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KANSAS CITY MASSACRE

62-28915

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SUMMARY REPORT

This summary is being prepared for the assistance of the United States Attorney in the prosecution of Vivian Mathias and Bobbie Moore for harboring and concealing Vernon C. Miller with aliases - Fugitive, No. 1195.

On the morning of June 17, 1933, at the Union Station in Kansas City, Missouri, while agents of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, and police officers were returning escaped Federal prisoner Frank Nash to the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, under authority of the Attorney General, they were shot at from various directions with machine guns and shotguns manned by friends of Nash in an effort to liberate him. The shooting resulted in the killing of Special Agent Raymond J. Caffrey, Chief of Police Otto Reed of McAlester, Oklahoma, and police officers Groome and Hermanson of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department. Special Agent F. J. Lackey was seriously wounded and Special Agent in Charge E. E. Vetterli was also wounded. Prisoner Nash was also killed. The officers and agents had no chance for their lives, as all that was heard by the survivors was a command of "Up", and the shooting began.

Subsequent investigation revealed that Vernon C. Miller, aliases: Verne C. Miller, V. C. Moore, Vincent C. Moore, V. C. White, V. C. Mason, an ex-convict, had been living in Kansas City, Missouri, with one Vivian Mathias, aliases: Vivian Mathews, Vivian Allen, Vivian Gibson, Mrs. C. T. Hays, Mrs. C. T. Hayes, Clare Hayes, at 6612 Edgevale Road under the names of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent C. Moore, from April to June 17, 1933, at which time they disappeared from this residence leaving their belongings behind.

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Investigation also revealed that telephone calls had been received at the residence of Vincent C. Moore from other parties connected with the shooting at the Union Station, during which telephone conversations plans were made to attempt to liberate Federal Prisoner Nash from the custody of the Federal officers.

On September 1, 1933, the Federal Grand Jury at Kansas City, Missouri returned an indictment, charging conspiracy to cause the escape of a Federal prisoner and named as defendant, among others, Vernon C. Miller with aliases as described above.

An extended investigation was immediately launched by the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, for Miller and also for Vivian Mathews. Vivian was later located in Montreal, Canada and her movements watched for a considerable period in New York City, Burlington, Vermont, Atlantic City and Newark, New Jersey, at which latter place she disappeared by means of a ruse on August 7, 1933. Nothing further was heard of her until September, 1933, when it was learned that Vivian Mathews had a close friend named Bobbie Moore, who also was known under the names of Mrs. J. A. Harris and Mrs. A. J. Williams, who was living at the Sherone Apartments, 4423 Sheridan Road, Chicago, Illinois. Investigation developed that Vivian was also living there and had been living at this apartment since August 27, 1933, having been introduced to the management of the Sherone Apartments by Bobbie Moore. A surveillance was maintained on Vivian and Bobbie, who occupied separate apartments, and on October 31, 1933, a man identified as Miller arrived at the Sherone Apartments, was greeted by Bobbie Moore and taken into her apartment and later Vivian was notified by Bobbie that Miller was there. Shortly after the arrival of Miller, Bobbie Moore was seen to approach a Ford V-8 Coupe with New York license plates, and to take a heavy valise from this Ford and carry same into Apartment 211 in the Sherone Apartments, which was the apartment occupied by Vivian Mathews.

Later that evening Miller was seen coming from the first floor of the Sherone Apartments, apparently from the apartment of Bobbie Moore, and to enter the apartment of Vivian Mathews. Miller remained in this apartment continuously from approximately 7:00 P. M. on October 31, 1933, to 8:30 P. M. November 1, 1933, having food sent to the room from a delicatessen store.

Bobbie Moore was also observed on the night of October 31, 1933, to drive the Ford V-8 with New York license plates, which was subsequently identified as a car purchased by Miller in New York City on October 22, 1933,

County Jail at Geneva, Illinois.
by the United States Marshal on November 15, 1935, and was confined in the Kansas
of Correction, Chicago, Illinois. Aileen Mathews was taken into Federal custody
by the United States Marshal, Chicago, Illinois, and was confined in the House
Bobbie Moore was taken into Federal custody on November 6, 1935.
in violation of Section 88, Title 18, U.S.C.A.
246, Title 18, U.S.C.A., and also a second count charging conspiracy to do so
so as to prevent discovery and arrest of said person in violation of Section
facts with harboring and concealing a person for whom a warrant had been issued.
On November 6, 1935, a true bill was returned, charging sub-
Special Agents J. J. Keating, J. H. Rice, J. I. Madala, E. H. Hootstein and
in the Northern District of Illinois, Eastern Division, on November 6, 1935.
The facts in this case were presented to the Federal grand jury
that she knew that he was wanted in connection with the Kansas City murders
went to an agent admitting that she knew Vernon Miller for some time and also
wanted in connection with the Kansas City massacre. Bobbie Moore made a state-
to the shooting that the person in her apartment was Vernon Miller, who was
she admitted immediately after the shooting and during interviews subsequent
name was Clara Hayes and refused to give any further information except that
Aileen denied her identity as Aileen Mathews and stated her
office at Chicago and was taken into custody.
until November 6, 1935, at which time she appeared at the United States Marshal's
attempt to capture Miller. Bobbie Moore remained hidden from November 1, 1935
Aileen Mathews was taken into custody in the corridor immediately after the
by Bobbie Moore. Miller disappeared and his whereabouts is not presently known.
firing two or three shots at a Special Agent of this Division, was driven away
suit and ran down to the Auburn coupe being driven by Bobbie Moore, and after
to capture Miller on the second floor of the Sherone Apartments, he eluded pur-
to the Galt Street entrance of the Sherone Apartments. When an attempt was made
convertible coupe, which was registered by her in the name of Mrs. V. J. Williams,
Mathews. A short time prior to this Bobbie Moore was observed taking an Auburn
Miller was identified as emerging from Apartment 211 in company with Aileen
At approximately 8:30 P. M. on the night of November 1, 1935
Articles of clothing were found in this Ford, which bore the initials V. J. W.
from the Galt Street entrance of the Sherone Apartments to a parking lot.

WITNESSES

CHARLES M. BATES, Clerk of Court, Eastern Division, Northern District of Illinois, or Deputy, will produce certified copy of indictment No. 12236, against Vernon C. Miller and others, returned by the Federal Grand Jury at Kansas City, Missouri, on September 1, 1933.

H. E. McFARLAND (Subpoena duces tecum), 1016 Baltimore Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, will testify that in April, 1933, he rented the property at 6612 Edgevale Road, Kansas City, Missouri, to one Vincent C. Moore for a period of one year at \$75.00 per month, and will identify the photograph of Vernon C. Miller named in the indictment referred to above as the party who rented these premises under the name of Vincent C. Moore. Mr. McFarland will also testify that the woman known as Mrs. Vincent C. Moore lived with Miller at this address from April until June 17, 1933, and will identify Vivian Mathias as the woman known to him as Mrs. Vincent C. Moore. He will also testify that the persons known as Mr. and Mrs. Vincent C. Moore had living with them a little girl eight or nine years of age. Evidence will be produced to show that Vivian Mathias has a girl of this age. He will further testify that the apartment was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Vincent C. Moore from April, 1933 to June 17, 1933, at which time these parties disappeared from the apartment, leaving their belongings in the apartment, and left no trace as to their whereabouts. He will produce all records pertaining to the leasing of the premises known as 6612 Edgevale Road, Kansas City, Missouri.

MRS. EARLE H. SMITH, 6623 Edgevale Road, Kansas City, Missouri, will identify a photograph of Vernon C. Miller as the individual who resided at 6612 Edgevale Road, Kansas City, Missouri, under the alias of Vincent C. Moore from April to June 17, 1933, and will also identify Vivian Mathias as the woman who lived with Moore at this address and was known as Mrs. Vincent C. Moore.

MRS. WILLIAM T. ALFORD, 6621 Edgevale Road, Kansas City, Missouri, and daughter, Joan Alford, will identify Vivian Mathias as the woman who lived with a party whom they will identify as Vernon C. Miller at 6612 Edgevale Road, Kansas City, Missouri, and was known to them as Mrs. Vincent C. Moore, and will further testify that a little girl lived with the parties known as Mr. and Mrs. Vincent C. Moore, who was supposed to be their daughter.

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[REDACTED] Kansas City, Missouri, will also identify Vivian Mathias as being the woman known as Mrs. Vincent C. Moore, who lived with the party whose photograph she will identify as Vernon C. Miller, and who lived at 6612 Edgevale Road, Kansas City, Missouri, with Vivian and a little girl under the name of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent C. Moore.

JACK JENKINS, Chief of Detectives and fingerprint expert, Kansas City Police Department, Kansas City, Missouri, will produce and identify latent fingerprint records which he, Jenkins, found upon examination of the premises at 6612 Edgevale Road, Kansas City, Missouri. He will identify these latent fingerprints, upon comparison, as being identical with those which are known to be the fingerprints of Vernon C. Miller. A photographic copy of the original fingerprints of Vernon C. Miller is in possession of the Kansas City office of the Division of Investigation, which prints were taken at the South Dakota State Penitentiary, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, No. 4240.

THOMAS L. DALTON, 84th and Madison, Kansas City, Missouri, will testify that he was engaged in operating the Waldo Transfer Company at Kansas City, Missouri, and that on June 26, 1935, he was ordered by telephone to proceed to 6612 Edgevale Road, Kansas City, Missouri, to pick up some articles for hauling; that at that place he met a man whom he will identify as Frank B. Mulloy, one of the defendants named in the indictment with Vernon C. Miller, and that he entered the house at 6612 Edgevale Road and hauled personal effects, including clothing, to a point which is No. 14 East 56th Street Terrace, Kansas City, Missouri, where he unloaded these articles.

L. G. TURROU and/or W. F. TRAINOR, Special Agents, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, (to be reached through the Kansas City office, Suite L, Federal Building, Kansas City, Missouri), will testify that they examined at the residence of Frank B. Mulloy, 14 East 56th Street Terrace, Kansas City, Missouri, on July 7, 1935, personal clothing which had been removed from 6612 Edgevale Road, Kansas City, Missouri, and found dress shirts bearing the laundry mark "V.C.M.", being size 14 1/2, collar and 35" sleeves. They will further testify that several other articles of clothing, including leather jackets, bed linens, mattresses, towels and two iron beds were found in one room. They will also testify that Frank B. Mulloy advised them that these effects were ordered hauled by him from 6612 Edgevale Road to his, Mulloy's, residence, and that the articles examined by these agents were the personal property of Vernon C. Miller.

J. J. KEATING, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers Building, Chicago, Illinois, will testify that he obtained information to the effect that one Bobbie Moore alias Mrs. J. Harris alias Mrs. A. J. Williams, was a close friend of Vivian Mathias, and that if Vivian Mathias came to Chicago, she would probably contact Bobbie Moore; that subsequent investigation by him reflected that Vivian Mathias was living at the Sherone Apartments, 4423 Sheridan Road, in Apartment 211, and that Bobbie Moore was living at the same address in Apartment 161. Agent Keating will further testify that in an interview with Vivian Mathias after the shooting, she admitted that the person in her apartment was Vernon C. Miller.

JOHN L. MADALA, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers Building, Chicago, Illinois, will testify that on Saturday, October 28, 1933, after he had been advised that Vivian Mathias was living at the Sherone Apartments, he proceeded to the Sherone Apartments under instructions and rented Apartment 207 there, which is on the same floor as Apartment 211, which was occupied by Vivian Mathias, and that he maintained surveillance on Room 211 from then until October 31, 1933. He observed Vivian Mathias and Bobbie Moore leave the Sherone Apartments in Bobbie Moore's Auburn convertible coupe and saw them return to the hotel about 1:00 P. M. on October 31, 1933.

He will further testify that at about 4:30 P. M. on October 31, 1933, he heard a commotion in the corridor outside of Apartment 207, and that he hastened to the door and on peering through an opening in the ventilator shutter, he observed Bobbie Moore run down the corridor towards Vivian's apartment, yelling excitedly, and heard the following conversation between Vivian Mathias and Bobbie Moore:

"Bobbie - He's here, Vi, he's here!

Vi - Where is he, Bobbie, quick, tell me where is he?

Bobbie - He's downstairs. I told him you had a lot of children in your apartment and that you would be downstairs just as soon as you could get rid of the kids.

Vi - How does he look, Bobbie?

Bobbie - He looks just grand. I told him you had been blue and crying all day.

Vi - - Tell him I'll be down in a few minutes."

Madala will further testify that about this time he observed through the ventilator in the door a man walking in the corridor, and noticed that he was of light complexion, had a sandy, bushy mustache, and wore horn-rimmed glasses, and that his general facial features closely resembled those of Vernon C. Miller, and also that the physical description tallied with that of Miller except that this person appeared to be ten or fifteen pounds heavier.

He will further testify that he observed Bobbie Moore approach Miller in the hallway, at which time she threw her arms about his neck, kissed him and said she was very glad to see him again. She also mentioned the fact to Miller that Vi had been crying all day and felt blue; that she had not heard from him for a long time. Bobbie Moore was observed walking down the corridor with her arms still around Miller's neck.

Agent Madala will further testify that a short time after the above occurrence he observed a Ford Coupe with New York license plates parked opposite the Galt Street entrance to the Sherone Apartments with the lights still burning, and at this time he noticed Bobbie Moore emerge from the Sherone apartments. Some time after this, which would be approximately 9:00 P. M., agent Madala will testify that while he was maintaining a surveillance of Apartment 207, he observed Bobbie Moore come from the first floor of the Sherone Apartments on to the second floor, carrying a large valise and a man's top coat, and proceed to Apartment 211. Madala will further testify that he kept surveillance of Room 211 in company with other agents from the time that the party identified as Miller went into Apartment 211, which was approximately 9:00 P. M. on October 31, 1933, and that this party remained continuously in Apartment 211 until 8:30 P. M. on November 1, 1933. He will further testify that at this time he observed Miller come out of Apartment 211 with Vivian and walk down the corridor, and that at a point a short distance from the door of 207, a signal was given that this party was positively identified as Miller, and at the same instant agent Madala also determined definitely that this party was Miller, and that he opened the door of Apartment 207 and the officers rushed out to apprehend Miller, at which time he ran around the corridor to the stairway and made his escape.

JAY C. NEWMAN, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers Building, Chicago, Illinois, will testify that on the evening of October 31, 1933, he was parked in a police squad car in company with Special Agent W. A. Smith and officers Starr and Garvey of the Chicago Police Department, and that they observed a Ford Coupe parked near the Galt Street entrance of the Sherone Apartments, and that he, Newman, obtained

the license number of this Ford Coupe, which was 1933 New York license No. B-L-1469, and that he later observed a woman whom he will identify as Bobbie Moore approach the Ford car and take therefrom a heavy valise and carry same into the Sherone Apartments. He will further testify that shortly after this, he again observed Bobbie Moore go to the Ford and after having some difficulty in starting same, drive this car away. He will further testify that this car was later found in a parking lot opposite the Sherone Apartments.

J. H. RICE, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers Building, Chicago, Illinois, will testify that he was stationed with Special Agent A. E. Lockerman in a Ford Sedan about 50 feet from the Galt Street entrance of the Sherone Apartments on November 1, 1933, to assist in the apprehension of Vernon G. Miller, who had been partially identified as being in Apartment K11 in the Sherone Apartments, and that about 8:30 P. M. on November 1, 1933, he observed a woman with two children leave the hotel by way of the Galt Street entrance, and that the woman later separated from the children and then returned to the doorway of the Galt Street entrance and looked up and down Galt Street. Rice will identify this woman as being Bobbie Moore, and will further testify that a short time thereafter a cream colored convertible coupe was driven into the parking lot directly across from the Galt Street entrance of the hotel, and that Bobbie Moore crossed the street to the lot and drove this car to the Galt Street entrance of the Sherone Apartments and remained at the wheel of the car with the motor running, at which time she blew the horn several times.

He will further testify that a few minutes thereafter, he observed a man of medium stature and build, wearing a brown top coat and a hat pulled down over his face, emerge from the Galt Street entrance of the Sherone Apartments in a hurried manner and enter the car occupied by Bobbie Moore. At this time it was noticed by Rice that this man had a heavy mustache and horn rimmed glasses. Rice will further testify that immediately after he saw the above described person enter the Auburn car, he saw Special Agent Nichols run out of the Sherone Apartments and yell, "Stop that car", and that Bobbie Moore emitted a scream at about the same instant he saw the man in the car with Bobbie Moore shoot two or three shots directly at agent Nichols, the fire being returned by agent Nichols. At the same instant he will further testify that Bobbie Moore drove the car away at a fast rate of speed with the party who had done the shooting.

L. D. NICHOLS, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Suite L, Federal Building, Kansas City, Missouri, will testify that at approximately 8:30 P. M. on November 1, 1933, while he was in Apartment 207 of the Sherone Apartments, he was informed that a man who had been partially identified as Vernon Miller and who was in Apartment 211 was expected to leave the apartment, and that he, Nichols, took up a position at the door of Apartment 207 so as to be in a position to assist in the apprehension of Miller if and when he was positively identified as being Vernon C. Miller; that shortly after taking this position, he received a signal that the party had come down the corridor and had been positively identified as Vernon C. Miller, and that he rushed out of Apartment 207 and found that Miller had run down the stairway; that he rushed down the stairway in pursuit and out the Galt Street entrance and saw Miller in an Auburn convertible coupe, which he knew to be Bobbie Moore's car, and also recognized Bobbie Moore in this car with Miller, Bobbie being at the wheel of the car. He will further testify that he hollered at Miller and Bobbie Moore to stop the car, but that the car continued in an Easterly direction on Galt Street at a rapid pace, and that he, Nichols, again hollered at Miller to stop the car, at which time Miller grabbed a gun from his pocket and fired two shots directly at him, and that he, Nichols, dropped to his knees and fired one shot at Miller, and before he had an opportunity to fire again, his view was obstructed and he hesitated to fire further because of the danger of hitting pedestrians and other officers near the car.

O. W. KEMPSTER, Sergeant, Illinois State Police, to be reached through the Chicago Division office, 1900 Bankers Building, Chicago, Illinois, will testify that he was being held in readiness in Apartment 207 at approximately 8:30 on the night of November 1, 1933, and that he received a signal that Miller had emerged from Apartment 211; that he immediately rushed out of Apartment 207 and found that Miller had run down the stairway; that he followed down the stairway and saw Miller in an Auburn convertible coupe, at the wheel of which was Bobbie Moore; that he saw Miller shoot at agent Nichols, at which time he, Kempster, leveled his machine gun at Miller on two occasions, but was forced to halt his fire because pedestrians were in the near vicinity and walked in the direct line of his fire, and that he saw Bobbie Moore drive the car in an Easterly direction on Galt Street, and that he fired twenty machine gun bullets at the car, several of which penetrated the car.

W. CARTER BAUM, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers Building, Chicago, Illinois, will testify that on November 8, 1933, he interviewed Bobbie Moore in the office of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers Building, Chicago, Illinois, at which time she stated her maiden name was Martha Moore;

that she was later married to J. A. Harris and that she had also used the name, with Harris, of Mrs. A. J. Williams. She stated that she first met Vivian Mathias and Vernon Miller while she and her husband, Jack Harris and their two children were living at the Dommoor Apartments, 921 Eastwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and that she became very friendly with Vivian and also with Verne Miller. She stated that after leaving the Dommoor Apartments she had not corresponded with Verne Miller or Vivian, and that she had last seen Verne Miller about December, 1932, at which time he stopped in to see her and wish her the season's greetings. She further stated that in August, 1933, Vivian came to Chicago and stayed a few days in her apartment, and later took a trip with her to the O'Shea farm in Iowa, and that subsequently arrangements were made for Vivian to rent Apartment 211 in the Sherone Apartments.

Agent Baum will further testify that Bobbie Moore stated to him that Vivian was not very talkative about her past, but that when she and Vivian were alone, Vivian frequently said that she wished she knew where Verne was and wondered as to what he was doing and how he was. She further stated to Baum that the first indication she had that Verne was coming to see them was when he called Vivian on October 31, 1933 and said he would be there in a few minutes. Bobbie Moore declined to state how Verne learned that she and Vivian were living at the Sherone Apartments.

Agent Baum will further testify that Bobbie Moore advised him that a short time after the above telephone call, Verne Miller came to the Sherone Apartments and came to Bobbie Moore's apartment, that is, Apartment 101, and that the reason he came to her apartment was because Vivian was holding a Halloween party in Apartment 211. Bobbie further admitted that she took Verne's suitcase from his car into the hotel and carried it to Vivian's apartment on the second floor, and that she later took Verne's Ford coupe and drove it from in front of the hotel to a parking lot nearby.

Agent Baum will further testify that Bobbie Moore admitted to him that at the time Verne came to her apartment, she knew that he was "hot" and that he was wanted by the Government. She further stated to Baum that on the evening of November 1, 1933, Verne Miller had told her that he wanted to make a telephone call from an elevated station and asked her to get her car and take him to the telephone. Bobbie stated she did not think this request was queer as she believed that Verne desired to make a telephone call from a pay station so that the person receiving the call would not be able to trace from whence the call was made. She further stated that she went down and got in the Auburn coupe which had been brought to the Galt Street entrance, and that later Verne Miller came down to the car; that immediately after he entered the car,

things happened so quickly that she was unable to give any real picture of what had happened, but that she was aware of the fact that a man had entered behind the car and that shooting had taken place. She stated that she drove the car some distance and that the only thing Verne Miller asked her was as to whether she was hurt. She stated that she heard the firing of a machine gun but that she did not realize at the time what this noise was. She further stated to Agent Baum that she drove the car down a blind street a short distance from the Sherone Apartments, and that Verne Miller jumped out of the car and disappeared, and that later she turned the car around and then abandoned same, and subsequently located Larry Bidderman, and that he assisted her in hiding from being apprehended for two or three days.

E. N. NOTESTRUM, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 203 Post Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota, will testify that he was personally acquainted with Vernon C. Miller approximately ten years ago, and that he came to Chicago to be in a position to definitely determine whether the party under surveillance was Vernon C. Miller, and that on November 1, 1933, he was maintaining surveillance of Apartment 211 in the Sherone Apartments, having previously been informed that a party believed to be Miller had been in the apartment, and that at approximately 9:30 P. M. November 1, 1933, he saw this party emerge from Apartment 211 with a woman identified to him as Vivian Mathias, and that he positively identified this party as Vernon C. Miller, against whom an indictment had been returned at Kansas City, Missouri, in connection with Miller's attempt to liberate Federal prisoner Frank Nash.

E. P. GUINANE, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers Building, Chicago, Illinois, will testify that he had a conversation with Vivian Mathias on the night of November 1, 1933, after the escape of Vernon C. Miller, and that Vivian admitted that the party who had been in her apartment since about 7:00 P. M. on the night of October 31, 1933, and who had emerged with her at approximately 8:30 P. M. on November 1, 1933, and had made his escape was Vernon Miller. She further admitted that she knew that Miller was wanted for the Kansas City killings at the Union Station in Kansas City, but she stated he never killed anyone.

Agent Guinane will further testify that other than the above, Vivian Mathias refused to give any information concerning herself or her activities with Miller.

This agent will further testify that on November 13, 1933, he had a conversation with Bobbie Moore at the House of Correction in Chicago, Illinois, in the presence of Special Agent J. J. Keating, and that Bobbie Moore at this time admitted that she knew Vernon Miller was wanted for the Kansas City killings, but that at the time she received him at her apartment, she did not fully realize how serious a part she was playing in shielding him, but that she now realized how serious a crime she was committing in shielding him.

R. A. KNITTLE, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers Building, Chicago, Illinois, will testify that he supervised the removal of Ford coupe bearing New York license No. S-L-1469, from the parking lot at Sheridan Road and Galt Street, to the Fair Oaks Garage, and that he removed all baggage and personal belongings from the Ford to the office in the Fair Oaks Garage, and that the effects were later removed to the office of the Division of Investigation.

A. D. MEHEGAN, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers Building, Chicago, Illinois, will testify that he examined personal belongings and baggage taken from Ford coupe with New York license plates No. S-L-1469, and will produce and identify several pieces of clothing containing the initials, "V.C.M."

DOCUMENTARY PROOF

The Kansas City office will forward to the Chicago office all records in their possession which were obtained from Mr. W.E. McFarland, showing the lease and occupancy of 6612 Edgevale Road, Kansas City, Missouri, by Vincent C. Moore.

This office will also forward to the Chicago office for use in the trial all latent fingerprint impressions and photographs of same, taken from premises, 6612 Edgevale Road, Kansas City, Missouri, by Jack Jenkins, for his use in testifying concerning these latent fingerprint impressions.

This office will also forward to the Chicago office clothing containing the initials, "V.C.M.", which were found by Special Agent I. G. Turrou for his, Turrou's, use in testifying in this case.

The Kansas City office will also have forwarded to the United States Attorney at Chicago a certified copy of the warrant which was issued for Vernon C. Miller. (Certified copy of the indictment is now in possession of the United States Attorney).

