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

Re - KANSO

Dear Sir:-

Transmitted herewith please find a photograph of subject Galatas, furnished by the Toledo Police Department, and taken by that department on July 3, 1918, when he was arrested in that city on a charge of suspicion. The police number is 7973.

It is suggested that copies of this photograph be prepared by the Division and forwarded to all field offices as it indicates very clearly the scar on his lower right jaw which Mr. Emmett Cairl, a Detective of the Toledo Police, who arrested Galatas in 1918, stated was caused by the removal of an abscessed tooth. It is noted in the recent photographs of Galatas that because of his added weight since his arrest at Toledo, this scar is somewhat concealed but there is every indication that it would be readily noticed upon carefully observing the right side of his face.

Very truly yours,

WM. LARSON,
Special Agent in Charge.

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January 17, 1934.

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

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased) et al,
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated January 6, 1934, with which you inclosed a letter received by you from George H. Chase, Watertown, South Dakota, together with a newspaper clipping taken from the Watertown, South Dakota newspaper concerning the true identify of subject Miller.

You are advised that the fingerprints found on the corpse at the County Morgue, Detroit, Michigan, were referred to the Identification Unit of the Division, where they were examined and found to be identical with those of subject Miller.

Very truly yours,

Director.

JAN 17 1934
c/o Kansas City, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
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January 9, 1934

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

With reference to your inquiry on the attached communication received from Special Agent in Charge Werner Hanni, relative to the fingerprints of subject Vernon C. Miller, Deceased, please be advised that these prints were taken from the body of this subject by the Detroit Police Department and identified from the files of that Department. The original prints were also forwarded to the Identification Unit of this Division, where they were positively identified as those of Miller.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby

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Let Hanni know.
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U. S. Department of Justice

203 Post Office Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

January 6, 1933.

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

Re: VERNON C. MILLER with aliases
(deceased) et al.
Conspiracy to deliver Federal
Prisoner. St.Paul File 62-888

Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith for the Director's information a letter received from one GEORGE H. CHASE, Watertown, South Dakota, together with a newspaper clipping apparently taken from the Watertown, South Dakota newspaper regarding the above named Subject.

Very truly yours,

Werner Hanni

WERNER HANNI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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What about this? Did we check the fingerprints?
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Geo. H. Chase,
917-3rd St. N.E.

Watertown, S.D. Jan. 5, 1934.

Mr. Werner Hanni,
Saint Paul, Minn.

My Dear Werner:

The inclosed clipping may be no news to you and it was not a surprise to me. I believe it to be true. As a matter of fact, no one in Huron or other points in South Dakota, who were acquainted with Vern Miller personally, fully recognized the body, so I am informed.

The Chicago police, you will note, never cared very much about coming to close quarters with him and he always escaped when they were supposed to round him up. I have no doubt but that he is alive and now living in that city. With best regards I remain

Sincerely yours,

Geo. H. Chase

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Lake Preston Times.—A press dispatch in one of the city papers is to the effect that government authorities are not just sure whether the body buried over at Huron a couple of weeks ago is really that of Vern Miller, the notorious bandit, or not. There is no denying the fact that Vern was a slippery cuss, and it is just possible that he had a few friends in the underworld gang that pounced upon the idea of "identifying" the body found near Detroit as that of Miller. The body was so mutilated, it is said, that identification through finger prints was absolutely impossible, and there is a chance that one has been slipped over on the government sleuths at that. It is said that there are not a few of the government men who have a sneaking suspicion that the whole deal was a "plant" and are not yet convinced that Miller is dead.

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TITLE: VERNON C. MILLER with aliases (Deceased) RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. #1201; ROBERT G. BRADY with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. #1190; HARVEY I. BAILEY with aliases - FUGITIVE; I.O. #1189; WILBER UNDERHILL with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. #1191 et al.

CHARACTER OF CASE: CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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State National Bank, Frankfort, Ky., robbed by armed bandits, November 23, 1933 and bonds recovered in capture of Wilber Underhill taken therefrom. Photograph of Underhill identified as one of the robbers.

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REFERENCE: Wire from Oklahoma City office, dated 1-3-34.

DETAILS: AT FRANKFORT, KY.

Agent interviewed Mr. L. D. Jones, Cashier, State National Bank, who stated that at 1:35 P.M. on November 23, 1933 four bandits armed with revolvers and machine guns entered that bank, making all the employees assemble themselves in a corner near the President's office. One robber armed with a machine gun stood at the door and made all persons who came in the bank take a seat and one robber stood guard over the employees while the other two ransacked the bank taking $9,519.34 in cash and various stocks and bonds. After the two had gathered up all the money they could find they made one of the employees of the bank open the safe, taking therefrom all the money and bonds they could find. When the bandits got all the money they could find they made four employees of the bank accompany them to their car which was a Plymouth Sedan which they had parked at the bank of the building. They placed the employees on the running board of the car for protection and proceeded north-east towards Eminence, Ky., and when they had crossed the bridge across the Kentucky Rivers they pushed the employees off of the running board while they were traveling at about thirty miles per hour, some of the employees suffering minor injuries.

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Mr. Jones stated that at the time the robbers entered the bank he was in the rear of the bank eating his lunch and did not notice anything unusual until he heard someone say "get up"; then observed that an unknown man had a gun on him and he obeyed orders, observing that all the employees of the bank were covered with revolvers and machine guns. He stated that he was one of the employees that the robbers picked to accompany them on their trip until they were out of the city, stating that they seemed to keep their heads turned in such a manner that it was almost impossible to get a good view of any of them.

The photographs of the various subjects of this investigation were exhibited to the various employees of the bank without any of them making any positive identifications except Mr. Jones and Miss Ora Scottow. Mr. Jones stated that he was quite sure that Wilber Underhill, Y.O.#1191 was the individual who put the gun on him and Miss Scottow without any hesitation picked the photograph of Wilber Underhill as being the man who went to the rear of the bank and put his gun on Mr. Jones. She stated that she got a good view of this man and seemed to be sure about her statements. The other employees seemed very indefinite in their statements and were so confused about descriptions that nothing of any value was obtainable from them.

Mr. Jones stated that the robbers proceeded to a point about six miles northeast of Frankfort on the road towards Eminence, Ky., where they abandoned the Plymouth Sedan on a side road and from the best inquiry in that neighborhood they proceeded from that point in a Buick or Ford automobile. He had been unable to secure any further facts as regards these automobiles. The Plymouth which bore Kentucky License Plates #679-787 (Owen County) was recovered and was found to have been stolen at Paris, Ky., prior to the robbery. He stated that this automobile had been checked carefully by the Police Department from Lexington, Ky., but that no information of value could be obtained.

He also stated that Doc Roemele from the Identification Bureau of the Kentucky State Reformatory had checked the bank and the Plymouth Sedan for fingerprints and had taken some pictures but he did not know whether they got any information of value.

Mr. Jones checked his records and advised that the first mortgage collateral trust gold bonds on the Franklin Title and Trust Company principal and interest payable at Liberty Bank and Trust Company, Louisville, Ky. enumerated in the wire of reference were a part of the loot taken from that bank in this robbery, namely:

Number	Series	Due	Amount
M 74	28 BB	7-1-38	$1,000.00
M 73	28 CC	"	1,000.00
D 14	28 CC	"	500.00

Number	Series	Due	Amount
D 17	28 DD	7-1-29	$500.00
D 18	29 AA	7-1-30	500.00
D 32	28 BB	7-1-30	500.00
D 33	28 BB	"	500.00
D 34	28 BB	"	500.00
C 16	29 AA	7-1-29	100.00
C 27	28 DD	"	100.00
C 28	28 DD	"	100.00

Mr. Jones advised that the bank had received these bonds from Mary C. Meagher, Frankfort, Ky., as collateral.

Agent interviewed Mr. S. Santles of the Identification Bureau of the Kentucky State Reformatory who stated that he and Doc Roemele had searched at the bank for possible fingerprints and had taken some photographs but that they were not clear enough to compare with the fingerprints of any suspects. An effort was made to compare these photographs with the fingerprints of Underhill but nothing could be ascertained thereby.

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REFERENCE YOUR REQUEST FOR INFORMATION MARRIAGE WILBUR UNDERHILL STOP HAZEL HUDSON NEE HAZEL JARRETT MET UNDERHILL AND HARVEY BAILEY OKLAHOMACITY JUNE LAST YEAR AFTER THEIR ESCAPE FROM LANSING PRISON AND KEPT HOUSE FOR THEM FOR TWO WEEKS WHILE BAILEY WAS TREATING WOUNDS STOP SINCE THEN SHE AND UNDERHILL HAVE CONSORTED MORE OR LESS FREQUENTLY AND HAVE MADE NUMEROUS CONTACTS BY MEETING IN VARIOUS PLACES STOP BY PREARRANGEMENT ON NOVEMBER

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT KANSAS CITY FILE NO. 62-760-

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TITLE:	CHARACTER OF CASE:
VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases, (DECEASED) RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, IO 1201 ROBERT G. BRADY, with aliases, IO 1190. HARVEY J. BAILEY, with aliases, FUGITIVE, IO 1189. ED DAVIS, with aliases, IO 1193, ET AL	CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION DEPT. OF JUSTICE
DIVISION ONE
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Review of instant file, with particular reference to Subject Davis indicates he had correspondence with parties at various points in Oklahoma and Texas during his incarceration in the Kansas State Penitentiary. Names and addresses of relatives may be thereby definitely ascertained. Further personal history and other correspondents may be obtained at Granite and Mc Alester, Oklahoma, where he served past sentences. Believed to be well known and to have various relatives around Chickasha, Oklahoma.

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DETAILS:

The instant file has been reviewed for all possible information with reference to Ed Davis, Subject of Identification Order No. 1193, in order that concentrated effort may be had to bring about his early apprehension.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: Acting SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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As noted from the Identification Order, Davis served in his early years in the State Reformatory at Granite, Oklahoma, where he was committed March 5, 1919, with sentence of two years.

It is also noted that Davis served a part of a life sentence in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at Mc Alester, where he was committed 8-3-31, upon conviction of murder, and from which institution, he escaped May 26, 1932.

While personal history of Davis is at present somewhat obscure, it is quite probale that more complete data may be available through the two Oklahoma institutions, especially that at Granite, Oklahoma.

As noted, Davis was received at the Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas, July 8, 1932, on sentence of life imprisonment for the crime of bank robbery, which occurred at Fort Scott, Kansas. He escaped on May 30, 1933, with Harvey J. Bailey, Wilber Underhill, Robert G. Brady and others.

Effort was made at the Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas, by Special Agent A. E. Farland of this office to secure all possible personal history data as to Davis, which might result in the apprehension of that individual. However, there is on file there nothing of value concerning his history except as taken from his correspondence record during his incarceration at that institution. This correspondence record is given as follows:

LETTERS ADDRESSED TO:

Mrs. Maude Long	Rush Springs, Okla.	Sister	1933
Mrs. Loma Davis	Kilgore, Texas	Wife	1932
Mrs. Stella Clanton	1521 West 11th St., Oklahoma City, Okla.	-	1932
Miss Ruby Holcomb	709 W. 3rd St. and 711 W. Balknof St., Ft. Worth, Texas.	Sister	1932
Mrs. Mary E. Davis	Rush Springs, Okla., and Quail, Texas.	Mother	1932
Mr. J. W. Davis	Ninnekah, Oklahoma.	-	1932
Mrs. Ruby Runer(?)	326 Oregon St., Chickasha, Okla.	Sister	1932

LETTERS RECEIVED FROM:

Bernard or Fred Allred	Quail, Texas.	-	1932
Loma Davis	Box G-340, Rt. 8, Oklahoma City.	Wife	1933
Maul Long	Rush Springs, Oklahoma.	Sister	1933
"Ruby and Jimmie"	326 Oregon Street, Chickasha, Oklahoma.	Sister & Brother	1933.

Several weeks ago, Mr. W. E. Butner, former sheriff at Nevada, Missouri, appeared at the Kansas City office and advised that he was the sheriff, who apprehended Jim Clark, Ed Davis and Bob Sawyer on June 17, 1932, immediately after the bank robbery at Fort Scott, Kansas, and that Davis, Clark and Sawyer were convicted at Fort Scott and sentenced to the Kansas State Penitentiary pursuant to their arrest and identification in connection with the bank robbery at Fort Scott.

Mr. Butner turned over to this office a certain plan drawn on a piece of scratch paper, which he stated he found in possession of Jim Clark, Ed Davis and Bob Sawyer. He believes the paper was taken from the possession of Sawyer. Evidently the plan is that of a residence and underneath the same is written the words: "Pawhuska, 11th Street, Pruden Avenue, Louis Stivers, Attorney at Indian Agency." This plan was copied by Sheriff Butner on a piece of his own paper and the whereabouts of the original is not known. Whether or not it would be significant in this inveatigation is problematical. It may refer to a place intended by Sawyer, Clark and Davis to be robbed. However, Mr. Butner believed that Stivers, the Attorney at the Indian Agency, might be a close friend of Bob Sawyer, a known bank robbery, who is of Indian nationality, and he, therefore, believed it possible that Stivers might be in the business of receiving stolen securities from the various bank robbers.

Mr. Butner also found in the possession of Davis a road map of Kansas and Oklahoma, showing road marks added in pencil indicating a route from Ft. Scott, Kansas, to Pawhuska, Oklahoma, by way of Sedan, Kansas. This map is being preserved in the Kansas City file.

On the map seized by Mr. Butner was also found a pencil note on one corner showing the name of Mrs. Straughton, Madison, Kansas. It is evident that Mrs. Straughton may be a friend of Davis, and for this reason investigation will be made at Madison, when an Agent is in that vicinity.

No federal process is outstanding for Davis in the instant case at present. However, he is an escape from a life sentence both in the

State of Kansas and Oklahoma, and, in the event same is desirable, the Kansas City office will, upon request, consult the United States Attorney for permission to file at any time.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE:

At Granite Oklahoma, through the State Reformatory, is requested to secure all possible personal history of Ed Davis, indicating names of all relatives there shown, and any other personal history, that may have a possible bearing on his present whereabouts.

At Mc Alester, Oklahoma, also secure correspondence record, and any personal history there that may be of value in locating Davis.

At Rush Springs, Oklahoma;
At Chickasha, Oklahoma;
At Ninnekah, Oklahoma, and
Oklahoma City, the Oklahoma City office, is also requested to kindly make appropriate investigation in an endeavor to secure through the parties with whom Davis corresponded, as shown herein, information that may result in his apprehension.

THE DALLAS, TEXAS, OFFICE:

At Kilgore, Texas, is requested to perform all possible investigation through the wife of Davis(if she be there located)to cause the apprehension of this Subject. If the wife is not located at Kilgore, Texas, endeavor to ascertain her present location.

At Quail, Texas, through Bernard and Fred Allred, the Dallas office is requested to seek information relative to the location of Davis.

At Ft. Worth, Texas, through Miss Ruby Holcomb, correspondent of Davis, the Dallas office is requested to seek information, which may result in the capture of that Subject.

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THE KANSAS CITY OFFICE:

At Madison, Kansas, will endeavor to secure information through one Mrs. Straughton, mentioned in this report, that may result in the location of Davis. Her complete connections with Davis, or other individuals of his calibre, will be ascertained through discreet inquiry there.

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Encl. to Oklahoma City(plan mentioned herein)

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January 6, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
224 Federal Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Please forward the firearms recovered at the time of the capture of Wilbur Underhill to the Division to be placed with the Division's collection.

