Association, at their mid-summer meeting, held July 28th and 29th, speaking in commendatory terms of the cooperation which I have been able to afford law enforcement officials in connection with the work of the United States Bureau of Investigation.

I want you to know, and I would appreciate it if you will convey to your associates in the Nebraska State Sheriff's Association, my very great pleasure at receiving this commendation from the members of this Association. I feel that the approval of officials of long practical experience and high standing in law enforcement circles, such as are possessed by the members of the Nebraska State Sheriff's Association, is a real honor, and that commendation of this kind possesses a significance which may not be attached to any ordinary, routine expressions of approval. It is for this reason that I value very highly the Resolution in question.

I will always be pleased to render in every possible way, either from the Seat of Government at Washington, or through the representatives of this Bureau in the field, every possible cooperation with you and the members of your Association.

With expressions of my best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director.

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Claude P. Hensel, Secretary

Office of
NEBRASKA STATE SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION
Lincoln, Nebraska

August 6, 1932.

J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
United States Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing you copy of resolution passed by
the Nebraska State Sheriffs Association at their mid-summer
meeting held at Fairbury, Nebraska, July 28 and 29, 1932,
signatures of same being the committee on resolutions appointed
by the convention.

Very truly yours,

(s) Claude P. Hensel
Secretary

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P. S. We were favored with the attendance of three members
of the United States Bureau of Investigation, to-wit: R. E.
Vetterle, and R. V. Murphy of Kansas City, Missouri, and J. Reid
Green of Omaha, Nebraska.

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RESOLUTION

Whereas: Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation, has assisted and cooperated with all law enforcement officials, through the Special Agents of the Bureau of Investigation assigned throughout the United States, and through the Fingerprint Division of the Bureau, and, whereas, this cooperation has materially assisted the officers in this section of the country in combating crime, be it Resolved: That the Nebraska State Sheriffs Association go on record endorsing the work of Mr. Hoover and directing a copy of the Resolution to Mr. Hoover and The Attorney General of the United States, as well.

T. J. Roberts

A. E. Carter

Tom Dunn

L. D. Mengel

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R. G. Fox

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July 2, 1932.

Mr. E. C. Stuart,
Assistant Collector,
United States Customs Service,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Stuart:

Permit me to express my gratitude
for the removal of my Coast Guard Outter permit
which I received today.

Cordially yours,

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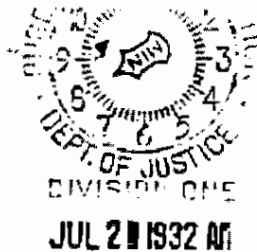
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UNITED STATES CUSTOMS SERVICE

NEW YORK, N. Y.



July 1, 1932.

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

Dear Sir:

At the request of the Treasury Department, I am pleased to
send to you herewith a renewal of your term Coast Guard cutter permit
which expired today.

Very truly yours,

[Handwritten Signature]
Assistant Collector.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON

June 30, 1932.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
DIVISION ONE
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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

As a reply to your letter of June 29th, you are advised
that the Collector of Customs at New York is being requested to
issue a renewal of the tern cutter pass held by you, and mail the
same to you in Washington.

Very sincerely yours,

J. L. Brown
Assistant Secretary.

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U. S. Department of Justice
Bureau of Investigation

1420 Enquirer Building
Cincinnati, Ohio
May 4, 1932



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

Dear Sir:

For the information of the Bureau, I am at-
taching hereto a copy of a memorandum submitted by Special
Agent F. E. Hurley, which relates to the Director's testi-
mony before the House of Representatives' Committee.

Very truly yours,

W. A. Rohrer
W. A. ROHER,
Acting Special Agent in Charge

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Cincinnati, Ohio
May 8, 1932

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MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE:

Re: Pascal Paper Company, Inc.,
NATIONAL BANKRUPTCY ACT

During the course of an official inquiry by this agent at the executive offices of the Bell Telephone Company, 225 E. Fourth St., Cincinnati, Ohio, in the above entitled case, it was deemed advisable to interview Mr. Joseph W. Heintzman, Chief Counsel for the said company, in order to secure a confidential report of long distance telephone calls put in or received by Dr. Anthony E. Pascal, brother of subject James Pascal, a resident of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mr. Heintzman graciously volunteered his full cooperation and gave instructions to his secretary to make a thorough search of the company's long distance call records with a view of securing the desired information.