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1900 Bankers' Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your wire of even date in regard to **VERNON C. MILLER**, with aliases, et al., **OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE**, please be advised that [redacted] Kansas City, Missouri positively identified the photograph of Vivian Mathis. Mr. W. E. McFarland, 1016 Baltimore, Kansas City, Missouri identifies the photograph also, but is not quite so positive as is [redacted] in view of the fact that he did not see her except for a brief period.

Mr. Earle H. Smith, 6623 Edgevale Road, Kansas City, Missouri was said by his wife to be very familiar with the woman who lived with Vernon C. Miller, having seen her distinctly on many occasions at 6612 Edgevale Road, Kansas City, Missouri. However, when Mr. Smith was shown the photograph of Vivian Mathis today, he advised Special Agent W. E. Miller that he does not know the party whose likeness the photograph is. It is very apparent that Mr. Smith is not truthful in this statement.

The original photograph of Vivian Mathis, as secured by the Kansas City Office several months ago, was presented by Mrs. Frank B. Malloy, 14 East 56th Terrace, Kansas City, Missouri. Mrs. Malloy is the wife of Subject Malloy and, of course, knew Vivian Mathis as the paramour of Vernon C. Miller. It is doubtful whether or not she would be a desirable witness, however.

At this moment personal contact with Mrs. Earle H. Smith could not be secured, but same is being done tonight, in order that she may be shown the photograph of Vivian Mathis. Also the family of W. T. Alford, 6621 Edgevale Road, Kansas City, Missouri were in position to have observed Vivian Mathis when she lived with Vernon C. Miller at this place. Personal interviews are being had at the Alford home tonight, and you will be further advised by wire tomorrow as to the additional witnesses available.

Very truly yours,

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of November 16, 1933, submitting photographic copy of a latent fingerprint found on the door window of the Ford coupe abandoned by Vernon C. Miller at Chicago on November 1, 1933, together with a photograph of a latent fingerprint taken from broken glass on the windshield of the Auburn convertible coupe used by Miller when effecting his escape. These latent prints have been compared with the finger impressions of the following individuals and in no instance are they found to be identical with any of the fingerprints of the below named suspects:

Vernon C. Miller - our file #220512	Samuel Schraiger - our file #182772
Mrs. Bobbie Moore - USM Chicago #3766	Wm. Weisman - PD NYC
Frank Malloy - our file #392709	Henman Bornstein - PD NYC #D-118233
Irving Waxler - #668974	Abraham Chait - #47189
Lloyd Barker - #432778	Charles Makley - Ind. SP #12636
Louis Stacey - #693501	Edward Shouse - our file #1984
Chas. Arthur Floyd - #24633	Harry Pierpont - #4888
Alvin Karpis - #199217	Hilton O. Crouch - #67661
Vivian Mathias - USM Chicago #3766	John Dillinger - Ind. SP #13223
Abe Zwillman - our file #346333	Harry Copeland - our file #150136
J. E. Burns - #419408	Harar Van Meter - Ind. SP #11861
Walter E. Petrich - #229740	Louis Bookwalt - PD NYC #D-46042
John Hamilton - #110336	Dr. Irvin R. Silvers, USM Newark, N.J.
Russell Clark - #137614	Albert Silverman - PD NYC #D-51316 (see)
Joe. Fox - #284045	Richard T. Galatas our file #138950

The latent fingerprints have also been searched in the single fingerprint file maintained in the Division but no identification has been effected. They are being classified and placed in the unidentified section of this file with a view to possible identification at a subsequent date as the fingerprints of additional suspects are added from time to time.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Very truly yours,

Director.

U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

1900 Bankers Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

November 18, 1933.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: Vernon C. Miller, with aliases,
Fugitive, I. O. 1195, et al; Ob-
struction of Justice. (Endeavor
to Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank
Nash.

I am forwarding, herewith, a photographic copy of a latent fingerprint, which was found on the door window of the Ford Coupe abandoned by Vernon C. Miller at Chicago on November 1st. It is thought that the Division might determine whether these prints are prints of Miller's, or ascertain that they are the prints of some of Miller's known associates.

I am also forwarding, herewith, photographic copy of a latent fingerprint found on broken glass on the windshield of the Auburn Convertible Coupe owned and driven by Bobbie Moore when Miller made his escape. It is thought that these prints might be identified as Miller's or Bobbie Moore's.

These photographs were taken by Officers R. Moore and J. L. Bell, of the Identification Division of the Chicago Police Department.

Very truly yours,

M. H. Purvis
M. H. PURVIS, *Def*
Special Agent in Charge

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
US DEPT OF JUSTICE
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MAILED ONE JULIAN T BISHOP TOOK BOEING AIR TRANSPORT PLANE ON TRIP FOUR OUT
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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SUITE 1 - FEDERAL BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI.
NOVEMBER 14, 1933.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
201 Liberty National Life Building,
Birmingham, Alabama.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the matter of MRS. E. R. CONNER, the subject in the case of VERNON O. MILLER, with aliases, et al, OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; endeavor to deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash, I have transmitted to you by night letter names of witnesses at Hot Springs, Arkansas who may be subpoenaed for preliminary hearing on November 17, 1933 at Memphis, Tennessee.

Moses Mandel, the owner of the premises at which Mrs. Conner lived at Hot Springs, may or may not be willing to assist the Government in this matter. It is suggested that he be carefully interviewed by an Agent before his testimony is offered. Other individuals at Hot Springs, Arkansas, who furnished information in this case, were regarded as confidential informants and while some of them knew Mrs. Conner and the address at which she lived, it is not deemed advisable to use them at present.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR
ACTING SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

WPT-jgw
cc - Division

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SUITE L - FEDERAL BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI.
NOVEMBER 14, 1933.

United States Attorney,
Federal Building,
Memphis, Tennessee.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the matter of MRS. LOUISE CONNER who is a Subject in the case of Vernon C. Miller, with aliases, Fugitive, et al, Obstruction of Justice.

It is understood through notification received from the Birmingham Office of this Division that Mrs. Conner is now in Federal Custody at Memphis, Tennessee, and that a certified copy of the indictment charging her in this case at Kansas City, Missouri has already reached you by transmittal from the United States Attorney of Kansas City, Missouri. I have just been advised that a preliminary hearing is to be held at Memphis on Friday, November 17, 1933 for removal of Louise Conner to Kansas City, Missouri.

I have furnished the Birmingham Office with names of the witnesses at Hot Springs, Arkansas who can testify to the residence of Mrs. Conner at 1101 Central, Hot Springs, Arkansas as of June 16, 1933, and who can produce the telephone contract showing that she had telephone No. 2970 at that address as of June 16.

At this time the original telephone tickets for long distance toll calls placed from the telephone of Mrs. Conner at Hot Springs, having been connected with this matter, are in possession of Mr. V. B. Mintun, District Manager of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company at Kansas City, Missouri where they have been preserved as evidence in this case.

I am enclosing photostatic copies of these identical toll tickets and have this date advised the Birmingham Office fully concerning the matters contained herein. Contact will be had with you telephonically before the arrival of this letter, by the Birmingham Office, and in the event, of course, that you desire the originals of these tickets, subpoenas will have been issued; however, to expedite the matter I am now transmitting the photostatic copies.

Very truly yours,

MCS-jgw
cc - Division
Birmingham

M. C. SPEAR
ACTING SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

1900 Bankers Bldg.
Chicago, Illinois
November 16, 1933

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Suite L, Federal Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:-

Re: VERNON C. MILLER with aliases, FUGITIVE,
Identification Order 1195... et al,
Obstruction to Justice (Attempt to deliver
Frank Nash, Federal Prisoner),
Chicago File 62-1649

A letter was received on November 16, addressed to Mrs. James Arthur Harris, 4423 Sheridan Road, Apartment 415, from the Postal Life and Casualty Insurance Company, 4727 Wyandotte Street, Kansas City, Missouri. Mrs. J. A. Harris is an alias of Bobbie Moore, who is presently in Federal custody, awaiting trial on an indictment charging her with harboring and conspiracy to harbor Subject Verne Miller.

The letter contained a premium notice on policy #1006201, due December 14, 1933, in the amount of \$5.50.

It is requested that your office contact the Postal Life and Casualty Insurance Company and obtain whatever information is available concerning Bobbie Moore, alias Mrs. James Arthur Harris, particularly information concerning relatives, children and addresses which she has given this company.

Very truly yours,

R/G/gr
CC Division.

H. H. DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
Special Agent in Charge

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1900 Bankers Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

AIR MAIL

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

Dear Sir:

Re: Vernon S. Miller, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. #1195, et al, OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE,
(Endeavor to Deliver Federal Prisoner
Frank Nash). Chicago File No. 52-1649.

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Confirming telephonic communication of November 14, 1933, you are advised that investigation made at the Municipal Airport and at the United Air Lines, Chicago, to ascertain whether Subject Miller had left Chicago by airplane resulted in an identification being made by Mr. Paul Kerthelmer, a pilot for the Monarch Air Lines, residence, 6230 South Kilpatrick Avenue, and also by one W. L. Kottelke, an employee of the United Air Lines and by a party named McClynn, a messenger boy attached to the airport, of a party who was at the municipal airport on Saturday, November 11, having arrived from the West on a Boeing Airplane and having taken a United Air Lines plane East, as very closely resembling Vernon C. Miller. The three parties mentioned above were quite positive that the photograph of Vernon C. Miller, as shown on I.O. #1195, was the party whom they had seen in the waiting room, at which time this particular party had his right foot encased in either a large bandage or a cast, and carrying two crutches, and wearing a dark suit and a tan topcoat. The description given by these parties fitted the description of Miller, and the clothes as described by them fitted the description of the clothes worn by Miller when he made his escape from the Sheraton Apartments on November 1st, 1933.

Officials of the United Air Lines checked the passenger list and determined that the party described by the three parties was a passenger listed as Julian T. Bishop, who had arrived at the Municipal Airport, Chicago, on November 11 from Salt Lake City, Utah, having arrived on Boeing Air Transport plane #4, which left Salt Lake City on November 10. The records further indicated that Julian T. Bishop had left the Municipal Airport at Chicago on United Air Lines plane leaving Chicago at 12:40 p.m. November 11, carrying 26 pounds of baggage, and that he had left the plane at Cleveland as the air trip had been cancelled on account of bad weather, and had proceeded to New York City on New York Central Train #6, which arrived at New York City at 6:50 a.m. on November 12, 1933.

Further investigation revealed that the stewardess on this plane was Miss Hazel Ball, who resides at 6208 South Troy Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Miss Ball was interviewed on November 15 and described the passenger known as J. T. Bishop as follows:

Age: 37 or 38 yrs.
Height: 5'7"
Weight: 150 lbs.
Hair: Brown, thin on top, receding from forehead.
Face rather thin.
Smooth shaven.
Cast on right foot, used two crutches.
Not particularly well dressed; wore dark suit,
light tan topcoat, with flannel lining buttoned
on coat.

Miss Ball could not state what type of hat Bishop was wearing, nor did she notice any scars on his face, and did not notice whether he had any fingers or parts of fingers missing.

Miss Ball stated that Mr. Bishop did not talk to any other passengers and spoke to her only once or twice during the trip, at which time he told her he was worried about the trip being cancelled at Cleveland as he had some friends waiting for him at New York City, who were to take him to either North or South Carolina. Miss Ball further stated that Mr. Bishop appeared to be extremely careful and that no one handled his topcoat as when he requested her one time to move his foot, she was going to move the topcoat and he asked her to leave it where it was. Miss Ball, after viewing the photograph of Miller on I.O. #195, and also a photographic enlargement of Miller's photograph, stated that she did not believe that Bishop resembled the photograph of Miller but that she could not be certain of same. Upon arrival at Cleveland Miss Ball stated that the trip to Newark by air was cancelled and that she made out a check of the United Air Lines in the amount of \$27.00 and gave this as a refund to Mr. Bishop and had Mr. Bishop sign a stub of the check as a matter of identification. This is signed "J. T. Bishop" and does not resemble the known handwriting of Miller. At this time Bishop informed Miss Ball that his address was Bisbee, Arizona.

On November 14 Special Agent in Charge Jurvis was advised by Mr. Butterfield of the Western Union that a check had been made at the airport for telegrams sent or received by J. T. Bishop and it was found that a wire had been received addressed to Julian Bishop, care of Flying Plane flying from Reno, Nevada, arriving Chicago 11:30 a.m., care United Air Lines. This wire was dated at New York City, November 11, 1933, at 10:35 a.m. The body of the message had the following:

Waiting - C.D.*

Mr. Butterfield further advised that Julian Bishop had sent a wire at 12:04 p.m. on November 11, 1933, from the Western Union Station at the Municipal Airport, Chicago, to Mrs. R. E. Phillips, care E. B. Palmer, 435 E. 52nd Street, New York City. The text of this wire was as follows:

"Your wire great had weather may necessitate taking train from Cleveland will advise love - S.L."

Further information was received from Mr. Fenney of the United Air Lines on November 15 that his records indicated that J. T. Bishop had arrived at Chicago, Illinois, on November 11, 1933, on Posing Air Transport, trip #4, out of Salt Lake City, Utah, bound for Newark, New Jersey, the plane having left Salt Lake City on November 10, 1933. Mr. Fenney further advised that the pilot on this plane was Jefferson, the co-pilot was named Hattay, and the stewardess named Anderson. Mr. Fenney stated that Jefferson worked out of Omaha, and that Hattay and Anderson worked out of Cheyenne, but that they would be in Chicago within the next few days and that he would have them immediately communicate with this office to see whether they could identify the photograph of Miller as being J. T. Bishop.

A wire was sent to the Salt Lake City Office advising of the above information and requesting that a check be made at the airport at Salt Lake City.

The Los Angeles Office at Bountie, Arizona, is requested to determine if any such person as Julian T. Bishop was known there and to ascertain his present whereabouts.

Very truly yours,

M. E. FURVIE,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc: Division
cc: Kansas City
cc: Salt Lake City
cc: Los Angeles

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November 15 1933

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WILLIAM McCLANAHAN
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY
MEMPHIS TENNESSEE

LOUISA CONNER OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE NECESSARY WITNESSES MOSES MENDEL ELEVEN
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 MRS FREDA HANSON CALL NUMBER SIX EDITH RAINWATER ALL NAMES SOUTHWESTERN BELL
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5 PM Official Business, Government, Tax Exempt; Charge to Division Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, New York City.

NOVEMBER 17 1933

M H PURVIS
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
1900 BANKERS BUILDING
CHICAGO ILL

KANMO J T BISHOP NOT IDENTICAL FUGITIVE HAVE ADVISED SALT LAKE YOU ADVISE
LOS ANGELES

cc. Division



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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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JHH:MM
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201 Liberty National Life Bldg.,
Birmingham, Alabama,
November 18, 1933.

NOV 20 1933 PM

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Atlantic National Bank Bldg. Annex,
Jacksonville, Fla.

Re: Vernon C. Miller, with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1195, et al.
Obstruction of Justice (Endeavor to deliver
Federal Prisoner Frank Nash).

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is a copy of letter from the Chicago Office,
dated November 14, 1933, to the New York Office, in connection with the
above entitled case, along with enclosures, which letter and enclosures
were forwarded to the Birmingham Office to conduct an investigation at
Augusta, Georgia.

Inasmuch as Augusta, Georgia is in the Jacksonville district,
this is being transmitted to the Jacksonville Office for attention.

Very truly yours,

W. A. RORER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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VIA AIRMAIL

CC: Division
CC: New York
CC: Chicago
CC: Kansas City
CC: St. Paul
CC: Washington Field
CC: Detroit
CC: Charlotte

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FORM NO. 1

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

O.C. FILE NO. 62-456

REPORT MADE AT Oklahoma City	DATE WHEN MADE 11/15/33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 10/27/33	REPORT MADE BY H. E. Hollis
TITLE VERNON C. MILLER with aliases - FUGITIVE I. O. #1195, et al			CHARACTER OF CASE Obstruction of Justice (Endeavor to deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Mr. H. Sperry, 2216 1/2 East 9th St., Tulsa, Okla., advises he has no definite information relative to the location of Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd, and states if he is given a commission as Deputy U. S. Marshal he will endeavor to locate Floyd.

REFERENCE: Division letter dated 11/3/33.

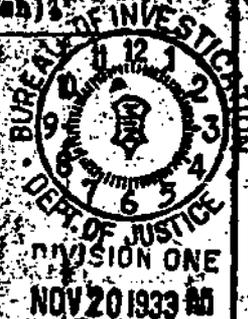
DETAILS:

The reference letter advises that the Division is in receipt of a letter from William H. Sperry, Tulsa, Oklahoma in which he advises that he is in possession of information concerning Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd, and requests that Sperry be interviewed. Prior to the receipt of this letter, Sperry called at the Office of the United States Marshal, Tulsa, Oklahoma, and was referred to this Agent.

Mr. Sperry, when interviewed, stated that he has spent considerable time in the section of Oklahoma in which Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd was raised and that he, Sperry, is acquainted with a number of people who know Floyd and that he is reasonably sure that he can cause the apprehension of Floyd. Mr. Sperry further stated that he had endeavored to have the Governor of Oklahoma issue him a commission which would authorize him to arrest Floyd, but that the Governor had refused. Sperry stated that he is interested in collecting the reward offered for the arrest of Floyd and that if the Government would make him a Deputy United States Marshal, without salary, he would endeavor to apprehend Floyd. It was ascertained from Mr. Sperry that he has no definite information regarding the present location of Floyd although

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>R. H. Cole</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	62-28915-853	RECORDED AND INDEXED NOV 20 1933
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he claims to have informants who can locate him. However, he does not desire to do any work in connection with locating Floyd unless he is made a Deputy United States Marshal.

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FORM NO. 1

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

O.C. FILE NO. **62-456**

REPORT MADE AT Oklahoma City	DATE WHEN MADE 11/15/33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/4-10/33	REPORT MADE BY H. E. Hollis
TITLE VERNON C. MILLER with aliases - FUGITIVE I. O. #1195, et al			CHARACTER OF CASE Obstruction of Justice (Endeavor to deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Investigation at Tulsa, Okla., indicated that Bobbie Moore had been at the home of her father E. D. Moore, 1915 E. 8th St., on 11/4/33. Investigation discontinued upon receipt of information reflecting Bobbie Moore in custody Chicago.



REFERENCE: Telegram from Chicago Office, dated 11/4/33.

DETAILS:
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NOV 20 1933 AM Investigation at Tulsa, Oklahoma, disclosed that E. D. Moore resides at 1915 East 8th Street. At the suggestion of Postal Carrier Virgil Whitesitt, who serves the above address, Agent contacted Mrs. Acers, 1910 East 8th Street, who advised that she believed she had seen Bobbie Moore at 1915 East 8th Street during the early morning of November 4, 1933.

Surveillance of the premises of 1915 East 8th Street was maintained with the assistance of Officers Pollek and Caffey, of the Tulsa Police Department, until the Oklahoma City Office was advised that Bobbie Moore was in custody at Chicago, Illinois.

DETAILS:

PENDING

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>R. H. Colman</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	62-28915-857	RECORDED AND INDEXED NOV 20 1933
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

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

November 16, 1933.

Mr. Nathan	_____
Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Clegg	_____
Mr. Edwards	_____
Mr. Egan	_____
Mr. Hughes	_____
Mr. Quinn	_____
Mr. Lester	_____
Mr. Locke	_____

VH:DSS

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Assistant Agent in Charge Fay called at 4:45 P. M. and advised that Dr. I. R. Silvers, an optometrist of Orange, New Jersey, had been arrested today and taken into custody by Agents Tracy and Soucey charged with conspiracy to harbor and conceal a fugitive from justice, namely Verne Miller. He stated that Dr. I. R. Silvers is a brother of Al Silvers, the man who purchased the Ford car for Verne Miller in Brooklyn, New York; that at the time Miller was identified in Chicago they found in this Ford car some glasses, a number of cases, frames and other material for glasses; that these articles were sent on to New York and traced to the Mason Optical Company of Brooklyn and it was ascertained that they had been purchased by Dr. I. R. Silvers, who, after being taken into custody, states today that on August 12 his brother, Al Silvers, came to him and stated that he desired to obtain some such material for a friend of his and asked him to obtain the same. He thereupon called at the Mason Optical Company and an inquiry there ascertained that Dr. Silvers had likewise stated to the Mason Optical Company that he desired to purchase the material for a friend of his traveling on the road near Chicago and he wanted to know if the Mason Optical Company had any objection to this friend representing them. They gave him permission to do so. Dr. Silvers states that when his brother, Al Silvers, called on him Al Silvers was alone. However, Stephen Gross, an employee of Silvers, stated that on the day that Al Silvers came to the store of Dr. Silvers a man came in with him who Gross identified from a photograph as Verne Miller. Dr. Silvers states he is not able to identify Verne Miller, although he was shown his photograph.

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Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes
V. W. Hughes,
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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This bird certainly is a liar.

J. O. D.

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Division of Investigation
 U. S. Department of Justice
 Kansas City, Missouri
 (Name and address of Contributor)

Date November 10, 1933

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

Dear Sir:-

Following are the dispositions of cases on which fingerprints have been mailed to the U. S. Bureau of Investigation:

Print Number	Name and Alias	Disposition
Identify fingerprints from #6590	Harvey J. Bailey	As Harvey J. Bailey arrested Maryville Missouri, 7-27-20, charge burglary and larceny, value \$600.00; held County Jail, 7-27-20 to 9-11-20. Furnished bond \$2,500.00 9-11-20. Bond defaulted. Forfeiture and execution issued.
P.D.		
Omaha, Nebr.		

This form to be submitted to the U. S. Bureau of Investigation to report dispositions of cases in which prints were forwarded previously. Dispositions include such information as advice relative to sentences imposed, fines, discharges from custody, etc. Several cases may be listed on each sheet.

Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy
 E. E. CONROY
 Special Agent in Charge
 (Official Title)

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 DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
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File
11/20/33

Mr. Nathan
 Mr. Tolson
 Mr. Clegg
 Mr. Glavin
 Mr. Ladd
 Mr. Nichols
 Mr. Rosen
 Mr. Tracy
 Mr. Carson
 Mr. Egan
 Mr. Gurnea
 Mr. Hendon
 Mr. Pennington
 Mr. Quinn
 Mr. Nease
 Mr. Gandy

MRS. E. B. CONNER HELD

MEMPHIS POLICE ARREST WOMAN
INDICTED IN MASSACRE.

Federal Officers Link Her With the
Plot to Free Frank Nash,
Which Resulted in the Union
Station Killings.

(By the Associated Press.)

MEMPHIS, Nov. 13.—A woman described by the police as Mrs. E. B. Conner, under indictment at Kansas City in connection with the Kansas City massacre last June 17, was captured here today.

The police said they had hoped they would arrest either Charles (Pretty Boy) Floyd or Verne Miller, one of the Kansas City machine gunners, but if either had been in hiding here, they were gone when officers raided a dinner club on the outskirts of the city.

ANOTHER WOMAN WITH HIM.

The arrest was made at 8:30 o'clock today. Another woman was taken into custody with Mrs. Conner, but the police withheld her name on the theory she was not involved in the case.

Will T. Griffin, inspector of police detectives, said he had obtained information some time ago that Mrs. Conner was hiding here, and wrote J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the federal bureau of investigation. Griffin said he had been hopeful either Miller or Floyd would show up here. The house in which Mrs. Conner was taken has been watched several days.

George (Machine Gun) Kelly was captured here with his wife, Kathryn Kelly, September 23.

It was from the home of Mrs. E. B. Conner at Hot Springs that federal agents alleged the first telephone call was made that resulted in the union station massacre here June 17, in which Frank Nash, escaped convict, and four officers were slaughtered.

WHERE WHEN MRS. NASH CALLED.

William L. Vandevanter, United States district attorney, said today

the federal agents alleged Mrs. Conner, also known to agents as Louise Connor, was present when Mrs. Frank Nash allegedly telephoned Loui Stacci, suburban Chicago gangster, and informed him of Nash's arrival at the union station here on the way to the Leavenworth prison.

Richard T. Galatas, Hot Springs gangster, also sought in the union station massacre here, is accused by the government agents of being in the Conner home when the telephone calls were made, Mr. Vandevanter said. The district attorney also said Galatas told Mrs. Nash what to say to Stacci.

Whether Mrs. Conner talked directly to Stacci or others, Mr. Vandevanter did not disclose. Mrs. Conner was indicted by a federal grand jury here for conspiracy to obstruct justice in connection with the station plaza slaughter, based on the attempted delivery of Nash.

STACCI ACCUSED AS ARRANGER.

The federal agents alleged that Stacci, after being informed of the capture of Nash, by telephone from Hot Springs, talked to Verne O. Miller, machine gunner, who rounded up his gang and committed the station plaza slaughter.

Stacci is free on bond on a conspiracy charge for his alleged part in the massacre.

In addition to Mrs. Conner and Stacci, nine others are under indictment in the massacre, all on charges of conspiracy to obstruct justice. Miller, Galatas and Wilbur Underhill still are sought on the grand jury warrants. Miller is said to have been the leader of the gang of killers.