Government Bill of Lading No. J-57383 is herewith enclosed for your use in forwarding the firearms to the Division.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Encl. 367585

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JAN 8 1934
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

Mr. Nathan
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Mr. Hughes
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Foster
Mr. Locke

January 6, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Special Agent Edgar called from Shawnee at 10:05 A. M. and advised that Special Agent in Charge Colvin, together with Agents Deaderick, Hansen, Franklin, and Birch, and Warden Sam Brown of the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma, and four deputies, had just left Shawnee en route to McAlester with Wilber Underhill. The exact time of leaving Shawnee was 9 o'clock Central Time.

They expect that it will be three hours or more before they reach McAlester, which is one hundred miles away. Agent in Charge Colvin will call the Division after Underhill is safely in the Penitentiary.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes.

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Mr. Coffey
Ms. Gandy
Mr. Hyland
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Locke

January 6, 1934.

MEMORANDUM

During telephonic conversation with Mr. Rex Collier of the Washington Star this morning, he made inquiry as to Bob Brady, one of the badly wanted fugitives recently captured. I advised him that Brady, as well as Clark, was taken to Lansing, Kansas.

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January 5, 1934

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

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

When talking with Agent in Charge Colvin two days ago, he mentioned the fact that he would probably be "stuck" for the hospital expenses involved in the Underhill capture. He mentioned not only the expenses of Underhill, but also the expense for the care of Eva May Nichols prior to her death and for Ralph Rowe, who was in the hospital for a short time but who is now in the County Jail. I told Colvin at this time to have the Warden of the Penitentiary at McAlester take care of the expenses of Underhill and that, if necessary, we perhaps could defray the expenses incident to the care of Eva May Nichols and Ralph Rowe.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes.

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January 8, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

There is returned herewith voucher in favor of the Fair Oaks Garage covering storage charges and other expenses on the Ford Coupe taken into custody by your office, after being abandoned by Vernon C. Miller.

The Division of Accounts of the Department has requested a complete explanation of this charge showing why this expense must be borne by the Government. Furthermore, the Division of Accounts suggests that the charges for towing and for the key appear to be excessive, stating that keys may be obtained from any Ford service station or agency for approximately 25¢ each.

In furnishing the required explanation, it is suggested that you explain more completely the circumstances under which this car was taken into custody and the contemplated condemnation of it.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Encl. #687548.

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

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of January 8, 1934, relative to the case of VERNON C. MILLER (DECEASED) ET AL, Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner, please be informed that the fingerprints found on the corpse at Detroit were referred to the Division and examined in the Identification Unit.

These prints positively are identical with the actual fingerprints of Miller.

Very truly yours,

Director.

CC: Detroit

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Bureau of Investigation

SUITE L FEDERAL BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
JANUARY 8, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER (DECEASED) ET AL
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER

The enclosed newspaper article appeared in the Kansas City Star on the evening of January 8, the same referring to an alleged doubt that the individual found murdered near Detroit, Michigan, recently was identical with Vernon C. Miller, Subject of this case.

There have been no communications to the Kansas City Office from the Detroit Office outlining in detail the examination of fingerprints made to identify Miller, although the statement has been made that through the Detroit Police Department the corpse was identified positively by fingerprints as that of Vernon Miller.

It is requested that the Division make an analysis of the fingerprints of the corpse found at Detroit, comparing the same with the fingerprints of Vernon C. Miller, So. Dakota State Penitentiary Number 4240 and advise the Kansas City Office as to the findings.

Copy of this letter is being directed to the Detroit Office and if the fingerprints have not been forwarded to the Division, same should be done immediately.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR, ACTING
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Encl.
cc - Detroit

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ONE MORE IN MASSACRE.

U. S. Seeks Dick Galatas as Last of Killers' Gang.

New York, Jan. 9.—The union station massacre at Kansas City of four officers and their prisoner will be completely avenged with the arrest of Richard T. (Dick) Galatas, alias Dick Sheridan, who today is the subject of an intensive search by government agents.

Galatas, underworld boss of Hot Springs, Ark., was the master mind of the slaying of a department of justice agent, the chief of police of McAlester, Ok., two Kansas City detectives and their prisoner, Frank Nash, on June 17 last when an attempt was made by gunmen to take Nash away from the officers.

It was charged by the government that George "Machine Gun" Kelly, Harvey Bailey, Verne Miller and Wilbur Underhill were the main members of the mob that actually did the shooting. There were others, however, who contributed to the killings by advising the gang as to the movements of the officers.

Frank Nash, bandit and bank robber, wanted by the United States, was found to be in Hot Springs, famous hide-out town for mobsters from all over the country. Dick Galatas "owned" Hot Springs and any criminal he knew was safe in that town.

When agents of the division of investigation arrested Nash and spirited him away without even the local police knowing what was going on, Galatas felt that his prestige as a protector was at stake and determined to free Nash.

With Mrs. Nash he chartered an airplane and within an hour from the arrest was on the way to Joplin, Mo., he having been informed that the federal men had taken the automobile road toward that city.

Arriving at Joplin, he went to the home of Henry Farmer and from there made several long-distance telephone calls to Chicago and Kansas City. The Kansas City calls were direct to Verne Miller.

Miller was positively identified as one of the machine gunners in the slayings while other evidence pointed to Kelly, Bailey and Underhill.

Bailey and Kelly were taken in the Urschel kidnaping case, and Verne Miller was slain by Detroit gangsters. Wilbur Underhill was wounded fatally by federal agents and police when he resisted arrest at Shawnee, Ok. Mr. and Mrs. Farmer and Mrs. Nash were caught shortly after the massacre.

Today's orders are out that Galatas, the master mind, must be taken dead or alive, and Hoover is determined this will be soon. When this underworld protector is in custody or in the morgue the case will be placed on the closed files.

FINGERPRINT RUSE FAILS

SURGEONS' OPERATIONS USED BY SOME CRIMINALS GET BAD RESULTS

Original Markings Show Up Again Unless the Sweat Glands Are Destroyed, In Which Case Fingers Crack Open.

Can a criminal have his fingerprints changed to such an extent his identity cannot be determined?

The difficulty encountered, yet overcome, in the case of "Handsome Jack" Klutas, slain Chicago gangster, further substantiates the theory of Bertillon experts that it cannot be done. Although it was plainly visible Klutas had altered his prints, his true identity was determined.

SURGEONS CHARGE HIGH FEES.

Among surgeons who have started a practice of changing the tell-tale whorls and loops of the finger tips to confuse police, charging the criminal a high fee for the operation, one has been reported operating in Kansas City. Their method, painful to the criminal, both financially and physically, is to graft the skin from one finger to that of another.

"There is no way to change the fingerprints of a man," Lieut. William Gordon, head of the bureau of identification at police headquarters, asserts. "The only way to avoid that kind of identification is to cut off the fingers."

Many cases have come before authorities of criminals who have attempted to beat Nature's method of identification. In many cases the classifications have not developed so rapidly under the magnifying glass of the Bertillon expert as he counts the whorls and loops.

"But the original markings will show up," Lieutenant Gordon said.

PAINFUL RESULTS.

"To obliterate the markings completely it is necessary to cut so deeply that the sweat glands are destroyed. When these glands are destroyed the surface of the finger tips become smooth, with no marks of identification at all. Within a short time the fingers become dry and crack, to the extreme and constant pain of the criminal," the expert explained.

The question has been raised concerning the identity of the man found recently outside of Detroit where his punctured and battered body was found at the end of a 1-way gangster ride. His face was beaten beyond recognition, but authorities said it was Verne C. Miller, the machine gunner in the union station massacre. However, there seems to be a doubt.

Considerable confusion was encountered because the gangsters who committed the crime burned the fingers of their victim. Some of the fingers were said to have been burned to the bone. The others were scarred, the flesh visible with the absence of skin. Miller's own father failed to recognize the man as his son, but accepted the word of the authorities.

COULD BE MILLER'S SCHEME.

Perhaps it was a scheme of Miller himself. One of the most hunted and desperate criminals and knowing it was a matter of time before he would be unsuccessful in running the gauntlet of firearms again, as he had done in the past, he may have devised this hoax to end the search for him. Impressions taken from the burned fingers of the man in the ditch just outside of Detroit are not quite convincing, some officers say.

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JANUARY 9, 1934

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January 15, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of January 9, 1934, with reference to the case entitled Vernon C. Miller, with aliases, (Deceased), et al, Conspiracy to deliver Federal Prisoner, there is attached a photographic copy of the fingerprints of Arthur Barker, together with copies of the abstract of his criminal record as disclosed by the Division's identification files.

No photograph of this person is available in our records.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Enclosure #372900.

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SUITE L FEDERAL BUILDING
KANSAS CITY

January 9, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases(DECEASED)ET AL
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER

The Division is requested to furnish to the Kansas City office at the earliest possible date a criminal record of Arthur R. Barker, alias Doc Barker, Kansas City, Kansas, Police Department No. 1773; Tulsa, Oklahoma, Police Department No. 1746; F. P. C. 5 U 00 19 / 17 U 00 22, together with full description and a copy of the most recent photograph available to the Division. Also, it is requested that a photographic copy of the fingerprints of this individual be furnished.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

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January 18, 1934.

JAN 18 1934 PM

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

Re: Vernon C. Miller, with aliases
(Deceased), et al.
Conspiracy to Deliver Federal
Prisoner Frank Nash).

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of January 9, 1934 in the above captioned case, requesting the Division to advise of any outstanding wanted notices as contained in the files of the Identification Unit for CHARLES ARTHUR FLOYD alias "Pretty Boy" Floyd, Fugitive, I.O.#1194.

The following wanted notices appear of record in the identification files:

"WANTED BY BUREAU. As Charles Arthur Floyd, alias Frank Mitchell, alias 'Pretty Boy' Smith, I.O. #1194, Div. file 26-30866. Notify Div.Office, Kansas City, Missouri and Director, Washington, D. C. Fugitive Index 5412, Division file 62-28915.

"WANTED: As Chas. Arthur Floyd, with aliases, murder. Notify PD, Kansas City, Missouri.

"WANTED: As Charles Arthur Floyd, alias Frank Mitchell, alias Pretty Boy Smith, #21458, PD Toledo, Ohio, 11/24/30, sentenced to 12 to 15 years Ohio SP. (Bank robbery Sylvania, Ohio) 12/10/30, escaped enroute to Penitentiary. Notify SP Ohio, or Comm. Bowling Green, Ohio.

"STILL WANTED: As Charles Floyd, Murders and Bank Robbery. Notify PD Kansas City, Missouri and SO Bowling Green, Ohio. (Information received True Detective Mysteries, May, 1932. 4/19/32.)

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"STILL WANTED: As Charles Arthur Floyd, for murder.
Notify SO Bowling Green, Ohio.[Information received
5/8/32, PD Bulletin.]"

Very truly yours,

Director.

U. S. Department of Justice

Bureau of Investigation

SUITE L FEDERAL BUILDING
KANSAS CITY

January 9, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases(Deceased)ET AL
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER

The Kansas City office desires to secure a complete list of rewards outstanding for the apprehension of CHARLES ARTHUR FLOYD, alias "Pretty Boy" Floyd, Division Identification Order No. 1194. For this reason, it is deemed advisable to check the identification records of the Division for the WANTED NOTICES, which have been placed by various officials throughout the United States.

When this list is secured, appropriate letters will be sent out, in order that the various officials may be interviewed to determine what rewards, if any, are being offered in various instances.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR
Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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JAN 19 1934

January 17, 1934.

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

Re: Vernon C. Miller, with aliases (Deceased), et al - Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of January 9, 1934 in the case mentioned above.

The following wanted notices appear of record in the files of the Identification Unit on BERNARD PHILLIPS, Fugitive, I.D. #1196:

"WANTED: As Bernard Phillips, #20728 PD Minneapolis, Minnesota. (Bank robbery). Wire PD Minneapolis, Minnesota.

"Still Wanted: As above. 5/18/32."

Very truly yours,

Director.

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SUITE L FEDERAL BUILDING
KANSAS CITY

January 9, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases(Deceased)
ET AL
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER

The Kansas City office desires to secure a complete list of rewards outstanding for the apprehension of BERNARD PHILLIPS, Division Identification Order No. 1196. For this reason, it is deemed advisable to check the identification records of the Division for the WANTED NOTICES, which have been placed by various officials throughout the United States.

When this list is secured, appropriate letters will be sent out, in order that the various officials may be interviewed to determine what rewards, if any, are being offered in various instances.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR,
ACTING SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE.

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JAN - 9 1934 AM

January 8, 1934.

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

Dear Sir;

RE: VERNON C. MILLER(DECEASED)ET AL
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER

Experience of this office has disclosed that Herbert Graham, Post Office Inspector, now assigned in the New York office of that department, has an intimate knowledge of many of the major confidence men in the entire United States. For this reason, it is probable that he either knows Subject Richard Tallman Galatas, or that he would be able through his numerous contacts to secure valuable information concerning his whereabouts.

As you will note, at present, a concentrated effort is being made by the Division to bring about the apprehension of Galatas, Subject of Identification Order No. 1201.

You are requested to make immediate contact with Mr. Graham and endeavor to enlist his aid.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR
ACTING SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE.

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January 9, 1934

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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL KEENAN

RECORDED
JAN 12 1934

I attach, hereto, a copy of a telegram which has been received from the Oklahoma City Office of this Division and which requests instructions relative to the disposition to be made of certain bonds valued at $5,300.00 taken from Wilber Underhill at the time of his capture by Agents of this Division and Oklahoma Police Officials at Shawnee, Oklahoma.

For your information, I might advise that while Underhill was under indictment at Kansas City on an obstruction of justice charge growing out of the killing of Agent Caffrey and three police officers on June 17, 1933, no Federal process was served on him after his capture as he was dangerously wounded and was removed on January 6th from the hospital at Shawnee to the State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma, where he died January 7, 1934.

I should appreciate your advice as to what instructions might be sent to the Oklahoma City Office of the Division. It is believed that because of the fact that there was no Federal process issued for Underhill and he was in the custody of the State, you might see fit to direct that these bonds be surrendered to appropriate State Officials.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

Incl. #681142

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Bank Robbery

Colvin wait until some tangle like this arises before taking the trouble to let us know the recovered anything from Underhill.

J. E. H.

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SUITE L FEDERAL BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
JANUARY 9, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

IN RE: VERNON C. MILLER (DECEASED) ET AL
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER
KANSAS CITY FILE 62-760-

The Division has furnished complete criminal record of Alvin Karpis, Kansas State Penitentiary Number 1539, who is mentioned in the report of Special Agent W. J. Trainor, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, December 27, 1933.

It is noted that the Sheriff of Pipestone, Minnesota, requested a wanted notice for Karpis on June 12, 1933, for the robbery of the State Bank, Ihlen, Minnesota, which bank robbery appears to have occurred on June 9, 1933.

In view of the fact that Karpis is suspected as a participant in the instant massacre, it is requested that contact be had immediately with the office of the Sheriff at Pipestone, Minnesota, to secure all pertinent details concerning the charge on which Karpis is wanted by that official. Identities of confederates of Karpis who may be known to the Sheriff at Pipestone should be ascertained, and all particulars with reference to the bank robbery in question should be secured. If any ballistic evidence was obtained by the sheriff at Pipestone at the time of the bank robbery same should be borrowed in order that it might be analyzed by the Kansas City Office. A full description of the weapons used at the time of the bank robbery should be secured, even though there were no shots fired.