Subsequent to making the initial inquiry, Mr. Heintzman asked agent if his superior officer was not Mr. J. E. Hoover. When advised that such was the case, Mr. Heintzman explosively remarked:

"Well he's a 'pip'. I was present when he testified before the House Committee at Washington, D. C. about a year ago, in which the question of tapping of telephone wires was discussed. His testimony was just what we telephone men wanted to hear. It was well stated in no uncertain language. He told the Committee in the presence of deeply interested witnesses that he would not tolerate wire tapping by any member of the Bureau of Investigation. During the course of his testimony, Mr. Hoover made it a point to remark that he considered that his Agents were honorable men, but that if any one of them should violate the rules of the Bureau or any specific instructions of an official character, immediate and appropriate disciplinary action would be taken. While testifying before the Committee, Mr. Hoover shook his finger to emphasize his remarks. His attitude and the tone of his voice plainly indicated that he meant every word he said. I believed his testimony and have confidence that he will do what he said. During the course of Mr. Hoover's testimony, the Federal Prohibition Director, Mr. Amos Wadcock, was present among other distinguished gentlemen, who had been called as witnesses. I have confidence that Mr. Hoover meant what he said. Personally

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I regard members of your Bureau to be trustworthy. I am glad at all times to cooperate with your men. You are free to come into my office on such matters, as this, at any time. We are not unalterably opposed to tapping wires when the necessity is known and in emergency matters of great importance to the public welfare. However, we want to know the facts in each case, and when the Heads of the Departments of the United States Government submit them properly, they will find us ready and willing to cooperate. We mean to help Uncle Sam, but we will not tolerate indiscriminate tapping of wires in unimportant cases or for unworthy purposes."

Mr. Heintzman was extremely gracious and friendly throughout the conversation. He did not ask this agent to treat his remarks as confidential matter, but I believe that they should be under the circumstances.

I asked him several questions out of real interest and he seemed pleased to answer each one of them. He searched his files in order to secure a printed pamphlet relating to the testimony as made before the House Committee on wire tapping to refresh his memory with reference to the testimony as given by Mr. J. E. Hoover. He was unsuccessful in finding the desired printed matter.

However, the effort as made by him unquestionably proves that he was real interested in the subject matter that he introduced of his own volition.

Very truly yours,

F. E. MURLEY,
Special Agent

GT:ACB

March 14, 1932.

Hon. Frederick J. Maskin,
Maskin Information Service,
21st and C Streets,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Attention: Mrs. Rank.

In pursuance of the verbal request of Mrs.
Rank of your office, I am enclosing herewith for your
information a biographical sketch of Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation.

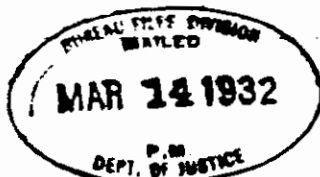
Very truly yours,

Assistant Director.

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**JOHN EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR,
UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.**

John Edgar Hoover was born January 1, 1895, in the District of Columbia and was educated in the Public Schools of the District of Columbia, graduating from Central High School in 1913. During the same year, 1913, Mr. Hoover entered the Library of Congress as a clerk, and enrolled in George Washington University Law School as a night student. He received the degrees of LL. B. and LL. M. from George Washington University and has been admitted to practice law before the bar of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, the United States Supreme Court and the United States Court of Claims.

Mr. Hoover entered the Department of Justice in 1917 as a clerk in the Files Division and in 1919 was appointed Special Assistant to the Attorney General to be in charge of the preparation of cases for deportation against alien anarchists and communists. He personally handled the cases prepared against Sam Goldman and Alexander Berkman, as well as the deportation proceedings against Isidor C. A. K. Hartman, the so-called Bolshevik Ambassador from Soviet Russia to the United States. From 1921 until 1924, Mr. Hoover served as Assistant Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation, and in May, 1924, he was named as Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation, which position he holds at the present time.

Mr. Hoover holds the command of Major in the Military Intelligence Division of the Secretary Messengers Corps, United States Army. He is a member of the Halworth Club, Washington, D. C.; the Columbia Country Club, Washington, D. C.; Masonic Fraternity; Kuaps Alpha Fraternity and is a Life Member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police; is also an honorary member, International Association for Identification.

The United States Bureau of Investigation is charged with the duty of investigating violations of the Laws of the United States and collecting evidence in cases in which the United States is or may be a party in interest. The Bureau has an annual appropriation of approximately three million dollars, with a personnel of approximately eight hundred. Under the direction of the Attorney General, the Director of the United States Bureau of Investigation directs the work of the Special Agents who are employed for the purpose of detecting crime and collecting evidence for use in proposed and pending cases for prosecution. The Bureau does not have investigative jurisdiction over certain classes of Federal cases such as violations of the National Prohibition Act, Narcotics, Smuggling, Counterfeiting and Forgery Laws. Mr. Hoover has under his immediate supervision the Identification Division of the United States Bureau of Investigation, which has an file approximately three million fingerprint records of persons who have been arrested for alleged felonies in the United States and foreign countries, representing the largest and most complete collection of criminal fingerprint records of current value existing anywhere in the world. In addition, he has under his immediate supervision the crime statistics unit which was established on September 1, 1930, involving the collection of statistics on crime from the various law-enforcement officials of the United States for dissemination to interested officials and agencies.