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 FILE NO. 62-474

Form No. 1
 THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **KANSAS CITY, MO.**

REPORT MADE AT Salt Lake City, Utah	DATE WHEN MADE 11-17-33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11-16-33	REPORT MADE BY LOUIS D. HARR
TITLE FERDINAND G. MILLER with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. 1195, et al.		CHARACTER OF CASE OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Chicago Division office advises Julian Bishop reported identified as subject, left Salt Lake City by Boeing Air Transport Plane, arriving Chicago, November 11, 1933. Investigation made at Airport, names of pilots, stewardesses and passengers obtained. Airport records disclose J.J. Bishop boarded plane at Reno, Nevada, 8:57 PM November 10, 1933, ticket B 4-2063. Dorothy Thompson, Stewardess, interviewed, distinctly recalls Bishop. Airport officials advise this man left forwarding address at airport, Reno, Nevada, of Yale Club, New York City, N.Y. New York office advised telegraphically and replied that J.J. Bishop, Yale Club, New York, is not identical with subject.

REFERENCE:

Telegram from Chicago Division Office dated Nov. 16, 1933.

DETAILS:

AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

Reference telegram indicates that Julian Bishop, identified as subject, was reported to have left Salt Lake City on November 10, 1933, by Boeing Air Line; that he gave his address as Bonita, Ariz.

Upon receipt of reference telegram the Los Angeles Office was advised telegraphically to ascertain details as to Julian Bishop, Bonita, Ariz.

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Verne G. Halliday, Superintendent, Salt Lake City Airport was interviewed. Thru the records of the Salt Lake City Airport the manifest was obtained of plane 1, trip 4, showing a list of the passengers, the points of origin and destination, the names of the pilots and the names of the stewardesses. Two manifests represented the passengers between Oakland and Salt Lake City and Salt Lake City and Cheyenne, Wyo.

It was ascertained that J. J. Bishop boarded plane 1, trip 4, United Air Lines, leaving Reno, Nevada, at 8:57 PM November 10, 1933, ticket No. B 4-2063. This plane arrived at Salt Lake City at 12:20 AM November 11, 1933 and departed for Cheyenne at 1:55 AM.

Verne G. Halliday communicated with the Reno airport for the purpose of obtaining the destination of J. J. Bishop and it was learned that this passenger gave his address as the Yale Club, New York City; that one other passenger boarded this plane at Reno; that this other passenger was Miss Helen Wells Reisler, whose home is at 51 Fifth Ave., New York City.

The stewardess on this trip between Oakland and Reno, was Miss Dorothy Thompson. Agent succeeded in locating and interviewing her at apartment 34, Kensington apartments, 128 North Main, Salt Lake City, Utah. Miss Thompson stated that on the trip in question she boarded the plane at Oakland, Calif., that the plane arrived at Reno at 8:35 PM and she distinctly recalls J. J. Bishop boarding the plane; that he had his foot in a cast, wore a gray coat and his description tallies with that of subject. She stated she first saw Bishop as he was about to enter the plane and he was accompanied by a man resembling a cowboy, wearing a large Stetson hat and with his trousers stuffed inside his boots. That J. J. Bishop traveled alone; that he was not accompanied by Miss Helen Wells Reisler, who occupied a seat in a different part of the plane. Miss Thompson stated that Bishop did not have any conversation with any other passenger but she recalled he seemed to be very restless; that his clothing was wrinkled badly and he had an unkempt appearance. She stated she left the plane at Salt Lake City at 12:20 AM upon its arrival and has no additional information.

It was ascertained that the pilot on the trip between Reno and Salt Lake City was Al DeGarmo, who resides at Salt Lake City, and the co-pilot was Harvey Berger, who resides at the Hotel Temple Square, Salt Lake City; that the pilots on this trip between Salt Lake and Cheyenne were H. A. Collison, telephone Hyland 2494, and a co-pilot named Mathews who resides at the Newhouse Hotel, Salt Lake City. The stewardess was Miss Helen Hughes who resides at 123 G Street, Salt Lake City.

The New York City Division Office was advised telegraphically of the information secured at the Salt Lake City Airport and on November 14, 1933, the New York City Office telegraphically advised that J. J. Bishop is not subject Miller and the Salt Lake City Office advised the Los Angeles office to disregard lead at Bonita, Arizona.

Details manifests of the airplanes used on the trip between Oakland, Calif., and Cheyenne, Wyo., were obtained by Agent, which show names, addresses and destinations of passengers and these manifests are being included in the Salt Lake City file.

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

FILE NO. **62-1111**

REPORT MADE AT San Francisco, Calif.	DATE WHEN MADE Nov. 16, 1933.	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE Nov. 14, 1933.	REPORT MADE BY E. B. MONTGOMERY - AP
TITLE VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. 1195 ET AL.			CHARACTER OF CASE OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Dougall-Moylan Company were importers and exporters in business in San Francisco from about 1922 to 1925. Discontinued business in latter year; whereabouts of members of firm not known. Firm's records not located.

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REFERENCE:

Telegram from New York Division Office, dated Nov. 14, 1933.

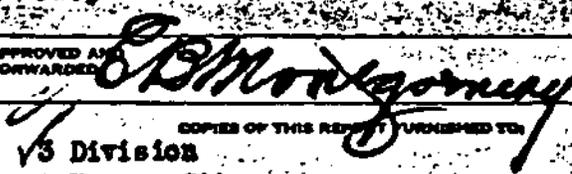
DETAILS:

Reference telegram requested that disposition of Thompson sub-machine gun, 1921 A model, serial 1430, be traced through Dougall-Moylan Company, San Francisco, to whom it was sold in 1922 by the Colt Firearms Company, and to advise Kansas City, Office of Origin.

Inquiry of the Winchester Repeating Arms Company, the Phil B. Bekeart Company, agents for the Colt Firearms Company; through wholesale and retail dealers in firearms, and wholesale hardware dealers, developed the firm of Dougall-Moylan Company was unknown; none of these firms, though in business in San Francisco for many years, had ever heard of it.

Checking old city directories, it was found that the firm of Dougall-Moylan Company, importers and exporters, was in business from 1922 to 1925. The name not appearing in the directory of 1926, indicates the firm quit business in 1925. The directories listed members of the firm as A. H. Dougall, Jr., residence Palace Hotel, and W. I. Moylan, Room 1416, 215 Market St. At the

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Palace Hotel it was stated that A. H. Dougall, Jr., had not been a guest for years, and that his present whereabouts is unknown. Apparently Dougall retired from the firm in 1924, for on that, and on the succeeding year, W.I. Moylan is listed in the directory as owner. Inquiry at the firm's addresses appearing in the directories, developed no information; none interviewed knew what had become of the members of the firm, or the firm's records, neither A.H. Dougall, Jr., nor W.I. Moylan, are listed in the current telephone or city directories. Neither is listed as a voter, nor are they known at the Post Office.

H. S. Nelson, manager Phil B. Bekeart Company, 731 Market St., Pacific Coast agents for the Colt Firearms Company, stated he had never heard of the Dougall-Moylan Company; said his company had no record of Thompson sub-machine gun, 1921 Model A, serial 1430; that if the Colt Firearms Company sold the gun to Dougall-Moylan Company, it must have been shipped direct, and without the Bekeart Company being advised.

R.L. Dineley, care of the Sequoia Arms Company, 65 Market St., stated he knew the Dougall-Moylan Company, and did business with them about 1922 to 1924 or 1925. The Dougall-Moylan Company at that time were agents for the Thompson sub-machine gun; that their principal business was exporting and importing. He knew of no Thompson guns the company sold locally, or at all, but is of the opinion if any Thompson guns were sold, they were exported. The Dougall-Moylan Company, he says, quit business about 1925. He has heard both Dougall and Moylan went East; where, he does not know; nor has he any idea what became of the firm's records.

Captain Dulles, Chief Inspector, San Francisco Police, states the police have no record of the gun in question; that the California law, prohibiting the sale and possession of machine guns was not passed until 1930; prior to that date no records were kept.

Neither Captain Dulles, nor dealers in firearms knew of a Thompson agency in San Francisco.

The Kansas City Office was advised of the developed facts by wire.

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900 Ezra Thompson Bldg.
Salt Lake City, Utah.
November 14, 1933

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
370 Lexington Avenue, Room 3403,
New York, N.Y.

Re: Vernon C. Miller with
aliases, et al
Obstruction of Justice
S.S. File 62-474

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto you will find four mail tracings
of mail received by Rose Buchalter, 1820 Elizabeth Street,
Denver, Colo., for such value as they may have to you.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. DOWD
Special Agent in Charge

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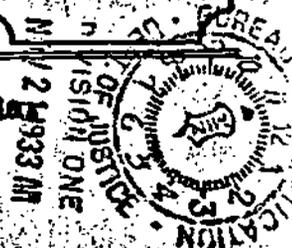
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San Francisco, California
November 14, 1933.



E. E. Conroy,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Federal Building, Suite L,
Kansas City, Missouri.

REARD REFERENCE TELEGRAM FROM NEWYORK TO RECORD OF THOMPSON SUBMACHINE GUN STOP
DOUGALL MOYLAN COMPANY CEASED BUSINESS NINETEEN TWENTY FIVE WHEREABOUTS OF RECORDS
AND PARTNERS UNKNOWN UNDERSTAND FIRM WAS AGENT FOR THOMPSON MACHINE GUN

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CHARGE - Gov. Jats,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
316 News Bldg., 995 Market St.,
San Francisco, California.
RE: IS - S.G. Division.
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WESTERN UNION MESSENGERS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE DELIVERY OF NOTES AND PACKAGES.

SUITE 2 - FEDERAL BUILDING

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

November 18, 1933

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

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. #1193, ET AL.
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to Deliver
Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)
K.C. File #62-760

Confirming telephone conversation had with Special Agent
D. O. Smith on this date, it is stated that Mrs. Sillian T. Alford and
her daughter, Jo Ann, 6621 Edgevale Road, Kansas City, Missouri, identi-
fied the previous photograph of Vivian Mathis, which was in possession of
the Kansas City office and known to be authentic, as a positive likeness
of the woman who lived as the supposed wife of Vernon C. Miller at 6612 Edge-
vale Road prior to June 17, 1933. They also identify the more recent photo-
graph of Vivian Mathis, but state that the front view is not as good a like-
ness as it could be. They are, however, quite sure of the profile view in
the recent picture.

When shown the photograph of Vivian Mathis, as furnished by the Chicago
office, stated that she is quite sure same is a likeness of the woman who
lived at 6612 Edgevale Road.

Mr. W. E. McFarland, 1016 Baltimore, Kansas City, Missouri,
when shown the recent photograph of Vivian Mathis, stated that it is his
opinion that same is a likeness of the party who resided at 6612 Edge-
vale Road, which premises he rented to Vernon C. Miller.

All of these individuals are willing to serve as witnesses
to identify Vivian Mathis personally.

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[REDACTED] Kansas City, Mis-
souri, mentioned in my letter of November 15th, also identifies the
photograph of Vivian Mathis. However, [REDACTED] is in a very important
position to furnish information regarding other Subjects in this case,
since [REDACTED]. Immediately after the massacre,
she closed the door to all callers and refused to furnish any information
whatsoever. When interviewed on November 15th, however, she was inclined
to "open up" a little, and at that time gave other facts, which are to
be vigorously pursued with her help, if same can be further secured.
It is intended, therefore, to encourage her by all possible means to fur-
nish information, and it is anticipated that she will have to be treated
for some time as a confidential informant, therefore, it is recommended
that she be not subpoenaed at this time to appear in Chicago as a witness.

Mrs. Margaret Turner, colored, residing at Clethe, Kansas,
and recently discharged from the hospital at Kansas City, Kansas, will be
interviewed within a few days when she has finally recovered her health
so that she will not become excited. If at that time, it appears it would
not be dangerous to the main issues in this case, to have her appear in
Chicago under subpoena, the Deputy U. S. Marshal at Kansas City, Kansas,
will be then notified by this office to serve the subpoena which he now
holds for her appearance in Chicago. Otherwise, this office will com-
municate with you with the request that the U. S. Attorney at Chicago be
consulted relative to cancellation of that subpoena.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR
Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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T F Cullen
 Division of Investigation
 U S Department of Justice
 Room 1403
 370 Lexington Avenue
 New York City

KANMO Chicago office informs one Julian T Bishop took Boeing plane one trip four out of Salt Lake City November tenth for Newark New Jersey arrived Chicago eleventh left same day via United for Newark stop Chicago advises Julian identified by three persons from photograph on ID as Verne Miller stop Bishop had right foot in case used two crutches wore light tan top coat he cancelled trip Cleveland going Newark via train stop our investigation shows Julian boarded plane Reno November tenth giving Yale Club New York City as address stop one Helen Wells Reisler fifty one Fifth avenue New York City also boarded plane Reno stop through Yale Club locate Julian and if he has Miller advise so we can discontinue further investigation

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J.E.P. IUM,
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION,
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
619 FEDERAL BUILDING,
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

Salt Lake City, Utah,
November 15, 1933.

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MAILED ONE JULIAN T. BISHOP TOOK BOEING AIR TRANSPORT PLANE ONE TRIP FOUR OUT
OF SALT LAKE NOVEMBER TENTH FOR NEWARK NEW JERSEY ARRIVED CHICAGO ELEVENTH
LEFT SAME DATE VIA UNITED FOR NEWARK STOP BISHOP IDENTIFIED AT AIRPORT CHICAGO
BY THREE PERSONS FROM PHOTOGRAPH ON IO AS VERIE MILLER STOP BISHOP HAD RIGHT
FOOT IN CASE USED TWO CRUTCHES WORE LIGHT TAN TOP COAT STOP TRIP CANCELLED
CLEVELAND PROCEEDING NEWARK VIA TRAIN GAVE ADDRESS BONITA ARIZONA STOP
DETERMINE IF JULIAN T. BISHOP KNOWN BONITA DETERMINE HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS
AND IF HE POSSIBLY MILLER.

DWD.

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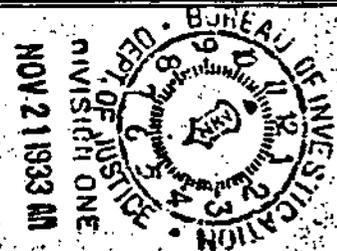
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J. A. DOWD
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
900 EZRA THOMPSON BUILDING
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

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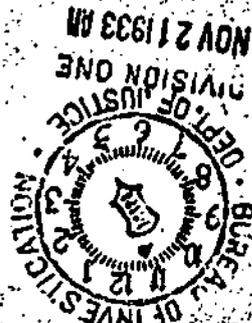
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New York City.

JOHN A DOWD
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E.R. CONROY
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
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KANSAS CITY, MO.

RETEL KANNO J.J. BISHOP BOARDED PLANE RENO NEVADA GAVE FORWARDING ADDRESS
YALE CLUB NEW YORK CITY STOP NEW YORK OFFICE ADVISES J.J. BISHOP NOT IDENTICAL
SUBJECT HAVE REQUESTED LOS ANGELES OFFICE DISREGARD LEAD BONITA, ARIZONA

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1900 Bankers Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

November 17, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
203 Post Office Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Re: Vernon C. Miller, with aliases,
Fugitive, I. O. 1195, et al;
Obstruction of Justice. (endeavor
to Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank
Nash.

Reference is made to letter from Special Agent in Charge
A. J. Connelley of the Cincinnati Office, dated October 18, 1933, to
the Director, a copy of which was transmitted to your office, and
more particularly with reference to Paragraph 2 on Page 2, wherein
it is stated that one Charles Stevens, who has a cottage at Squaw
Lake, Wisconsin, is a close friend of Verne Miller and that there
might be a possibility that Miller is hiding out there.

It has been found that Squaw Lake, Wisconsin, is lo-
cated in the extreme northwestern part of Oneida County, Wisconsin,
which is in your territory, and it is therefore requested that you
make appropriate investigation at Squaw Lake. For your assistance,
and enclosing herewith, a copy of the memorandum of Special Agent
T. J. Petersen of this office, dated November 15, 1933, containing a
sketch of Oneida County and the location of Squaw Lake.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Mr. Nathan.....
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Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Lusk.....
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November 14, 1933

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

At 7:55 o'clock this evening I received a long distance telephone call from Special Agent Turrou. He stated that while proceeding to Paragould, Ark., according to instructions, the car which he was driving was crowded off the road into a ditch, and that he had suffered painful injuries, consisting of severe bruises and cuts around the head, face, and eyes, and general bruises about the body, that the Doctor who examined him feared that he had concussion of one lung and possible fracture of one or more ribs. Agent Turrou stated that the accident had occurred just outside of Jonesboro, Ark., and that he was then in the St. Bernard Hospital at Jonesboro, that the Doctor had advised him to remain there until his chest could be x-rayed for the purpose of determining if any ribs had been fractured. He further stated that after seeing Mrs. Conner arraigned at Memphis, Tenn., he had started for Paragould, that he observed this car following him for some distance outside of Memphis, and that he observed it several times after that, that about twenty miles outside of Jonesboro, the car drove up alongside of him and deliberately forced him into the ditch with the results stated above. He has advised the police at Jonesboro of the description of the car and they are making a search for it. I instructed Agent Turrou to remain at the hospital and that I would have Mr. Hughes contact him there.

Mr. Hughes was advised of the above. He desires to advise that he called the Birmingham office and instructed them to send an agent over to assist Agent Turrou immediately, make sure that he was taken care of properly and to then proceed on the assignment that Agent Turrou was covering when injured, that he, Mr. Hughes, had called the Oklahoma City office also and that SAC Colvin was having Agent Chipman proceed to Jonesboro also and that Chipman was to make an effort to trace the car which had caused the above accident. Mr. Hughes also stated that he had talked to Agent Turrou, who related the same details as given, and that it was evidently a deliberate move on the part of the gang who had discovered Agent Turrou's connections and traced him out of Memphis.

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RESPECTFULLY,
C. Klein
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

November 13, 1933.



MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

I am just in receipt of information from our Birmingham office advising that Mrs. E. B. Conner has been apprehended by Special Agents of that office. Mrs. Conner is under indictment at Kansas City charged with obstruction of justice with others in connection with the massacre of a Special Agent of this Division and three police officers on June 17, 1933. Mrs. Conner was living at Hot Springs, Arkansas, on June 16, 1933, when Frank Nash, escaped Federal prisoner, was taken into custody by Agents of the Division. Mrs. Nash, the wife of the fugitive, proceeded to the residence of Mrs. Conner, nee Louise Todd, and placed a telephone call to a well-known gangster hangout in Chicago, Illinois, to advise of the apprehension of Nash. Later in the day Mrs. Nash returned to the residence of Mrs. Conner and placed a telephone call therefrom to the residence of Herbert Allen Farmer, at Joplin, Missouri, who has since been taken into custody on the same charge. Mrs. Conner has been a fugitive from justice since that time. She will be thoroughly interrogated as it is believed that she may contribute vital information concerning the actual shooting at the railroad station at Kansas City on June 17, 1933.

The information concerning the part played by Mrs. Conner in this plot is, of course, confidential.

Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover
Director.

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SPENCER

November 20, 1933

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Suite L, Federal Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith copies of a letter addressed to the Oklahoma City Division Office, dated November 16, 1933, together with copies of the letter and enclosure referred to therein from Mr. Earl Spencer, 125 Palm Street, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

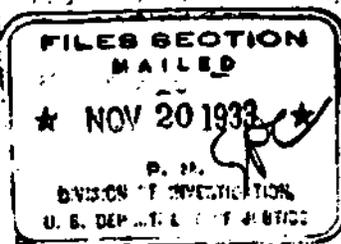
It is desired that copies of this correspondence be made available to Special Agent Turrou upon his return to Kansas City, for his information and as of possible value in connection with his inquiry at Hot Springs. Mr. Turrou should be informed that in replying to Mr. Spencer's letter Mr. Spencer was advised that an Agent of this Division would call upon him in the near future.

Very truly yours,

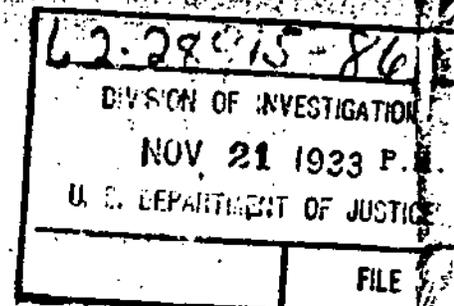
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November 16, 1933.

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Special Agent in Charge Ladd telephoned from Jonesboro, Arkansas, this morning. He stated that Agent Turrou is progressing very nicely.

In connection with the investigation concerning Mr. Turrou's accident, Mr. Ladd advised that a Mr. Herrot and a Mr. Trumann, who were driving behind Mr. Turrou, had advised Agents that they observed Mr. Turrou's car head off into the ditch, but they were certain that no car passed him. Furthermore, Agents were unable to find evidence to indicate that the car had been side-swiped. Mr. Ladd stated that Mr. Herrot has a good reputation, and is a bookkeeper on a large plantation. I instructed Mr. Ladd that if there were no further developments at the end of the day the investigation might be discontinued.

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E R Conroy
 Division of Investigation
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 Suite L
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 Kansas City, Mo.

Re: Verne Miller et al.

Salt Lake City, Utah.
 November 18, 1933.

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November 23, 1933.

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

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1193, et al
Obstruction of Justice (Endeavor
to Deliver Federal Prisoner
Frank Nash).

Dear Sir:

Special Agent J. E. Schoales has advised by
telegram from White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia this date
that Miller as Stephen J. Gross was registered at the Green-
brier Hotel that city from August 15 to 29, 1933, giving the
address 6 Henry Place, Mapleton, New Jersey.

A detailed report covering Agent Schoales' in-
vestigation at White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia and Warm
Springs, Virginia, will be forwarded at the earliest
practicable date.

Very truly yours,

L. P. Oliver,
Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Division
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Kansas City

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 DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
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November 14, 1933 Form 2-C
 (Business, Government, etc.)
 Tax Exempt Charge to Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, New York City.

KANJO RELIABLY REPORTED ALBERT SILVERMAN IN HOT SPRINGS RELAY INFORMATION TO ANDERSON

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
NOV 21 1933

Room 1403
370 Lexington Avenue
New York City

THI:SR
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November 20, 1933

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

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Re: KAMBO

Dear Sir:

In connection with the above matter, your file #62-1712, receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 14th and the report of Agent Guinane, dated November 16th.

In connection with the prosecution in this district against those who conspired to facilitate the escape of Miller from this district, the following information and evidence is desired:

The Ford coupe which Al Silvers purchased in Brooklyn, N.Y. on October 23, 1933, bore motor #18-36196. Information is desired as to the name of the Special Agent who examined the motor block, together with the date and place and other attending circumstances such as who else was present at the time.

Information is desired as to whether anyone saw fugitive Miller in the Ford car. If so, the date, place, so forth.

Exact details are requested with respect to the finding of the sample cases, frames and mountings, as it is not clear to this office just where the sample cases, frames and mountings were found. It is noted that Agent Mehegan in his memorandum of November 13th sets forth that when he arrived at the Fair Oaks Garage on the morning of November 2nd he found that the property in question had been placed in the office of the garage. It would appear that Tony Greco removed the property from the car and placed it in the office of the garage, but it is not clear whether he can identify the six sample cases, the stationery and prescription forms, so forth, as part of the property he took from the car.

SAC - Chicago
62-4949

Information is also requested as to whether any of the documentary and physical evidence forwarded to this office was contained in the large valise which Bobbie Moore took from the Ford car into the apartment of Miller.

It is believed desirable that Bobbie Moore be again interviewed for the purpose of securing evidence to the effect that when she first saw Miller in Chicago he was in this Ford coupe and that he admitted it was his car and it was out of this car she took the valise, and it is the same car which she took to the parking lot. If possible, information as to who drove the car from the parking lot to the garage should be secured.

Very truly yours,

T. F. CULLEN
Special Agent in Charge

cc: Division
Kansas City

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November 21, 1933
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Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1900 Bankers' Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

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Dear Sir:

RE: VIVIAN MATHIAS, with aliases, et al
MISCELLANEOUS - Harboring and Concealing a
Person for whom a warrant has been issued;
Conspiracy. K.C. File #62-798-

Reference is made to the summary report of Special Agent
E. P. Guinane dated at Chicago, Illinois, 11-16-1933, in the above
captioned case.

Pursuant to items appearing under "Documentary Proof" on
Page 12 of that report, there are forwarded herewith the following:

1. Original lease dated April 10, 1933, signed "V. C. Moore"
and "Mrs. N. E. Mc Farland."

In this connection it is noted that while Mr. Mc Farland
performed the negotiations for the lease, it was signed by Mrs. Mc-
Farland. Her address is Lake Tapawingo, adjacent to Kansas City in
the State of Missouri, where she resides with Mr. Mc Farland.

2. Complete set of positive photographic negatives of all
latent fingerprints found on the premises at 6612 Edge-
vale Road after the departure of Miller and Vivian Mathias
is enclosed.

It is suggested that you have reproductions made of these,
and any of the prints which you may desire to use in court might be
enlarged. It is possible that the fingerprints of Vivian Mathias
may be found among the latent fingerprints. No previous search has
been made for this purpose because her fingerprints were not hereto-
fore available.