Very truly yours,

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M. C. SPEAR, ACTING
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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SUITE L FEDERAL BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
JANUARY 9, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
801 Title Guaranty Building
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Sir:

IN RE: VERNON C. MILLER (DECEASED) ET AL
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER
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Reference is made to the report by Special Agent W.F. Trainor dated at Kansas City, Missouri, 12-27-1933, a copy of which was furnished to your office.

The Division has furnished to this office a complete criminal history of James Lawson, mentioned in that report. There appears a Wanted Notice for Lawson as follows:

"As Jimmie Lawson, burg. 1st degree. Notify SP, Ste. Genevieve, Mo., per inf. recd. 7-17-33. Notified 9-27-33."

It would appear important to ascertain definitely that Lawson was at Ste. Genevieve, Missouri, on July 17, 1933, inasmuch as that individual previously alleged that he had been in the State of California for several months prior to his arrest in September 1933. It is requested that your office secure full particulars of this matter at Ste. Genevieve, Missouri. Ascertain, if possible, the identities of any accomplices of Lawson who might have been at Ste. Genevieve on the date in question. Kindly verify the date when the burglary was allegedly committed.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR, ACTING
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
617 Federal Building
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sir:

IN RE: VERNON C. MILLER (DECEASED) ET AL
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER

Reference is made to the report by Special Agent W.F. Trainor dated at Kansas City, Missouri, December 8, 1933, copy of which has presumably reached your office through the Dallas, Texas Office.

Please refer to page 7 of that report where it is noted that a Mrs. H. F. Scherfler, 4223 Garden Homes, Los Angeles, California, is said to be a daughter of the present wife of Richard Tallman Galatas.

It is requested that discreet investigation be made to verify the residence of Mrs. Scherfler, and through mail cover, telephone contacts, or any other possible means, that you secure whatever information is available concerning the present location of Galatas.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR, ACTING
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Mr. Troy O. Loftice,
Melissa, Texas.

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Dear Sirs

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated December 29, 1933, wherein you request to be advised whether Charles Arthur Floyd, alias Pretty Boy Floyd, is wanted by this Division.

There is enclosed, herewith, Identification Order #1194 on this individual reflecting that he is wanted in connection with the murder of Otto Reed, Chief of Police of McAlester, Oklahoma, and others in Kansas City, Missouri, on June 17, 1933. In the event any information is received concerning his whereabouts, kindly communicate with Mr. F. J. Blake, Special Agent in Charge, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Post Office Building, Dallas, Texas.

With reference to your request that authority be granted you to conduct active investigation looking to the apprehension of Subject Floyd, please be advised that I am unable to grant such authority. However, any cooperation which you see fit to render in this matter will be greatly appreciated by me.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Enclosure 631149

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December 29,1933

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

JAN - 4 1934 PM

Dear Sir,

This letter relates to one Charles Arthur Floyd, alias Pretty Boy Floyd and as to whether he is wanted by the Department of Justice and if wanted the crime or crimes for which he is wanted, and where committed.

If he is wanted by your Department and you see fit to give me the authority I believe that I can locate and arrest him from certain information that I have.

Relative to myself,I am a former Agent of the Dept. of Justice,Bureau of Prohibition,Fifth District,stationed at San Antonio, Texas.

Trusting that you do not consider me impertinent in thus addressing you and that I may have an early reply which Ishall hold in the strictest confidence,I am,

Yours very respectfully,

Troy C. Loftice.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased)
Richart T. Galatas, with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1201 - et al,
Obstruction of Justice.

Transmitted herewith please find copies of report prepared by Special Agent D. L. Nicholson, Detroit, dated 1-9-34, concerning the above entitled matter. It will be noted in this report that information was secured by Agent Nicholson from George W. Bourke of 544 Buhl Building, Detroit, concerning the family connections of Subject Galatas. It is observed that one Lee H. Cady married a sister of Galatas' wife and that Cady is at the present time residing at LeRoy, New York, which is located between Buffalo and Rochester on the main East-West highway. It will also be noted that the mother of Mrs. Cady, whose name is alleged to be McFadden, resided with the Cadys in Detroit while Cady was in business in this city. In this connection it is interesting to note that Mrs. McFadden is presumed to have lived with the Galatas family in Hot Springs, Arkansas, for a considerable period prior to June 17, 1933. There now appears the possibility that this Mrs. McFadden might be residing with the Cady family at LeRoy and it might be that the wife of Subject Galatas is also at that point with her mother.

The information secured from the persons in Detroit regarding the family connections of Subject Galatas was furnished telephonically to Mr. Vincent Hughes at Washington who advised that Special Agent Anderson of the Kansas City office, who is at the present time engaged in the investigation of this case and who is familiar with the entire matter, will undoubtedly arrive in Detroit within the very near future and that upon securing this information will conduct the necessary inquiry at LeRoy, New York.

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Mr. Bourke advised that the Cadys bore an excellent reputation in Detroit and that as a partner in his business he found Cady to be very reliable and dependable and he feels that Cady will cooperate fully with this Division in furnishing all possible information. It will be noted that

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Charles Fred Vogel reinterviewed at Detroit, Mich., and claims to have no information concerning subject Galatas. Vogel has been residing in the Whittier Hotel and a check of his telephone calls appears to have no connection with instant case. No information obtained at Detroit, Michigan, relative to the birth of subject Galatas' stepson, Pat Gardella Sturney, who is alleged to have been born at Detroit, Michigan, on October 27, 1911. No information obtained relative to property at Detroit, Mich., owned by subject Galatas. Lee H. Cady, who formerly resided at Detroit is alleged to be a brother-in-law by marriage of subject Galatas and is thought to be presently residing at LeRoy, N.Y.

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REFERENCE:- Report of Special Agent D. L. Nicholson, Detroit, Mich., dated November 21, 1933. Report of Special Agent W. F. Trainor, Kansas City, Mo., dated December 8, 1933. Letter Kansas City Division Office, dated December 21, 1933.

DETAILS:- AT DETROIT, MICHIGAN.

DETAILS:

In an effort to ascertain the present address of Charles Fred Vogel, Agent reinterviewed Mr. D. J. Nagel (previously reported Nagel), Manager of the Sevill Apartment Hotel, who advised that he had not seen Vogel since last interviewed by this Agent. The photograph of subject Galatas was exhibited to Mr. Nagel who advised Galatas was wholly unknown to him, and he feels quite positive that subject had never visited Vogel at the Seville Apartment Hotel. Under the pretense of obtaining Vogel's address in order to send him a Christmas Card, Mr. Nagel communicated with several tenants in the Seville Hotel, and ascertained that Vogel is presently residing at the

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Whittier Hotel. At the Whittier Hotel, Special Agent Meeking interviewed Mr. E. I. Burke, Manager, who appeared to be willing to cooperate with this Agent in every respect.

He advised that Mr. and Mrs. Clarence F. Vogel had registered at this hotel on June 6, 1933 at 10:20 A.M. and were assigned Room No. 556 at a rental of $85.00 per month. Vogel, at the time of registering, gave his address as 11 Farrand Park, Highland Park, Michigan (an incorporated town within the corporate limits of the City of Detroit). Mr. and Mrs. Vogel remained at this hotel until November 10, 1933, when they checked out without leaving any forwarding address. On December 6, 1933, Clarence F. Vogel returned to the Whittier Hotel by himself and registered for a bachelor apartment, and was assigned apartment No. 417, which he occupied until his wife's return on December 17, 1933, when they transferred to house-keeping apartment No. 852 at $75.00 per month, where they were presently residing at the time of this interview.

A list of all telephone calls made by Vogel, as well as a list of telegrams sent by him, have been obtained, none of which appear to have any connection with this investigation, the telephone numbers being largely the phone numbers of business houses in the City of Detroit. A complete list, however, is being retained in the Detroit file of this case for future reference. The records of the Whittier Hotel also indicate that Vogel rented garage space at the Hotel Garage at a monthly rental of $20.00, and that he owned a LaSalle Sedan, which bore 1933 Michigan license plates No. F-31250. This number was checked through the Auto Squad of the Detroit Police Department, and found to have been issued to Mrs. Charles Vogel, 3160 Second Blvd., Detroit, Michigan, for a 1932 LaSalle Sedan, bearing Motor No. 1101272. It is to be noted that 3160 Second Boulevard is the address of the Saville Apartment Hotel, at which place Vogel resided prior to June 5, 1933. A check of the credit card of Vogel, given at the time of his first registration at the Whittier Hotel, shows his firm connection to be C. McDonald Lumber Company, 1039 Penobscot Building; Marshal Rencherd, Tailors; and Higgins and Frank, Clothiers, of Detroit, Michigan, are given as references.

The hotel had addressed letters to all three of the above requested recommendations as to Vogel. The latter two answered favorably, while no response was received from the Lumber Company, although the letter was not returned to the hotel. In this connection, it is interesting to note that at the time Subject Galatas made application for membership in the Loyal Order of Elks, Detroit, Michigan, he gave as a business address 1039 Penobscot Building, which is now occupied by Edward A. Attix, Attorney, who, upon being previously interviewed, has informed that he knows Subject Galatas, and claims that he met him through a business transaction in which he represented Galatas in the sale of a movie house in Detroit. Other than that he claims to have no information of Galatas or his associates.

Mr. H. V. Warmington and K. A. DeFoe, Assistant Managers of the Whittier Hotel, have been interviewed by Agent Meekins, and they informed that Clarence Vogel is known to them, and, from the description of Vogel furnished by these individuals, he is, without doubt, the same Vogel previously interviewed by this Agent. They advised that Vogel is very quiet, has very few callers, and apparently no occupation. The photograph of Subject Galatas was exhibited to these individuals, and Mr. Warmington informed that he has a faint recollection of having seen such an individual within the hotel within in the last sixty days, but was unable to associate him with any particular guest or event, although he was of the opinion that the photograph of Galatas resembled an individual by the name of William Day, who had registered at this hotel on July 8, 1933. Mr. DeFoe could not identify the photograph of Galatas, but stated that he has a faint recollection of seeing a party in the lobby of the hotel with a bad scar on his right cheek.

After some discussion with the Manager and Assistant Managers, it was not deemed advisable to make direct inquiries of the hotel employees, as these individuals were such that they were not in a position to thoroughly rely on any of them. The records of the hotel indicate that Mr. and Mrs. William Day of Los Angeles, California, registered at this hotel on July 8, 1933, remaining only one night. On December 28, 1933, Mr. Burke called the Detroit Division office and advised Special Agent in Charge, Larson, that he had ascertained that the William Day referred to above is presently residing at the Wardell Apartment Hotel.

Special Agent in Charge Larson, through contacting the Manager of the Wardell Apartment Hotel, had an opportunity to see William Day, and it was definitely ascertained that Day is not Subject Galatas, as he does not resemble him in any way. On December 22, 1933, Charles Vogel communicated with this Agent, as a result of a note which had been left for him at the Fort Wayne Hotel, and was reinterviewed. He advised that he is unable to furnish any information relative to the personal history of either Subject Galatas or his wife, nor does he have information concerning any real estate held by him. He stated that he came to Detroit, Michigan, a little before Galatas left, and was not intimately acquainted with him or his wife; but from what he knows of Galatas, he was not a big gambler while in Detroit, and confined his gambling to horse-race betting, and frequented a Bookie establishment which was then located near the intersection of Cass Avenue and either Michigan or Grand River Avenue.

Vogel further stated that an individual by the name of Moran, first name unknown, but who is, no doubt, known to the Detroit Police Department, and who has been a book-maker in Detroit for years, might be able to furnish information concerning the personal history of Galatas and his wife. Moran's address is unknown to Vogel, but he stated that he is about 43 years of age. Vogel further advised that he intends to go to Florida about the first of the year, and, when asked for his address at that place, stated that he does not know where he will be, as he is not certain whether he will go to Miami or

Daytona Beach, but that he expects to return to Detroit, Michigan in the spring.

On January 2, 1934, Mr. Burke, Manager of the Whittier Hotel, communicated with Special Agent in Charge Larson, and advised that Mr. and Mrs. Vogel had checked out of the hotel, leaving no forwarding address, but stated that they were going to Miami, Florida.

In an effort to ascertain what connection Subject Galatas has, or had, with Room No. 1039 Penobscot Building, Special Agent Meekins interviewed Mr. Alfred Pomm, Building Manager, who, after searching his records, advised that Subject Galatas, under his true name or aliases, had never been a tenant in this building. He further stated that he knows Edward A. Attix, as a prominent attorney of high character; that on December 1, 1925, he personally rented room No. 1039 to Attix and another attorney by the name of Joseph E. Peck; that Peck died on February 28, 1928, and Attix has continued occupying this office. Mr. Pomm viewed the photograph of Subject Galatas, and advised that this individual is wholly unknown to him.

Mr. T. H. McMinn, Manager of the Lobby Cigar Store, who, upon viewing the photograph of Galatas, advised that he thinks he saw Galatas in the lobby as late as August or September, 1933, but was unable to furnish more definite details. Miss Helene O'Mara, lobby information operator, was shown the photograph of Subject Galatas, and advised that this individual is wholly unknown to her.

At the City of Detroit Board of Health, 3919 John R. Street, Special Agent Meekins advised that there was no birth record of Pat Cardella Sturney having been born on October 27, 1911. It was also ascertained that birth Records prior to 1914 are incomplete. Agent Meekins checked all birth records for White, male infants born in October, 1911, none of which appeared to suggest any information valuable to this investigation. The daily birth columns of the Detroit Free Press for October 27, 28 and 29, 1911 were checked by Agent Meekins without results. Agent Meekins also checked the City and County Treasurer's Office, where taxes on real estate are paid, and obtained the information that property is listed by block and lot numbers, and, in the absence of the description of the property, it is impractical to check for any real estate holdings of Subject Galatas.

George Walters, who was one of the signers of Galatas' application when he joined the Elks at Detroit, Michigan, is being watched by Lieutenant John Hoffman of the Special Investigation Squad, Detroit Police Department, and this source of information has been unproductive of results. At the time Subject Galatas filed application for admittance to the Elks, he gave as a reference one Harold Schenfler, 135 N. Kitchenor. A check of the 1928-29 City Directory discloses that the premises at that address were occupied by one Harold F. Scheufler, who, no doubt, is the same individual. Efforts will be made to obtain Scheufler's present address, and he will be interviewed for information relative to Galatas.

Referring to the letter from the Kansas City Division Office, addressed to the Director, dated December 21, 1933, which lists the names of individuals who recommended Subject Galatas to the Masonic Order, at Hot Springs, Arkansas, in this connection Agent interviewed Mr. Fred J. Lawrence, who is presently Secretary of Ashler Masonic Lodge #91, and resides at 60 Webb Ave. He advised that he is unable to recall ever recommending subject Galatas and upon viewing Galatas' photograph, advised that the face looked familiar, but he was unable to place it. He advised that he would have a check made of the records in his office in an effort to locate a letter to the Hot Springs Lodge, and would advise this office. It is to be noted that Mr. Lawrence is a quite elderly man, and has recently been in ill health, having suffered from an attack of pneumonia and bronchitis.

Through a check of the Detroit City Directory, it was ascertained that Roscoe W. Babcock had resided at 2000 Collingwood. At this address agent ascertained that Babcock had left Detroit, Michigan, about two years ago and his present address was unknown. Through neighborhood inquiries, it was learned that Babcock is a son-in-law of Dr. A. R. Munn, a dentist, with offices in the David Whitney Building, and who resides at 156 Connecticut. Dr. Munn advised that Roscoe W. Babcock is his son-in-law, and is residing presently in LeRoy, New York, where he is interested in a collection agency. It is Dr. Munn's opinion that Lee H. Cady, who also recommended Subject Galatas to the Masonic Order at Hot Springs, Arkansas, is also associated with Babcock at LeRoy, New York.