March 9, 1932.

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February 3, 1932.

Mr. George Black,
Secretary, International
Association of Chiefs of Police,
Wilmington, Delaware.

My dear Chief:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of a copy of the resolution passed by the Executive Committee of the International Association of Chiefs of Police extending the thanks and appreciation of said association for the cooperation which it has been my privilege to afford the members and officials thereof.

I want you to know that I have perused this resolution with the keenest pleasure. I realize that an expression of this kind from the International Association is a great honor and I shall endeavor in the future, as I have in the past, to merit the friendly consideration and approval of you and your associates. The International Association of Chiefs of Police, composing as it does in its membership the brains of the law enforcement staff of the entire country, is an organization whose approval may well be sought and gratefully received.

With best wishes and hoping that our relations in the future may be as mutually friendly and helpful as in the past, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director.



GEORGE BLACK, Secretary
Washington, Del.

EDWARD J. SINGLETON, Treasurer
Washington, N. Y.

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January 20, 1932

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

Attached is a copy of Resolution
passed by the Executive Committee of this
Association, in which we so desire to show
our sincere thanks and appreciation for the
most efficient services you have rendered
us in the enthusiastic co-operation with
our members and officials.

Very Truly Yours,

George Black
Secretary.

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January 21, 1932.

George Black, Secretary,
The International Association of
Chiefs of Police,
Wilmington, Delaware.

Dear Mr. Black:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the twentieth, with copy of Resolution respecting the work of the Bureau of Investigation and its Chief.

I am sure the cordial relations between the Bureau and the International Association of Chiefs of Police is in the public interest and will continue.

Sincerely yours,

Attorney General.

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January 10, 1932

Honorable W.D. Mitchell
United States Attorney General
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

Attached is a copy of Resolution
adopted by this Association and sent to Mr.
J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Bureau of
Investigation, Department of Justice in ap-
preciation for the wonderful services he has
rendered the members and officials of our
organization.

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Very Truly Yours,

Secretary.

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RESOLUTION OF THANKS TO Mr. J. EDGAR HOOVER

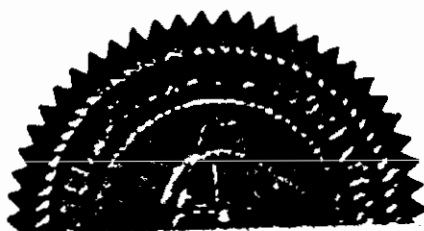
Whereas, Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Bureau of Investigation of the United States Department of Justice has aided and assisted the Police Officers of the United States through the co-operation rendered by the special agents of the Bureau of Investigation stationed throughout the United States, as well as the prompt and efficient service rendered by the Division of Identification and Information and
Whereas, He has personally assisted the officers of this Association by his counsel and advice,
Now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That this Association spread on the minute of this meeting the sincere thanks of the International Association Chiefs of Police and, a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Honorable W.D. Mitchell, Attorney General of the United States and to Mr. J. Edgar Hoover.
Approved October 12, 1931.

W.P. HUTLEDGE, Chairman .

J.M. BROUGHTON

JOHN A. CURRY



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May 20, 1931.

Mr. J. F. Trazzare,
Special Agent,
Southern Railway System,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Trazzare:

I am pleased to attach, in compliance with your recent request of Mr. Schilder, biographical data pertaining to Mr. Schilder and me for use in connection with our attendance at the Chicago Convention of the American Railway Association, Protective Branch.

When you write your Secretary regarding this matter, I would appreciate your making inquiry relative to the time when we will be placed on your program.

With expressions of my personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER.

Born - January 1, 1895.

Educated - Public Schools, District of Columbia.

Graduated Central High School, Washington, D. C.

Received degrees of LL.B. and LL.M. at George Washington University.

Admitted to practice before the Bar of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, the United States Supreme Court and the Court of Claims.

Appointed Special Assistant to the Attorney General in 1919.

Handled the deportation proceedings for the government against the Communist Party of America, Emma Goldman, Alexander Bergman, L.C.A.K. Martens, the so-called "Bolshevik" Ambassador and other alien agitators.

Assigned to the Bureau of Investigation in 1921 as Special Assistant to the Attorney General to handle legal matters incident to the work of that Bureau.

Served as Acting Director of the Bureau of Investigation from May to December, 1924.

Appointed Director of the Bureau of Investigation in December, 1924.

Holds the Commission of Major in the Military Intelligence Division of the Officers' Reserve Corps, United States Army.

Member of University Club, Washington, D.C.; Columbia Country Club, Washington, D.C., Kappa Alpha Fraternity and Masonic Fraternity

Life Member of International Association of Chiefs of Police.

Honorary member - International Association for
Scientific Culture.