Regarding the request in Agent Guinane's report that the Kansas City office forward clothing found at the address of Frank E. Mulloy, Kansas City, bearing the initials "V.C.M.", you are advised that no seizure of any clothing or other property was made at the time same was discovered. The articles, however, were viewed by Special Agents Turron and Trainor, and the latter Agent recalls definitely a white, collar attached, shirt, size 14 1/2, with 33-inch sleeve length, as well as the other articles examined.

The United States Attorney at Kansas City, Missouri, is being requested to forward to the United States Attorney at Chicago, Illinois, a certified copy of warrant bearing non est return by the United States Marshal for the arrest of Vernon C. Miller, pursuant to the indictment returned against him on September 1, 1933, at Kansas City, Missouri, in connection with the case wherein he is charged with obstructing justice in an endeavor to deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash.

Reference is made to Page 5 of Agent Guinane's report under mention of Mr. Jack Jenkins. Please note that Mr. Jenkins is connected with the Police Department at Kansas City, Kansas, instead of Kansas City, Missouri.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR
Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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SUITE L FEDERAL BUILDING
KANSAS CITY

November 21, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
900 Ezra Thompson Building,
Salt Lake City, Utah.



Dear Sir:

RE:

VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases
I. O. #1195, ET AL
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to Deliver
Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)
Kansas City File #62-960-

Reference is made to your letter of November 16th, relative to the ballistic exhibits forwarded to you from this office under date of October 17, 1933.

There are enclosed for your use, as requested in your letter, two additional exhibit cards bearing microphotographic images of a fired cartridge case from a Thompson sub-machine gun and a portion of a Thompson sub-machine bullet, as appeared on the card formerly sent to you. However, in addition, there is attached to each of these cards now being sent a full portion of the bullet, which leaves no question as to the part thereof which bears the band and flaw markings. The rifling impressions are thereby shown in a manner which will clarify the doubt of the ballisticians, as expressed in your letter. The bullet shown on the exhibit cards is a nickel-coated bullet of the regular type used in .45 calibre automatic pistols and Thompson sub-machine guns.

Very truly yours,

Acting Special Agent in Charge

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1900 Bankers Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

November 20, 1933.



Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Suite 1, Federal Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Re: Vivian Mathias, with aliases, et al;
Miscellaneous; Harboring and Conceal-
ing a Person for whom a warrant has
been issued; Conspiracy.

Reference is made to the summary report of Special Agent
E. P. Guinane, Chicago, dated November 16, 1933, in the above captioned
case.

It will be noted that the United States Attorney advised
that a certified copy of the indictment against Miller was in his pos-
session. He has now advised that he has been unable to locate this
certified copy and it is, therefore, requested that your office have
forwarded to the United States Attorney at Chicago, a certified copy
of the indictment against Vernon C. Miller, and also certified copy of
the warrant for Miller.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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W. A. RORER
 DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
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RE VERN MILLER ET AL SPECIAL AGENT TRAINOR ARRIVING MEMPHIS FRIDAY
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1900 Bankers Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

November 20, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1420 Enquirer Building,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Re: Vernon G. Miller, with aliases, Fugitive,
I. O. 1196, et al; Obstruction of Justice.
(Endeavor to Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank
Nash.) Chicago File 62-1649.

During our investigation at Chicago in connection with the above captioned case, it was ascertained that a telephone call was made from Apartment 211 in the Sherone Apartments, 4425 Sheridan Road, Chicago, which was the apartment occupied by Vivian Mathias, with aliases, to telephone number Crete, Illinois, 114-R2, on October 11th, 1933, at 10:56 P.M. Investigation revealed that telephone number Crete 114-R2 was listed in the name of Thomas Young, Superintendent of the Lincoln Field Race Track at Crete, Illinois. Discreet investigation there did not develop any information and it was thought that this telephone call was merely a call made in connection with betting on race horses, as both Vivian and Bobbie Moore, her girl friend in the Sherone Apartments, attended numerous races in and about Chicago.

Some information has been obtained, however, that Vivian Mathias did not know definitely when Miller would appear at Chicago, Illinois, and that she had made some inquiries of persons to determine if he had arrived in Chicago and where he was staying. It has occurred to the writer that this call to Thomas Young may have been made by Vivian in the hope that she would secure some information as to Miller's whereabouts in Chicago and it is thought that probably Thomas Young knew, or was to learn of Miller's whereabouts.

Information obtained by Special Agent Keating is to the effect that Thomas Young is now in Louisville, Kentucky, where he controls another race track, and it is requested that your office make discreet inquiry to determine if Miller has contacted or will contact Thomas Young at Louisville.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIE,
Special Agent in Charge

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NEWARK, N. J., THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1933.



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U. S. HUNTS VERNE MILLER AS ASSASSIN OF SILVERMASTER

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(PICTURES ON PAGE 4)

Newark and the Oranges today became the heart of a district spreading northward along the Atlantic seaboard and inland, northward to the Canadian line which was being swept by Department of Justice agents for the slayers of Albert Silvers in East Orange, Newark and New York.

Silvers' nude body, wearing only a meticulously tied necktie and a rope around the neck was found in a field only a few feet from a lonely road in Somers, Conn., Monday. He was identified yesterday as the bootlegging, hi-jacking, narcotic peddling and possibly, "informing" brother of Irwin Silvers, Orange optometrist who was arrested by federal agents, charged with harboring Verne Miller, the Western bandit-killer.

The dead man, the United States agents declare, was undoubtedly killed for double-crossing somebody in the hinterland of gangdom.

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Two purposes, they say, motivated his killing, revenge and using him as a warning to others. They were looking for a dead man's hand with which Al Capone's torpedoes marked dead killers who had been imported into Chicago from Philadelphia and St. Louis to assassinate their chief.

HEART HALVED

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And it also wore a plaid necktie whose diagonal stripes were spotted at the top and soaked in an indistinguishable dun pool at lower end from his heart's blood. That tie, experts pointed out, was put on the body after he was killed.

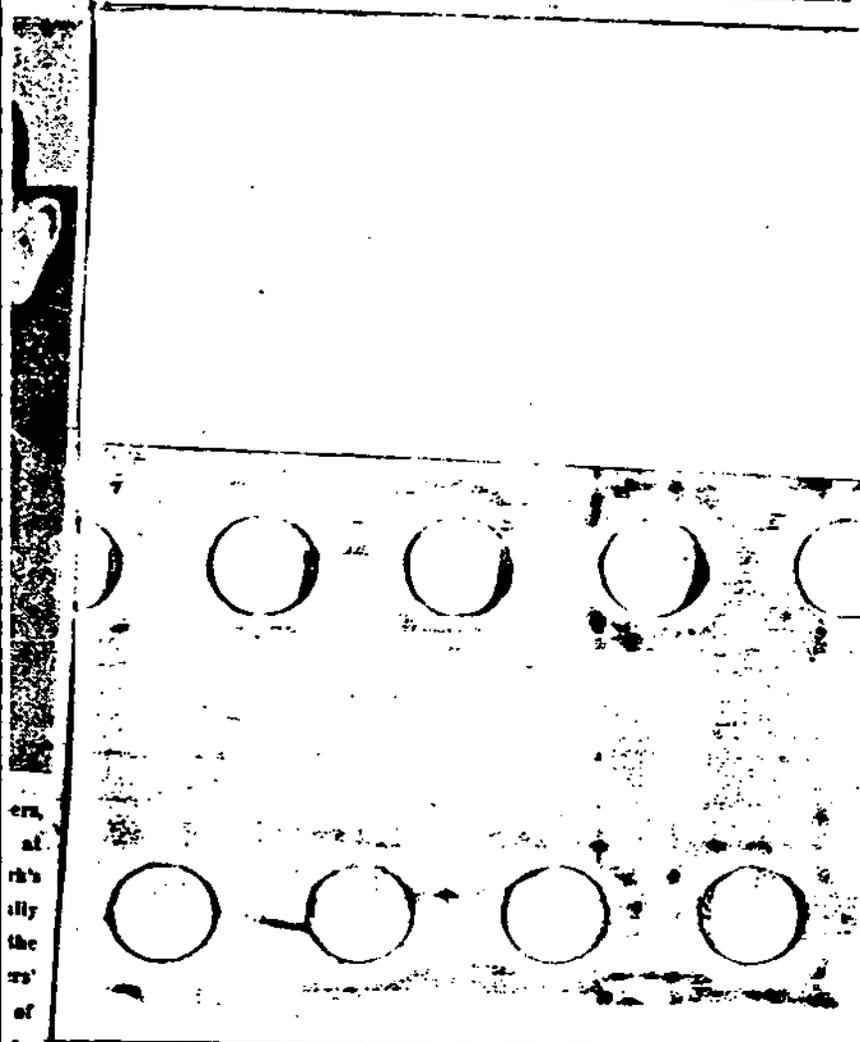
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The tying of the tie, however, ended all the delicacy of the dead man's face had been battered by a blunt instrument, heavier than a hammer. The nose was smashed, the jaw was broken. Federal agents rejected the theory that the face was smashed to prevent identification. They say it was done in a paroxysm of fury.

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Starting their investigation, the United States operatives reached into the dead man's background and found the perfect prototype of the modern "successful" criminal.

Aside from a short period in which he appeared as the proprietor of a speakeasy in the Third ward

ere, Albert Silvers appeared a member of that leisure class which

He took an apartment on Chancellor avenue, Irvington, under an assumed name and maintained it when he established his home at 22 South Munn avenue, an apartment building said to be one of the most luxurious in the State.

REATED "PALACE"

Silvers converted his apartment into a veritable palace. Costly rugs, some of them worth \$12,000, covered the floors of the whole suite. Interior decorators had "remade" the apartment, following a motif of "baby blue." The family had a maid and a cook. Silvers drove a six-cylinder car.

He was a man of methodical habits. He left the apartment every day just before noon. Often he stayed away all night. Sometimes he would be gone for weeks. But when he did return, it was always just before dawn.

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So carefully did he conceal his activities under his lavish and quiet "front" that a thorough check-up by Newark police has failed to reveal any record of him in this city.

George Kesselhaut, attorney for Edwin Silvers, the brother of the lead man who is now being held under bond for harboring Verne Miller, denied last night that he ever acted as counsel for Albert. It was only yesterday, he said, that he learned of his undercover actions.

It was on June 17 when four bandits massacred five men, one of them a federal officer in an abortive attempt to rescue Frank Nash, another desperado whom they also killed, in front of the Union Station in Kansas City, that the private life of Albert Silvers, man of uncertain but lavish income, was blasted into the publicity that ended in his murder.

MILLER'S PURSUIT

Verne Miller, the Oklahoma bad man, bank robber and murderer, was credited with that wholesale killing. And Department of Justice agents took up his trail because it was one of their own who had been murdered. They trailed him East, criss-crossing across the continent. They used the underworld whispers, every stool pigeon, every "singer" who ever double-crossed a pal. Verne Miller was on the lam, desperate, murderous.

Two weeks ago they caught up with Miller in an apartment hotel in Chicago. The killer had taken the apartment with his wife. The Department of Justice men closed in around him. And swooped. But one of the operatives was nervous. He fired a premature volley from his "Tommy gun" at Miller. Miller ducked—and got away.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Agent in Charge Ladd called from Jonesboro. He stated that he had located and interviewed the man named Harris who was directly behind Turrou; in fact only about 100 feet away at the time he went over the side of the road; that Harris states there was absolutely no one who tried to pass Turrou; that there were no other cars excepting his own on the road at the time; that, of course, he passed Turrou after Turrou had gone over the embankment. Agent Ladd stated that Harris has an excellent reputation; that he has been employed by one family on a large plantation for 15 years and Ladd believes that his story is absolutely correct. Harris was driving a large black Willys-Knight car and Ladd states that the condition of the road shows that no car passed Turrou because there is about a ten inch ridge of sand in the middle of the road which was not disturbed and if a car had passed his the wheels would have to have passed through this ridge of sand. Ladd is absolutely satisfied that they have the truth of the matter, although Agent Turrou still insists that a car did pass him. The possibility is that Turrou saw the large black sedan of Harris' pass just as he was going over the embankment. Agent Ladd is leaving for St. Louis and instructing the other Agents to proceed to their respective headquarters.

Respectfully,

V. E. Hughes.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Acting Agent in Charge Spear at Kansas City called on the late afternoon of November 15 and advised that he felt that Special Agent Trainor ought to be present at the hearing of Mrs. E. B. Conner to be held on Friday, the 17th. instant, at Memphis, in view of the fact that Agent Turrou is in the hospital. Agent Spear advised that they were sending on some witnesses to identify Mrs. Conner and felt that someone known to the witnesses and familiar with the background of the case should be present. I think that Spear is right and I told him that I would call the matter to the Director's attention and in the absence of further instructions he should have Trainor proceed to Memphis on Thursday solely for the purpose of attending this hearing.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes

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November 15, 1933.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

About 8:30 last night I received a call from Mr. Kleinkauf advising that he had talked with Agent Turrou who was in a hospital at Jonesboro, Arkansas; that Turrou stated that in proceeding from Memphis, Tennessee, to Paragould, Arkansas, he had been deliberately run off the road by a large car and had gone down a 25 foot embankment; that the car had turned over and he had been badly battered; that he had been carried into the hospital by strangers and he was then awaiting examination. I immediately called the Birmingham office and left word with the night clerk to immediately contact Acting Agent in Charge, Hanson, having ascertained that Agent Rorer was in North Carolina on subpoena, and advise Hanson to instruct an Agent to proceed immediately to Jonesboro, Arkansas and ascertain the extent of Turrou's injuries and render such aid as possible and arrange to conduct an immediate investigation of the circumstances.

I then called Agent Turrou at St. Bernard's Hospital, Jonesboro, but he had difficulty in talking. He stated that he was suffering considerably from his chest; that the Doctor had stated that he might have several ribs broken but they could not tell until they had him e-rayed. He stated that his face had been cut a little. He advised that it was his opinion that this car which had run him off into the ravine had deliberately done so; that in retrospect he recalls that this car had followed him all the way from Memphis. He thought nothing of it at the time but was a little suspicious when the car stopped at a gasoline filling station across the road from where he stopped to obtain some gas and it was about fifteen miles away from this filling station that the car bore down on him, passed and deliberately drove in front of him causing him to drive over the side of the road and turn over. He said that the car had somersaulted twice and he was picked up by a passing motorist. He stated that he had notified the Chief of Police at Jonesboro and also endeavored to contact Agent Peterson at Memphis and had left word at his home of the accident. He asked that Peterson immediately contact the rental station where he had secured the car and seek the assistance of the Memphis Police in order to identify the car. He stated that all he could remember about it was that it was a very large black Buick 1933 Coach with Tennessee license plate. However the only numbers he could remember were 23, the beginning numbers of the license.

*Agent Turrou
Jonesboro, Ark.*

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stated that he had left Memphis about four o'clock and had hired a car because Paragould was only 70 miles away from Memphis and he felt that he could make Paragould that afternoon and get back to Memphis that night, whereas if he had waited for a train he would have had to remain over night. He further stated that there had been considerable in the newspapers at Memphis yesterday concerning the arrest and hearing of Mrs. E. B. Conner and of the fact that an Agent had come in from Kansas City to attend the hearing, and further, there had been some notice taken of the call which he had received from the Division at the Commissioner's office and he had been advised by Agent Peterson that the telephone there was a sort of a party line and that a number of persons could listen into conversations. Turrou therefore suspected that someone had overheard our conversation or had followed him simply because of his activity in connection with the arrest of Mrs. Conner.

Subsequently to talking to Agent Turrou I called Agent in Charge Colvin at Oklahoma City and advised him of the circumstances and suggested that he immediately get in touch with Agent Chipman who, I thought, was at Little Rock and have him proceed to Jonesboro and assist in the investigation of the attempt to kill Turrou and also to take up the lead at Paragould. Colvin stated that Chipman was at Batesville, not far from Jonesboro, and he would have him proceed immediately and, further, he would send another man into Jonesboro this morning.

Subsequently Agent Hanson called me on the telephone and stated that he had sent two men from Memphis to Jonesboro; that Peterson had already received the word, had notified the police and the police were at work in an effort to identify the car. Peterson was to call me direct in the event of any developments which would warrant further action.

This morning Agent Hanson called from Birmingham and stated that he had heard from Peterson who described the injuries of Turrou as three cuts on his face and neck and a chest congestion which the Doctor has been unable to diagnose, but which would be disclosed after an x-ray examination this morning; that it was suspected that he had several ribs broken and possible contusion of a lung. Agent Hanson stated that Peterson was working back from Jonesboro to Memphis stopping at every filling station to pick up information concerning the Buick car. He also stated that Chipman had arrived last night and this morning would proceed to Paragould to cover the interview with Mrs. House, the sister of Frank Nash.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI**

FILE NO. **62-690**

REPORT MADE AT DETROIT, MICHIGAN	DATE WHEN MADE 11/21/33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/15 to 17/33	REPORT MADE BY D. L. NICHOLSON
VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. # 106, et al.			CHARACTER OF CASE OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS

Charles Fred Vogel made no long distance telephone calls while residing at the Seville Apartment Hotel, Detroit, Michigan. His present whereabouts however are unknown, and he is thought to either have returned to Florida or be on a hunting trip in Michigan. Vogel unknown to Police Department at Detroit, Michigan, and little information obtained relative to his connections at Detroit.

REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent D. L. Nicholson, dated at Detroit, Michigan, October 4, 1933, and letter from Kansas City, Division Office, dated October 23, 1933.

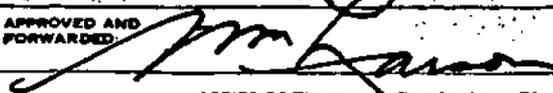
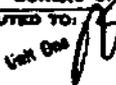
DETAILS:

At Detroit, Michigan

At the Seville Apartment Hotel, Agent contacted Mr. Nagel, Manager, who advised that the whereabouts of Charles Fred Vogel are unknown to him at the present time, as he has not seen Vogel for the past several weeks and felt that possibly Vogel had returned to Florida for the winter. Mr. Nagel and Agent made a check of the telephone record of the hotel and it was ascertained that Vogel, while residing at this hotel from April 18, 1933, to June 3, 1933, made no long distance telephone calls.

At the Fort Wayne Hotel Agent made inquiries of the clerk on duty who advised that he had not seen Vogel for about two weeks

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and he is of the opinion that Vogel presently is in Michigan on a hunting trip. At this time a note was left at the Fort Wayne Hotel for Vogel requesting that he communicate with this Agent. However, on November 14 Agent again called at the Fort Wayne Hotel and found that Vogel had not called for his mail and a note was still at the desk. Agent made inquiries in the beauty parlor at the Fort Wayne Hotel, where it was learned that Mrs. Vogel is a regular customer, and it was ascertained that neither Mr. nor Mrs. Vogel had visited this beauty parlor for several weeks, and it was felt by these people that the Vogels had returned to Florida.

At the Detroit Police Department Agent contacted Lieutenant George Hartel, Special Investigating Squad, who advised that Vogel is wholly unknown to him and made inquiries of the other officers of this Squad, but no information was obtained. A search was also made at the Identification Division and the Record Division, but no record was found of Vogel ever having been arrested by the Detroit Police Department. Lieutenant Hartel suggested that contact be had with Mr. Charles Ball, who operates a bookmaking and gambling establishment across from the Fort Wayne Hotel at 2932 Cass Avenue.

At this address Agent interviewed Mr. Ball who advised that Vogel was known to him and had occasionally made bets on race horses at his establishment, but that he did not know Vogel intimately nor did he know any of his connections or acquaintances, and advised that he had not seen Vogel for approximately two or three weeks and is of the opinion that Vogel had returned to Florida for the winter.

In this connection arrangements have been made at the Fort Wayne Hotel to obtain a forwarding address of Vogel. Although none is on file at the present time, it is felt that if Vogel has returned to Florida he will notify the Fort Wayne Hotel of his address at that place, and same will be obtained at a future date from this hotel.

At the Superintendent of Mail's Office, Detroit Post-office. Agent contacted Miss Curtis relative to the possibility of placing a mail cover on an individual who resides in a hotel. In this connection Miss Curtis advised that such a cover, although it might possibly be successful, is very undesirable as far as the postal authorities are concerned, as the mails to hotels are handled by a number of people in the Postoffice. Miss Curtis advised that if a mail cover is desired, an effort will be made to obtain tracings of any mail forwarded to Vogel at the Fort Wayne Hotel.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS: The Detroit Division Office will communicate with the Fort Wayne Hotel in an effort to obtain the forwarding address of Vogel if he has returned to Florida. A note to have Vogel communicate with this Agent has been left at the Fort Wayne Hotel, and it is felt that if Vogel is on a hunting trip he will communicate with this Agent upon

his return to Detroit, at which time he will be interviewed, and an effort will be made to obtain his address in Detroit, Michigan, and all long distance telephone calls will be checked from this address. If deemed advisable, a mail cover will also be placed on his mail.

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK CITY	DATE WHEN MADE 11/21/33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/8-19/33	REPORT MADE BY E. H. TRACY
TITLE Changed: O VERNON C. MILLER with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. #1195, et al. DR. IRWIN R. SILVERS			CHARACTER OF CASE OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:



Unable to apprehend Albert Silvers; apparently he left New York City and went to Hot Springs, Ark. Learned that the sample cases, eyeglass frames and lenses which Miller had in his possession in Chicago and by means of which he passed as a representative of a Newark, N.J. wholesale optician house, were in fact supplied to Miller by Dr. Irwin R. Silvers, an optometrist of Orange, N.J. and a brother of Albert Silvers. Dr. Silvers arrested night of 11/15/33 and held under \$10,000 bond.

REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent L. G. Turrou, New York City, dated 11/8/33.

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The investigation at East Orange, New Jersey, for the purpose of apprehending Albert Silvers was continued and on November 9, 1933 Lieutenant Thomas Dimond of the Essex County Prosecutor's Office, telephoned and advised that Mrs. Silvers, the child, the maid, and the colored chauffeur had returned to the apartment at 22 South Mann Avenue, East Orange, N.J.

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On November 9th agent and Dimond proceeded to the garage in the rear of the apartment house and there took into custody the colored chauffeur for Mrs. Albert Silvers, who at that time was working on the V-12 Cadillac, which bore 1935 New Jersey plates B-63754, which, as previously reported, are registered in the name of Albert Silvers, 169 Clinton Avenue, Newark, N.J. The colored chauffeur was taken to the County Prosecutor's office and there interviewed but he refused to furnish any information. He said his name was Octavius Coleman, age 23 and that he resides at 10 Madison Street, Newark; that he is married and has two children, ages 5 and 3; that he has lived at the above address for six months and prior to that time lived at Cross Keys, N.J. He said he has been a chauffeur for Mrs. Silvers for the past four months and was employed by her at Bradley Beach, N.J. where he was this past summer and that he was there two months before he learned Mrs. Silvers was getting rid of her then chauffeur and that he approached her and was employed. Questioned as to his movements on Saturday, November 4th, he advised that he drove Mrs. Silvers in the Cadillac car to Brooklyn and that the Silvers' baby was with them; that he drove to the home of Mrs. Silvers' mother somewhere on Kington Avenue in Brooklyn and when he arrived there Mrs. Silvers learned that her niece was in a hospital being operated upon for appendicitis and he drove her to the hospital which was about ten blocks from the house of Mrs. Silvers' mother and that Mrs. Silvers' mother also went to the hospital with them. He stated he did not go into the hospital but drove the folks back to the house when dark. He said he stayed at the house that night. As to the next day, Sunday, November 5th, he said that he remained in the house all of that morning and all of that afternoon and sometime in the late afternoon, around dusk, he does not remember the exact time, he drove Mrs. Silvers and the child back to East Orange; that Mrs. Silvers went upstairs and obtained a suit case in which she packed her child's clothing and then he drove Mrs. Silvers back to Brooklyn to her mother's house. He talked very reluctantly and it was apparent he was not telling the truth. He was searched and on him was found a small note book with the name and telephone number of his employer, Mrs. Silvers. There was also found a notation Miss V. Bigelow 3-3111, and also a notation "Al Silvers, private, Essex 3-0830, 648 Bergen Street." He said that these notations were not in his handwriting as he can neither read nor write but he told his brother to make the notations. He said that Miss V. was a white girl whom he met some few months ago in Newark and otherwise lied about this item inasmuch as subsequent investigation showed that this Miss V. is Miss Vivi Burham, 141 West Bigelow Street, Newark, N.J., a nineteen year old, blond, girl, who is a paramour of Albert Silvers.

When asked about the notation as to Al Silvers' private telephone number, he refused to have anything to say concerning it. He denied and then admitted that he has driven Silvers in the Pontiac car. He denied ever being at 817 Chancellor Avenue, Irvington, N.J., at which address, as will be shown subsequently, Albert Silvers maintained a secret apartment under the name A. E. Store and maintained this consistently. Through the courtesy of the County Prosecutor, Coleman was placed in jail and remained in jail for a period of three or four days but refused to make any admissions.