At the Kimball Piano Company, 15 East Grand River, it was ascertained that George W. Bourke, who formerly operated this store, is now practicing law, and has an office at 544 Buhl Building. Mr. George W. Bourke, residence address 22203 Grand River, upon being interviewed furnished the following facts in connection with subject Galatas. He advised that in 1912 he (Bourke) was employed at the Kimball Piano Store, and there was also employed at that time Lee H. Cady; that they were attending Detroit College of Law, and were quite friendly with Roscoe W. Babcock, who was also a student of law; that in 1913 all three (Bourke, Cady and Babcock) graduated from the Detroit College of Law, and he (Bourke) and Cady continued in the employ of the Kimball Piano Store, and in time became the owners of the business, which was operated as a partnership; that they had employed in the store a girl by the name of Elsie, whose last name he was unable to recall, but after considerable thought and suggestion that the name might be McFadden, he stated that although he is not positive, he is quite sure that this was the girl's last name; that in 1920 or 1921, Cady, his partner, married this girl employee, Elsie McFadden, and that they now have three or four children; that Elsie, prior to her marriage to Cady, was residing in Windsor, Ontario, Canada, and it is Mr. Bourke's impression that her home was originally in Chatham, Ontario, Canada; that after his partner, Cady, married Elsie McFadden he met several of her family relations, which included a married sister.

who resided in Windsor, Ontario, whose name is unknown, and another married sister, who is the wife of subject Richard Galatas; that Galatas' wife had previously been married, and Mr. Bourke is of the opinion that her first married name was Sturges, or a similar name. Mr. Bourke further advised that through this relation on the part of his partner, Cady, Galatas frequently visited their store and always appeared to have plenty of money, which he stated he had won on horse races, and that, although Galatas was not intimately known to him, at the instance of his partner, Cady, he recommended Galatas to the Masonic Order at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and stated that, although Galatas had not greatly impressed him, he knew nothing against him; further that in 1929 he purchased Cady's interest in the store and for a short time thereafter Cady managed for him an outlet at 4501 Hamilton.

Mr. Bourke advised that Roscoe W. Babcock, after graduating from the Detroit College of Law in 1913, entered the constructing and building business and for several years was quite a successful contractor; but that in 1929, as a result of the financial crisis, he lost most of his holdings and was practically without funds; that about 1930, Cady and Babcock left Detroit, Michigan, and he later heard from Cady about a year ago, at which time he was operating a collection agency at Canisteo, New York; and although he has not heard from him since that time, he expressed the opinion that if Babcock is now in LeRoy, New York, that Cady is there with him.

Mr. Bourke further advised that after Cady's marriage to Elsie McFadden his (Cady's) mother-in-law, that is, his wife's mother, who is also the mother-in-law of subject Galatas, resided with Cady and his wife at Detroit, Mich., and that she departed from Detroit with Cady and his wife. In this connection it is interesting to note, as set out in report of Special Agent W. F. Trainor, Kansas City, Mo., dated December 8, 1933, page 6, that the mother of Mrs. Elizabeth Sturney Galatas was said by parties in Hot Springs, Ark., to be a Mrs. McFadden and to have visited for nine or ten months with Mrs. Galatas in Hot Springs, Ark., immediately prior to and up to June 17, 1933, and it is apparent that she might have left Hot Springs with subject Galatas and his wife on the date of their flight after the instant massacre. In this connection it is also set out on page 6 of Agent Trainor's report that Mrs. Elizabeth Sturney Galatas is said also to have a married sister with several small children, who visited her on various occasions at Hot Springs, Ark., and who is believed to come from Detroit, Michigan. At the time of this writing, it would seem to be a fair presumption that the married sister referred to above is Mrs. Cady.

Mr. Bourke further advised that Cady has always been a very respectable and dependable individual and he feels that Cady will furnish all information in his possession concerning subject Galatas and a personal history of his wife. Mr. Bourke further stated that on one occasion several years ago, he accompanied by Cady and his (Cady's) wife, visited Cady's wife's

married sister who resided in Windsor, Ontario, Canada, and whose name he is unable to recall, and that should Cady refuse to cooperate in this matter, he would visit Windsor in an effort to locate the apartment house in which the sister of Cady's wife resided, which he knows to be in the north-east section of Windsor, and that he will willingly cooperate with this Division in any way possible in locating subject Galatas.

In connection with Roscoe W. Babcock, Mr. Bourke advised that it is his opinion that subject Galatas is not intimately known to Babcock and that the recommendation on behalf of Galatas, which was forwarded by Babcock to the Masonic Lodge at Hot Springs, Ark., was forwarded through Babcock's friendly relations with Cady, rather than his intimate acquaintance with Galatas. Mr. Bourke further advised that Babcock is a very respectable individual and he is positive will furnish all information in his possession relative to subject Galatas.

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

Dear Sir:

IN RE: VERNON C. MILLER (DECEASED) ET AL
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER
KANSAS CITY FILE 62-760-

Reference is made to pages 12 and 13 of the report by Special Agent O. C. Hall, dated at St. Paul, Minnesota, December 7, 1933, where discussion is had of one Gus Nichols, a prisoner in the Minnesota State Penitentiary at Stillwater.

Mr. A. P. Sanderson, Narcotic Agent in the U. S. Treasury Department, Kansas City, Missouri, who has previously furnished information regarding Nichols, appeared at this office today and submitted an English translation of a letter received by him through the sister-in-law of Gus Nichols, residing in Kansas City, Missouri. The letter is quoted for your information as follows:

Stillwater, Minn.
December 30, 1933.

Sister Bessie: hello, I am well hope this will find the same. Some days past I received your letter and read its contents therein. In my last letter I told you to send me the initials of Mr. Sandereon and his address, because I have forgotten and you failed to do so. Well, it don't matter now as his address it is not written clear, but any way it don't matter so much, because whatever I want to write to him and tell him in the letter I would write it herewith to you and you can tell him the same thing.
I am informing you that my case is comming up before the board of pardon and this month I have made out my papers and already have submitted to them last week, and the board is meeting on the tenth of each month,- (January 10th). Well, you make every effort to see Mr. Sanderson as soon as possible so he can notify the U.S.Prosecuting Attorney at St. Paul so he would claim me and I be turned

over to the Government Authorities, and tell Mr.Sanderson that I will assist the Government plenty in many things that the Government is interested in, also as to the case which I have wanted to talk to him I know every thing, as well as many other crimes that the Government is interested in.- If I would be released from here tell him to have the Government demand me and send some one here to get me, and on way to Levenworth at Kansas City I can meet him and I will talk to him if he want me to, so don't lose time tell him to make it as possible as he can so I can be turned over to the Government, and tell Mr. Sanderson to pay attention to this matter as he knows that I don't talk foolishness and to every body. Give this letter to Mr. Sanderson so he can read so he understand just what I mean.

I have no other news to inform you, give my regards to the children, I am;

Your brother,

(Signed:) Gus Nichols.

Mr. Sanderson advised that Nichols has already been convicted in the Federal Court, at Kansas City, Missouri, on a narcotic charge, but that he has not served said sentence due to the fact that he was at liberty under bond at the time he was apprehended in Minnesota and subsequently sentenced to the State Penitentiary where he is now serving. Mr. Sanderson believes that there has been a detainer filed against the release of Nichols based upon the Federal conviction. However, he is not sure what the records at the State Penitentiary will show. He desires to have Nichols brought to Leavenworth, Kansas, on Federal removal process at such time that he is released from the Minnesota State Penitentiary, and to this end it appears that it will be of advantage for this Division to ascertain the status of the detainer now in force.

Mr. Sanderson believes that Nichols is very willing to cooperate with him in furnishing information which may aid in a solution of the instant case. As noted in the letter written by prisoner Nichols, he intimates that he can be of service. In view of the fact that Nichols has not been interviewed in the past because of the regulations at the Minnesota State Penitentiary making it impossible to interview him privately, an interview such as Nichols suggests in his letter would seem advantageous.

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Kindly give this matter your immediate attention and advise what detainers are now in force as to this prisoner.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR, ACTING
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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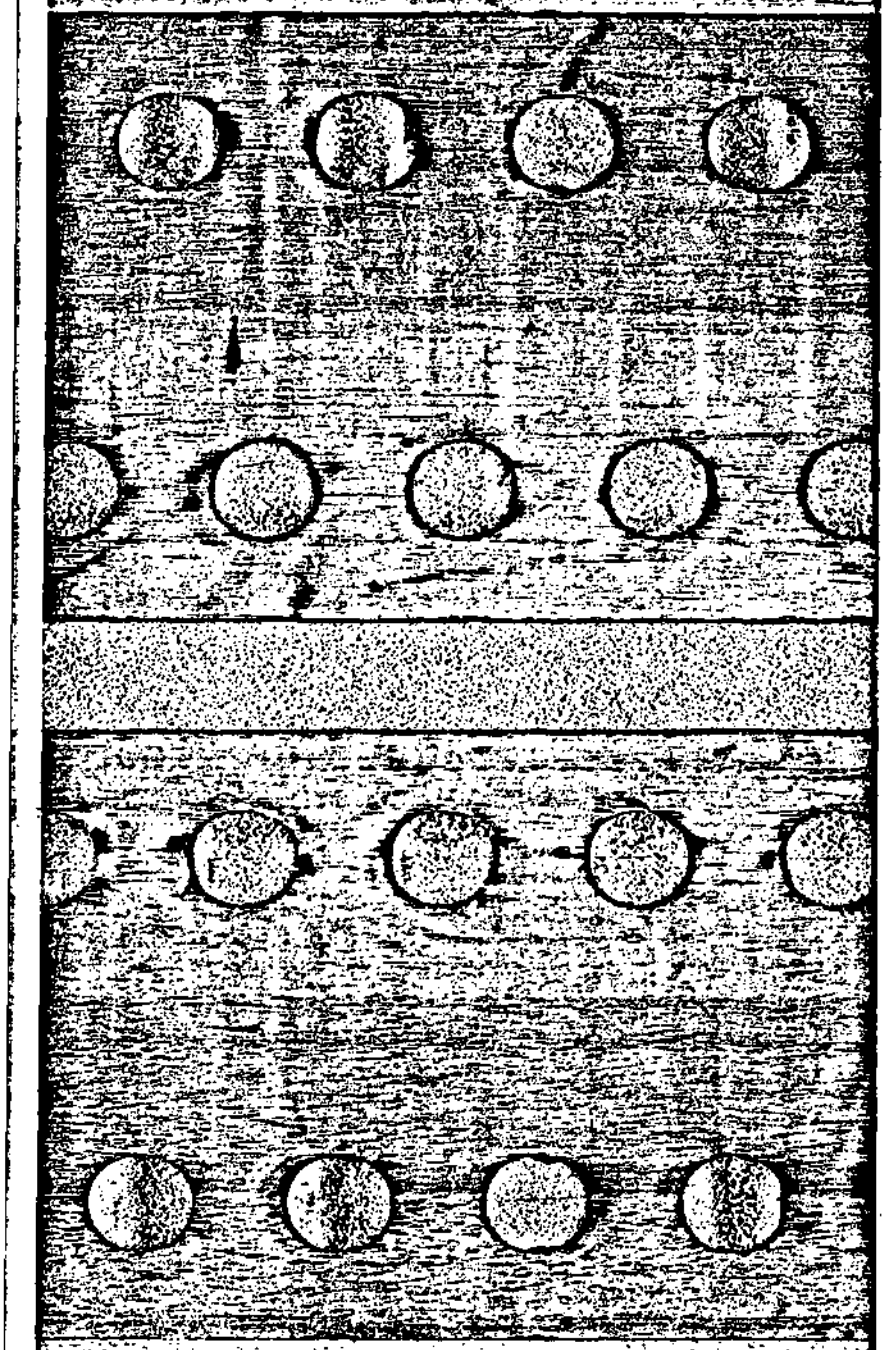

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

With reference to the attached suggestion that we proceed with the investigation looking toward the indictment of Tom Carney and one Bob Trout on a charge of harboring the fugitive Galatas, I talked to Agent in Charge Conroy, of Kansas City, who states that they have absolutely no evidence to warrant the arrest or indictment of either Carney or Trout on this charge. Carney admits having seen Galatas around the first of August, at which time he states they knew nothing whatsoever of any charges against him. Trout does not recall when he saw Galatas. He drove Galatas' Cadillac car to Hot Springs in August at the instruction of Carney.

The Kansas City Office is proceeding with the investigation and if evidence is discovered which will warrant action against either of these individuals, appropriate action will be taken.

Respectfully,

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Special Agent in Charge Conroy called on the afternoon of the 23rd instant and suggested the possible desirability of having warrants issued against Tom Carney and Bob Trout on a charge of harboring a fugitive, namely, Nick Galatas.

Conroy stated he was going to St. Louis over the holiday and would confer with Agent in Charge Ladd. I suggested that after his talk with Ladd and the further development of the matter at St. Louis and prior to issuing any process for either Carney or Trout, he again advise the Division. He stated he would do so.

Carney is the gambler who has been a sort of go between for Galatas. Trout drove the Cadillac car of Galatas from St. Louis to Hot Springs only last week.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Special Agent Spear, at Kansas City, called on the telephone and advised that he was glad to receive the information from me the night before to the effect that overtures had been made by Galatas to surrender. Agent Spear stated that he had made casual inquiry at Kansas City and could ascertain nothing particularly significant of the inquiry made by the correspondent of the Kansas City Post of the Division last night for a photograph of Galatas. Agent Spear stated that he had not been advised of the several overtures made by Galatas and felt that they ought to be kept advised at Kansas City, to which I fully agreed. He inquired about using Agent Andersen, who is at Memphis on a lead in the Galatas case. I told him that I felt Agent Andersen ought to return to Little Rock where he had been designated to go to make an investigation there, along with Agents of the Oklahoma City Office, looking toward the apprehension of Galatas. I stated that Agent Brantley would probably arrive in Oklahoma City within three or four days, at which time he was to assume charge of the investigation looking toward this apprehension.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes.

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Mr. Lester.....
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Special Agent Deaderick called in the morning and in the afternoon of January 4th from Shawnee, Oklahoma and each time referred to the fact that Underhill seemed to be gaining in strength. In the morning I suggested that he confer with the doctors and if they thought that Underhill could be moved to promptly advise us. When he called in the afternoon he stated that he had conferred with the doctors, who had removed a .45 bullet from Underhill's side and they did not know just what the reaction would be and, therefore, could not permit him to be moved for a short time.

This morning Agent Deaderick called and stated that Underhill seemed to continue to gain strength and the doctors felt that if he had a good day he might be moved tomorrow morning. However, the doctors were to let Agent Deaderick know this afternoon. I told Deaderick to contact Agent in Charge Colvin and have him contact the Warden at McAlester, so that if the doctors are agreeable to moving Underhill arrangements can be made to move him the first thing tomorrow morning. Agent Deaderick stated he would do this immediately and would advise after 4 o'clock this afternoon of the final arrangements.

I also requested Agent Deaderick to request Special Agent in Charge Colvin, while talking to him, to send a night letter to the Division giving the names of the persons present and the details surrounding the marriage of Underhill several weeks ago.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes.

