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**SUBJECT: JIMMY DURANTE**

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TO DIRECTOR FBI AND SACS DETROIT, SAN FRANCISCO AND WASHINGTON

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FROM SAC CINCINNATI /92-382/ 3P

JAMES RIDDLE HOFFA, MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING.,

ACCOUNTING AND FRAUD SECTION, OO.. DETROIT. RE SAN FRANCISCO

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[REDACTED] CONTACTED BY JIMMY DURANTE,

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MOVIE PERSONALITY, EVENING AUGUST SIXTEEN, LAST, FROM SAN FRANCISCO

DURANTE STATED HE HAD JUST BEEN ADVISED BY HOFFA THE TEAMSTERS

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GROUP, CINCINNATI, NEEDED GOOD PUBLICITY MAN. DURANTE ASKED

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# Hollywood Has Kind Words for Slain Gangster

By FLORABEL MUIR

HOLLYWOOD, June 23 (NY News)—It was a cocktail party given by the Eddie Cantor, and a goodly slice of Hollywood was there. The talk was mostly of Buggy Siegel, gangland princeling, who was assassinated Friday night, for stepping on the toes of some other underworld royalist.

And most of the words spoken were kind, for Buggy was a story-book hoodlum to the romantically emotional adults who populate this community.

## Fascinated Women

For women especially, he had a strange fascination.

Cantor, who was throwing the party for Dave Rose at the Beverly Hills club, said, "you know, I liked that guy. He was very generous. Once when I was raising money in a charity drive at Las Vegas he came across with a sum that surprised me. He didn't do it for publicity, either, because no one knew how much he gave us."

Mannie Frank and songstress Vivian Blaine, his wife, confessed having been wary of Buggy.

"He was a pleasant fellow, always ready for laughs and a great host, but I never wanted to do business with him," Mannie said.

## "Always a Gentleman"

Blonde Marilyn Maxwell chimed in. "He was always such a gentleman."

Actor Bob Mitchum, too, felt a bit awed. "I guess he asked for it," he remarked.

"He was a good Joe," said Sonny Tufts.

Helmut Dantine, movie hard guy, said, "I only saw him around a few times, but I never thought he was the kind of a gangster they'd shoot. He never seemed to be menacing anybody."

## Durante Liked Him

Cornel Wilde admitted liking him, too, "but I wouldn't have wanted my wife (Patricia Knight) to meet him," he added.

Jimmy Durante was fond of Buggy with no reservations.

"I always got along swell with Ben," he said.

## Race Wire Service

### Linked to Murder

LOS ANGELES, June 23 (NY News)—The combined forces of law and order of Los Angeles and Beverly Hills today took up for investigation the possibility that Benny (Buggy) Siegel paid with his life for his consuming interest in his racing wire service.

They saw in the competition between Buggy's race wire business and that of the rival circuit operated by Chicago interests a situation in which Buggy's refusal to consider a merger or a sell-out might have brought about the decision to put him out of the way with bullets last Friday night.

Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_  
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Memorandum

TO : Mr. Felt

DATE: July 6, 1965

FROM : H. L. Edwards

SUBJECT: FIFTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING  
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ATTORNEYS GENERAL  
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS; JUNE 25 - 30, 1965

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At the State Dinner concluding the captioned meeting Wednesday night, June 30, 1965, Jimmy Durante put in a surprise unscheduled appearance and entertained the group of approximately 400 state Attorneys General, members of their staffs, wives and children. Texas Governor John B. Connally was the banquet speaker and Durante, accompanied by his partner, Eddie Jackson, and his pianist-arranger, George Finley, were introduced following the Governor's talk. Durante put on a typically fine performance lasting approximately one hour. Durante flew in from the coast Wednesday afternoon and flew back to the coast at 9:00 a. m. the following morning. He came solely as a result of a personal invitation from Louisiana's Attorney General, Jack P. F. Gremillion, and Gremillion's Chief Investigator, Frank Manning, whom Durante has known for approximately the past 25 years. I was told that Durante received nothing for this performance and even paid his own transportation expenses from and back to the coast.

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I was introduced to Durante by Gremillion and Manning and when Durante learned of my connection with the Bureau, he immediately asked about the Director and Mr. Tolson and requested me to be sure to give them his very best regards. He said he always looks forward to seeing the Director on his trips to the coast. He asked about the Director's health and said that he still has "some years" on the Director and he hopes the Director will "go on forever."