Mrs. Albert Silvers was interviewed in her apartment where she is residing with a maid and her baby daughter named Judith. She said that she married her husband about five years ago and at the time of marriage did not know anything concerning his criminal record but did later learn of it. She said she does not know and never did know the occupation of her husband for she rarely sees him and all she knows is that he is supposed to be a salesman travelling on the road. She did not know of any cities that he goes to except that she has heard him mention Montreal. She stated that a short time after their marriage she used to ask her husband a few questions but she was always snubbed and learned not to ask him any questions; that he has always been a good provider and that he has always given her everything she wants by way of home, money and clothes and so forth; that she has no bank account but receives cash from Dr. Irwin B. Silvers, her brother-in-law, and her husband reimburses his brother whenever he comes around. She said that in the summer of 1933 she resided at the Mayfair Apartments, Bradley Beach, N.J. and during that time did not see her husband more than once or twice, although he called her up a few times and sent one of his men around to see her a few times in order that this man might report to her husband her condition of health and the condition of the health of the baby, who has been a sick one ever since birth. She said that she does not know her husband to be a gangster and racketeer. She impressed agent with her sincerity as she appeared to be an old fashioned Jewish housewife and is certainly not the usual type of a racketeer's wife.

Questioned as to what she did on Sunday, November 5th, she said that she and the baby were driven to the home of her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. F. Schwartz, 283 Kingston Avenue, Brooklyn by her chauffeur, Coleman. She said that she herself chose the apartment in which she at present resides and that it is her home. She said her husband does not keep any clothes therein and a search of the apartment revealed that this was so. She said she has been living in the apartment since around the first of October, 1933 and previous thereto lived in Brooklyn, a block or so from her mother, but was forced to move inasmuch as the Brooklyn air did not agree with her baby. (In the

apartment was found a tag indicating that the Silvers' previously resided at 97 Brooklyn Avenue, Brooklyn, N.Y.) She stated that the last time she saw her husband was Tuesday, October 31st, in New York City, but the last time she heard from him was Friday, November 3rd, when he telephoned her.

Questioned as to what she did Sunday, November 5th, she said she and the baby were driven to the home of her parents by Coleman, the chauffeur, in the Cadillac car and when she arrived at the latter's house she found her niece had been operated upon and she and her parents then drove to the hospital. She said that Coleman, the chauffeur, was employed by her at Bradley Beach, N.J. about four months ago and that she pays him \$15 a week and that he is her employee and that the Cadillac car is hers. She stated that her husband does have a Pontiac five passenger car which is maroon color. She said that some time around dusk on Sunday, November 5th, Coleman asked her for the night off as he wanted to go to a movie and she agreed to this. When questioned as to whether she heard from her husband Sunday she did admit that her husband telephoned her and asked her what she was going to do; that is, whether she was going to stay over and she stated if she did decide to stay over she would have to return to East Orange and secure some clothes for the baby. She said that Al told her that he would send George over. She said she does not know the last name of George but he works for Al apparently and George is the one who came down to Bradley Beach this past summer bringing presents for the child. She could not explain why if she had to have clothes in order to stay over and had to be driven back to East Orange to secure the same she allowed Coleman, the chauffeur, to take the night off, but at this point she did say that she has never been questioned before in her life and was greatly confused. She stated that George came over and drove her to East Orange and she went up in the apartment and packed some of the baby's clothes in the suit case and packed some for herself and that she came out the basement way as it was a very stormy night (which it was) and that she hugged the side of the building as it was stormy and the Cadillac car was parked right by the basement entrance. She insisted that there was nothing suspicious concerning her actions on this night and said she was positive she took none of Al's clothes out of the apartment that night because, as stated above, Al does not keep any clothes in that apartment. She said that after George left the apartment he drove through Newark and stopped some place on one of the main streets that George got out and spoke to some man but she did not get out of the car and did not get a look at this man; that they then proceeded to the home of her parents and that George left.

Questioned as to her activities on Sunday, October 22nd, at which time between two and three P.M. her husband bought the Ford car which Miller used in his travel to Chicago, she stated that there was a family meeting at the home of her parents-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Max

Silverman, 474 East 96th Street, Brooklyn and that her parents-in-law were there, she and Al were there, Ben Silvers and his wife were there, Murrey Silvers, an unmarried brother, was there, and Shirley Silvers, an unmarried sister living with her parents, was there. She said she is positive her husband did not leave the house all day and she would certainly remember if he did. She also said she is positive of the date as the next Sunday, October 29th, her parents-in-law visited her. She said, in conclusion, that she can truthfully say she never met any of Al's friends except this man George and that none of Al's friends has ever been in the apartment.

Investigation was made for the purpose of ascertaining whether any visitors were seen in the Silvers' apartment during October, 1933 through the medium of the garage man, the elevator operators, the apartment manager, so forth, but it was reasonably established that not even Mrs. Silvers ever had any visitors there except some old folks once in a while.

The apartment house is owned by Harry Rotberg, 108 Treacy Avenue, Newark, N.J. The lease was examined and the same shows that the lessor was Kuskin & Rotberg, Inc, of which Rotberg is president. The lease is dated October 9, 1933 for apartment 912 at a monthly rental of \$120 and the lease is signed October 12, 1933 by "Albert Silvers, Hotel Riviera, Newark, N.J., Bigelow 3-5000." Rotberg advised that he mailed the lease to Silvers at the Riviera Hotel for signature and that the same was returned in the mail signed and that neither he nor any one else in his office saw the lease signed.

It is recalled that the Riviera Hotel at Newark was until recently the headquarters of the Longie mob and that in April, 1933 when Miller, Sammy Schreger and another person were in Chicago, they telephoned the Riviera Hotel; also on June 8, 1933 Gus Berger, a St. Louis gunman, had the Riviera Hotel under observation ostensibly for the purpose of assassinating someone therein. Manager Anderson of the Riviera Hotel was interviewed and advised that none of the Longie mob is at present residing in the hotel. It is recalled that the mob occupied practically the entire hotel up until the ballot scandal in Newark in November, 1932 when they checked out. Anderson said that Longie checked in again January 24th and checked out June 19, 1933. This does not mean, of course, that he was present in the hotel all throughout this period. He was the only one who registered and had a large suite in which the members of the mob congregated throughout this period. Questioned as to whether he still receives mail for the mob, he said he does and that whenever any mail comes in it is the practice of the hotel to put a rubber-band around the same and someone calls for the mail regularly. He said he does not know Al Silvers but he does know Al Lubin, whom he identified as Silvers. He could not explain how a letter addressed to Al Silvers would reach Al Lubin.

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At the Orange office of the New Jersey Bell Telephone Company, the application for a non-public telephone which Silvers has at his apartment at 32 South Munn Avenue, East Orange, which number is Orange 2-0910, was examined. It would appear that G. M. Delaney is the employee who took the application. He, together with the manager of this branch, H. E. Silverman, Jr., were interviewed. They said that a man who gave his name as Albert Silvers telephoned into their office for a telephone at 32 South Munn Avenue on October 11th and over the telephone said he was employed by Kessler & Kessler in the bonding business, Lefcourt Building, Newark, N.J. and as an additional reference gave the telephone number Essex 3-0830. Silverman took this message over the telephone and told the party on the other end that he should come into the office and make the necessary deposit, at which time the matter could be attended to. He said he would do so. This particular application card, with the information which was taken over the telephone, was then routed to the file room. It would appear, according to the records of the telephone company, that on October 13th a man came in to Delaney and said his name was Albert Silvers and wanted a telephone at 32 South Munn Avenue. Delaney did not know of the previous telephonic application and therefore made out a new card. Delaney said that this man who came in was not Silvers; that it was an old man about 55 years of age. This man, who said he was Albert Silvers, said he was employed by the A. & P. Trucking Company, 36th Street, New York City, and also by Kessler & Kessler. The information was taken down, a deposit taken and the card routed to one Blackmyer, who upon checking the same found the application which had been taken over the telephone. Blackmyer said that when he found the two cards he telephoned Essex 3-0830, the reference given by Silvers, and talked to a man who said that he was Albert Silvers. He said that the second card did not indicate the necessary down payment had been made and talked to Silvers, who said that the payment had been made which he immediately verified; that he then asked this man Silvers if he was, in fact, connected with the A. & P. Trucking Company and Silvers said that he was connected with the Champion Trucking Company of 158 West 36th Street, New York City, and that he could always be reached in care of Kessler & Kessler. The above is set forth in view of the fact that Chait, who owns the Champion Trucking Company, is, of course, involved in this case. It might be well to state that the law firm of Kessler & Kessler is not in the Lefcourt Building but in another building, but in the Lefcourt Building there is the M. & S. Bonding Company, owned by one Max Silverman - no relation - who is a notorious bondsmen. It will be shown later that Silvers also gave the M. & S. Bonding Company as a reference.

In connection with the reference which Silvers gave - Essex S-0830, inquiry disclosed that this was a non-public telephone listed in the name of A. E. Shore, 817 Chancellor Avenue, Irvington, N.J. Investigation with respect to this disclosed the following:

This address is that of an apartment house. The superintendent is George Cosgrove. On August 1, 1933 A. E. Shore moved into apartment D-1, which is on the fourth floor. The apartment is a three room, and was rented by Shore for \$60 a month. When Shore moved in he employed Mrs. Doris Kinnaer, who occupies a one room apartment in the basement, to act as his housekeeper at \$10 a week. Mrs. Kinnaer and Mrs. Cosgrove, wife of the superintendent, are pals and were very friendly with Shore. Mrs. Kinnaer has been separated from her husband for some time. On the night of November 4th, about 11:30 P.M., the husband of Mrs. Kinnaer, in a drunken condition, suspected his wife of having an amour with Shore, and climbed up the fire escape to the fourth floor and attempting to turn the cornice so as to obtain a view into the Shore apartment, fell to the sidewalk and was killed. The Irvington Police Department looked into this death in conjunction with Lieutenant Dimond on the morning of November 5th and Lieutenant Dimond asked the Irvington authorities not to close out the case as an accidental death until Shore had been interviewed.

It was learned that A. E. Shore is none other than Albert Silvers. George Cosgrove, superintendent, advised that Shore moved on Monday, November 6th, sending a moving van to take out his furnishings but Shore was not there and apparently the moving men had the key. He said he telephoned the owner and the owner said it would be all right to allow the furniture to be moved out. Cosgrove obtained the name of the trucking firm and it proved to be M. Friedman & Sons, 212-1/2 Court Street, Newark. David Friedman, one of the sons of this trucking company, advised that shortly after 3 P.M. on November 6th, a man, who it developed was not Albert Silvers, who stated his name was Charles Shore, wanted a rush job done at 817 Chancellor Avenue, stating that he had some furniture he wanted moved out immediately and placed in storage and that this man gave him a key to the apartment and told him to move out everything and also gave him \$25 for the moving job and that the storage was \$5 a month, which was not paid. He said his men moved the stuff immediately and placed it in storage but did not take up the rugs inasmuch as they were nailed to the floor and on November 8th a man called up who said he was Shore and wanted to know if the job was completed and he told Shore about the rugs and Shore said to take them up too, so the men went back on Wednesday, November 8th, and took up the rugs. He stated that the man who said he was Shore advised he would return once a month and pay the storage. Friedman also said that the property was at present in storage at his place at 246 West Kenny Street, Newark.

Mrs. George Cosgrove, wife of the superintendent, and Mrs.

Doris Kinnear, were interviewed together and the following information was secured:

They stated that when Shore moved into the apartment in the middle of July, he asked them to assist him in picking out furniture for the apartment and that they did so and they spent \$2500 of Shore's money in furnishing up the apartment. Doris said it was her job to make the bed, to straighten out the bar in the morning, to answer the telephone, and, in general, be of whatever help she could provide. They estimated that Shore spent between one third and one fourth of his time in the apartment. They said he was always saying what a big shot he was and trying to make an impression. They said that on one occasion on a Sunday night, he took them to the Riviera at Fort Lee, N.J. and that he seemed to be well known at this place, of which he claimed to be a half owner. As previously reported, this Riviera, which is a hang-out for the New York mobs, is owned by New York City mobsters with Ed Ben Marden being the front man. It is believed that Silverman does have a share in this club. They also said that on one occasion he drove them into New York City and at the Barbizon Plaza Hotel he introduced them to a girl by the name of Genevieve Tie, who at that time was dancing in the Riviera, and that Genevieve always travels with her mother and at the present time Genevieve is in Montreal dancing in a night club there (probably at the Villa Maurice). They were questioned closely as to what visitors Silvers had at the apartment. They said that he did not have very many; that a young blond girl named Vivi used to come up a lot, usually driven by Coleman, the colored chauffeur, in the Cadillac. Doris said that on one occasion she recalls a red headed man stayed there when Silvers was absent, with two girls; that this red haired man was some sort of an artist from New York City. Doris also said that some time in August, a few weeks after Silvers moved into the apartment, she does not recall the exact date but believes it was some time in the middle of August because it took them two or three weeks to get all the furniture in and straightened out, Silvers went to Chicago and that she knows this for the following reason: A few days after he was gone he telephoned her from some distant point, she does not recall where, and said that he would return to town shortly; that when he returned he gave her two tickets to be refunded, representing airplane travel from Newark to Chicago, but she does not recall whether the refund was for the entire trip or for part of the trip and she remembers that because she accused him of having cold feet and not riding by airplane and that the name on the other ticket was Blair. She does not recall just which line but thinks it was American Airways. She stated that when he returned to the apartment he advised he had a girl who was going to stay over there a few days and he then went to New York and brought a blond girl back whose name was Barbara. This Barbara was 23, 5'6", 135 pounds, blond, light complexion. She had been a nurse. She said she had a Boston bull in Cleveland.

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She wore no diamonds and that Al told her either Barbara or her sister had been in trouble in Cleveland. They said that Barbara was not identical with Vivian Mathis and that Barbara was a very poorly dressed girl and is more on the Mae West type. They said that Barbara stayed at the apartment a few days and while there made some purchases, such as a hat and a dress and that when the package arrived at the apartment it was addressed to Al Silvers and at that time they did not really know his name was Al Silvers. However, Coleman, the chauffeur, came and picked up the package. They said that Silvers rode horse-back a great deal but always out of town; that is, he had expensive riding clothes but they never knew him to ride around Newark. They also said he golfed a lot; that is, he had a golf bag but did not know whether it was so heavy as to possibly contain a machine gun. They said that Coleman, the chauffeur, was around most every day; that Al carried plenty of money, usually had \$100 bills, and that he paid his rent in cash, Doris taking the money down to the superintendent. Doris said that in the apartment he had a lot of expensive clothes and instructed that no laundry marks be placed on his underwear or shirts; that he had a great many expensive hats and suits and changed his suit every day. They were shown photographs of fugitive Miller but advised they never saw him around the apartment. They said that on the night of November 4th, while the police officers from Irvington were there questioning them, Detective Halperin asked them what sort of a man Shore was and that after giving him this information Halperin looked at some papers in his pocket, which they took to be a driver's license and an operator's license, and then said that they had been looking for this man for three days; that Halperin then called up headquarters and asked for Harry Rose, a motorcycle patrolman and asked of Harry Rose the license number of Al Silvers' car, stating to the girls that Rose would know as he had a photographic memory; that Rose said something over the telephone and Halperin said that that was him all right. The women said that at no time did they tell the officers Shore was in fact Silvers but the officers seemed to know it and subsequently they were accused of telling the officers Shore was, in fact, Silvers. Doris said that Harry Rose, referred to, had been up in the apartment drinking with Silvers. The women said that they learned the Irvington Police Department had turned over to Silvers the papers in question and from the Irvington Police Department was secured the following receipt:

"Nov. 5/33 received from the Irvington Police one N.Y. driver's lic. no. 636388 owner's lic. no. 7177 N.Y. and N.J. driver's lic. no. 63754, found on Springfield Av. Nov. 2/33 turned over to owner (signed) Albert Silvers."

Lieutenant Graff, reported to be the one reliable member of the Irvington Police Department, said that Harry Rose either brought Silvers in that morning or else was there when he came in and identified him as Silvers. In any event, it would appear that on Sunday, November 5th, these papers were given back to Silvers at a time when he was being looked for for questioning in connection with the accidental death of Kinnaer. Furthermore, it would appear that the receipt does not set forth the correct facts. The license number of the Cadillac is E-63754, whereas the receipt sets forth that number as the driver's license number. It has been impossible to secure the license number of the Pontiac car which Silvers is supposed to be driving.

At the Irvington Branch of the telephone company, the record shows that on July 14, 1933, they put in a telephone for E. E. Shore at the above address, the number being Essex 2-1238. The application shows that the M. & S. Bonding Company, Lefcourt Building, was given as a reference. On August 8th the number was changed to Essex 3-3271, a non-public one and on September 25th it was changed to Essex 3-0830. The records of this office do not indicate whether the application was taken in person or by telephone but apparently the applicant did not come to the office.

From the telephone company there was secured a list showing all toll calls made out of the apartment that Silvers had under the name Shore. This list is as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Number Called</u>	
8/8/33	Lackawanna 4-3209	Champion Trucking Co., 158 West 36th St. New York City.
8/8	Minnesota 9-8108	Max Silverman, 474 East 96th St., Brooklyn, NY
8/8	Bogardus 4-0386	Samuel Saffer, 1239 Broadway, N.Y.C. It is noted that this place of business, manufacturer of men's clothing, was the former hang out for the Buchalter mob.
8/8	President 3-4929	Private
8/8		
8/9	Circle 7-7000	Barbizon Plaza Hotel, 6th Ave. & 58th St. NYC

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Number Called</u>	
8/10	Asbury Park 8425	Mayfair Apartments, Bradley Beach, N.J.
8/12	" " "	
8/12	" " "	
8/13	Lafayette 3-9429	H. Schwartz, 283 Kingston Ave., Brooklyn, N.Y.
8/14	Asbury Park 8425	
8/15	Bryant 9-5700	Brantano's Book Store, 1 West 47th St. NYC
8/18	Asbury Park 8425	
8/25	Garfield 3781, 11:58 AM (Cleveland)	Apparently this is the Barbara referred to.
8/25	Bryant 9-9798	Wales Draperies Inc., 52 West 46th St. NYC
8/26	Vanderbilt 3-0629	French Beauty Studio, 551 Fifth Ave, NYC
8/27	Caledonia 5-5161	Tuscany Hotel, 120 E. 59th St. NYC
8/31	Asbury Park 8425	
9/1	Garfield 3781, 1:45 PM (Cleveland)	
9/1	Vanderbilt 3-9100	Train information
9/2	Asbury Park 8425	
9/2	Jerome 7-4143	Abe Chait, 1240 Walton Ave., Bronx, NYC
9/5	Asbury Park 8425	
9/5	Vanderbilt 3-2194	Nicholas Morese (Tailor), 516 Fifth Ave, NYC
9/5	Circle 7-5974	Mayfair Cigar, 201 West 53rd Street, NYC
9/6	Liberty, NY 723	
9/6	Circle 7-5974	
9/6	Asbury Park 8425	
9/7	" " "	
9/7	Bryant 9-4039	Karos & Stein, 44 West 48th St. NYC

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Number called</u>	
9/7	Lackawanna 4-3209	
9/11	Vanderbilt 3-2194	
9/11	Lackawanna 4-3209	
9/12	Longacre 5-8298	M. Walker - retail clothes, 517 7th Ave. NYC
9/12	Mendham 281	Dr. D. E. Groos, Talmadge Road, Mendham, NJ (non-published)
9/13	Bryant 9-4039	
9/14	Lackawanna 4-3209	
9/14	Circle 7-5818	Earle, Marie Facial Treatment, 714 Fifth Avenue, N.Y.C.
9/14	Lackawanna 4-3209	
9/15	Telegram	To Genevieve, N.Y.C.
9/15	Lackawanna 4-3209	
9/17	Mendham 281	
9/17	Asbury Park 8425	
9/19	Vanderbilt 3-2194	
9/19	Lafayette 3-9429	
9/21	Vanderbilt 3-2194	
9/21	Garfield 4840	(Cleveland)
9/21	Mendham 281	
9/22	Riverside 9-6360	Ben Kutlow, 363 Central Park West, NYC.
9/24	Time	
9/24	Circle 7-5974	
9/24	Minnesota 9-8102	

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Number Called</u>	
9/24	Circle 7-5974	
9/25	Minnesota 9-8102	
9/26	Lackawanna 4-8209	
9/28	Mendham 281	
9/28	Murray Hill 2-5478	Ernest Taub- etchings - 2 West 45th St. NYC
10/3	Murray Hill 2-5478	
10/4	Kidoro 5-7712	International Union of Operating Engineers 570 Lexington Ave., N.Y.C.
10/4	Kidoro 5-7712	
10/4	Bryant 9-0346	Claridge Hotel, 160 West 44th St. N.Y.C.
10/4	Stillwell 4-6860	N.Y. City Dept. of Taxes & Assn. 18 Court Square, Long Island City.
10/4	Mendham 281	
10/4	Trafalgar 7-5200	Riverside Tower, 80 Riverside Drive, NYC
10/5	Ashland 4-1473	Fernand Beck (elec. cont.) 109 E. 99th St., NYC
10/5	Ashland 4-1473	
10/5	Kidoro 5-7712	
10/5	Minnesota 9-8102	
10/5	Longacre 5-3050	Whitby Apts. 325 West 45th St. N.Y.C.
10/5	Bryant 9-3309	Hotel Knickerbocker, 120 West 45th St. NYC
10/5	Henderson 6712	Cleveland, Ohio
10/6	District 2580	Washington, D.C. Hamilton Hotel, Joseph Fay. (Fay is a union leader and organizer of Newark, N.J.)
10/6	Worth 2-7948	Cosmopolitan Magazine, 299 Broadway, N.Y.C.

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Number Called</u>
10/8	Longacre 5-5086
10/9	Pennsylvania 6-5900
10/11	Lackawanna 4-3209
10/11	Ossining, New York 749-M
10/11	Kenmore 2770 (Boston)
10/11	Asbury Park 8425
10/11	Eldorado 5-7712
10/14	Lackawanna 4-3206
10/18	Eldorado 5-7712
10/18	Lackawanna 4-3206
10/19	Lackawanna 4-3209
10/19	Eldorado 5-7712
10/25	Circle 7-5974
10/25	Eldorado 5-7712
10/25	Eldorado 5-7712
10/25	Plateau 7777 (Montreal - Mt. Royal Hotel)
10/26	Worth 2-7946
10/27	Eldorado 5-7712
11/1	Minnesota 9-8102
11/2	Eldorado 5-7712
11/3	Medallion 3-4100
11/4	Lackawanna 4-3209

Kolmer & Marcus, 1390 Broadway, N.Y.C.
(It will be noted that this is one of the
former hang-outs of the Buchalter mob).

It will be noted that on November 4th Silvers called Abe Chait in New York City. However, the exact time that this call was put through cannot be determined inasmuch as the new records of the telephone company do not provide for the exact time. However, the operator who took the call is on duty from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. and one minute was the time consumed.

The call to Montreal on October 25th was to Genevieve Tio.

The call on October 11th to the Copley Plaza, Boston, was to Al Miller, who is a liquor operator out of Montreal.

A search of Silvers' apartment at 817 Chancellor Avenue, which he maintained under the name Shore, was made but the only thing of interest found was underwear embroidered with the initials A.S. and a bottle containing a prescription put up by Walgreen Company, #24518 by Dr. Begg, 655 Park Avenue on September 23, 1933. The records at the drug store do not indicate the name of the buyer but Dr. Begg will be interviewed.

It is recalled that the Ford coupe which was purchased at Brooklyn, N.Y. on October 23, 1933 by Albert Silvers, was found in Chicago a week subsequently and an examination of the same showed six sample cases containing eyeglasses, frames and lenses. Also found in the car were letter-heads of the Mason Optical Service, 451 - 18th Avenue, Newark, N.J., together with cards indicating that one Stephen J. Gross, Jr. was a representative of this company, which, according to the card, were wholesale opticians. Also found in the car were a number of prescription blank forms of the Mason Company, which forms are used by optometrists in sending lenses to be ground. These forms provide for calculations and measurements and a detailed description of the lenses ordered.

At the Mason Optical Service, 415 - 18th Avenue, Newark, was found a small office, which is in the business of "wholesale lens grinders" which is owned by Mason Poindexter, 454 South 12th Street, Newark, N.J. Poindexter is colored. He was interviewed at the County Prosecutor's office in the presence of Agent Soucy and Lieutenant Dimond and a signed statement was taken from him. He advised that he has been in the business of grinding lens since the latter part of 1932 at that location and in the early part of 1933 there became associated with him Albert E. Levenston, who took over the business of an individual who was formerly engaged in selling frames. He said Levenston uses his office in the selling of frames but Levenston also takes care of his books of account and that in travelling around to optometrists in selling the frames he also brings in customers for lens; that in the early part of 1933 Levenston secured for him a customer by the name of Dr. Irwin R. Silvers of Orange, N.J. and since that time he has been doing the grinding work for Dr. Silvers.