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MEMORANDUM

Mr. Rex Collier of the Washington Evening Star telephoned. He stated he plans to write a feature story for the Sunday Star regarding Galatas - the last man wanted, etc. I told him I saw no objection to such a story. He advised that Mr. Connor of the Chicago Daily News is also planning to write a similar story.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

NATHAN TOLSON FILE

On Saturday, the 30th ultimo, when we received word of the capture of Wilbur C. Underhill at Shawnee, Oklahoma, I endeavored to contact Special Agent in Charge Colvin, who had advised the clerk over the telephone that he was departing from Shawnee for Oklahoma City, where he would arrive about 11:00 o'clock, this being 12:00 o'clock Eastern time.

Being unsuccessful in locating Colvin, I finally was able to reach Special Agent Edgar at the Municipal Hospital at Shawnee. This Agent, however, could give me no intimate details of the gun battle and stated that Agent Frank Smith was somewhere in the hospital, that he and Smith were left as guards and Mr. Colvin had gone back to Oklahoma City.

About 1:00 o'clock, Special Agent in Charge Colvin called and advised the details of the capture, as since appear in his letter of December 31, 1933, which is attached. He stated that he had been engaged in placing under arrest George and Lon Johnson at whose home Underhill had stopped on several occasions during the past week. At this time I instructed Special Agent in Charge Colvin to return to Shawnee and to keep the Division advised by telephone of developments.

On the following morning, Colvin advised that there seemed nothing further for him to do at Shawnee as he had placed a guard of four agents at the hospital, two each on shifts of 12 hours and as he had left a sick bed to make the raid, he felt he ought to go back home to take care of his cold. He was authorized to return to his home.

On the morning of January 1, 1934, Colvin called Mr. Tolson and advised that some anonymous telephone calls had been received by the hospital advising that the gang was going to get Underhill and the hospital was desirous of having him moved. I later talked to Colvin who affirmed this fact and stated that the doctors at the hospital would give him no opinion over the telephone as to whether Underhill could be removed at this time and had requested him to proceed to Shawnee.

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He thereupon proceeded to Shawnee and after his arrival at Shawnee I again talked with Colvin, who stated that the doctors would not say that Underhill could be moved although they were willing that we should move him if we desired. They stated confidentially, however, that if it weren't Underhill, they would not permit his being moved as the move probably would be fatal to him.

Colvin at this time stated the doctors felt that Underhill might not last through the night. He further stated that it would be impossible to move Underhill that day because it had not been decided where they would move him; that the Warden of the State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma previously advised him he was ready to take him off of his hands as he is wanted at McAlester to serve a life sentence. It appears that the Attorney General for the State of Kansas had called at Shawnee on the afternoon of the 1st, thinking that he would have Underhill immediately removed to Lansing, Kansas where he is also wanted to serve a life sentence. The Attorney General was advised that it would be necessary to contact Special Agent in Charge Colvin and had apparently passed Colvin enroute to Shawnee.

To-day at noon I understand that Special Agent in Charge Colvin called you, at which time he was instructed to make immediate arrangements to have Underhill removed and he should advise the Kansas and Oklahoma authorities that they must settle between themselves as to which State is to have him.

Shortly after your conversation, I called Colvin on the telephone. He stated he had talked to the Attorney General of Kansas, who was satisfied to permit the Warden of the McAlester Penitentiary to take Underwood. Further, that he communicated with the Warden, who was on his way to Shawnee and expected to arrive at 3:00 o'clock. The Warden is taking an ambulance in order to remove Underhill. Colvin told him that you had instructed him to escort Underhill with the proper guard to the penitentiary and he had prepared to do that.

I instructed Colvin to advise the Director promptly by telephone when all arrangements had been made and the actual time of leaving Shawnee; also to again notify the Director of the time of arrival when Underhill was safely in the penitentiary.

I inquired of Colvin as to the correctness of a rumor

to the effect that Eva May Nichols, the woman who was slain, had been killed by Underhill because of the fact that her husband had informed us of Underhill's whereabouts. Colvin stated that he had no idea there was any truth whatever in this rumor and that Eva May Nichols is well known in that section. As a matter of fact, she was in bed with Ralph Rowe in a room that was dark and while Colvin did not know of the informant's personal history, he felt quite certain that the informant was in no way related to the Nichols woman.

He will look into this and advise further. He stated, however, there was no opportunity of making any ballistics test to determine what bullets killed Eva May Nichols as she has been buried.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes.

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U. S. Department of Justice
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
Bureau of Investigation

224 Federal Building
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
December 31, 1933

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

Dear Sir:

In re: Verne C. Miller, deceased, et al
Richard Tallman Galatas, Fugitive;
Wilbur C. Underhill, Fugitive;
Obstruction of Justice.

With reference to the above entitled case, this office has been receiving almost daily information as to the activities of Wilbur C. Underhill, it being quite apparent that he was openly and brazenly operating in the vicinity of Oklahoma City and surrounding territory. As a matter of practical economy, it was manifestly impossible to follow up all the various "hot leads" as to his whereabouts. It was also practically useless to try to apprehend him through maintaing surveillance of his known relatives. He at last became so brazen that on November 18, 1933, he openly under his own name married Hazel Hudson, alias Beatrice Hudson, nee Hazel Jarrett, sister of the notorious Jarrett brothers, outlaws of Oklahoma, at Coalgate, Oklahoma, and used as his best man and witness, Bruce Merrill Brady, brother of the notorious Bob Brady. The writer concluded that the only successful plan of apprehension of this notorious fugitive would be through the services of an undercover informant who, if the proper one were secured, would be able to put Underhill on the spot.

To this end, on November 17, 1933, through City Detective Lieutenant C. O. Hurt and his partner, Charles Mickey Ryan, City Detective, the writer contacted an ex-convict who for the present will be known as Jack Hughes, who had served time with Underhill at the McAlester Penitentiary, and who stated that he believed he still remained in the good graces of Underhill and who also has a wide acquaintance among other ex-convicts from McAlester. This informant stated that he believed he could put Underhill on the spot and would be willing to assist the Government to that end for any rewards which might be offered

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or guaranteed in the matter.

I conferred with Mr. Joe Anderson, a private detective presently in the employ of the Governor of Kansas and with a Mr. Smith Assistant Attorney General of Kansas, whose initials are to the writer unremembered, and ascertained from them that the Governor of Kansas would pay $350.00 for the capture of Underhill, dead or alive. With this information and with a verbal understand[illegible]ith the Director while the writer was in Washington the first part of November, Agent further promised to the Informant that the Government would pay the sum of $500.00 for the information which would lead to the apprehension of Underhill. Informant did not ask any advance except small sums of money for expenses and a car to be used in his travels. In this connection, the writer advanced him $5.00 and Agent Frank S. Smith has from time to time advanced the informant small sums of money totalling approximately $20.00. Through the cooperation of John Watt, Chief of Police, informant was provided with an old automobile and has several times contacted Wilbur Underhill, but was never able to get the word to this office in time for action. I last conferred with this informant together with Agent Frank Smith on Christmas day, at which time the informant was without an automobile, the old one with which he had been furnished having broken down. The informant was directed to continue his efforts and on the 29th of December was furnished with another automobile. I arranged to have Agent Frank Smith handle all direct contacts with the informant as he lived in the immediate vicinity of where Agent Smith resides. Also on Christmas day, I suggested to the informant that Shawnee, Oklahoma, appeared to me to be the most logical spot where Underhill had more or less a permanent hide-away, further informing that he appeared to show up there more frequently than any other place.

At 11:40 P. M., on December 29, I received a telephone call from Agent Smith who advised that the informant had just phoned him from Shawnee, Oklahoma, 43 miles from Oklahoma City, to the effect that Underhill, his wife Hazel Jarrett Underhill, and Ford Bradshaw, another notorious Oklahoma bank robber, were then in the house at Shawnee. The informant requested Agent Smith to have the Chief of Police at Shawnee lock him and his companion up immediately in order to avoid suspicion and so that the informant might remain in Shawnee, under proper care, until we could arrive and at which time he would give us definite information. Acting as per suggestion, Agent Smith had the night Chief of Police at Shawnee lock informant and his companion, who developed to be Lon Johnson, up. Immediately upon receiving this word, Agent proceeded to organize a posse consisting of about four deputies from the

Sheriff's Office at Oklahoma City, lead by W. I. Eades, Chief Deputy; Detective Lieutenant Clarence Hurt and Detectives Charles Mickey Ryan and Bryce of the Oklahoma City Police Department. These officers together with the writer and Special Agents Frank Smith, K. D. Deaderick, Paul Hansen, J. M. Edgar, T. M. Birch, and G. H. Franklin, proceeded immediately by automobile to Shawnee, Oklahoma, where we arrived about 1:20 A. M., on the 30th, immediately conferring with Frank Bryant, night Chief of Police at Shawnee; after which it was determined expedient to ascertain as nearly as possible who might be in the house where the informant had reported that Underhill was located. To this end, the informant accompanied by Mr. Bryant and C. O. Hurt made a reconnaissance and determined that the house was 606 Dewey Street and at which time it was observed that the house was fully lighted, but with all blinds drawn. The informant had reported that when he had left the place at about 9:45 P. M., Underhill's car was standing on the driveway between the house and the garage the doors of which were standing wide open. When the second trip was made, it was observed that the garage doors were closed and the car not in sight. It was also determined by this time that the house was originally rented by one Hatley Smith, well known insurance man of Shawnee, but that he had sub-let it to persons whose identity was not established at that time. It was also ascertained that the house had been under observation by the Shawnee Police for some weeks owing to suspicious activities thereat.

With this information, it was decided to raid the place at once and the officers present were divided into two squads, who proceeded together to within a block and a half of the place where we left our automobiles. The writer, Agents Smith, Deaderick and Hansen with Detectives Hurt, Ryan and Bryce, approached the house from the rear while Agents Franklin, Edgar, and Birch, accompanied by night Chief of Police Frank Bryant and Deputy Sheriff Eades and the other deputies from the Oklahoma City Sheriff's Office, approached the house obliquely from the front. The writer and the other officers above mentioned approached obliquely from the rear, this precaution being taken in order to obviate the possibility of getting caught in a cross fire. As we neared the house, a dog began barking furiously, which hastened our approach to the rear of the house, at which time it was observed that the shades on the two rear bedroom windows were up all the way and a light burning brightly in the rear bedroom. Upon nearer approach, Underhill was seen standing inside dressed only in a long suit of underclothes and apparently just about to retire, Fearing that he would be alarmed by the barking of the dog, the writer accompanied by Lieutenant Hurt immediately rushed forward to the rear window at which time Hurt shouted, "Wilbur, throw up your hands. It is the Law."

Underhill appeared taken by surprise and made a motion as though to comply, but suddenly whirled as to pick up his guns. At this juncture Hurt discharged a tear-gas shell through the window and the writer fired directly at Underhill three times with a Thompson Machine Gun, and at the first or second shot, Underhill fell to the floor and the writer and Hurt backed away from the building as we were at that moment in a possible line of fire from the front of the house, which was only a shell frame. We could not see Underhill any more and firing then broke out from the other officers in front of the house about the same time that Underhill's guns began to bark from the rear window. However, it is difficult to state definitely the exact order of the firing. The firing then began generally into the house from both the front and the rear and additional gas shells were fired into the house on the front. It afterwards developed that almost immediately after Hurt and the writer fired the first shots from the rear of the house that Underhill turned and ran through the other darkened rooms and out the front door, clad only in his underclothes and being bare footed. A number of shots were fired at him from the front of the house where Agents Franklin, Birch and Edgar were with shot guns and at which time Agent Birch fired six shots from the Browning Automatic Shotgun and Underhill was seen to fall twice and each time recovered his footing and turned between two houses some two or three doors South. It was impossible and unsafe for anyone to follow him then on account of the continuous firing being poured in that direction from the other officers. It was some moments before the writer discovered that he had left the house. In the meantime, we shouted for the other occupants of the house to come out, and one Raymond Rowe, alias Ralph Rowe, crawled out of the front door being blinded by gas and unable to stand erect, having been shot through the elbow and top of the shoulder and stating that he was paralyzed and could not get up. Also, another woman came screaming out of the house and fell on the lawn in front of the house. About this time, Hazel Underhill showed up in the light in the back bedroom and Clarence Hurt called her by name and told her to come out immediately. She recognized Hurt and stated that she would surrender. Apparently she had become overcome by the gas and had lain on the bed during this interval of continuous firing. She came out and was taken into custody. Rowe, and the other woman who developed to be Eva May Nichols, a beauty parlor operator from Seminole, Oklahoma, were placed in an ambulance and taken to the hospital.

The writer and most of the other Division Agents immediately scattered throughout the immediate neighborhood with flashlights and cars endeavoring to pick up the trail of Underhill, but were unable to do so. Also, a call was placed immediately to the State Penitentiary at McAlester asking for blood hounds which, however, did not arrive until 6:45 A. M., McAlester being some 100 miles away.

During all this interval, officers in cars and on foot and otherwise continued scouting the vicinity for a radius of a mile or two. It was raining and very foggy. It was at this time practically certain that Underhill had been badly wounded and it was felt that he could not proceed very far.

As above stated, the blood hounds arrived at 6:45 A. M., and immediately efforts were made to have them pick up the scent, there having been found a place where he had fallen face downward in the mud and also a place where there was a a small spot of blood. At this point, the hounds appeared just about to start off when a police car rushed up and announced that Underhill was in the City Hospital.

It was later discovered that Sheriff Stanley Rogers and several other officers from Oklahoma City, in response to a telephone call for assistance, had just arrived and were almost at the point of leaving the Police Station when a motorcycle officersnamed Bill McKenzie who was the only officer left on duty at the station, rushed out and told Sheriff Rogers that he knew where Underhill was and said, "Let's go." They proceeded to 509 East Main Street, Shawnee, which is a second-hand furniture store owned by R. E. Owens, where Underhill was found in bed in a back room almost unconscious.

It develbped that Owens, the owner of the furniture store, had notified McKenzie of the whereabouts of Underhill. This place is some 16 blocks from the scene of the gun fight and everyone of experience who has seen Underhill since he was shot is unable to understand how it was possible for him to have proceeded so far on foot. It also developed that Owens is also an ex-convict who served time at McAlester with Underhill and there, Underhill evidently knew exactly where he was headed for when he fled. It appears, however, that since Owens immediately reported the presence of Underhill in his house, that there will be no justification of procedure against him. The fact that Underhill was actually taken into custody by Sheriff Rogers and his fellow officers undoubtedly led to the Associated Press report that he had been captured by police officers.

Underhill did not attempt to deny his identity. He is in very grave condition, but has talked a great deal. He thought he was dying and under such conditions postively asserted to Agent Frank Smith that neither he nor Harvey Bailey had anything to do with the Kansas City massacre.

He stated that at that time, he and Bailey were in Oklahoma City where he was attending Bailey's wounds received at the time of their escape from Lansing. This statement, made under such conditions, is believed to be true as he offered to produce credible witnesses to prove the fact.

It further developed that the woman, Eva May Nichols, recently divorced wife of Bert Epple, Seminole, Oklahoma, and also previously divorced from someone else, had come from Seminole at about 11:00 o'clock that night with Ralph Rowe, an ex-convict and for whom warrants are outstanding at Ardmore, Oklahoma on a charge of running down a pedestrian and for whom it is understood that there is a warrant also outstanding at Fort Smith, Arkansas on a charge of kidnaping, the latter charge not coming within the provisions of the Federal Kidnaping Law, the full details not have been learned, was shot twice through the abdomen and once through the foot. Rowe was also shot high up through the right shoulder and through the left elbow. His wounds are not serious. He is also reputed to be wanted at Okmulgee and Cushing, Oklahoma, on charges of high-jacking and efforts are now being made to identify him in those matters.