Durante indicated he has been making some commercials lately for Kellogg cereals and also has been appearing in a movie or two in addition to his regular nightclub circuit. Both he and Jackson look fine.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, LOS ANGELES /87-NEW/ 1P

UNSUB, THEFT OF NINETEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS IN FURS AND JEWELRY,  
 SEVEN DASH TWO DASH SIXTYONE AND SEVEN DASH THREE DASH SIXTYONE,  
 HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA. JIMMY F. DURANTE- VICTIM, ITSP, RESIDENCE  
 OF VICTIM BURGLARIZED LAST NIGHT. DISCOVERED EARLY AM THIS DATE. PRE-  
 LIMINARY COUNT DISCLOSES APPROXIMATELY NINETEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS IN FURS  
 AND JEWELRY MISSING. RESIDENCE WAS ENTERED BY PRYING REAR WINDOW.  
 INTERIOR OF HOUSE WAS RAMSACKED. NO SUSPECTS DEVELOPED. INVESTIGATION  
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# Rob Jimmy Durante of \$20,000

## Burglars Get Loot From Home

Loot totaling \$29,060 was taken in a burglary at the home of star entertainer Jimmy Durante, 1653 Rising Sun Road, Hollywood Hills, during his absence last night, police reported today. The loot included cash, \$10; a Russian sable fur coat, \$4050; a diamond-platinum necklace, \$3200, and other jewelry, and various personal property items. Durante discovered the loss before a television appearance, officers said.

"Whoever it was certainly had a lot of nerve," the star's wife said. "The lights to the house were on outside, we had lights on in the house and five cars were parked in our driveway and in front of the house. We all went to the studio to see Jimmy do a television show."

Pointing to their 2-year-old miniature poodle, apparently the only witness to the crime, Mrs. Durante said:

"I sure wish Pierre could talk. They must have given him some fresh meat or something to keep him quiet while they ransacked the house. He's usually very noisy and barks a lot."

UNSUB, THEFT OF \$20,000  
IN FURS AND JEWELRY,  
7-2-61 AND 7-3-61  
HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA  
JIMMY F. DURANTE-VICTIM

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—Herald-Express Photo by Mill Martinez

**JIMMY DURANTE'S HOME RANSACKED BY BURGLARS**

Comedian and Wife View Hall Closet Door Ripped Open by Robbers Who Took  
\$20,000 in Cash, Jewels and Furs

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM SAC, LOS ANGELES 87-14461 2 P

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CHANGED. CLIFFORD JOHN WATTS, CHARLES LESLIE PENDERGRAPH, ROSCOE CONKLIN PORTER. ITSP. RMYTEL JULY THREE LAST. TITLE MARKED CHANGED TO REFLECT IDENTITY OF SUBJECTS. TITLE FORMERLY CARRIED UNKNOWN SUBJECT, THEFT OF NINETEEN THOUSAND IN FURS AND JEWELRY, JULY TWO DASH THREE SIXTY ONE, HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA, JIMMY F. DURANTE DASH VICTIM. ITSP. ACTING ON TIP FROM POLICE INFORMANT, LOS ANGELES POLICE OFFICERS TODAY ARRESTED CLIFFORD JOHN WATTS, TWENTY ONE PARK GROVE AVENUE, LOS ANGELES, LAPD NO. FOUR NINE SIX SIX ZERO W, FBI NO. ONE FOUR NINE FOUR ZERO THREE TWO, DESCRIBED AS MALE, NEGRO, BORN SEPTEMBER ONE NINETEEN NINETEEN, LOS ANGELES, FIVE FEET SIX INCHES, ONE THIRTY FOUR LBS. CHARLES LESLIE PENDERGRAPH, ONE FOUR THREE ZERO WEST THIRTY SIXTH PLACE, DESCRIBED AS MALE, NEGRO, BORN JANUARY TWENTY THIRTY FIVE, LOS ANGELES, FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE SEVENTY POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, BROWN

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BROWN EYES. ROSCOE CONKLIN PORTER, TWO TWO THREE FIVE WEST TWENTY SIXTH PLACE, DESCRIBED MALE, NEGRO, BORN NOVEMBER TWENTY SEVEN TWENTY FIVE, FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE SIXTY POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, BROWN EYES. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] PARTIAL RECOVERY OF PROPERTY TAKEN IN DURANTE BURGLARY RECOVERED WITH ARREST OF SUBJECTS. RECOVERED PROPERTY HAS BEEN POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED BY MR. AND MRS. DURANTE. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] LAPD WITHHOLDING MAKING PRESS RELEASE UNTIL POSSIBLE RECOVERY OF ALL PROPERTY MADE. NO EVIDENCE OF ITSP AND NO FEDERAL VIOLATION DEVELOPED.