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Poindexter said that so far as he knows at no time previous to the middle of August, 1935 has Levenston succeeded in selling Dr. Silvers any frames but about three months ago, which would be in the middle of August, Dr. Silvers came to him and said that he wanted to buy some frames and mountings from Levenston but he did not want to do business with Levenston, saying he did not like the way Levenston acted and approached him in coming into the store trying to collect money and selling things to him and if it could be arranged the Doctor would like to buy frames and mountings through him. He said he told the Doctor he would be able to arrange it and that he could pick out the goods, pay him and he in turn would pay Levenston. He said that this was on a Saturday morning when the Doctor came in and, as he recalls, Levenston was present at the time and Levenston kept whatever sample cases, mountings and frames he had in the front office and the Doctor looked over the merchandise. He said that Dr. Silvers took all of the sample cases and frames that Levenston had in the place of business. The Doctor also said that he intended to give this line to some friend or relative of his who was out of work and going on the road and he could use the optical business as a side line, that his company, the Mason Optical Service, would benefit by it. He said he told the Doctor there would be no objection if this man represented his firm on the road and the Doctor asked him about having some cards made up. Poindexter said that the Doctor asked for one of his specimen cards and that he asked the Doctor the name of the salesman as he would have some cards printed up but the Doctor said to never mind as he would have the cards printed himself and he could have it done cheaper. Poindexter later found on his premises one of his own cards on the back of which was written in his own handwriting "Stephen J. Grosse, Jr." and he subsequently advised that after seeing this card and his handwriting on the back, he recalls that this is the name the Doctor gave him; that is, the name of the man who was going on the road. This card is now in the possession of this office.

Poindexter said that Levenston left the premises before the Doctor did and, to the best of his recollection, the Doctor took the merchandise away with him. As to the payment, he said that about a week later he was in the Doctor's place of business and the Doctor gave him a check for the merchandise he had purchased. He said he does not recall the amount of the check but he does positively recall it was on a Friday when he collected it and that the check number was identical with the amount of the check and he made a notation as to this on the wall in his office. He searched this wall and found two numbers - 1206 and 1280 - and he said that one of these numbers was the number of the check and the other represented the amount of the check but he was mistaken when he thought the number and amount agreed. He said he made such an entry

on the wall because there was something outstanding about the transaction and he felt that something might come up later about it in view of the fact that the Doctor was insistent on buying the sample cases, frames and mountings from him when he is not in that business and when Levenston is the man from whom he should have bought this merchandise. At this time it should be noted that investigation at the Second National Bank, Orange, N.J. whereat Dr. Silvers maintains his bank account disclosed a debit on the date of August 19th in the amount of \$12.00. It is recalled that the sale took place on Saturday, August 12th, and the check was given on Friday, August 18th.

Poindexter denied giving the Doctor any letterheads, envelopes and prescription blank forms but did say that after the sale was consummated the Doctor set down at the desk and did some telephoning and that the letterheads and forms, so forth, are always available on top of the desk or in the drawer.

Albert E. Levenston was interviewed and a signed statement taken. He resides at 234 Clinton Place, Newark, with his brother-in-law, A. Wolferman, telephone Waverly 3-9860. He said that he has been working for Poindexter since January, 1933, keeping books for him and also selling frames and mountings; that he contacts optometrists trying to secure grinding work for Poindexter and he always carries a side line of frames and mountings. He said he called on Dr. Silvers a number of times in the first seven months of 1933 and always tried to sell him frames and mountings but the Doctor would never buy any because, apparently, he had his own wholesaler from whom he purchased the same. He said that some time in the middle of August, he recalls it was a Saturday morning, while he was at the place of business, Dr. Silvers came in and wanted to look at some samples. He said Poindexter was there at the time. He said the Doctor advised he had a friend who was going out on the road around Chicago-way to sell these items and that the man had another line but wanted to use the optical business as a side line and asked if he could sell for him. He said he told the Doctor it was all right with him and the Doctor said he was going to get some cards printed for the man. He said that Poindexter asked the Doctor for the name of the man but the Doctor said he would have the cards done himself. Levenston said that he did not give the Doctor any prescription forms, envelopes or letterheads and does not know whether Poindexter did. He said the Doctor asked him if this man sold anything would he get a commission and he said he agreed but he never did hear from this man on the road and never heard his name, and, of course, never saw him. He said the Doctor took with him all the sample cases and mountings he had and the Doctor did not pay him but he did receive the cash from Poindexter about a week later. He said that a few days after this purchase,

which was on a Saturday and before he received the cash from Poindexter, he saw Dr. Silvers and the Doctor said he had not heard from this man on the road and that he would have to pay for the merchandise himself and that he would send a check the following Friday. Levenston said that what the Doctor bought were his regular samples and cases and he did not want to part with them as he would have to buy a new set and that he wanted to make up a set for the Doctor but during the negotiations he had to leave the shop and when he came back Poindexter told him the Doctor took everything he had there. The cases and mountings themselves had not reached New York City at the time this interview was had. However, Levenston advised that he recalls exactly what he sold the Doctor. He said he recalls the two Bertram line cases which he bought some time previously from Dr. Louis Sherling. He also said he recalls he sold the Doctor two frames and eight mountings (rimless) charging him 90¢ each for the frames - \$1.70 for Lure-flex; \$1.25 for Charm-flex; \$1.20 for Smart-flex; \$1.15 for V-flex; \$1.15 for Crown-flex; \$1.20 for Loop-flex; a mounting for 92¢ and \$1.25 each for the two Bertram line sample cases. Levenston also said that at the time he left the shop during the negotiations he left there a list showing the prices which this travelling salesman should ask; that the prices were set alongside each item.

An examination was made of all toll calls made from the Mason Optical Service from May 1, 1933 to date but each and every call was found to be legitimate and in the regular course of business.

Dr. Irwin R. Silvers resides at 61 Cleveland Street and has a place of business at 237 Main St. Orange, N.J. - He is married and has a girl three years of age. Murray Silvers, his brother, resides with him and is likewise an optometrist. Murray is not married and assists the Doctor in the store. On the night of November 15th the Doctor and Murray were brought to the office of the County Prosecutor, Newark, N.J. The Doctor said he wanted to make an explanation as to this transaction and was prepared to do so. The interview was had in the presence of Agent Soucy and Lieutenant Dimond. The Doctor said that his father, Max, lives at 474 East 96th Street, Brooklyn; that his wife's name is Rose; that his brother, Ben, age 36, lives at Thatford Avenue, East New York, Brooklyn; that his brother Al lives at 32 South Munn Avenue, East Orange, N.J.; that his brother, Murray, and his sister, Shirley, are twins, age 24, both being unmarried and Shirley living at home. He said he is a registered optometrist and has been practicing in Orange for three and a half years. He said he does not see his brother Al very frequently and he denied being a fiscal agent for Al. He said he gives Al's wife a little money once in a while but no such amount by which she could pay her rent and other expenses in any given month. He said he did not know the occupation of Al but understood he was a travelling salesman of some sort. He denied knowing that Al

was a gangster and racketeer but admitted knowledge as to his previous penitentiary terms. He also said that he never at any time asked Al what his occupation was. He said that some time in the middle of August Al came into his store and said that he had a friend who was going on the road and wanted to have an optical outfit as a side line. He said Al did not mention any particular section of the country or any city in which this man was to travel. He said that Al wanted the outfit immediately and this was on a Friday when Al came in to see him about it; that he told Al he did not know how he could do such a thing immediately but the next day he went to the Mason Optical Service and there bought two sample cases which held frames and mountings, from Poindexter. He was shown the two Bertram line sample cases and readily admitted that these were the two cases he purchased from Poindexter. He said that he returned to his store that day with the two cases, this being a Saturday, and Al was there and he took four of his own sample cases which also contained sample frames, mountings and lens, and gave all six cases to Al. He identified the other four cases as those which came out of his shop; that he took some of the frames and mountings from his own stock and put them in these four cases and that the said frames he took from stock were old and without much current value. He was shown the card received from the Chicago office indicating that Stephen J. Gross, Jr. was the representative of the Mason Optical Service and on the reverse side of this card there is noted in handwriting the name "Dr. Irwin R. Silvers." He denied the handwriting saying it was not his, but he admitted securing the cards and said that Al had to have the cards right away, so he sent his brother, Murray, to his printer, the Eagle Printing Company, operated by one Beckow, Orange, N.J., and his brother, Murray, waited there until the cards were done. When he returned with the cards, the six sample cases, cards, so forth, were taken away by Al. With respect to the letterheads, envelopes and prescription blank forms of the Mason Optical Service, he said he secured these from Poindexter. With respect to the specimen prescription blank form marked Exhibit 2, which contains handwriting, he denied that this was his handwriting and said it was the handwriting of his brother, Murray. He was questioned very closely as to the knowledge he might have as to the purpose for which these sample cases, so forth, were secured, but he denied knowledge of the fact that they were intended to be used as a cover and a blind. He said he had a discussion with Al concerning prices, so forth, and said he asked Al "If he gets any orders what shall he do?" He denied there was any significance in this question that he asked Al. He also said he discussed with Al the matter of discounts and finally it was agreed that if the man did sell anything on the road it was to be on a C.O.D. basis. He also said that his brother Al was the one who gave the name Stephen J. Gross, Jr. as the name of the man. He

insisted at all times that no one was present in the store with Al and denied ever seeing the man for whom Al obtained this merchandise. When questioned as to whether he was reimbursed by Al for the outlay, he said that he had not been reimbursed. Questioned as to meeting any of Al's friends, he said he had not except on one occasion, in the past three months he recalls a young girl and her mother coming to the shop and telling him that Al had sent them down and to fit them up with glasses which he did and on this occasion he was not reimbursed by Al. He also said that before this girl and her mother came down Al told him they were enroute (this refers to Genevieve Tie, the night club dancer, and her mother).

He was questioned as to his movements on October 22nd and said there was a family meeting at the home of his mother and father at Brooklyn and that Al and his wife were present at that meeting, which took all day. He was absolutely positive and certain that Al did not leave the house the entire day and upon insistent questioning on this point said he was absolutely sure that Al did not leave the house. He denied that there was any agreement among members of his family to give testimony of this nature.

At the time the Doctor was being questioned in the office of/County Prosecutor, Murray Silvers, the brother, was in the adjoining room and he was questioned outside the presence of the Doctor. Murray advised that he is 24 years of age; that in June, 1933 he graduated from the Pennsylvania State College of Optometry and since that time he has been working for and living with his brother, the Doctor, and that he contemplates taking the New Jersey State Board examinations to be a registered optometrist in that State on November 21st. He said he recalls the incident around the middle of August, 1933 when his brother Al and another man came into the store. He said he saw Al and this other man come into the store and that the two of them and the Doctor were engaged in conversation for about twenty or twenty-five minutes, but that he does not know or recall what they were talking about but while they were together he recalls his brother telling him to clean out the sample case which he indicated was the one with the blue velvet lining. He said after cleaning this case out he gave it to the Doctor and then the Doctor told him to get some cards. As he recalls, the Doctor gave him a specimen card and told him to go to the printer and get twenty-five or fifty and to wait for them and bring them right back. He identified one of the Stephen J. Gross, Jr. cards as one of those which he had printed. He said he waited at the printers' office for about thirty minutes and said, to the best of his recollection, the Doctor gave him a regular Mason Optical Service card with the name Stephen J. Gross, Jr. written on it. When shown the Gross card received from the Chicago office, on the reverse side of which is a pencil notation "Dr. Irwin R. Silvers" he denied that this was in his handwriting. He said that after he returned

to the store he put the cards on the sample cases which were in the front of the store. He was shown Exhibit 42, which is the prescription blank form of the Mason Optical Service and admitted that this was in his handwriting and said he was sitting down at his desk and his brother Irwin told him to instruct the man in the manner of filling out such a prescription and that he did so and the man was to his right and his brothers, the Doctor and Al, were in front of him, so that all three were watching him make out the form. He said that he did not spend much time on these instructions as the man said in substance "that is all right. I think I know about it now." He said he was not exactly sure whether he did this before he went to the printers or upon his return from the printers but in any event a short time after he returned from the printers Al and the man left the store but he does not recall seeing them leave together, nor does he know anything concerning the car which was parked just outside the store; neither does he recall just who it was that carried the sample cases out of the store. Asked to describe this man, who, it is recalled, was in the store approximately one hour or so, he said the man was about 30, 5'7", medium build, light hair, light complexion, nicely dressed, no mustache, no eyeglasses. He does not recall anything concerning the tip of one of the fingers being missing, saying he did not observe his hands. He was shown a photograph of fugitive Miller but said he could not identify the photograph as the man who was in the store because "all I can see here is the face. When I saw that man he was all dressed and standing up."

Q: If you saw him could you say whether or not he was the same man?

A: I do not think so.

Q: Did you ever see him before that time?

A: No.

Q: Have you seen him since that time?

A: I do not recall ever seeing him.

He said that while he has been living with his brother, the Doctor, his brother Al has not visited the apartment. He said he does not know the occupation of his brother Al except that he is a salesman and denied knowledge of the fact that Al was a racketeer and gangster. He said further with respect to the man in the store, that he was not introduced to him and at no time did he hear the man's name.

Q: When you secured the cards of Stephen J. Gross, Jr., did you assume that that was the man's name?

A: No. I did not know. There was nothing to indicate otherwise.

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After this interview with Murray, the Doctor was again questioned with respect to the identity of the man who was in his store one hour with himself and Al on the day the merchandise was sold, but he denied that there was anyone else present in the store other than his brothers Al and Murray.

Photographs of fugitive Miller and Vivian Mathis were shown to the Doctor but he said as far as he knew he has never seen either of them before. Murray could not identify the photograph of Vivian.

On November 15th a complaint was filed before U. S. Commissioner Holland at Newark, N.J. charging the Doctor with conspiracy to harbor and conceal fugitive Miller. He was arrested and appeared before U. S. Commissioner Holland on the morning of November 16th at which time he entered a plea of not guilty, requested a hearing, which was set for November 24th and furnished bail in the amount of \$10,000. He was represented by George Kesselhaut, Lefcourt Building, Newark, telephone Market 2-4045.

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The eight precinct detectives working on this case were advised of the fact that Al Silvers is wanted. In addition, there was secured from Sing Sing penitentiary a list showing the names of those with whom Silverman corresponded while he was last confined therein. The penitentiary was requested to inform as to the date and conditions under which Silverman was released. It was advised that he was released on parole April 27, 1929 but for further details with regard to the same requested this office to get in touch with the Division of Parole, 80 Center Street, New York City. The list of correspondence referred to above covers the period from 1924 to 1928 and does not provide any leads which will assist in the location of Silvers. However, it should be noted that he corresponded with Ben Marden, 201 West 48th Street, and Marty Chaits, 1991 Crotona Parkway, Bronx, New York City, and at that time his family was living at 429 Sackman Street, Brooklyn. It was also observed that he corresponded with the Veterans Bureau in connection with adjusted compensation.

Captain Appel introduced agent to a confidential informant. This informant is one who has associated with the mob that has been under investigation in New York City in connection with this case, for the past fifteen years and has the confidence of the mob. He said that there is no question but what Buchalter and Ben Kutlow are the two who have been giving Miller protection in New York City. He said that when the liquor war was going on in New York City in the early part of 1933, Waxey Gordon, whose men were being killed, had arranged to bring in a mob of gunmen from Nebraska and about that time Miller was brought in to New York City. He said that he does not know definitely

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but believes the man who made the contact between Buchalter and Miller was Sammy Schragger. He said that about two months ago he was in the Horseshoe speakeasy and there saw Ben Kutlow, who is called Kuddy, and Henry Teitelbaum, Buchalter's chauffeur, who is called Henkie, and that after talking with them a short time they brought him over to a table where he was introduced to Sammy Sax and Mr. Miller. He said that he knew Sammy Schragger before Schragger went to Sing Sing and that for the past few months Sammy has been using the alias Sax. He said he is quite positive that the Mr. Miller whom he met with Schragger is none other than fugitive Miller. He said that while the liquor war was going on in the early part of 1933, Buchalter was driving Miller from New York City into Newark and return and that Buchalter when it was brought to his attention said that he was not afraid as long as Miller was with him. He said that the hang-out of the mob used to be the restaurant at 77 Fifth Avenue, then it was the basement of the Kolmer & Marcus Clothing store at 1390 Broadway, then it was the office of Samuel Saffer, 1239 Broadway (who apparently is a relative of Buchalter). Saffer used to be down in lower Fifth Avenue and it is recalled that some time ago information was received by this office that the mob was meeting at some clothing place in lower Fifth Avenue. Incidentally, agent knows this man Saffer, having met him in the capacity of a creditor in bankruptcy cases. He said that just prior to Election, the mob occupied Room 312 of the Claridge Hotel and that he used to see the mob going in and out of there. Incidentally, it is noted that Silvers called this number from his secret apartment on October 4th. He said he does not believe they are in the hotel now and it is his information that the mob, which changes its location very frequently, now has a meeting place in the Flatiron Building, the room number of which he will obtain. He also said that there is a little restaurant at 15 West 17th Street called Moe's & Phil's, which is a continuation of the restaurant at 77 Fifth Avenue and that the Phil in the picture is Phil Silvers, no relation, New York City PD #B-35536, but that Moe and Phil are merely front men for the mob and that the mob uses the pay station in this restaurant to make many of its calls. He said that Buchalter and "Dimples" Wolinsky were in Germany this past summer; that they arrived in New York City on Thursday, November 9th, and that there is no question but what they were away because he saw a post card that Buchalter sent to the Horseshoe speakeasy signed "Louie." He was advised that while Buchalter was away a search of his apartment revealed a passport still there and the informant when he checked up on this matter reported that he was absolutely correct and that Buchalter was in Europe this past summer. He said that Kutlow is a big shot and that he resides in a penthouse on Central Park West. He said Kutlow recently married a girl named Edith, who used to work in Milgrims and that previous to the marriage Edith lived in this penthouse as Kutlow is out of town a great deal and that while the liquor war was on in New York City the windows of this penthouse were painted and there was a regular arsenal therein with high powered

rifles, so forth, all of which were supposed to have been brought into New York City by Miller. The file shows that in the early part of this year when Buchalter, Kutlow and Longie were in Hot Springs, Kutlow made various telephone calls, particularly one to Mythe Pragen, 1765 Wyse Avenue; furthermore, that associated with the mob at Atlantic City this past summer was a girl who gave her name as Edith Paige and who said she lived on Central Park West, and that this girl, according to Miss Annette Downes, a witness, worked in Milgrims. It is also recalled that recently the Downes woman reported to this office that Edith was no longer at Milgrims as she had married. The informant was requested to obtain the address of Kutlow and he did so reporting that Kutlow lived at 363 Central Park West. The telephone number was obtained, which is Riverside 9-6360, and it is observed that Silvers called this number from his secret apartment on September 22, 1933. Immediate consideration was given to a tap on this wire but it was found impossible to do so.

With further reference to Kutlow, informant stated that his folks reside somewhere on New Jersey Avenue, Brooklyn, and a check of the City directory disclosed that Morris J. Kutlow resides at 139 East 55th Street, Brooklyn, and Jacob Kutlowitz resides at 485 New Jersey Avenue, Brooklyn, the former secretary and the latter president of the K & S Hat and Cap Company, Inc., 33 Bleecker Street, New York City. At the New Jersey Avenue address are listed also Mollie, the wife, Jack, an operator, and Saul, a projectionist. The wife of Morris is likewise named Mollie and the telephone number at the New Jersey Avenue address is Dickens 2-4114, listed in the name of Saul Walker. Informant said that it is his information that Miller was enroute some springs just outside of Fort Worth, Texas, at the time he was going through Chicago. He said he does not know the name of this springs but there are all kinds of water there and believes that racing was instituted there recently. He was asked to check up on this information and later reported that he could not learn the name of the springs but he does get it from all sides that Miller really intended to go to this place rather than Hot Springs, Ark. as he would be afraid of Hot Springs at this time. He said that now is the time when all of the mob are going to Hot Springs and reported that it is his information Al Silvers went to Hot Springs, Ark. as soon as he found he was wanted here. He said after spending a short time in Hot Springs the mob will then go to Miami and will be there a short time and that at Miami "Little Augie" Pisano, the Brooklyn racketeer, will have his horses. He said that so far as he knows, Kutlow has never been arrested and there is no photograph of him.

With respect to the Longie mob, he said that Joseph (Doc) Rosen, New York City PD #B-98013, and Longie will always be found together. Rosen, as previously reported, is now living at 67 South Main Avenue, East Orange, N.J. under the name Kent. He said that Silvers is really a big shot in the Longie and other mobs and that the Longie mob has connections all over the country and that Longie frequently goes to Los Angeles; that Jean Harlow is his paramour and that Helen Twelvrees is also in on the Longie parties out there and that Kutlow frequently goes out there with Longie and "Doc" Rosen. He said as an indication of how powerful Longie is in the State of New Jersey, particularly Newark, that he plays handball every Sunday with the Mayor of Newark. He also said that the New York mob and part of the Longie mob frequent the Luxor Baths, 121 West 46th Street, to steam out every Sunday afternoon.

With respect to William Weisman, informant said that he has not heard of him for two years and he is quite certain Weisman has not been in the East during that time. He said that the man who owns the Capital Bus Lines, one Herahowitz called Frenchy, knows all the mob and that Herahowitz goes around with a short, red haired girl by the name of Mary Weiss and he expects to get considerable information from the Weiss woman as she is the type of person that collects all sorts of information concerning the mob for her own personal use.

He said that Morris Zweig, known as Ziggy or Zig (a dealer in narcotics and a part owner in Kings beer and who recently set up William Duffy, partner of Owney Madden, in business at the Sportsmen Bar and Grill, Broadway and 47th Street) is a good contact man; that is, the mob usually contacts him in all matters and that Joseph Weiner, the poultry racketeer, New York City PD #B-71493, is also a good contact man; that is, one whom the mob contacts. He said that he can obtain a Newark number at which members of the Longie mob can be reached and later reported that this number was Market 3-3922, which number it was found is non-public and is listed in the name of Joseph Brown, 105 Lincoln Park, Newark, N.J.

Informant also said that there is an office at room 752, General Motors Building, New York City, which a certain part of the mob uses as a contact and that this office is supposedly a small retail liquor establishment and that they have two boys selling liquor there; furthermore, that this is the number that Sammy Schragger calls. He secured this number, which is Circle 7-1253. At the present dictation a tap is being placed on this wire.

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With further reference to Owen V. Madden, it has been learned that he resides at 25 Central Park West in the Century Apartments and the license numbers of his two cars are 2-C-2 and 10-Y-10. It has further been learned that his friend and associate, Arthur Biehler, is still around New York City but his exact address has not been secured as yet.

The Chicago office has advised that on August 8, 1938 at 12:45 PM, a telephone call was received by Bobbie Moore in the Sherone Apartments, Chicago, the said call being collect from Circle 7-2966 in New York City. Inquiry developed that this telephone is listed in the name of Fred Adelman, 1841 Broadway, New York City. At this address there is a cigar store but it is not known as yet whether the telephone from which the call was made is a pay station. Further inquiry will be made along this line.

It is recalled that the Garden Bar & Grill, 815 Eighth Avenue, New York City, is owned by the same outfit that owns the Horse shoe speakeasy and the Half Moon restaurant on West 80th Street. The names of these individuals are Max Fox called "Big" Max, "Little" Fox's brother, who has a criminal record; Max Zweibel called "Little" Max and Abe Pollack. Recently they opened the Silver Moon Grill on Lexington Avenue and 44th Street. A tap was placed on the three telephones in the Garden Bar & Grill, 815 Eighth Avenue, on November 10th but on the night of November 11th one of the taps was disconnected and no report made to the telephone company so there appeared to those in charge of the case the possibility that the mob itself had discovered that the tap was one and one of its own line men disconnected the same, whereupon all the taps were taken off. At 5:30 PM on the night of November 11th Shirley Silvers called for "Big" Max and was told that she had an appointment to call him at 7 PM. However, the 7 PM call did not come through. Later on on the evening of November 11th, agent and Agent O'Leary dropped into the Garden Bar & Grill and a few days subsequent the informant mentioned in this report, reported that it was known the agents were in there that night.

Dr. Irwin R. Silvers may be described as:

Age	: 30
Height	: 5'7 1/2"
Weight	: 170
Eyes	: Hazel
Hair	: Dark Brown
Build	: Medium
Complexion	: Dark
Mustache	: Dark Brown
Occupation	: Optometrist
Residence	: 61 Cleveland Street, Orange, N.J.

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The fingerprints of Dr. Silvers were taken and submitted to the Division and it advised that no previous record for this individual was found in its fingerprint files.

The New York City office has received information from the Chicago and Salt Lake office with respect to one Julian T. Bishop to the effect that he may be identical with fugitive Miller. Inquiry at the Yale Club, Vanderbilt Avenue and 44th Street, developed that Julian T. Bishop is a resident member of the Yale Club, graduated from Yale University in 1914, and has resided off and on at the Club for the past five years and that he registered the last time at the Club on the morning of November 12, 1933, on which occasion he used crutches. The witness interviewed in this connection advised that he does somewhat resemble fugitive Miller. The Chicago and Salt Lake offices were wired to discontinue that phase of the investigation.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS: NEW YORK

Will continue the investigation by way of learning whether Al Silvers was, in fact, in Chicago in the middle of August, 1935, as it should be remembered Vivian Mathis was last seen in Newark, N.J. on August 7th and it would appear that Miller was in Orange, N.J. on August 12th.