At 6:20 A. M., December 31, 1933, the woman, Eva May Nichols, died.

Agent conferred with Chief of Police F. A. Budd, Shawnee, and requested him to take the matter up with the County Attorney relative to any inquiry the latter officer might desire to institute. Agent was advised by Mr. Budd that the Assistant County Attorney Wyatt had stated that no inquest would be necessary and that the local officers were well pleased with the outcome of the battle. Whereupon, Agent instructed the mortuary in charge of the body to release same to relatives.

It is reported that a number of guns were found in the house but Agent has been unable in the rush of matters to ascertain definitely just what guns were found, and at this time, the only guns which came into the possession of Division Agents is a shot gun which was found in the car of Underhill in the garage. No guns were found by Division Agents, as while we were out scouting around looking for Underhill, other officers entered the house.

Agent T. M. Birch, in examining Underhill's clothes, found in his coat pocket $5,300 worth of first mortgage collateral trust gold bonds of the Franklin Title and Trust Company.

The Daily Oklahoman informed the writer that they received a wire advising that bonds of these identical number and series were stolen at Frankfort, Kentucky. They are checking further by wire to ascertain the circumstances and date of theft.

Underhill further stated that there was $10,000 more bonds, but Agent was unable to get out of him where they were. He stated, however, at last that "I'll get them for you."

The wounds of Underhill, 13 in number, are more or less as follows: One bullet struck him on the left corner of the forehead plowing a grove around his head and cutting off the top of his ear, apparently made by a machine gun slug. Another wound entered a right side just above the liver and apparently emerged through the spine tearing a jagged hole upon its exit, apparently a 45 machine gun bullet. Another wound through right forearm, apparently a 45 machine gun bullet. Several buckshot entered his back, one being now apparently lodged just inside the skin on the front of the stomach. Other buckshot struck him on the left arm while one entered the right leg below the thigh. Another struck him in the left leg on the inside above the knee. The doctor, J. A. Walker, in charge of the municipal hospital at Shawnee, at first stated that it would be impossible for Underhill to live, but today, he appears somewhat improved, and the doctor is undecided as to the ultimate outcome. He states, however, that should it appear that Underhill might recover, he will tomorrow or the next day amputate Underhill's left arm.

Lon Johnson and brother, "Sleepy" Johnson, were conveyed to Oklahoma City and placed in jail. It is contemplated to file a complaint against them for harboring on account of the fact that Underhill has been a frequent visitor to their place and it can be proven. Agent contemplates also filing a complaint against Ralph Rowe, but is delaying in doing so in the hope that he may be identified in some Oklahoma high-jacking case in which event he could be prosecuted and given a much heavier sentence.

Hazel Underhill is being held without bond pending advice of the United States Attorney as to whether or not she may be charged with harboring her own husband.

This hurried letter is written at the request of Mr. Hughes in order that the Division may be advised as soon as possible of the high points in the capture of Underhill. Further details will be incorporated in a report to be submitted later.

Yours very truly,

R. H. Colvin,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Kansas City

Suite 1, Federal Building
Kansas City, Missouri
December 22, 1933

Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
224 Federal Building
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, Deceased, et al
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER

Information has come to the attention of this office that one Volna or Volley Davis, together with Fred Barker and Lloyd Barker, alias Doc Barker, Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis are probably implicated in the slayings of the instant case.

It is said that Davis served with Lloyd Barker and Frank Nash in the State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma. The date of his service there is not known and no personal history of the individual is available.

It is also said that Lloyd Barker served a part of a life sentence on a charge of murder in the State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma. No prison number or date of sentence is available to this office concerning Lloyd Barker.

It is requested that at your earliest convenience you endeavor to secure photographs and complete criminal records of Lloyd Barker and Volna Davis at the State Penitentiary, McAlester, Oklahoma, and forward same to the Kansas City office.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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January 6, 1934.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Hughes
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Lester
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NATHAN.

In connection with a carbon copy of a letter dated December 22, 1933, addressed from the Kansas City Office to the Oklahoma City Office concerning VOLNA DAVIS, FRED BARKER, and ALVIN KARPIS, with various aliases, who have been reported to the Kansas City Office as possibly implicated in the slayings in connection with the case entitled VERNON C. MILLER, Deceased, et al, Conspiracy To Deliver Federal Prisoner, you are advised a search of the fingerprint files of this Unit discloses criminal records of individuals who may possibly be identical with those named, as follows:

Loyd Barker, our file #432278.

As Loyd Barker alias Lloyd Anderson, #1916, arrested Police Department, Tulsa, Oklahoma, January 15, 1921, charge investigation.

His description at that time is as follows:

Sex	Male	Hair	Chestnut - medium
Age	23 years	Beard	Sandy
Height	5-6½	Eyes	Blue
Weight	150	Complexion	Florid.

As Lloyd Barker alias Lloyd Anderson, #17243, received U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, January 16, 1922, from Kansas City, Missouri, convicted of robbing U. S. Mail; sentenced to serve 25 years - minimum term to expire October 29, 1938 - eligible to parole May 15, 1930. No photograph of this individual appears in our files.

parole granted effective 7-16-34

Volney Davis, our file #400441.

As Volney Davis, #1025, Police Department, Tulsa, Oklahoma, arrested at Kansas City, Missouri, February 5, 1919, charge grand larceny; turned over to Tulsa County.

His description at that time is as follows:

Sex	Male	Hair	Dark blonde
Age	17	Eyes	Blue
Height	5-4	Complexion	Fair.
Weight	106		

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As Volney Davis alias V. E. Davis, #9849, received SP, McAlester, Oklahoma, September 28, 1919, from Tulsa, convicted of grand larceny; sentenced to 3 years.

As Volney Davis, #12808, received SP, McAlester, Oklahoma, February 3, 1923, from Tulsa, crime murder; sentance, life.

The following notations appear in our records:

"WANTED: Escaped 1-3-23, Oklahoma State Penitentiary.
Escaped 1-8-25, returned 1-25-25, from Kansas City, Missouri."

Two copies of the photograph of this individual as furnished by the McAlester, Oklahoma, institution are transmitted herewith.

The above information confirms that furnished Mr. Newby by telephone.

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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SUITE 1 FEDERAL BUILDING
KANSAS CITY

January 15, 1934.

Mr. H. K. Andersen,
Care Mc Gehee Hotel,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER (Deceased) ET AL
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER

There is transmitted herewith one copy of report by Special Agent D. L. Nicholson, dated at Detroit, Michigan, January 9, 1934, together with a copy of letter dated January 10, 1934, from the Detroit office addressed to the Division.

It is noted that Mr. Hughes of the Division expressed an opinion when conferred with telephonically from the Detroit office that you would make the necessary investigation in the vicinity of LeRoy, New York, where the wife of Galatas is presumed to have relatives nowresiding.

It is suggested that before proceeding on that angle of the investigation, you make appropriate contact with the Division by telephone and notify the Kansas City office. It is apparent that such investigation will depend upon results to be accomplished in the vicinity of Hot Springs, Arkansas, where you are now engaged.

A copy of the Detroit letter was transmitted to the Oklahoma City office today for your attention, that office having received originally one copy of the report of Agent Nicholson. It is noted, however, that you have now arrived at Little Rock, Arkansas.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

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224 Federal Bldg.,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma,
Jan. 12, 1934.

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AIR MAIL

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
411 United States Court House,
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

RE: Vernon C. Miller, with aliases (deceased),
Richard Tallman Galatas, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1201, et al
Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.

As requested by the Kansas City Division office, I am herewith enclosing two copies of photograph of Arthur H. Barker, alias "Doc" Barker, and three photographs of Volney Davis. The same number of photographs of these persons are also being forwarded to the Kansas City office with copies of this letter. The physical descriptions of these two persons, together with all information available as to their correspondents at the State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma, are submitted below.

As disclosed from the files of the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, "Doc" Barker had the following correspondents:

Father, Mr. G. E. Barker, 401 N. Cincinnati St., Tulsa, Okla.
Brother, Bert Barker, Muskogee, Okla.
Brother, Freddie Barker, Tulsa, Okla.
Friend, C. M. Hubbard, 1924 W. 21st St., Oklahoma City, Okla.
C. M. Hubbard, Harlinger, Texas
Wife, Mrs. Zdna Barker, Lindsay, Okla.
Jenice Branson, Madill, Okla.
C. J. Bridle, Pittsburg, Kansas
O. R. Porter, Stillwater, Okla.
Mary Hart, Bortan, Kentucky.

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The same records disclose the following correspondents relative to Volney Davis:

Mother, Mrs. Rodney Davis, 832 S. St. Louis, Tulsa, Okla.
Sister, Bertha Williams, 1011 S. Rockford, Tulsa, Okla.
Sister, Irene Davis, Coffeyville, Kansas
Sister, Mrs. Ruby Lamberson, Oxford, Kansas
Sister, Beulah Porter, Oklahoma City, Okla.
Friend, Henry Wood, Sepulpa, Okla.
Friend, Lulu Johnson, Leavenworth, Kansas.

The physical descriptions with criminal records relative to "Doc" Barker and Volney Davis, as obtained from the State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma, are as follows:

Arthur H. Barker, alias "Doc" Barker:

Age:	22 yrs. (1922)
Height:	5' 3 7/8"
Weight:	112 lbs.
Eyes:	Blue
Hair:	Chestnut brown
Build:	Medium
Color:	White
Teeth:	Irregular
Complexion:	Medium
Nativity:	Missouri
Occupation:	Oil.
Oklahoma State Pen. No.	11906
Criminal record:	Received Okla. State Pen., 2-10-22 from Tulsa County, Okla., for crime of murder; under sentence of life; paroled 9-10-32.
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Volney Davis:

Age:	21 yrs. (1923)
Height:	5' 8 3/4"
Weight:	123 lbs.
Eyes:	Blue
Hair:	Light chestnut
Build:	Slender
Complexion:	Fair
Teeth:	Good
Race:	White
Nativity:	Oklahoma
Occupation:	Printer
Residence:	Tulsa, Okla.
Okla. State Pen. No.	12808
Criminal record:	As Volney Davis, received Okla. State Penitentiary on 9-28-19 from Tulsa County, Okla., for crime of grand larceny; Under sentences of 3 yrs. and 1 yr.; transferred to Okla. State Reformatory, Granite, Okla., 7-15-20.

As Volney Davis, received Okla. State Penitentiary 2-3-23, from Tulsa County for crime of murder; under sentence of life; leave of absence 11-3-32.

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Very truly yours,

K. D. Deaderick, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc-Kansas City (Enc.)
cc-Division.

JAN 15 1934

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201 Liberty National Life Bldg.,
Birmingham, Alabama,
January 11, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
224 Federal Building,
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Re: Vernon C. Miller, with aliases (Deceased), et al
Obstruction of Justice (Endeavor to deliver
Federal Prisoner Frank Nash).

Dear Sir:

This office is in receipt of a memorandum from Special Agent [illegible] to the effect that he recently conversed [illegible] William B. Graham of Scott, Arkansas, who is a large planter and Deputy Sheriff.

Deputy Graham advises that he performed some work as an investigator for the Wm. J. Burns Detective Agency, and that he is quite well acquainted with several prisoners and former prisoners of Tucker Farm State Penitentiary, Little Rock, Arkansas, and that due to the fact that he has signed paroles for many of the above convicts they feel obligated to him; that he is quite certain that some of the convicts with whom he is in contact are acquainted with Richard Tallman Galatas, with aliases, or know persons who are acquainted with Galatas, and will be able to obtain information regarding his whereabouts; that he knows certain parties in Hot Springs, Arkansas who, he believes, can locate Galatas and would put him on the spot for a small reward.

Graham advised that he is seldom at Scott, Arkansas, but that he can often be contacted in care of Cassinelli's Restaurant at Little Rock, Ark.; that if an agent will contact him at Little Rock he will be glad to refer him to certain informants at Hot Springs and Tucker Farm.

The above is being furnished for your information with a view of contacting Graham at Little Rock, Arkansas.

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CC:St. Louis
CC:Chicago

Very truly yours,

J. H. HANSON, Acting
Special Agent in Charge

SUITE 1 FEDERAL BUILDING
KANSAS CITY

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY. January 12, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
224 Federal Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER(DECEASED)ET AL
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER

There is enclosed a copy of letter from the Detroit office addressed to the Division dated January 10, 1934.

It is noted that one copy of the report of Special Agent D. L. Nicholson dated at Detroit, Michigan, 1-9-34, was furnished the Oklahoma City office.

Kindly bring this letter and copy of Agent Nicholson's report to the attention of Agent Andersen, since it appears to be the desire of the Division that he conduct investigation at LeRoy, New York, and such other places in that vicinity where Galatas might be located, or valuable leads secured through relative of his wife.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

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Mr. Quinn
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SUITE L - FEDERAL BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI.
JANUARY 9, 1934.

Personal and Confidential

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

RE: VERNON C. MILLER (DECEASED) ET AL
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER

Dear Sir:

A copy of letter dated June 23, 1933 from the Director, together with a copy of enclosure, which is a letter of June 19, 1933, personal and confidential, to the Director from James C. Carter, Jr., Tompkinsville, Kentucky, are enclosed for your information.

A review of the file pertaining to Lyman Ford and others involved in the "Cherryvale Bank Robbery", namely, the Montgomery County National Bank, Cherryvale, Kansas case, fails to disclose any data pertaining to Frank Caruthers. Several months ago an extended inquiry was made by Special Agents Dwight Brantly and L. C. Turrou in an endeavor to locate Caruthers in Kansas City, but no trace whatever of the existence of such an individual could be found by those Agents.

There is found in the file of the Montgomery County National Bank case, a letter written in long-hand by Lyman Ford, dated November 24, 1926, which is quoted as follows:

> "This will introduce to you Mr. John J. Keating Special Agent of the U. S. Department of Justice. Tell him anything you know concerning the bonds ect, as to my dealings and what you know concerning Geo. H. West. Kathryn and myself are doing all we can to help the Government so anything you can do in the way of assisting will be appreciated by me"

The original of the above quoted letter is herewith transmitted to your office for perusal by Special Agent J. J. Keating, who may have a personal recollection of his contacts with the party known as "Frank", who may be identical with Caruthers.

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Recently Lyman Ford, who is now serving in the Kansas State Penitentiary at Lansing, proffered certain information which may prove valuable. It appears from the letter quoted herein that "Frank" may be an outside contact of Ford, and for this reason an endeavor will be made to utilize fully information of Ford or his outside contact.

It is requested that Agent Keating consider the information at hand and render confidentially a memorandum which may assist the Kansas City Office in further perusing this angle of the investigation.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR
ACTING SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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SUITE L - FEDERAL BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI.
JANUARY 9, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Division letter dated January 3, 1934, regarding voucher payable to Drive-It-Yourself-System, of Little Rock, Arkansas, in the amount of $120.96, for auto hire used by Special Agent H. E. Andersen.

The use of a hired automobile was absolutely essential in the above instance, in view of the fact that Special Agents H. E. Andersen and M. E. Marshall were engaged in making confidential inquiries in connection with the case entitled VERNON C. MILLER (DECEASED) ET AL, CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER.

It was necessary that the Agents make numerous confidential contacts in Hot Springs, Little Rock and Noble, Arkansas and vicinity, and that these contacts be made without knowledge of local officers. Common carrier was not available to all points covered in investigation, and an attempt to use common carrier would have resulted in injury to investigation.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR
ACTING SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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KANSAS CITY

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

January 11, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

In connection with the Union Station Plaza Massacre, Special Agent A. E. Farland of this office has been making frequent contacts at the United States Penitentiary and Penitentiary Annex at Leavenworth and Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, respectively, for information concerning the perpetrators of this crime.