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July 26, 1957

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Mr. Jimmy Durante  
511 North Beverly Drive  
Beverly Hills, California

Dear Jimmy:

Inspector McGuire has advised me of your thoughtfulness in calling before your departure from Washington yesterday. Your remembrance is certainly appreciated, and I am sorry I was not able to bid you farewell. You may be sure I am looking forward to exchanging pleasantries with you on the occasion of our next meeting.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

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June 14, 1960

Dear Carlo:

Thanks for sending me the write-up, and really one of the greatest men in the country today is J. Edgar Hoover. What a fine man -- it made me very happy to know that he liked my show. I must have got about eight copies of that from all over the country.

I know Mr. Hoover already has an autographed picture of me because I remember giving him one.

Thanks again and if you do ever meet with Mr. Hoover please give him my best.

My very best wishes to you and yours ---

Sincerely,

*[Signature]*  
Jimmy Durante

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JUL 6 1960

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JUL 11 1960

Dear Mr. Hoover:

*Thought you might like to see the Jimmy and I are old friends and I thought I would surprise you with an autographed picture just in case you didn't*

59 JUL 14 1960

*[Signature]*

*Will be at room 1732 July 2nd 10:30 A.M. or please.*

*[Signature]*

December 6, 1963

Mr. Jimmy Durante  
511 North Beverly Drive  
Beverly Hills, California

Dear Jimmy:

Again I want to express my sincere thanks for your kindness in appearing during the ceremonies of the Brotherhood Award of the Washington Hebrew Congregation on December 4th. Enclosed is a photograph which was made at that time.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,  
Edgar

Enclosure

NOTE: Mr. Durante is on the Special Correspondents' List on a first-name basis.

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December 6, 1963

Mr. Eddie Jackson  
c/o Mr. Jimmy Durante  
511 North Beverly Drive  
Beverly Hills, California

Dear Mr. Jackson:

As you know, I am deeply appreciative  
of your kindness in contributing your outstanding  
talent to the Brotherhood Award ceremonies on  
December 4th, and I thought you might like to have  
the enclosed copies of two of the photographs made at  
that time.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Mr. Jackson is part of Jimmy Durante's act. An appropriate note of appreciation was sent to him on 12/5/63 utilizing the above address.

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December 5, 1963

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Mr. Jimmy Durante  
511 North Beverly Drive  
Beverly Hills, California

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Dear Jimmy:

I certainly enjoyed your superb performance last night at the ceremonies of the 1963 Brotherhood Award of the Washington Hebrew Congregation, and I deeply appreciate your coming here especially in view of the difficulties you encountered. Despite your long trip from the west coast including the traveling hardships involved, you did a masterful job which will always be remembered by all present.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

*[Handwritten signature]*

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*[Handwritten signature]*

Dear Mr Hoover - I love this writer -  
Please take care of yourself -

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ENCLOSURE

TIMES EDITORIALS**Increased Power for the FBI?**

Precisely what role should be played by the Federal Bureau of Investigation in combatting subversive and other criminal activity has become a subject of renewed debate in recent weeks.

Controversial statements to the press by the FBI's long-time director, J. Edgar Hoover, and answers to these statements by Negro leaders and others have served to narrow the focus of attention to the FBI's activity in the civil rights area. Accompanying this have been a variety of suggestions—even demands — for changing the scope of FBI operations.

Such suggestions are not new, although the sources from which they come may seem unusual.

For years certain right wing elements have advocated enlarging the authority of the FBI to make it into a sort of national secret police force. Rightist proponents of this step claim that the kind of agency they have in mind is needed to combat "subversives," a word often so loosely used that it seems to mean anyone with whom they disagree.

Now, however, the push for changing the FBI's role is coming mainly from liberal and left wing elements.

What is being asked is a hyper-activist FBI that will concern itself not just with violations of federal laws, but with violations of laws not covered by federal statutes, laws which traditionally are within the jurisdiction of the various states. This would include certain protective—in effect bodyguard—functions for civil rights workers in the South.

The FBI is not, nor was it ever intended to be, either a national police force or a Gestapo. As it has developed under J. Edgar Hoover over the last 40 years the bureau has limited its role to investigative work and enforcement of specific federal laws—all laws, in fact, which have not been assigned by legislative enactment to other federal agencies, for instance, counterfeiting, which comes within the jurisdiction of the Treasury Department.

To enlarge the role of the FBI to the point where it can pre-empt state jurisdiction over even selective categories of criminal activity would constitute an exceedingly dangerous threat to individual liberties. Enormous police power would be concentrated in one federal agency. In unscrupulous hands this power could be misused with frightening consequences.