A check of the records of the airplane companies will be made in connection with the alleged refund, so forth.

Investigation will be made with respect to the jewel robbery at New York City, a clipping of which was found in Miller's car.

A cover has already been placed on the mail of Ben Kutlow, 363 Central Park West, and Max Silverman at 474 East 96th Street, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Contact will be had with the informant and inquiry will be made at 1841 Broadway where the August 8th telephone call was placed.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **KANSAS CITY**

FILE NO. **K.C. 68-760**

REPORT MADE AT KANSAS CITY, MO.	DATE WHEN MADE 11-21-33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11-17-18-19-33	REPORT MADE BY W. F. TRAINER
TITLE VERNON C. MILLER with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1195 RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1201 WILBER UNDERHILL with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1191, et al			CHARACTER OF CASE OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)



Mrs. E. B. Conner admitted identity after apprehension, Memphis, Tennessee, and signed waiver of hearing for removal to Kansas City, Missouri. Denied that she made or assisted in telephone calls from her residence on 6-16-33 at Hot Springs, Arkansas, to Chicago, Illinois, or Joplin, Missouri. Denied knowledge of plans to effect liberation of Frank Nash. Offered alibi for period 1 P.M. to 6 P.M., 6-16-33, but claimed lapse of memory as to her whereabouts the night of 6-16-33. Further interrogations contemplated.

REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent R. E. Peterson, Birmingham, 11-7-33, and report of Special Agent W. F. Trainor, Kansas City, 10-12-33.

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Details shown in this report refer only to the various interviews conducted with Louise Conner by this Agent. The apprehension of Subject Conner is being reported by the Birmingham office, Mrs. Conner having been taken into custody at Memphis, Tennessee, on 11-13-33.

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Mrs. Conner was interviewed at the County Jail, Memphis, Tennessee, on 11/17-18-19/33 by this Agent, in company with Special Agents R. E. Peterson and A. P. Kitchin of the Birmingham office. Mrs. Conner stated that she is the same Mrs. E. B. Conner, other wise known as Louise Conner, who resided on Central Avenue, street number claimed not recalled, at Hot Springs, Arkansas, on 6-16-33. She stated that she had a telephone at her address on Central Avenue in Hot Springs on that date. She claimed not to recall the number of the telephone, but stated that it was the only telephone that she had at that place and on that date. (Her telephone number 2970 was in the name Mrs. E. B. Conner, situated at 1101 Central Avenue, Hot Springs, Arkansas, as shown in the reference report of Agent Trainor, dated 10-12-33.) Mrs. Conner advised that she had lived in the apartment on Central Avenue for about two months prior to 6-16-33; that she went to Chicago, Illinois, during May, 1933, where she visited W. T. Moreman, who stayed at the Auditorium Hotel and was her sweetheart, although a married man; that she departed from Chicago about the 18th of May, 1933, and purchased a round trip ticket from Chicago to Hot Springs, Arkansas, and she stopped over at Memphis, Tennessee, en route from Chicago to Hot Springs, having stayed at Memphis until 5-23-33; that she then returned to Hot Springs where she remained until 6-18-33; that on 6-18-33 she left Hot Springs and proceeded to Enchel, Arkansas, by train, having brought her trunks to that place and remained in Enchel about six hours. She stated that she then proceeded to Chicago, Illinois, where she saw W. T. Moreman and remained in Chicago about one month at the Auditorium Hotel. She stated that when she got to Chicago on this last occasion Moreman advised her that his wife was to become a mother and for that reason she broke off relations with Moreman, having left Chicago for Memphis, Tennessee; that she arrived at Memphis, Tennessee, about 7-30-33 and began operation of the roadhouse or tea room known as Lonely Acres near Memphis at which point she was apprehended on 11-13-33 as will appear in the report from the Birmingham office.

Upon being questioned, Mrs. Conner at one time stated that her reason for having left Hot Springs, Arkansas, on 6-18-33, was that she ascertained from W. T. Moreman that his wife was intending to sue her for alienation of her husband's affections and that she left hurriedly to avoid

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publicity and service of papers. When asked whether or not suit had been actually filed, she stated that she did not know, but that an attorney, whose name she refused to divulge, at Hot Springs informed her of the intentions on the part of Mrs. Moreman to have such papers served immediately. At another time she stated that she left Hot Springs, Arkansas, on 6-18-33 pursuant to a previous intention and that she had on 5-18-33 intended to return from Hot Springs to Chicago at the expiration of the thirty day period for which her ticket was purchased in Chicago. She was asked whether or not she had been advised by Richard Tallman Galatas or anyone else to leave Hot Springs on the occasion of her departure around 6-17-33 and she strenuously denied that anyone had advised her to leave, except under the conditions mentioned heretofore regarding the service of suit by Mrs. Moreman. She stated that she does not recall whether or not she saw Richard Tallman Galatas on June 16, 17 or 18, 1933. She would not deny or admit that she had seen him or that he was in communication with her directly or indirectly at that time. She stated that on 6-16-33 she was in Hot Springs and that between the hours of 1 P.M. to 5 P.M. she played golf for the entire period at the County Club Golf Course there, having been in a party with Mrs. O'Brien and Mrs. Wright whom she stated are not intimate friends of her but mere acquaintances who were staying at the Park Hotel at Hot Springs at that time. She claimed not to know anything regarding the personal history of these women, but advised that one of them, she thinks it was Mrs. O'Brien, had a Lincoln Sedan which was driven by Mrs. O'Brien on the afternoon of 6-16-33. She stated that Mrs. O'Brien registered for herself, Mrs. Conner and Mrs. Wright at the Country Club Golf Course on the afternoon of 6-16-33. She also stated that her maid, a colored girl whose name she claimed not to know, remained at her, Mrs. Conner's, residence on the afternoon of 6-16-33 during the time that she, Mrs. Conner, played golf. She stated that it would not have been unusual for someone to have used her telephone on that afternoon, but that if such occurred she had no knowledge thereof and that the maid said nothing to her regarding such an occurrence. She stated that she was in frequent telephone communication with Mrs. Galatas and that Subject Galatas himself frequently called her by telephone. She stated that she has been acquainted with Subject Galatas for approximately seventeen years and has always regarded him as a friend. When questioned as to her whereabouts and activities on the night of 6-16-33 Mrs. Conner professed to have no recollection whatever. She could offer no reason why she recalls the afternoon of 6-16-33 and does not recall the night. She stated that she might have attended a movie or might have gone riding. She does not know, but that it was customary for her not to be at home. She was vigorously questioned as to whether or not she saw the wife of Subject Galatas on that evening and she stated she could not recall. She was requested to

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furnish the name of anyone whom she might have seen on that night in order that her whereabouts might be further traced and she still professed inability to recall anything that occurred on that particular night.

After several interviews Mrs. Conner asked the question as to whether or not Agent knew whether the voice which talked over the various telephone calls from her residence, 6-16-33, was the same. She then suggested that it is quite reasonable to assume that Richard Tallman Galatas would have sought the cooperation of his wife rather than that of Mrs. Conner. This question and statement by Mrs. Conner suggests that she possibly knows that Mrs. Galatas did make the telephone calls. It will be noted that long distance call #5 as shown from the reference report of Agent Trainor was made to the residence of Galatas at Hot Springs by that Subject himself from Joplin, Missouri, on the night of 6-16-33. Also it will be further noted that long distance telephone call #6 was made from the telephone of Mrs. Conner to Galatas at Joplin approximately half an hour after long distance call #5. Therefore, it appears quite probable that Mrs. Galatas received long distance telephone call #5 and that pursuant to call #5 call #6 was made. It is thought probable that Mrs. Galatas and Mrs. Conner were together on the night of 6-16-33. Mrs. Conner also asked the question of Agent whether or not it is possible to trace local telephone calls. It is apparent that she had a reason for asking this question. She was informed that local telephone calls can sometimes be proved. The attitude of Mrs. Conner was quite indifferent upon the first interview. She became somewhat more concerned after several attempts to secure information from her and finally advised that she could do more good for the purposes of this Division if she were at liberty. While she stated that she would be willing to furnish assistance if at all possible, it appears that to date she has not truthfully divulged any of the material facts regarding what occurred at Hot Springs on the part of herself, Richard Tallman Galatas, his wife or others in connection with this case.

Mrs. Conner signed a waiver of hearing for removal to Kansas City, Missouri, on 11-18-33. Her bond is at present \$50,000.00 at Memphis, Tennessee. She will be removed to Kansas City within a few days and additional interviews with her are contemplated when the time seems opportune.

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Mrs. Conner refused to make any statement whatever in writing. She was reticent regarding her personal history and this feature will be later covered when she is interviewed again. She stated that if she makes bond at Kansas City she intends to start a beauty parlor or millinery business at Hot Springs, Arkansas, immediately. The substance of interviews with and statements by Mrs. Conner are being recorded in this report and will be used as a basis for further interrogation. Investigation is to be made at Hot Springs, Arkansas, to verify the statements as made by Mrs. Conner appearing herein. This investigation will be handled in connection with other inquiries to be conducted by an Agent especially assigned in the near future at Hot Springs.

Further details regarding evidence secured upon search of the person effects of Mrs. Conner at the time of her apprehension will be reported by Agents of the Birmingham office who made that investigation at Memphis, Tennessee, prior to this Agent's arrival at Memphis.

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November 22, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
201 Liberty National Life Building,
Birmingham, Alabama. **ALL FIELD OFFICES**

RE: VERNON C. MILLER with aliases,
Identification Order No. 1195,
Fugitive, et al - Obstruction of
Justice (Endeavor to Deliver
Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)

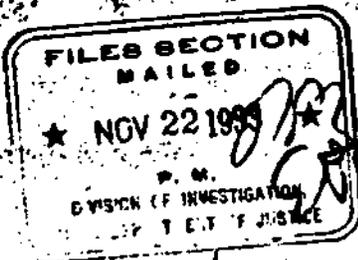
Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith a copy of the photograph of Wilber Underhill, received from the Kansas City office of the Division, which photograph is an improvement over the one appearing on Identification Order No. 1191, and will be of possible assistance to you in the event you receive information that the subject is located in your district.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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Dear Sir:

RE: GEORGE KELLY BARNES et al
 CHARLES F. URSCHEL, Victim
 Kidnaping

Just prior to leaving Cincinnati and proceeding to Pittsburgh, Kathryn Kelly Barnes requested that I talk with her at the Cincinnati Workhouse, and she again brought up the subject that she believed if she were allowed to leave the institution, under conditions indicating that she had escaped; she, then, to be accompanied, or shadowed, by an Agent, she could locate VERNY MILLER. No particular encouragement was given to her that this idea would be considered inasmuch as she had previously made the same suggestion.

She had no other material information to offer, which will assist us in the case in which she supposedly has information; she, however, referred to the fact that four diamond rings and a diamond watch had been taken from her and left, as she understood, in the custody of the Government at Oklahoma City, possibly through Mr. Colvin; also \$350 in money. She stated that this was not taken from the Golfax Bank robbery; that there was also a Chevrolet coupe taken from this party Arnold and as to which she advised, Mr. Colvin told her it was stored in a garage. She indicates that she has signed over all her property and assets, including the house in Fort Worth to her daughter, Pauline, who is now in the custody of an uncle, E. D. Hopkins, Asher, Oklahoma; that she had deeded the house at Fort Worth to her daughter, Pauline; that a contract had been drawn up whereby her attorney was to assemble all these assets for her daughter, Pauline.

She indicated with reference to the watch which apparently Mrs. Arnold at one time had, that this had been purchased from Wolf and Cler, Fort Worth, located on South Main Street in the 1400 block; that same was a 21-jewel sports model Gruen; that the necklace which she believes is missing, had been purchased for her daughter Pauline by Kelly in New Orleans, Louisiana for \$375.00 - she not recalling the name of the store where purchased,

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same being of platinum, three diamonds, the three diamonds being in a pendant - this being a lavalierre type of necklace.

This latter information is the same information as was previously requested and which was forwarded by Superintendent Sauer to Mr. Bates at Washington and is repeated here for the information of the Dallas Division Office.

She indicated that the food and the living conditions were undesirable at the prison at Cincinnati, and that her only wish at the present time was to be at a place where she could be with her mother. As I understand, she since has been moved to the prison at Michigan, together with her mother.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLY,
Special Agent in Charge

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REPORT MADE AT DALLAS, TEXAS	DATE WHEN MADE 11-20-33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11-19-33	REPORT MADE BY F. S. DUNE
TITLE VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. #1195, et al.			CHARACTER OF CASE OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Mrs. H. E. Fowler, Sweetwater, Texas, overheard conversation between two parties on October 16, 1933, wherein one of the parties stated he had received a letter from Pretty Boy Floyd from California and was expected in Sweetwater in about a week providing he was not "put on the spot". No description of identification available of said parties. The Drug Store where conversation took place is a hang-out for town boys.

DETAILS:

A letter dated October 17, 1933, signed by Mrs. H. E. Fowler, 900 Oak Street, Sweetwater, Texas, and addressed to the Dallas Police Department was delivered to the Dallas Division Office. The information therein contained is to the effect that Mrs. Fowler, on the night of October 16, 1933, overheard a conversation between two boys in the Mussey's Drug Store of Sweetwater, Texas, which in substance was that one of these parties stated he had received a letter from Pretty Boy Floyd that day, that he was in California and expected to be in Sweetwater in about a week if he were not "put on the spot" before his arrival.

Mrs. Fowler stated to the writer that she was in the above Drug Store making some purchases when she overheard the conversation between these two boys, that all she remembers is they were dressed in overalls and she failed to secure a description of them and would not know them if seen again and was unable to give further details.

Chief of Police, Hall, advised Agent the Mussey's Drug Store operated by Len Musgrove and his brother whose characters are questionable; that their place of business is a hang-out for town boys who congregate there for idle talk and that he did not place much interest in any statements that might be

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November 23, 1933

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

Dear Sir:

I have to inform as follows with reference to Albert Silvers with aliases, defendant in the matter of VERNON C. MILLER WITH ALIASES - FUGITIVE, I.O.#1195, et al.

The body of Albert Silvers was found at 11:45 A.M., November 20th, fifteen feet from a deserted road near the village of Somers, Connecticut. The body was nude with the exception of a necktie. It was wrapped in a gaudy blanket. The medical opinion was that he had been dead from six to ten hours. At the time the body was found it was bleeding. The body was found on the right-hand side of the road going south. The State police of Connecticut out of Stafford Springs, Conn. are investigating the case. Silvers had been stabbed twice through the heart, stabbed and beaten in the head and had also been strangled by means of a clothesline that had been found around his neck. Fingerprints were taken and sent to the New York City Police Department and the identification was made on the afternoon of November 21st.

There is no information or evidence indicating the identity of the party or parties who committed the murder. The place where the body was found is about eight miles south of Springfield, Mass.

Attached hereto you will find newspaper clipping from the Newark Star Eagle issue of November 23, 1933.

Very truly yours,

F. F. COLLIER DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI**

FILE NO. **82-690**

REPORT MADE AT: DETROIT, MICHIGAN	DATE WHEN MADE: 11/22/33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 11/18/33	REPORT MADE BY: M. W. MEEKINS
TITLE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #195, et al.		CHARACTER OF CASE: OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject Miller under name F. J. Claubach arrived Lima, Ohio, October 29, remaining there until October 31. Registered at Argonne Hotel. Ford V-8 coupe used by Miller at Chicago during time of escape was repaired by Timmerman Motor Sales Company, Lima, during above period. No information available regarding present whereabouts. -P-

REFERENCE:

Communication from Chicago Office dated November 14, 1933.

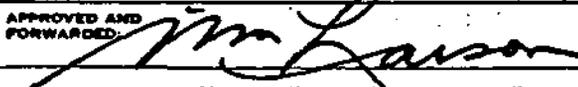
DETAILS:

At Lima, Ohio

In the above referred to communication it will be noted that following Subject Miller's escape from officers recently at Chicago several papers were found in his automobile which included a statement from the Timmerman Motor Sales Company, Lima, Ohio, and also unused match cover bearing the name Hotel Argonne.

DETAILS:

Ernest Kraft, Service Manager, Timmerman Motor Sales Company, Lima, was interviewed and stated that at about 5 P. M. October 29, 1933, an individual who was identified from the photograph as Vernon C. Miller, came into his garage, stating that he desired his car repaired as the motor had gone dead near Lima; that the car was towed into the garage and it was observed that one of the main bearings had burned out, whereupon Mr. Kraft suggested that all the bearings be replaced, and it was finally decided that a new Ford Motor be placed in the car. ~~See records in the~~

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garage reflect the following description of the automobile: Ford V-8 coupe, motor #18-36196. The mileage read as 16,828. The car bore New York license 8L1469. Miller gave his name at the Timmerman Motor Sales Company as F. J. Glaubach. Following the conference regarding the repairs on the car, Miller was conveyed by Joe Mittner connected with the garage to the Argonne Hotel, and returned several times the next day to determine if his car had been repaired. At about noon on October 31 the car was delivered to Miller, and a bill amounting to \$66.08 was presented to him for payment, which he paid in the denomination of one \$50 bill and the other in smaller bills. Mr. Kraft stated that he appeared to have plenty of money. Mr. Kraft also said that while Miller was around the garage he was not inclined to talk very much, but did state that the Ford belonged to his wife; that he owned a Cadillac sedan, but was using the Ford temporarily, and that he was traveling alone en route from Pittsburgh to Chicago to visit the Fair. Mr. G. B. Sisler, Gus Wolf and Joe Mittner, other employees of the Timmerman Motor Sales Company, were interviewed, but could furnish no additional information.

From the persons interviewed the following description of Miller was obtained:

About 140 pounds
Appeared to be in good health
Thick sandy mustache
Hair sandy
Wore a dark suit with brown topcoat
Was wearing tortoise shell glasses
Had light gray felt hat with turned down brim
Was neatly dressed and clean shaven except for the mustache

Mr. Kraft stated that he saw only two small pieces of baggage in the car; that upon departing from the garage for the Argonne Hotel, Miller took one of the bags with him, leaving the other in the car, and while the repair of the car was in progress this piece of baggage became opened and it was observed that it contained several pairs of glasses similar to those worn by tourists, and were of different colors. No firearms were observed. Mr. Kraft stated that the new Ford V-8's do not have motor numbers stamped on the block but that same are located on the left front frame near the body frame clamp so that the car in question still bears the same motor number, although it has an entirely new number.

Miss K. Straugler, day clerk, Argonne Hotel, upon being interviewed, stated that on October 29, 1933, F. J. Glaubach registered in the hotel about 6:30 P. M. and was assigned Room 601. The original registration card was given to Agent and is being forwarded to the Chicago Office, it being observed that Miller checked out on the morning of October 31. Miss Straugler was unable to identify the photograph of Miller but recalled

the registration. The hotel records disclosed that no long distance telephone calls were made by Miller while at the hotel; However, it was observed that two local calls were put through, Main 4715 and Main 1641. Investigation concerning these numbers disclosed that Main 4715 is the Timmerman Motor Sales Company, while Main 1641 is the residence of Dr. D. W. McGriff, which will be dealt with hereinafter. Miss Straugler was questioned with regard to telegrams and she advised that the hotel records do not reflect that Miller sent or received any wires while at the hotel.

Harold Day, bellboy, upon being interviewed, stated that he recalls taking Miller to the room; that he had only one small bag, but was unable to furnish any additional information. Mr. P. W. McCurdy, Night Clerk at the hotel, was interviewed, and he stated he does recall seeing Miller, whom he recognized from the photograph, as coming into the hotel one night at about 11:30 P. M., asking for his key, and retiring.

George W. Tyler, Manager of the Argonne Hotel, stated that he was unable to furnish any information whatsoever, but upon being shown the photograph of Miller, advised that he recognized same as a person whom he knew. Upon studying the matter over he informed Agent that he, Tyler, had once lived in Huron, South Dakota, and had voted for Miller twice when he ran for the office of Sheriff, and that he knew Miller very well; that with these events to refresh his memory he recalled seeing Miller register, but paid no particular attention to him. All of the parties interviewed at the Argonne Hotel gave practically the same description of Miller as that furnished by officials and employes of the Timmerman Motor Sales Company shown above.

Mrs. D. W. McGriff, 436 South Kennelwood Street, Lima, upon being interviewed stated that her husband, who was a doctor, had been dead three years; that from time to time she still receives telephone calls asking for the Doctor and in connection with a call from Miller she was unable to give any information. Upon making inquiries of all the members of her family, her young son William stated that about the last of October someone called and asked for the Doctor, and upon being advised that the Doctor had been dead for three years, the party hung up.

In this connection Chief of Police John Cook at Lima informed Agent that the McGriff family was very prominent in Lima and one of long standing in the community, and there appeared to be no connection between that family and Miller.

Mr. W. J. Dugan, Manager of the Western Union and Mr. J. W. Lemkel, Manager of the Postal Telegraph Company at Lima, consulted all outgoing telegrams for the entire city for October 29, 30 and 31 in an attempt to ascertain if any telegrams had been sent by Miller, but without avail. They further advised that no copies were kept of incoming telegrams,

but in this connection they checked delivery sheets for the days in question without results.

G. H. Gottfried, Assistant Treasurer of the Lima Telephone and Telegraph Company, consulted records in his office for the entire month of October for calls originating from pay stations in Lima, but was unable to find any record showing calls to Long Beach 0800, Chicago, which is the telephone number of the Sherone Apartments, 4423 Sheridan Road, Chicago, where Vivian Matthews had registered as Mr. and Mrs. Hayes.

Throughout the entire investigation at Lima nothing was developed indicating that Miller was accompanied by any individual, every indication pointing to the fact that he was alone.

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

Dear Sir:

It is recalled that the name of Owen V. Madden, commonly known as Owney Madden, No. 1 racketeer in New York City, has been mentioned in the Kansas City massacre file.

Attached hereto you will find newspaper clipping from the New York Daily Mirror issue of November 22, 1933, in which is set forth the information that Madden is now at Hot Springs, Arkansas, living at the home of James R. Demby, postmaster of Hot Springs. On October 24th this office advised the Oklahoma City office by means of copy of letter addressed to the St. Paul office that Madden was at 506 West Grand Avenue, Hot Springs, this address being secured from the Parole Commission, State of New York. Whether Arthur Biehler is with Madden at the present time is not known to this office. In the article you will also note that Madden is reported to be the part owner of a new race track which will open in Houston, Texas, on November 30, 1933.

Very truly yours,

T. F. Cullen
**T. F. CULLEN
Special Agent in Charge**

**cc: Kansas City
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Broadway Gets Laugh On Madden

Reports that romance has bloomed in the life of Owney Madden, big-shot racketeer, reverberated from Times Square to Columbus Circle yesterday in gales of laughter.

"Owney—married? Naw?" That was the comment of his intimates when informed that Madden had succumbed to the charms of Miss Agnes Demby, daughter of the postmaster down in Hot Springs, Ark.

"How can he get married when he's already got a wife and daughter?" they demanded.

Besides, they wouldn't admit that he was in Hot Springs. Terms of his parole forbid him to leave the State, they explained, and by doing so he would be electing himself to another term in Sing Sing.

On the other hand, he is known to be part owner of the new race track which will open in Houston, Tex., on Thanksgiving Day. And there is the statement of Postmaster James R. Demby himself from Hot Springs:

"Mr. Madden is now a guest at my home. I know he and Agnes have not been married. Whether they are engaged or not I cannot state. That is a very personal subject that concerns them, and I have not spoken to my daughter about it."

Down in Hot Springs wney (or whoever it is) is passing for a big sportsman while escorting the fair Agnes about.

The former beer baron, recently released from Sing Sing after serving time for manslaughter, was the discoverer of Primo Carnero, heavyweight boxing champion. Under Madden's management the boxer got himself barred from several States.

Whether Owney is in Hot Springs or not at present, his local pals don't believe he has ever been divorced or ever wanted to be. They think it's all a gag.

The Arkansas romance is said to have started three years ago when Owney went into a gift shop which Miss Demby was operating. She is 30 years old and a blonde.

Demby said yesterday that if his daughter and the racketeer do marry it won't be until his two-year probation has expired.

'Owney Wed? A Gag?



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Director,
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Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1195, ET AL
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to Deliver
Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)
K.C. File #62-760-

On 10-25-33, Sheriff Homer Sylvester of Plattsmouth, Nebraska, was called to the scene of an automobile accident about five miles south of Plattsmouth. He found that four men, unidentified, riding in a Hupmobile Sedan, had collided with a mail carrier at that point a few minutes before his arrival. The Hupmobile car was wrecked, and the men made their escape. These four individuals held up two local men and a woman at the point of machine guns and commandeered the 1931 Model Chevrolet Sedan belonging to the local parties and thereby made their escape. The Chevrolet car was later found abandoned a few miles away.

The Hupmobile was found to have been stolen during December 1932 from Dr. Jennie Murphy, Yankton, S.D. There were recovered from the Hupmobile Sedan the following articles:

2-1933 North Dakota License Tags No. 53-929.

2-1933 Minnesota License Tags No. B 401-925.

2-1933 Minnesota License Tags No. B 441-854.