Agent Farland advises me that, while at the Penitentiary Annex at Fort Leavenworth yesterday, he learned that Albert Bates, recently sentenced there upon his conviction in the Urschel kidnaping case, has been on a hunger strike for four days, this fact being known to the Warden of the penitentiary. It appears that the reason for this hunger strike on the part of Bates is the fact that he has been placed in solitary confinement, and all privileges have been taken away from him. Bates told Farland that he saw no reason why his privileges had been taken away from him, in view of the fact that he had not violated any prison rules, and if he is going to have to remain in prison for life, with his privileges taken away, he would "be taken out of the prison feet first."

Bates indicated to Agent Farland that he had no malice or hard feeling against the Warden, as he, Bates, believed the Warden was not personally responsible for Bates' privileges having been taken away from him.

This information is being furnished to you for whatever action you deem appropriate.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

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625 Lafayette Building
Detroit, Michigan
January 10,
1934

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

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased), et al.
Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Division letter dated 12/26/33 addressed to your office, copy of which was directed to this office, wherein it is requested that the Detroit office make appropriate inquiry in this district concerning possible gunshot wounds on the right side of Subject Miller's body, which were allegedly in evidence at the time the autopsy was performed on him.

Please be advised that this matter was taken up with Drs. Paul A. Klebba and D. W. Johnston, who performed the autopsy on Miller, neither of which recall having observed a wound of any kind on the right side of Miller's body. These doctors allege that unless the wound was quite permanent and/or appeared to be fresh, that their attention would not have been attracted to same, as they perform approximately 2,000 autopsies a year and in this case as in others they were concerned only in determining the cause of death, which from the deep wounds in Miller's skull, was apparent.

Inspector John I. Navarre of the Homicide Squad, Detroit Police Department, and one of his officers who was also present at the County Morgue in the city of Detroit when the autopsy was performed on Miller, claimed that while they inspected the latter's body, no gun shot or other wounds were observed by them on the right side of the body.

Very truly yours,

Wm. Larson
Special Agent in Charge

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1900 Bankers Bldg,
Chicago, Illinois
January 10, 1934

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Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Room 1405,
370 Lexington Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

DEPT. OF JUSTICE
DIVISION ONE
JAN 13 1934 AM

Dear Sir:- Re: VERNON C. MILLER (Deceased), et al,
Conspiracy to deliver Federal Prisoner

Transmitted herewith is copy of a letter from the Kansas City Office marked "Personal and Confidential", under date of January 9, 1934, together with the enclosures mentioned in the letter.

It is requested that the matter mentioned in this letter be discussed with Special Agent J. J. Keating in an effort to obtain information which may be helpful in locating one FRANK CARUTHERS.

Very truly yours,

M. H. [illegible],
Special Agent in Charge

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CC Division
CC Kansas City

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R. H. COLFIN
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
224 FEDERAL BUILDING
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA.

RE: VERNON C. MILLER(DECEASED)ET AL
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER

SECURE IMMEDIATELY FORWARD AIR MAIL PORTLAND OFFICE PHOTOGRAPHS

DESCRIPTIONS CRIMINAL RECORDS VOLNEY DAVIS AND ARTHUR R. BARKER

SEE REPORT TRAINOR DECEMBER TWENTY SEVENTH BARKER SERVED OKLAHOMA STATE PEN AND BELIEVED TULSA PD REGISTER SEVENTEEN FOUR SIX

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
Bureau of Investigation

224 Federal Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
January 10, 1934

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Division letter dated December 21, 1933, wherein a request is made to clarify the criminal record of Frank Nash, alias Charles B. Edgar.

Special Agent G. A. Stevens examined the records of the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, McAlester, Oklahoma, on December 28, 1933 and ascertained that W. F. Webber, No. 10426, was received by that institution on May 16, 1920 from Pottawatomie County, Oklahoma; charge, larceny of automobile; sentenced five years.

At Shawnee, Oklahoma Special Agent T. M. Birch ascertained that W. F. Webber was arrested on September 3, 1919 by F. A. Budd, patrolman of the Shawnee Police Department, for larceny of an automobile, at which time he received gunshot wounds in his leg and remained in the hospital and jail at Tecumseh, Oklahoma for about eight months; was tried in the State Courts and on a plea of guilty was sentenced to serve five years in McAlester Penitentiary.

There is no record of Frank Nash or Charles B. Edgar at Shawnee, Oklahoma. C. G. Pitman, who was County Attorney at the time, as well as Tully J. Darden, who was Sheriff of the County in 1919 and 1920, and F. A. Budd, who is at present Chief of Police at Shawnee, all informed they had no recollection of Nash or Edgar and were of the opinion that no one was connected with Webber in this matter; that so far as their records and memory were concerned, they have no knowledge of Frank Nash, as Charles B. Edgar, having been turned over to them by the Joplin, Mo. authorities.

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Very truly yours,

R. H. Colvin,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc-Kansas City.

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Mr. Bourke came in contact with Galatas at Detroit when Galatas frequently visited the store operated by Bourke and Cady, which was in 1929.

Very truly yours,

Wm. Larson,
Special Agent in Charge.

WL:bg
cc New York
cc Birmingham
cc Kansas City.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

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January 9, 1934.

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

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Special Agent in Charge Colvin called on the telephone on Sunday and advised that he had been informed by a confidential informant at Hot Springs, Arkansas, that Dick Galatas had communicated with him and had offered to surrender in the event that it would be promised to him that he would not be turned over to the Missouri authorities for prosecution on the murder charge; that he is willing to take his chances on the obstruction of justice charge. I told Colvin that I did not feel the Director would entertain any such suggestion, but nevertheless I would communicate with him. Subsequently, after talking with you, I called Colvin on Monday and advised him that you would make absolutely no terms with Galatas; that if he surrendered he was to surrender without any conditions attaching to the same. Orders have been issued that he is to be taken dead or alive.

Subsequently, on Monday, the 8th instant, Colvin called me on the telephone and stated that another approach had been made by Galatas through an informant of Agent Chipman; that this time Galatas stipulated that he would surrender without conditions other than that the surrender be in the presence of Chief of Detectives at Little Rock, Arkansas; that this Chief of Detectives would accompany him, together with our Agents, to Kansas City where he was to be placed in Federal custody. I told Agent Colvin that I felt the Director would not be opposed to the surrender before the Chief of Detectives at Little Rock, that is, after I had inquired of Colvin as to the character of this man. Colvin stated so far as he knew he was dependable. However, after talking the matter over with you, I again called Colvin and told him that the Division would make absolutely no terms with Galatas and that it would not agree to his surrendering to the Chief of Detectives at Little Rock; that if he wanted to surrender to us he would have to do so to us alone, preferably at Kansas City; that no harm would come to him if he surrendered, in so far as the Agents were concerned, but that if he did not surrender within forty-eight hours we would inaugurate an even more thorough search and would be prepared to take him dead or alive. Agent in Charge Colvin stated he would immediately get this word to Agent Chipman and to Chipman's informant.

Special Agent in Charge Larson called from Detroit at which time he stated that he had contacted an informant by the name of McGuire at Detroit who had shed some new light on the family history of Galatas. This call was previous to the call from Agent in Charge Colvin. Agent in Charge Larson stated that the maiden name of Galatas' wife is McFadden; that the wife's mother, Mrs. McFadden, lived for a time with her daughter and Galatas at Hot Springs but recently has

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been living at Le Roy, New York, which is between Buffalo and Rochester; that a man by the name of Cady had married Elsie McFadden, another daughter and a sister-in-law to Galatas; that Cady is a substantial citizen now living at Le Roy, New York; that Mrs. McFadden, the mother-in-law of Galatas, is now living with Cady and his wife at Le Roy; that there is a possibility that they may know of the whereabouts of Galatas, in fact there is a possibility that Galatas may be living with them. At any rate, the informant, McGuire, stated he felt most certain that Cady would be willing to cooperate 100% with the Division. Agent in Charge Larson is of the opinion that an Agent familiar with all the ramifications of this case, and particularly with the Galatas angle, should make the inquiries at Le Roy, New York.

Before Agent in Charge Conroy left Washington I talked with him and he suggested the advisability of having Agent Anderson proceed to Detroit for the purpose of following out certain leads there looking toward the location of Galatas. I told him at this time to consult Agent in Charge Larson when he proceeded to Detroit on the special matter to which he is now assigned and to advise the Division in the event he felt that Anderson should make that trip. Because of this talk with Conroy, I told Larson, while talking on the telephone on the 8th, that I thought Anderson would be the one to make inquiry at Le Roy, but did not know what arrangements had been made between Larson and Conroy for Anderson to proceed to Detroit. Larson did not know exactly what the final arrangement was but stated he had talked the matter over with Conroy and agreed with him but Conroy was to contact Anderson.

Subsequently in talking with Agent in Charge Conroy on the 8th instant, and after my talk with Larson, I inquired of Conroy relative to the arrangements for Anderson. He stated that Anderson is at the present in Montgomery, Alabama and from there he would go to Memphis, Tennessee and from that point he thought it would be advisable to have Anderson proceed to Detroit. However, Anderson was not to proceed until further arrangements had been made. I was going to suggest that we authorize Anderson to proceed to Detroit and Le Roy, New York immediately, but in view of Colvin's call and the possibility of Galatas surrendering I did not take that action. I believe unless we hear from Colvin today, however within the forty-eight hour period from yesterday, it would be well to have Anderson instructed to proceed on this New York angle.

Respectfully,

V. W. Hughes.

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January 23, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

In reply to your communication dated January 11, 1934, I am attaching the record revealed through a search of the identification files of this Division in the case of the following individual who is possibly identical with the person concerning whom you inquire:

Jack McCarty, alias Jack Sullivan, etc.,
our File #15737.

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Very truly yours,

Director.

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KANSAS CITY

January 11, 1934.

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

(3) 11178,

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Division letter dated January 8, 1934, addressed to the Oklahoma City office, in the case entitled Vernon C. Miller(Deceased),et al, Conspiracy to deliver Federal Prisoner, wherein Richard Tallman Galatas, Fugitive, I O 1201, is involved.

Please forward to the Kansas City office for the completion of the records criminal record of Jack Sullivan, with aliases, which was shown as enclosure 68103 to the Oklahoma City office.

The Oklahoma City office is requested to advise the connection of Sullivan for the information of this office.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 12, 1934.

Mr. Nathan	
Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Edwards	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Lester	
Mr. Locke	
Mr. Cowley	✓

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

In accordance with your request, I called Mr. Brantley at Phoenix, Arizona and advised him that the investigation concerning Galatas had taken on some rather unusual important aspects since his departure from Washington and that he should expedite his work at Phoenix and go to Little Rock as soon as possible; that, however, he should use his judgment depending upon the information obtained from Long. Mr. Brantley stated that he had not as yet interviewed Long, but would call the Division tomorrow and advise what information he had obtained and when he would be able to leave for Little Rock.

Mr. Brantley was also requested to communicate with Mr. Colvin by telephone to obtain all the pertinent facts in connection with the apprehension of Galatas and to advise Mr. Colvin that he was proceeding to Oklahoma and Arkansas to assist in this investigation.

Respectfully,

S. P. Cowley

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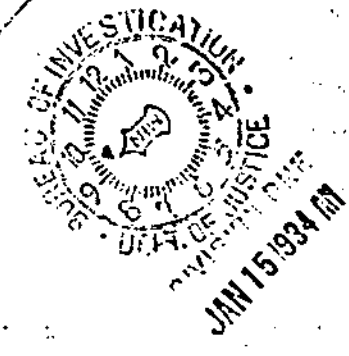

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KANSAS CITY

January 11, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER(Deceased), ET AL
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER.

Please refer to the letter from the Kansas City office dated January 9, 1934, requesting certain identification data relative to Arthur R. Barker.

It is ascertained that the Kansas City, Kansas, Police Register No. 1773 is not Arthur R. Barker. This information, as shown in the letter of January 9, was received from the Joplin, Missouri, Police Department, and evidently the data there shown may be entirely in error.

However, it is determined from numerous sources of information that Arthur R. Barker, alias "Doc" Barker, served a term in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at Mc Alester, on charges of murder, and was released therefrom either by pardon or parole within the last two years. It may be possible through the identification records received from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary to locate a record of this individual.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR, Acting
Special Agent in Charge

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January 18, 1934.

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

RE: VERNON C. MILLER (Deceased), et al.
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of January 11, 1934, concerning the above captioned case, your attention is invited to the Division's letter of January 15, 1934, enclosing the criminal record in the case of Arthur Barker, with aliases.

Reference is also made to your letter of January 15th, wherein you request the criminal record as to Arthur R. Barker. This is the record which was mailed you on January 15th.

As to Volney Davis and Harry Campbell, you will find enclosed duplicate copies of the records in the cases of these persons.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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KANSAS CITY

Director,
Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

January 13, 1934.

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases, (Deceased)
ET AL
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER

Dear Sir:

Kindly furnish the known criminal record of the following:

Name (inc. aliases)	City, Police Arrest, or Other Number.	Approximate Date Fingerprints forwarded Bureau of Investigation.	Fingerprint Classification.
Arthur R. Barker	State Penitentiary Mc Alester, Oklahoma- Register 11906.		
Volney Davis	Do	Do	12808
Harry Campbell	Do	Do	11056.

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Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Kansas City, Missouri — FILE NO. 62-410

REPORT MADE AT:	DATE WHEN MADE:	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE:	REPORT MADE BY:
DALLAS, TEXAS	1-11-34	1-10-34	C. H. WINSTEAD

TITLE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases, (DECEASED); RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases FUGITIVE, I.O. 1201; ROBERT G. BRADY, with aliases; HARVEY J. BAILEY, with aliases; ED DAVIS, with aliases, I. O. 1193; et al.

CHARACTER OF CASE: CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Mrs. Ed Davis, nee Loma Hale, now reported living in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and probably with Ed Davis, or her parents, Mr. L. Hale on "G" Street.

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent H. F. Trainor, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, 1-5-1934.

DETAILS:

At Longview, Texas

Deputy Sheriff Charlie Gant, Longview, stated that Loma Davis formerly lived on the Longview-Gladewater Highway, while Ed Davis was an escape from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, or was wanted in Oklahoma; that at one time she was living down about Arp, Texas and the Tyler, Texas Officers apprehended Davis down there with her.

Robert Elder, Gladewater-Longview Highway, c/o Texas-Boiler Works, stated that Loma Davis lived with him and Mrs. Elder about two years ago, for a few weeks, and then moved down near Kilgore, Texas, where she rented a tent and lived for a while; that she left down there about one and one-half years ago and he hasn't seen her since; that Loma Davis' maiden name was Loma Hale, and she has three brothers: O. C. Hale, (Mrs. Elder's father, who now works for the Heep Oil Company, Conroe, Texas), Cliff and Henry Hale who work for the I. T. O. Company or the Wirt Franklin Oil Company and live on "G" Street in Oklahoma City; that her (Loma Davis') father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Lee L. Hale, live in Oklahoma City, and they all receive mail on "G" Street, in care of Henry Hale; that his wife receives a letter occasionally from her Grandmother, Mrs. L. L. Hale, and the last they heard of Loma Davis she was in Oklahoma City; that he

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knew Ed Davis around Odessa and Big Spring, Texas, several years ago; that he (Davis) is no good and never made a home for Loma, and he (Robert Elder) would like to see Ed Davis caught; that during the Christmas Holidays he and Mrs. Elder visited Mrs. L. L. Chandler (Mrs. Elder's mother) at Odessa, Texas, and Mrs. Chandler told Mrs. Elder that Cliff Hale and his wife had been visiting in Burkburnett, Texas and told some one that Loma was with Ed Davis again, and Loma has tuberculosis.