As an investigative and enforcement agency with specific responsibilities the FBI, as even its critics must admit, has been remarkably free from political and other special interests. Credit for this must go to Hoover, who insisted from the beginning that the bureau be divorced from politics. The director has also opposed attempts to broaden the FBI's area of jurisdiction.

This is all to the good.

Whatever motivations may now be prompting pressures to expand the bureau's jurisdiction, the fact remains that the potential dangers of concentrating increased police power in this arm of the federal government are too great to risk. The FBI, in its present form, does a good job. It shouldn't be tampered with.

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December 10, 1964

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Mr. Jimmy Durante  
511 North Beverly Drive  
Beverly Hills, California

Dear Jimmy:

It was indeed thoughtful of you to send the editorial entitled "Increased Power for the FBI?" to me, and I want to take this opportunity to thank you for the article as well as the kind comment you made in your note. Staunch support such as yours is always a great source of encouragement to me.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Edgar

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NOTE: Mr. Durante is on the Special Correspondents' List.  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : MR. FELT *fe*

DATE: March 8, 1966

FROM : H. L. EDWARDS *HL*

SUBJECT: <sup>①</sup> JIMMY DURANTE

Last night Mrs. Edwards and I were dinner guests at the Rotunda Restaurant of Jimmy Durante, who is currently appearing at the Blue Room of the Shoreham Hotel (last night will be Thursday, 3/11/66). I met him some time ago through mutual friends.

Mr. Durante indicated that he plans to telephone the Director today (Tuesday, 3/8/66) and he also indicated that if his (Durante's) schedule will possibly permit he is going to try to take advantage of an opportunity to tour the Bureau. He said he had hoped to do this when he came to Washington on the occasion of the Director's receiving the Criss Award but his plane was late getting in and his entire schedule became upset.

Durante spoke frequently and in the highest terms concerning the Director and he asked about Mr. Tolson's health. He said he looks forward every year to seeing the Director. Durante mentioned that he became 73 on February 10, 1966, and "has a couple of years on the Director."

One of the chief topics of conversation of Durante was his recently adopted daughter, Cecelia, who is 4 1/2 years old. He showed us pictures of her in his hotel suite at the Shoreham.

Durante stated that Wednesday, 3/9/66, he has an appointment at the White House with President Johnson in connection with this year's Easter Seal campaign in connection with which Durante's photograph is appearing in magazines all over the country.

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While we were having dinner a great number of people came up to the table to ask for autographs and to tell him in an admiring way of various incidents in their lives wherein they remembered Durante favorably. He made a hit with everyone, seemed to be very glad to give the autographs and indicated that it is these friendly gestures on the part of people which "make life worth living."

ACTION:

None . . . . informative.

- 1 - Mr. Wick
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Miss Holmes

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April 12, 1968

BY LIAISON

Mrs. Mildred Stegall  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Stegall:

*Jimmy Durante*

Reference is made to your name check request concerning entertainers and athletic figures.

The central files of the FBI contain no pertinent derogatory information identifiable with [redacted]

The fingerprint files of the Identification Division of the FBI contain no arrest data identifiable with the above individuals based upon background information submitted in connection with this name check request.

Attached are separate memoranda concerning the following individuals:

[redacted] *Pertains to third parties, and therefore, considered outside scope of your request.*

Jimmy Durante

A copy of this communication has not been sent to the Attorney General.

Sincerely yours,

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- 1 - Mr. DeLoach (sent direct) - Enclosures (8)
- 1 - Mr. Gale (sent direct) - Enclosures (3)

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Enclosures (3)

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- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_
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- Casper \_\_\_\_\_
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- Felt \_\_\_\_\_
- Gale \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_
- Tavel \_\_\_\_\_
- Trotter \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holmes \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

Delivered to Mildred Stegall on 4/15/68

*E. J. [unclear]*

*Letter*

*6/1/68*

April 11, 1968

~~JIMMY DURANTE~~

*Cliff*  
Jimmy Durante, well-known motion picture and television star, has not been the subject of an investigation by the FBI. However, our files reveal the following information concerning him.

The December 23, 1943, issue of the "Daily Worker," a former east coast communist newspaper, reported that Jimmy Durante was among a group of entertainers who "readily agreed" to perform at a show sponsored by the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee, an organization designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The April 18, 1944, issue of the "Daily Worker" reported that Jimmy Durante was one of a number of entertainers who performed at a birthday party for Paul Robeson, an individual who has been identified as a communist in sworn testimony before the House Committee on Un-American Activities. This birthday party was sponsored by the Council on African Affairs, an organization designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The October 3, 1947, issue of the "Times-Herald," Washington, D. C., reported that a cocktail party had been given by Eddie Cantor soon after the death of Benjamin "Bugsy" Siegel, notorious west coast hoodlum. According to this article, Jimmy Durante, "an old-time speakeasy player himself, saluted Siegel's memory kindly." 62-74168-2

The fingerprint files of the Identification Division of the FBI contain no arrest data identifiable with captioned individual based upon background information submitted in connection with this name check request.