1-Colt .38 Calibre U. S. Service Revolver, Smith & Wesson Special No. 23879

1-U. S. Army Automatic Colt Pistol, Serial No. C-162054.

2-Bullet Proof Vests.

1-Stock of Thompson sub-machine gun and 2 boxes of shells.

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Handwritten notes:
1-Stock of Thompson sub-machine gun and 2 boxes of shells.
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This property was turned over to the Kansas City office for temporary loan by the Sheriff of Plattsmouth, and Mr. Merle A. Gill, Forensic Ballistician of Kansas City, Missouri, analyzed the pistols, firing test shots therefrom, but found no indication that they were used in the Kansas City massacre, or any other known shooting for which Mr. Gill has the evidence bullets.

The stock of the sub-machine gun in question was examined by Mr. Gill, and under the butt plate, he found "Serial No. 1430," which he stated is the same serial number as that which will be found on the Thompson Machine Gun; however the machine gun has not been recovered. An effort was made to trace the machine gun No. 1430 through the manufacturers at Hartford, Conn., and it was found that same was sold during 1922 to Dougall-Moylan Company, importers and exporters, San Francisco, California, and that the company in question was disbanded in 1925. To date, it has not been possible to further trace the Thompson sub-machine gun.

I am enclosing an enlarged photograph of the exhibits which were recovered. Mr. Gill, heretofore mentioned, furnished this photograph to the Kansas City office, and it was believed same might be of interest to the Division.

Two copies of this letter are being sent to the St. Paul office, and it is suggested that the license tags listed herein be checked for any possible evidence to determine the identities of the men in possession of Thompson Machine Gun No. 1430. The motor number of the Hupmobile Sedan mentioned herein could not be secured at Plattsmouth, Nebraska.

Very truly yours,



M. C. SPEAR
Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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TITLE VERNON O. MILLER with aliases - FUGITIVE I. O. #1195, et al	CHARACTER OF CASE Obstruction of Justice (Endeavor to deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash)
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Mrs. P. E. House, sister of Frank Nash, deceased, recently wired Herbert Akers, Hot Springs, Arkansas, requesting Government man contact her relative important information this case. Interview with Mrs. House disclosed information pertained to Mrs. E. B. Conner, now in custody, Memphis, Tennessee.

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DETAILS:

On November 14, 1933, Herbert Akers of Hot Springs, Arkansas called Special Agent in Charge R. H. Colvin by long distance and stated that he had just received a telegram from Mrs. House at Paragould, Arkansas, wherein she stated that she desired that Government Agents contact her relative to some important information in connection with this matter.

On the evening of November 14, 1933, it developed that Special Agent L. G. Turrou was instructed by the Division at Washington to proceed from Memphis, Tennessee to Paragould, Arkansas to interview Mrs. House and en route met with an automobile accident, which was allegedly caused by persons believed to be gangsters crowding him off the highway. This Agent and Agent F. S. Smith were immediately dispatched from Oklahoma City to Jonesboro, Arkansas to make investigation relative to Agent Turrou's accident and after same was completed and details of same submitted in another report, Special Agents F. S. Smith, L. M. Chipman and this Agent proceeded to Paragould, Arkansas, where Agent Chipman and this Agent interviewed Mrs. P. E. House at her residence at 218 West Garland Avenue, and she furnished the following information:

That she is the sister of Frank Nash, deceased; that there have been

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numerous rumors around Paragould since Frank Nash was killed indicating that persons had been seen or heard of at or near Paragould who were possibly gangsters; that recently she had heard that Mrs. E. B. Conner and her son or brother had been seen in Paragould; that this was prior to the apprehension of Mrs. Conner at Memphis, Tennessee and that she had wired Herbert Akers having this in mind, believing that the Government would want to know this and possibly make an investigation relative to Mrs. Conner at Paragould; that she did not have any detailed information on this angle of the case.

Mrs. House explained her connection in this matter in this way, stating that she had not seen her brother, Frank Nash, for several years prior to his death; that she did not know any of his associates and had not heard of any of his associates, either directly or indirectly, since his death; that when she read in the paper of the Kansas City massacre, she communicated with Herbert Akers by telephone and later went to Hot Springs, where she talked with Akers, and that he treated her very courteously and nice; that she had never met him before; that he subsequently assisted her in securing possession of Frank Nash's car, which she later sold and used the proceeds of same to bury Frank Nash; that had it not been for this money, she would have been very hard pressed to have financed the burial of her brother.

Mrs. House explained that she was actually glad that Frank Nash is now dead and that she has no hard feelings toward the Government or any of the Government officials whatsoever; that she never at any time sanctioned or agreed with the criminal activities of her brother, Frank Nash; that it is highly doubtful as to whether or not she would ever be in any position to aid the Government relative to any information pertaining to Frank Nash's criminal associates, but that she would be more than glad to do so if she ever has the opportunity.

Mrs. House stated that when she read in the paper of the accident of Agent Turrou's that she felt that probably he was en route to interview her and that, if there had been any means by which she could have gone to Jonesboro and talked to him in the hospital, she would have done so.

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

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter dated November 23, 1933, wherein you requested that fifty additional copies of Identification Order #1195 be forwarded to your office, you are advised that the Identification Orders requested were sent to your office on November 29, 1933.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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326 1/2 Post Office Bldg.,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

November 23, 1933.

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

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O.#1195, et al.
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor
to Deliver Federal Prisoner
Frank Nash).

Dear Sir:

It is requested that the New Orleans Office be furnished with fifty additional copies of Identification Order #1195, issued July 11, 1933, on Subject Miller. In view of Miller's habit of visiting resort sections in season for the purpose of playing golf, it is planned to furnish copies of the Identification Order to all golf courses and resort hotels on the Gulf Coast of Mississippi, and in the vicinity of New Orleans, since it is possible that Miller might visit this section during the winter season. The I.O.s will be furnished personally to the managers of the hotels and golf courses by the first agent in their vicinity, with appropriate instructions concerning the course to be pursued. The officials of the hotels and golf courses will be re-contacted from time to time by agents in their vicinity in order that their active cooperation might be continued.

Very truly yours,

R. Whitley,
Special Agent in Charge.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

November 22, 1933.

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Mr. Nathan.....
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Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Yesterday afternoon Agent Turrou called from Jonesboro and stated he expected to be released from the hospital today and that he would like to again see Mrs. Conner at Memphis, who had intimated that she would talk to him at a later date. I advised Agent Turrou that it was satisfactory for him to proceed to Memphis and to interview Mrs. Conner but from that point it was desired that he immediately return to New York. He stated he would do so.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes
V. W. Hughes.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI**

FILE NO. **62-1649**

REPORT MADE AT: Chicago, Illinois	DATE WHEN MADE: 11/23/33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 11/8 & 10/33	REPORT MADE BY: Earl Van Wagener F.V.V.
TITLE: VERNON G. MILLER with aliases - FUGITIVE I. O. 1195 et al.			CHARACTER OF CASE: OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Informant Puffett, Holland, Mich., interviewed who declared Galatas was working for Continental Motors Corporation, Muskegon, Mich. as he had seen him there. A check of current and dead employment records at Continental Motors Corporation, Muskegon, Mich. failed to disclose name of Richard Tallman Galatas or any of his aliases. I. O. #1201 exhibited to Factory Manager, the General Superintendent and the Paymaster, all of whom declared no one was or had been employed by this corporation who resembled Subject Galatas. Records disclosed Puffett worked for Continental Motors Corporation off and on from 9/18/16 to 3/10/28 when he was permanently laid off. Officials of Continental Motors Corporation advise Puffett a little off and acts most peculiar and that statements made by him could not be relied upon.



DETAILS:

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS:

Special Agent K. R. McIntire advised that on November 8, 1933, Mr. Wilbard of the Post Office Inspector's office, Chicago, Illinois, called Special Agent D. O. Smith, informing that he had some valuable information concerning the location of Richard Sheridan, for which Identification Order No. 1201 has been issued.

On that same date, Special Agent McIntire advised he conferred with Mr. Walter Johnson, Post Office Inspector, Chicago, Illinois, who furnished him with a letter directed to the Post Office Inspector by Adrian J. Westveer, Postmaster at Holland, Michigan, which letter was dated November 7, 1933 and read as follows:

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"George W. Puffett, 16 North River Avenue, claims he formerly worked at the Continental Motor Co. at Muskegon, Michigan, and that Walter O. Malley, Identification Order No. 1200, wanted for kidnaping, and Richard Sheridan, Identification Order No. 1201, wanted for murder, can both be had as they are or were working at the Continental a short time ago.

I don't know how reliable this information is, but thought I would give it to you."

Examination of Identification Order No. 1201 discloses that said order was issued for the apprehension of Richard Tallman Galatas aliases, Dick Gladis, Richard Galatas, Richard Galatis, Richard F. Galatas, Dick Galatas, Prichard Sheridan, Dick Sheridan, on August 1, 1933 in connection with the Kansas City murders.

AT HOLLAND, MICHIGAN:

Agent interviewed Mr. Adrian J. Westveer, Postmaster, who advised that he did not have any more information than was contained in his letter to the Post Office Inspector quoted above. He stated that he has known George W. Puffett folks for a number of years but he knew nothing about George. He stated that George seemed a little queer to him but he preferred that Agent make a check of him at the Continental Motors Corporation to find out what their records showed.

Agent, accompanied by Mr. Westveer, called upon Mr. George W. Puffett, 16 North River Avenue, and exhibited to him Identification Order No. 1201 and asked him if he actually saw Subject Sheridan at the Continental Motors Corporation and he stated positively that he had. Puffett advised that he had worked for the above company for about 9 years and was night foreman during the time of his employment. He stated that he was 47 years of age; that he had completed the common school and had taken a course at the Metropolitan Business College, Chicago, Illinois. He first stated, when questioned as to when he was last employed at the above company, that he had only been away from the above store where Puffett was being interviewed, advised that it had been at least four years and perhaps more. Mrs. Puffett also stated that George was let out because of a nervous break down.

George Puffett stated that he visits the Continental Motors Company occasionally and he was positive that Subject Sheridan was working there in the office. George Puffett did not impress Agent as being entirely sound and

in full possession of his mental facilities and for this reason determined to ascertain just what his former employers thought of him, they having been in a position to watch him over a period of about nine years.

AT MUSKEGON, MICHIGAN.

Agent called upon Chief of Police, Peter Hansen, and exhibited to him the Identification Order No. 1201 and he advised that he had never seen the individual represented by the Identification Order in Muskegon.

Chief Hansen called in Mr. Pool of the Muskegon Employers Association for the purpose of ascertaining if he knew anything about Subject Galatas.

Agent interviewed Mr. W. W. Pool, Secretary of the Muskegon Employers Association, 872 2nd Street, in the office of the Chief of Police, Peter Hansen, who advised that he operated an employment bureau for the manufacturers and in his office he has a record of every person who is employed by a manufacturer who is a member of the association. After a thorough examination of the files of the Muskegon Employers Association, Mr. Pool stated that he could find no record of Richard Tallman Galatas or any of his aliases. He advised that the Continental Motors Corporation was a member of the association.

Agent, accompanied by Mr. Pool, called at the Continental Motors Corporation, and there interviewed Mr. G. L. Lundborg, Factory Manager and a very reliable individual according to Mr. Pool, who stated that he had been connected with the above-mentioned corporation for twenty-two years; that to his best recollection he never saw Subject Galatas in his life before. Agent inquired if he knew Mr. George W. Puffett of Holland, Michigan and Mr. Lundborg advised that he used to be with his company a number of years ago; that on one occasion Puffett came to him and told him that if it had not been for him the place would have gone under; that upon another occasion Puffett came to him privately and told him that the place was being mismanaged. Mr. Lundborg stated he regarded Puffett as a most peculiar person and any statement made by him could not be relied upon.

Mr. Lundborg called in Mr. O. Freer, General Superintendent of the Continental Motors Corporation, and Mr. Freer advised Agent that he had only been with the company two and a half years; that upon being exhibited the Identification Order No. 1201, he stated he had never seen Richard Tallman Galatas with aliases, and he was definitely sure that no such person was working for his company.

Mr. Lundborg called in Mr. H. Fisher, Paymaster, and Mr. Fisher advised Agent that he had been with the company 18 years and was most familiar with all of the employees as it was his duty to pay them off. Mr. Fisher checked through all of the current records and the dead records but was unable to locate the name of Richard Tallman Galatas or any of his aliases and he further stated upon being exhibited the Identification Order No. 1201 that he had never seen the man before. A record of Joe Galulis was found which disclosed that he

had been hired on March 13, 1916 and had left on May 1, 1916 but a comparison of the handwriting of this man and Subject Galatas disclosed no similarity.

Agent inquired of Mr. Fisher if he knew Mr. George W. Puffett and he stated that he did recall him and he thereupon produced his employment record which disclosed that his first employment began on September 12, 1916; that he was laid off and taken back on numerous occasions and that he was finally laid off March 10, 1928. Mr. Fisher stated that Puffett came back a number of times after he was laid off and would wait around for work. He stated that Puffett was a night foreman of some minor work but it got so he could not do the work and he had to let him go. He stated that he had not seen him for two or three years. Mr. Fisher advised that he thought Puffett was a little bit off.

Mr. Lundborg stated that their Personnel Employment Manager, Mr. J. J. Baker, was out of the city, and if any one in the Continental Motors Corporation would know whether Subject Galatas was or ever had been employed by them, it would be he. Agent, therefore, left Identification Order No. 1201 with Mr. Lundborg to show to Mr. Baker upon his return to the office. Mr. Lundborg stated he would have Mr. Baker communicate with the Chicago office as to what he found, the name and address being furnished Mr. Lundborg for this purpose.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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

N.Y. FILE NO. **62-4949** **SH**

REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK CITY	DATE WHEN MADE 11/25/33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 10/30 & 11/3/33	REPORT MADE BY M. J. SHERRY
TITLE VERNON C. MILLER with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. #1195, et al			CHARACTER OF CASE OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE (Endeavor to Deliver Fed. Prisoner Frank Nash).

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Telegram mentioned in reference letters sent by Mrs. Madeline Fornataro on 9/22/33, then residing at home of her mother, Mrs. Margaret Styles, Rochester, N.Y. to George Valenti, Schuyler Hotel, Kansas City, who is believed to be one and same person as her husband, George Fornataro. Madeline Fornataro brought charges against three police officers of Rochester, N.Y. charging they assaulted her at Rochester 8/27/33 and said officers after hearing dismissed from Rochester, N.Y. Police Department 9/18/33. The telegram in question evidently refers to this incident. Madeline Fornataro left Rochester, N.Y. 9/25/33 to join her husband and wrote to her sister one week ago giving her address as General Delivery, Kansas City, Mo.

REFERENCE:

Letters dated 10/19/33 and 10/26/33 from Kansas City to New York Division office.

DETAILS:

AT ROCHESTER, N.Y.

Agent interviewed Mr. Floyd E. Bronson, manager of Western Union Telegraph Company office, Reynolds Arcade Building, 16 East Main Street.

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Rochester, N.Y. He located the original of the telegram set forth in reference letter of October 19, 1933 from the files of his office. It is written in pencil by the sender and reads as follows:

MC 514 Rochester N.Y. 1933 Sept 22 PM 11-45

George Valenti
Schuyler Hotel
Kansas City

I won-three men lost jobs. Will leave Monday Love

Madeline
28 Columbia Ave.

Telephone
Genesee 5164 W

Agent took two tracings from the original of the above telegram which are being forwarded attached to copies of instant report to Kansas City.

Agent ascertained that this telegram was received from the sender and handled at Rochester, N.Y. by Mr. Wilbur Freer of Western Union Company at Reynolds Arcade Building, Rochester, N.Y. and that Mr. Freer, who resides at 145 Alexander St., Rochester, is now absent from the city on his honeymoon and will not return until November 15, 1933.

Agent ascertained that there is no George Valenti listed in either city or telephone directories at Rochester, N.Y.

The 1933 City Directory, Rochester, N.Y. lists Fred Styles and his wife, Margaret Styles, as residing at 28 Columbia Avenue, and the Rochester, N.Y. telephone directory lists telephone number Genesee 5164 W in the name of Helen O'Neill, 28 Columbia Avenue, but her name does not appear in the City directory and neither the City nor telephone directories lists Madeline O'Neill or Madeline Styles.

Agent interviewed Mrs. Margaret Styles, 28 Columbia Avenue, Rochester, N.Y. She stated this is her second marriage; that her former husband, John O'Neill, died at Arthur, Ontario, Canada, twenty-four years ago; that she has two daughters by this former marriage, Madeline O'Neill now Mrs. Madeline Fornataro, 27 years of age, and Helen O'Neill, 20 years; that her daughter, Helen O'Neill, now resides with her at 28 Columbia Avenue, Rochester. She stated her daughter, Madeline, about

six years ago, married a man named George Fornataro, whose address she does not know. She was opposed to this marriage and only saw Fornataro once about six years ago when he called at her home, he merely waiting for Madeline outside the house in an automobile and she did not observe him sufficiently to describe him. She stated Madeline left home about six years ago and married Fornataro but she does not know where they were married nor does she recall the date but thinks they were married somewhere in the western part of the United States.

Mrs. Styles stated she never heard of anyone named George Valenti and knows nothing about the telegram involved in instant case. She stated, however, that she believes Fornataro is a gambler and may be using the alias of Valenti, but she knows nothing whatsoever about his activities, relations, or personal history, business or employment. She stated that after her daughter, Madeline, left home about six years ago, she, until March, 1933, received letters and cards from Madeline from Los Angeles, California; Denver, Colorado; St. Louis and Kansas City, Missouri; Chicago, Illinois; Toledo, Ohio and several other places, all giving merely General Delivery as her address in each of the places from which the mail was sent. In March, 1933 Madeline came to her home at 28 Columbia Avenue, Rochester, N.Y. and stayed with her, Mrs. Styles, until about September 25, 1933 when she left Rochester, stating she would write later giving her address. Mrs. Styles stated about three weeks ago she received a letter from Madeline in which she merely gave her address as General Delivery, Chicago, and about one week ago Madeline wrote a letter to her sister, Helen O'Neill giving her address as General Delivery, Kansas City, Mo. but all of these letters have been destroyed. She knows nothing about any letters, telegrams or telephone calls between her daughter, Madeline, and Fornataro or any George Valenti.

Mrs. Styles also stated that she knows nothing as to the activities or employment or associations of her daughter, Madeline, while she was away from Rochester. She further advised that in August, 1933 while Madeline was in Rochester, N.Y. living at her home, she (Madeline) claimed she was assaulted one evening on a lonely road in Rochester, N.Y. by three Rochester, N.Y. police officers, against whom she brought charges and these three officers were given a hearing before police authorities and discharged from the Rochester Police Department on September 18, 1933.

Agent interviewed Miss Helen O'Neill at her home, 28 Columbia Avenue, Rochester, N.Y. She is employed as housekeeper at the home of Mr. Donald Erskine, 66 Kindorf Avenue, Rochester, N.Y., telephone Genesee 1055-E, Rochester, N.Y. She stated she is a sister of Mrs. Madeline Fornataro; that about six years ago Madeline left Rochester with a man named George Fornataro and later was married to him but she does not know where or the exact date this marriage was performed. She stated she and her mother up to March, 1933 received letters from her sister, Madeline, from various places throughout the country, among which, she recalls, were Denver, Colorado; Los Angeles, California; Chicago, Illinois; St. Louis and

Kansas City, Missouri; Toledo, Ohio. She stated she knows nothing about the activity, employment or associations of her sister during this period or at any time while she was absent from Rochester, her sister, Madeline, merely stating she was with her husband but furnishing no information about his, his activities, employment, associations or business, and giving her address at these various cities only as General Delivery. She stated she believes Fornataro is a gambler but she never heard of anyone named George Valenti and does not know whether Valenti is an alias used by Fornataro. She stated her sister, Madeline, wrote to her husband from March to September, 1933 from Rochester, N.Y. but she does not know where she addressed the letters to him and knows nothing about the telegram in question.

Helen O'Neill further stated that Madeline returned to her mother's home in Rochester, N.Y. in March, 1933 and stayed until September 25, 1933, on which date she left stating she was going to rejoin her husband, but not stating where he was located. Fornataro did not visit Madeline at Rochester from March to September, 1933. About the latter part of August, 1933, Madeline said she was assaulted at Rochester, N.Y. by three Rochester police officers against whom she brought charges and they were dismissed from their positions on September 18, 1933. About one week ago she received a letter from her sister, Madeline, in which Madeline gave as her address General Delivery, Kansas City, Mo. She stated she has destroyed this letter.

Agent interviewed Mr. Andrew Kavanaugh, Chief of Police, Rochester, N.Y. He furnished the following information: One, Mrs. Madeline Fornataro, nee Madeline O'Neill, of 28 Columbia Avenue, Rochester, N.Y., wife of George Fornataro, alleged that she was assaulted on Sunday, August 27, 1933 at Rochester, N.Y. by three Rochester, N.Y. police officers, namely, Albert Essig, Timothy Collins, and John Laragy on River Road, and charges were brought against said officers for violation of Section 11, Sub-Division C Police Rules and Regulations (Conduct unbecoming an officer) and said officers were given a hearing on said charges before Rochester, N.Y. police commissioner, he (Kavanaugh) prosecuting said charges. At the hearing on September 18, 1933 these officers were dismissed from the Rochester Police Department, there being no further prosecution.

Chief Kavanaugh stated that he has known Madeline Fornataro nee O'Neill for several years, but although she exhibited to him during said hearing her marriage certificate showing her marriage to Fornataro, he cannot recall its contents and does not know where or when she was thus married. He stated Madeline had been arrested by the Rochester, N.Y. police about 1928 charged with vagrancy but she appears to have been living a

straight life since that time. He stated her husband, Fornataro, was in Kansas City and is known to the police there and he believes Fornataro has used the alias of George Valenti, although he cannot now recall where he obtained this information and his records at Rochester, N.Y. do not reveal any such alias of Fornataro. He stated he has no further information concerning Fornataro and knows nobody named George Valenti and he knows nothing about the activities, associations or employment of Madeline Fornataro while she was absent from Rochester, N.Y. or as to her present whereabouts. He stated that during the above hearing of the police officers at Rochester, N.Y. Madeline told him that her husband was then at Toledo, Ohio but gave no street address or other information concerning him there.

Agent interviewed Lieutenant Edward Burke, officer in charge of Criminal Identification Bureau, Police Headquarters, Rochester, New York. He searched the records of his office and failed to find any record of George Valenti.

Following is the record of Madeline O'Neill, now Mrs. George Fornataro, at Rochester, N.Y. Police Headquarters:

8/2/28 As Delores Smith, Arrested by Rochester, N.Y. Police, charge vagrancy; \$50 bail forfeited.

10/9/28 Arrested by Rochester, N.Y. Police, charge vagrancy, sentenced to Albion Reformatory.

6/28/29 Arrested by Rochester, N.Y. Police, charge Vagrancy; withdrawn; dismissed.

Her description is as follows:

Age	22 (in 1928)
Height	5'3-1/2"
Weight	126 lbs.
Eyes	Chestnut
Hair	Dark
Complexion	Dark
Build	Medium
Occupation	Waitress
Address	Rochester, N.Y.

The only record of George Fornataro at the Criminal Identification Bureau, Police Headquarters, Rochester, N.Y. is as follows:

George Fornataro alias George Hoffman, arrested 11/27/32 by Kansas City, Mo. police at 4th and Main Streets, under name of George Hoffman, charge Inveholdup, Kansas City Police #20816.

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Lieutenant Burke stated that Fornataro was suspected of being involved in a hold-up at Rochester, N.Y. and the Rochester Police obtained a copy of his fingerprints from the Kansas City, Mo. Police with only one photograph attached and with the above as the only criminal record furnished but no action was taken by the Rochester, N.Y. Police.

Description of George Fornataro alias George Hoffman taken from his fingerprint card at Police Headquarters, Rochester, N.Y., said fingerprint card having been received from Kansas City, Mo. Police:

Age	31
Height	5'8"
Weight	160 lbs.
Eyes	Dark Brown
Hair	Dark Chestnut
Complexion	Dark
Build	Slender
Occupation	Salesman
Born	New York
Kansas City Police #20815 as George Hoffman.	

It is evident from the above that the words in the telegram in question sent by Mrs. Madeline Fornataro from Rochester, N.Y. on September 22, 1933 to George Valenti, Schuyler Hotel, Kansas City, Mo. referred to the alleged assault upon her by the three police officers set forth herein at Rochester, N.Y. on August 27, 1933 and the dismissal from the Rochester, N.Y. Police Department of said officers on September 18, 1933.

It is also believed that George Fornataro and George Valenti are one and the same person and that the said Madeline Fornataro is now with her husband George Fornataro alias George Valenti at Kansas City, Mo.

Agent was advised by Mrs. Margaret Styles, mother, and Miss Helen O'Neill, sister of Madeline Fornataro, that Madeline while at Rochester, N.Y. from March 1933 until her departure on September 25, 1933 was unemployed.

Agent obtained a photograph of Mrs. Madeline Fornataro as Dolores Smith at police headquarters, Rochester, N.Y. and same is being forwarded to the Kansas City Division office attached to copies of instant report.

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