NOTE: Per request of Mrs. Mildred Stegall, White House Staff.  
JCF:mac (7)

- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Bishop \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Casper \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Callahan \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Conrad \_\_\_\_\_
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- Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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Honorable Alexander P. Butterfield  
Deputy Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Butterfield:

Reference is made to your name check request concerning [redacted] and some other individuals.

Attached are separate memoranda concerning the following individuals:

[redacted]

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Durante

[redacted]

This letter of transmittal may be declassified when the enclosures bearing a classification are removed.

Sincerely yours,

L. Patrick Gray, III  
Acting Director

Enclosures (4)

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1 - Mr. Cleveland - Enclosures (sent direct)

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- Baker \_\_\_\_\_
- Bates \_\_\_\_\_
- Bishop \_\_\_\_\_
- Callahan \_\_\_\_\_
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- Marshall \_\_\_\_\_
- Miller, E.S. \_\_\_\_\_
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- Soyars \_\_\_\_\_
- Walters \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Kinley \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Armstrong \_\_\_\_\_
- Ms. Herwig \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Neenan \_\_\_\_\_

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DATE 10-27-80 BY SP-5/BJM

August 23, 1972

MR. AND MRS. JIMMY DURANTE

Captioned individuals, who you advised reside at 511 North Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills, California, have not been the subjects of an investigation by the FBI. However, our files reveal the following information concerning Mr. Durante.

The December 23, 1943, issue of the "Daily Worker," a former east coast communist newspaper, reported that Jimmy Durante was among a group of entertainers who "loosely agreed" to perform at a show sponsored by the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee, an organization designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
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- Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Bishop \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Casper \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Callahan \_\_\_\_\_
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- Mr. Kinley \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Armstrong \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Herwig \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Neenan \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Per request of Alexander P. Butterfield, Deputy Assistant to the President.

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MAIL ROOM  TELETYPE UNIT

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Durante

The central files of the FBI, including the files of the Identification Division, contain no additional pertinent information concerning captioned individuals based upon background information submitted in connection with this name check request.

September 26, 1972

Mr. Jimmy Durante  
Saint John's Hospital  
1328 22nd Street  
Santa Monica, California 90404

Dear Mr. Durante:

Your many friends in the FBI were sorry  
to learn it was necessary for you to enter the hos-  
pital for a rest and we hope this note will find you  
feeling much better. We did want you to know that  
our thoughts are with you and we wish you a speedy  
recovery from your fatigue.

Sincerely,

Pat Gray ST-106

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NOTE: Mr. Durante has been a good friend to the Bureau over  
the years furnishing entertainment at various Bureau functions.  
Address for hospital per Zip Code Book.

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- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. DeLoach
- Mr. Mohr
- Mr. Bishop
- Mr. Casper
- Mr. Callahan
- Mr. Cleveland
- Mr. Conrad
- Mr. Dalbey
- Mr. Jenkins
- Mr. Marshall
- Mr. Miller, E.S.
- Mr. Roder
- Mr. Swears
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- Mr. Tele. Room
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- Mr. Armstrong
- Mr. Herwig
- Mrs. Neenan

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DURANTE 9-25

SANTA MONICA, CALIF. (UPI) -- JIMMY DURANTE HAS BEEN HOSPITALIZED FOR REST, DR. JOHN EAGAN, HIS PERSONAL PHYSICIAN, REPORTED MONDAY. THE 75-YEAR-OLD ENTERTAINER ENTERED ST. JOHN'S HOSPITAL HERE SATURDAY. EAGAN SAID DURANTE WAS SUFFERING FROM FATIGUE FOLLOWING LAS VEGAS NIGHTCLUB APPEARANCE AND SEVERAL TELEVISION APPEARANCES. HOWEVER, THE PHYSICIAN SAID DURANTE WAS "DOING FINE." IT WAS UNKNOWN HOW LONG THE VETERAN COMEDIAN WOULD BE IN THE HOSPITAL.

UPI 09-25 09:18 PED

*Letter to Durante  
sent  
9-26-72  
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*Grant*

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ENCLOSURE

*sel*

Mrs. Jimmy Durante  
511 North Beverly Drive  
Beverly Hills, California 90210

November 24, 1972

Mr. L. Patrick Gray, III  
Acting Director  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Gray:

Thank you so much for the lovely note and good wishes you sent Jimmy.

Jimmy is home recuperating and doing very well. With the many good wishes of friends like you, I am sure it won't be long before he is up and around again.

Thank you for thinking of him.

Sincerely,

*Marge Durante*  
(MRS.) JIMMY DURANTE

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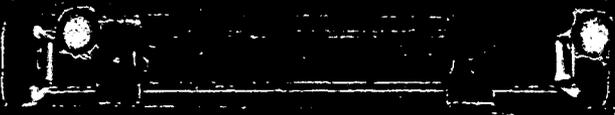
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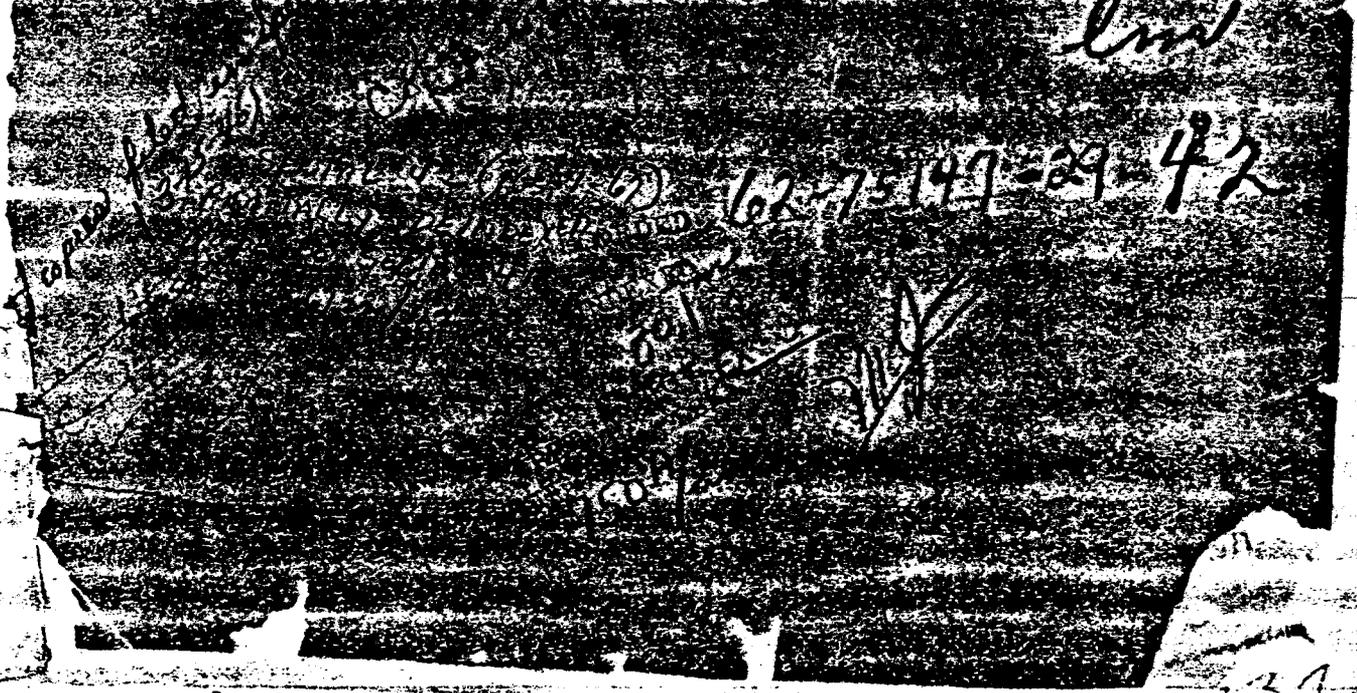
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\* - Denotes principal information

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Colonial Inn

United States Highway No. 1  
Hallandale, Florida

[REDACTED]

Plans are being made for an elaborate floorshow and nightclub. XAVIER CUGAT's orchestra has been booked, and negotiations are being carried on for CARMEN MIRANDA, VELOZ and YOLANDA, JIMMY DURANTE, and JACK BENNY for appearances at this spot.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

*New*

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (94-519) (Sub 10)

DATE: February 15, 1954

SUBJECT: JOHN ERMINIO CAPONE, was. James Martin,  
Jack Martin, John Martin, Arthur  
Colby, Phil Cohen, Jack Capone, Miami  
Capone, Mimi Capone  
GIIF (TOP HOODLUM COVERAGE)

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*Pertains to third party, therefore considered outside the scope of your request.*  
Re SAC Letter No. 53-58 dated August 25, 1953.

[REDACTED]

By letter dated October 15, 1952, the Los Angeles Division advised that [REDACTED] informed that JOHN ERMINIO CAPONE had visited JIMMY DURANTE and GEORGE RAFT a few days earlier than the date of the letter.

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DIRECTOR AND SACS LOS ANGELES AND MIAMI U R G E N T

BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, MISC. INFO. CONCERNING, CRIME SURVEY.

DEVELOPMENTS FOR WEEK ENDING TWENTYSEVENTH INSTANT. FLAMINGO HOTEL

CASINO, BARS AND RESTAURANT FORMALLY OPENED NIGHT OF TWENTYSIXTH

INSTANT WITH ENTERTAINMENT BY XAVIER CUGATS ORCHESTRA AND JIMMY

DURANTE.

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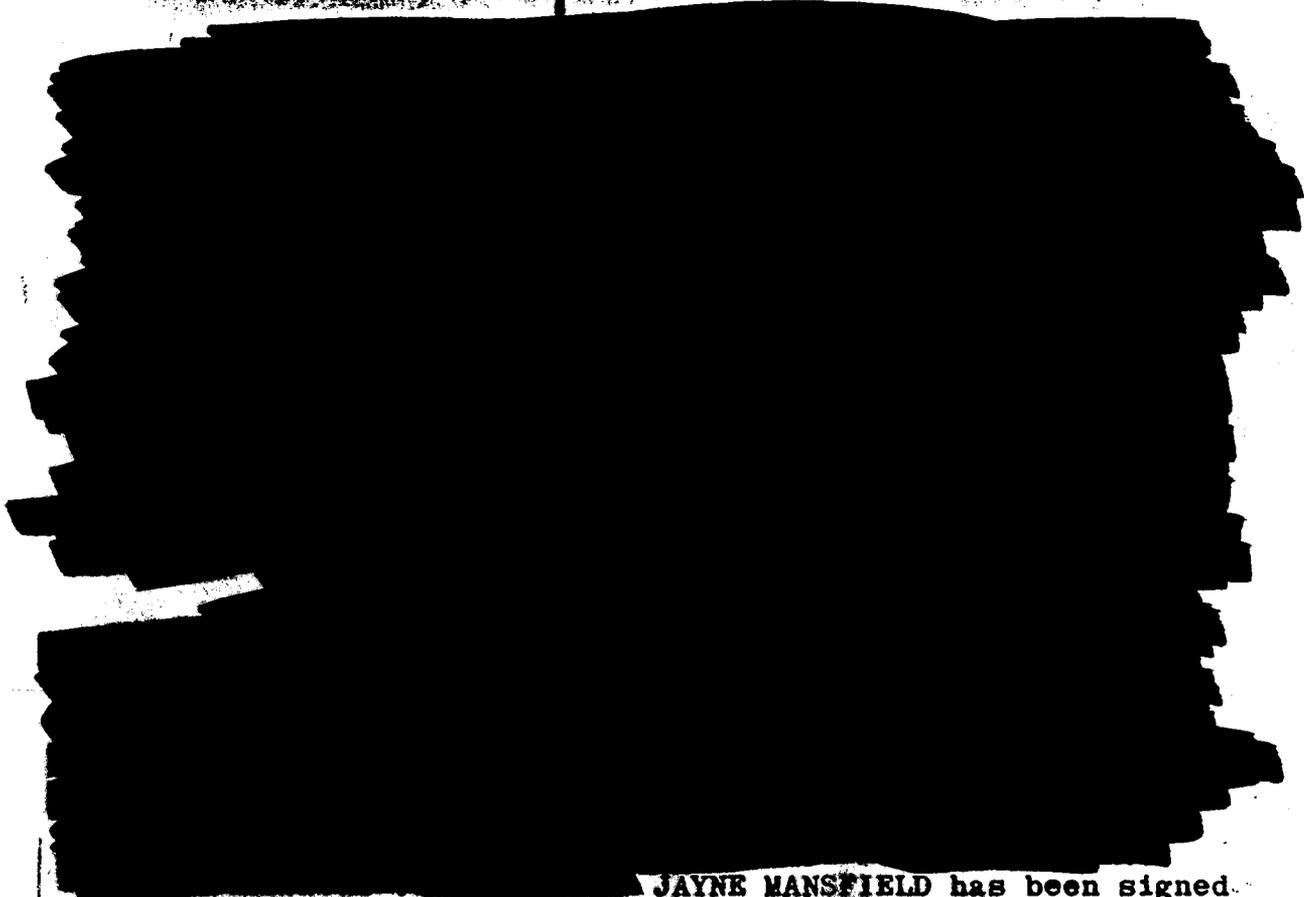






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JAYNE MANSFIELD has been signed up for a summer run and that they are presently hoping to get JIMMY DURANTE to precede her for two weeks. Both individuals feel that if DURANTE can be contracted for that they will be assured of having a financial success.



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MONTHLY SUMMARY OF TRENDS AND DEVELOPMENTS

DATE: May, 1947.

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ful eye on all the latest twists and shifts in the Communist Party line, reports an incredible racket being carried on in this country without benefit of F.B.I. attention or prosecution. "Individuals with relatives in Soviet-dominated police states are being solicited for contributions (in Slav-American communities) to pro-Communist causes and for declarations in support for the unrepresentative governments of these countries. There are broad hints that their relatives will suffer if the solicitations are disregarded." The newspaper goes on to comment that if our present laws against blackmail and extortion are not ample to cover this sort of intimidation they should be strengthened and enforced.

AMERICAN YOUTH for DEMOCRACY. The excellent Congressional pamphlet released by the House Un-American Activities Committee on this organization and the nationwide campaign of exposure with the resultant banning of this C.P. subsidiary from several college campuses has needled the Communists into caustic comment in their press. PEOPLES WORLD, Chicago STAR, and numerous other C.P. organs are devoting an increasing amount of space to defense of A.Y.D. as a "bona fide, democratic youth organization."

The Veterans Session of Hunter College, New York, adopted a rather unique attitude and policy. A.Y.D. was chartered by Hunter over two years ago. Instead of banning this renamed youth section of the C.P., Hunter's faculty posted public notices to all students warning them that AYD "is inspired and dominated by Communists and devoted to the spread of Communism and to recruitment of members for the Communist Party from among the students of American colleges."

Quick Death of a Front. Another Communist front died practically aborning due to the alertness of a New York newspaperman, Pulitzer prize-winner Fred WOLTMAN of the New York World-Telegram. The AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR CULTURAL RELATIONS WITH ITALY was launched with a great deal of fanfare and a long list of prominent spon-

sors: The Governor of Rhode Island, John RASTORE; Peter GRIMM, President of the N. Y. State Chamber of Commerce; Fannie HURST; Jan KIEPURA; Jimmy (Schnozzle) DURANTE and many others. None of these celebrities had ever lent their names to C.P. fronts. Tucked away, however, in the fine print were such hardy old perennials as Max YERGAN, Canada LEE, Eugene P. CONNOLLY, Rockwell KENT, and Frederick Vanderbilt FIELD, all of non-Italian origin but sharing a mutual penchant for sponsoring indubitable C.P. fronts.

WOLTMAN established that the society's initial financing came from another non-Italian, Irving POTASH, self-admitted Communist and official of the Furriers Union. The society's birth announcement rated two column headlines in the Communist Italian language paper L'UNITA DEL POPOLO. WOLTMAN then developed the fact that the non-Communist respectables who had lent their names to the project knew little or nothing about its objectives, inspiration, or actual directing control. All or most of them quickly withdrew their names and resigned. Miss HURST told the press: "I object terribly to finding myself affiliated with political groups that have not put all their cards on the table. I stepped out today. In the future I intend to watch my step."

Mr. GRIMM of the N. Y. State Chamber of Commerce stated that he had agreed to allow the society the use of his name as a sponsor at the request of a casual business acquaintance. He too dropped A.S.C.R.I. like a hot potato with the comment: "This is the first time I have ever been landed." The public relations company handling this account quickly withdrew also when the society's real purpose became apparent. It had been forbidden to contact any liberal, labor, or civic leaders known to be anti-Communist. WOLTMAN's journalistic enterprise is an example of what any vigilant newspaperman, Legionnaire, clergyman, or other public-spirited citizen can likewise do in his own community in exposing such Communist frauds.

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outside the scope of  
your request.

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She is personally acquainted with GEORGE RAFT  
MICKEY ROONEY and JIMMY DURANTE.

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J. Woodman  
MAY 15 1953

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**b7D** [REDACTED] had been in contact with JIMMY DURANTE and GEORGE RAFT, movie actors, in regard to the whereabouts of CAPONE. Both stated that CAPONE was not in Los Angeles. DURANTE told informant that he had closed a show within the past two weeks at the Copa City Club owned by CAPONE in Miami, Florida, and that CAPONE was there when he left. Both advised the informant that when CAPONE came to Los Angeles he always contacted them. [REDACTED] was given the above information on March 10, 1953.

(g) Recommendation:

*Pertains to third party and therefore is considered outside the scope of your request.*

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