Elder further stated that his wife just the day before said she was going to write and find out where Loma now is; that he will suggest that she write to Oklahoma City and try to ascertain Loma's whereabouts, and that if Deputy Sheriff Gant will keep in touch with him, as soon as he learns where Loma Davis is, he will advise Gant, who in turn will notify the Dallas Division Office.

Elder also added that Ed Davis may be in or come into the East Texas Oil Field, but he has not seen him since his escape from Lansing.

Mr. Doc Prince, Operator of the Prince Drilling Company, gives the Texas-Boiler Works considerable work, and Elder respects him. Mr. Prince is friendly toward Deputy Sheriff Gant, and Law Enforcement Officials. Gant will have Mr. Prince suggest to Elder that he assist in the location of Davis.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION OFFICE will endeavor to locate Davis through the above named relatives of Loma in Oklahoma City.

THE SAN ANTONIO DIVISION OFFICE at Conroe, Texas, will endeavor to locate the whereabouts of Loma Hale Davis through her brother O. C. Hale, without apprising him of the source of information.

THE DALLAS DIVISION OFFICE will report subsequent information received through Elder.

PENDING.

Encl. to San Antonio Office (reference report - 2 copies)

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SUITE L FEDERAL BUILDING
KANSAS CITY

January 13, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER(DECEASED)ET AL
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER

It is requested that WANTED NOTICES be placed in the Identification records of the Division for the following individuals:

Arthur R. Barker,	State Penitentiary, Mc Alester, Oklahoma -	Register 11906.
Volney Davis,	Do	" 12808.
Harry Campbell,	Do	" 11056.
Fred Barker,	State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas,	" 9836.
Alvin Karpis,	Do	" 1539.

These parties are important suspects in the above captioned matter. No process of arrest has been issued in this case for these individuals. Upon their arrest at any point, it is desired that this office be advised in order that they may be personally confronted for purposes of identification.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

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Oklahoma City, Okla.,
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Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Room 426, U. S. Customs House & Post Office Bldg.,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

RE: Vernon C. Miller, with aliases (Deceased)
Richard Tallman Galatas, with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1201, et al
Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.

One F. L. Clark, gambler of Hot Springs, Ark., was formerly closely connected with Richard Tallman Galatas at Hot Springs in the slot machine business, they having the concession by grace of the municipal authorities at Hot Springs to operate such machines in that city.

The manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company at Hot Springs has just sent me copies of two telegrams passed through that office. The first is dated Lexington, Kentucky, January 6, 1934, 3:12 P.M. and addressed to Frank Clark, Southern Club, Hot Springs, Ark. It reads "Have chance to place your machines Let me know at once", signed "Pete Smith". The other is an answer, dated at Hot Springs, January 6, 1934, addressed to Pete Smith, Lexington, Kentucky, reading "Wire just received. Interested Call me by phone 1500 eight thirty", signed "F. L. Clark".

The manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company was of the opinion that the above wire might possibly have been from Galatas and it is therefore requested that such investigation as may be practicable be made at Lexington, Kentucky, as to the sender and receiver of the above telegrams. I will endeavor to trace any telephone calls received at Hot Springs, Arkansas, which might be pertinent to this matter.

Very truly yours,

R. H. Colvin,
Special Agent in Charge.

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KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI.
JANUARY 10, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
411 United States Court House,
Portland, Oregon.

RE: VERNON C. MILLER (DECEASED) ET AL
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your telegram of January 10, 1934 pertaining to the above entitled case, wherein you requested to be furnished by Air Mail with photographs, descriptions and criminal records of Fred Barker, Lloyd Barker, Volley Davis, Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis, referred to in the report of Special Agent W. F. Treinor, dated at Kansas City, Missouri December 27, 1933, and also any additional information developed pertaining to this angle of the case.

It has been developed since the rendition of the report in question that Lloyd Barker is a brother of Fred Barker and is now serving in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, where he has been incarcerated for several years. The Joplin, Missouri Police Department has furnished the information that Arthur R. Barker uses the alias Doc Barker, and is the brother of Fred and Lloyd. Apparently Arthur R. Barker is the individual referred to as Doc Barker in the report in question. At this time the Kansas City Office is endeavoring to secure identification data concerning this individual. The Joplin, Missouri Police records are not complete as to Arthur R. Barker, although his fingerprint classification is there shown as $\frac{S\ U}{17\ U}\ \frac{00}{00}\ \frac{10.}{RR}$.

The Joplin Police furnished information that Arthur R. Barker's police register number at Tulsa, Oklahoma is 1746, and that he is Kansas City, Kansas police number 1773. An inquiry today at the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department developed that this information is erroneous, and Arthur R. Barker is not shown as having been arrested there. The same was found true at the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department. A telegram has been sent to the Oklahoma City Office requesting that an endeavor be made to secure photograph of Arthur R. Barker, since it is evident that he is the individual who served on the murder charge in the State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma. Reference was also made in the telegram to the possibility of his being Tulsa, Oklahoma police register number 1746.

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It is now developed through further inquiries at the Kansas State Penitentiary that the party formerly shown as Volley Davis is named Volney Davis, and that he also served in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester. The Oklahoma City Office has been requested to also endeavor to secure photograph of Volney Davis. That Office is requested to forward

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direct to you by Air Mail the photographs, descriptions and full criminal records of Arthur R. Barker and Volney Davis, if same are available. There are enclosed for your use photographs bearing fingerprints and full descriptions of Alvin Karpis and Fred Barker, which were published by the Sheriff at West Plains, Missouri, in the form of circulars with offer of $1,200.00 total rewards as to these parties, also two copies of the printed circular published by that Sheriff for these individuals offering the rewards are enclosed. It was ascertained on January 9th, telephonically, from the County Prosecutor at West Plains, Missouri that these rewards are still outstanding, and that Barker and Karpis would, no doubt, be convicted of first degree murder under the present status of the evidence at West Plains.

There is also enclosed a photograph of Harry Campbell, register number 1846, Tulsa, Oklahoma Police Department, which bears a full description of that individual.

For your information the Division has furnished the Kansas City Office with criminal records of Alvin Karpis and Fred Barker based upon fingerprint identification, as follows:

St. Ind. Ref., Hutchinson, Kans.	Alvin Karpis #7071	2-25-26	burg. 2nd degree	10 yrs.; escaped 3-9-29; ret. 3-25-30
PD, Kans. City, Mo.	Raymond Hadley #17908	3-25-30	lar. of auto and safe blower	
St. Ind. Ref., Hutchinson, Kans.	Alvin Karpis, #7071	3-25-30	escaped convict	
SP, Lansing, Kans.	Alvin Karpis, #1539	5-19-30 in trans. from St. Ind. Ref.	burg. 2nd degree	5 to 10 yrs.
PD, Tulsa, Okla.	George Haller, #8008	6-10-31	invest. - burg.	
PD, Okmulgee, Okla.	Alvin Korpis, #1609	6-10-31	burg.	to County

- Has a number of former arrests against him. (As on print #7071)
- 5 jail sentences in Florida for vagrancy. (As on print #7071)
  WANTED: As Alvin Karpis, for murder. Notify SO and PD, West Plains, Mo., per inf. recd. 1-2-32. Also notify Supt., Bureau of Identification, Tulsa, Okla. STILL WANTED, April 1932; STILL WANTED, per inf. recd. 5-12-32.
- WANTED: As Alvin Karpis, robbery (St. Bank, Ihlen, Minn. 6-9-33) Notify SO, Pipestone, Minn. and St. Bu., St. Paul, Minn., per inf. recd. 6-12-33.

This person was published as a fugitive in the monthly bulletin for January 1933 issued by this Division. (Wanted for murder as above).

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PD, Miami, Okla.	Fred Barker, #- -	9-8-22	Invest.	
PD, Tulsa, Okla.	Fred Barker, #3204	10-6-22	vag. (State chg.)	30 days City Jail
St. Ref., Granite, Okla.	Fred Barker, #4079	6-28-23	conjoint robbery	5 yrs.
PD, Okmulgee, Okla.	J. Darrows, #293	12-19-25	invest. - bank robbery	
PD, Little Rock, Ark.	Fred Barker, #3578	(date not given; fingerprinted 5-29-26)	fug. from justice	
PD, Ponca City, Okla.	F. C. Ward, # --	7-25-26	burg.	
PD, Winfield, Kans.	Ted Murphy, #--	11-8-26	burg. and lar. (2 counts)	
SP, Lansing, Kans.	Fred Barker, #9634	3-12-27	burg. 2nd degree	5 to 10 yrs.
PD, Tulsa, Okla.	Fred Barker, #3204	6-10-31	invest. - burg., car theft, fugitive	
PD, Okmulgee, Okla.	Fred Barker, #293	6-10-31	burg.	to County

- Admits being shot in Kans. City, Mo. while attempting to get away from Officers.
- Admits being arrested twice in Tulsa, Okla. for being drunk. (As on print #4079)
- Admits being arrested at Tulsa, Okla. for car theft - states case still pending. (As on print #4709)
- Now out on $10,000 bond. (As on print #--, PD, Miami, Okla.)
- WANTED: for jail breaking and assault with intent to kill by Tulsa, Okla. and Claremore, Okla.
  WANTED: As Fred Barker, for murder. Notify PD and SO, West Plains, Mo., per inf. recd. 1-2-32. Also notify Supt. Bureau

of Identification, Tulsa, Okla.; STILL WANTED April 1932; STILL WANTED, per inf. recd. 8-12-32.
This person was published as a fugitive in the monthly bulletin for January 1933 issued by this Division".

The Oklahoma City Office has advised through inquiry at the Identification Bureau of the Tulsa, Oklahoma Police Department that Harry Campbell is shown to have the following criminal records based upon fingerprint identification:

As Harry Campbell arrested P. D., Tulsa, Okla., 12-23-30, investigation, $19.00 and costs.
As Harry Campbell, #11056 S. P., McAlester, Okla., 1-30-30, from Lincoln County, charge bank robbery - held for safekeeping.
As Harry Campbell #9420 arrested S. O., Tulsa, Okla., 4-29-32, burglary - disposition not given".

With reference to Campbell, the Oklahoma City Office learned at Tulsa that on March 1, 1933, Mr. W. C. Miller, Police Department, Casper, Wyoming, wrote a letter to the Chief of Police, Tulsa, Oklahoma, to the effect that one of the citizens in Casper saw Campbell, with whom he is acquainted, at that place about one week before March 1, 1933. No further information is known in connection with his possible residence around Casper, Wyoming. A copy of this letter is being indicated for the Salt Lake City Office, in view of the fact that Campbell may have connections in Casper, Wyoming.

For your information there have been continuous contacts maintained in a secret, discreet and confidential manner with various prisoners at the Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas, since the rendition of the report mentioned in your wire. It is the consensus of opinion of many of the prisoners in the institution that Fred and "Doc" Barker, Volney Davis, Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis participated in the massacre in this case. To date, however, no more concrete information has been developed than shown in the report of Agent Trainor of December 27. It is expected that continued effort, which is being made by Special Agent A. H. Parland, at the Penitentiaries at Lansing and Leavenworth, Kansas may develop facts of a evidentiary nature, which it will be possible to verify.

For the information of the Salt Lake City Office a photograph bearing description of Harry Campbell is enclosed herewith, and it may be stated for the further information of that office that through confidential sources, this Office was informed that Fred Barker, Arthur R. Barker, alias Doc, Alvin Karpis, Volney Davis and Harry Campbell were the actual slayers in this case. Recent developments have disclosed that the informants are not positive whether Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis or one of the two may have participated. The Kansas City Office is securing a complete collection of photographs of the individuals in question, and upon request from the Salt Lake City Office, if same should appear desirable within the next few days, there will be a supply available which could then be

furnished. Due to the stenographic shortage in the Kansas City Office, one run only was made of the report dated at this office December 27, 1938, referred to herein, and one copy only was furnished to various offices. It is noted that the Portland Office did not receive a copy of that report, but it appears from the telegram received here today from your office that you are in possession thereof. Should circumstances demand, please wire this office and an additional run of copies will be made.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR
ACTING SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Mr. Locke
Mr. Cowley

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Mr. Brantley called from Little Rock and advised that there had not been any developments as yet in the Galatas matter. He advised that Mr. Colvin and a couple of his men were there and they were going down into the country for a few hours this morning and would return this afternoon. He stated that in the event any developments occurred he would immediately advise the Division.

Respectfully,

S. P. Cowley

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CHARACTER OF CASE:
Conspiracy to Escape Federal Prison

VERNON C. MILLER, with [illegible] (Deceased)
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with [illegible] I.O.
#1201 - FUGITIVE
ROBERT G. BRADY, w.a. I.O. #1190 - FUGITIVE
HARVEY J. BAILEY, w.a. I.O. #1189 - FUGITIVE

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:
ED DAVIS, w.a. I.O. #[illegible]
WILBUR UNDERHILL, w.a. I.O. #1191 (Deceased)

Wilbur Underhill wounded and captured at Shawnee, Okla., Dec. 30, 1933. Delivered to State Penitentiary, McAlester, Okla., January 6, 1934, where he died from wounds same date. Eva Mae Nichols wounded in capture of Underhill and died December 31st in hospital at Shawnee. Ralph Rowe, alias Raymond Roe, ex-convict, wounded and captured in same fight. Now in custody Oklahoma City investigation bank robbery and will probably be prosecuted for harboring Underhill, who implicates him in robbery Coalgate bank. Hazel Hudson Underhill captured with Wilbur Underhill and complaint filed charging harboring, and released on bond. Complaints filed against Lon Johnson and "Sleepy" Johnson for harboring. Both now in Oklahoma County Jail. Underhill confesses to seven bank robberies, and bonds in amount of $[illegible] stolen in robbery State National Bank, Frankfort, Kentucky, November 23, 1933, recovered.

DETAILS:

The Oklahoma City office had been receiving daily information as to the activities of Wilbur Underhill, who for the past several months had been operating quite openly in the robbery of Oklahoma banks, but we were never able to catch up with him until the night of December 14, 1933, at which time he barely escaped apprehension by Agent Birch and County officers near Ada, Oklahoma.

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On November 17, 1933, through City Detectives C. O. Hurt and Charles (Mickey) Ryan of the Oklahoma City Police Department, this office made contact with an ex-convict, who for purposes of record will be known as Jack Hughes, formerly in prison at McAlester, and solicited the cooperation of this informant for the purpose of putting Underhill on the spot. He was furnished with an automobile and expense money and contacted Underhill several times at the place of Lon Johnson, about 25 miles east of Oklahoma City, near McLoud, Oklahoma, but was unable to get away in time to inform this office. On December 25, 1933 the writer and Agent Frank Smith contacted this informant and told him of the advisability of checking Shawnee, Oklahoma quite closely as in our opinion it was one of the principal ports of call for Underhill, and that he undoubtedly had some house there where he stopped. Arrangements were made whereby informant would notify Agent Frank Smith, in whose immediate neighborhood he resides, upon the receipt of any definite information.

At 11:30 P.M., December 29, 1933, Agent Smith received a telephone call from the informant from Shawnee, Oklahoma, at which time he advised that Underhill, his wife, Hazel Hudson Underhill, and Ford Bradshaw, a notorious Oklahoma bank robber, were then in a house at Shawnee, where informant had just visited them. Informant requested that the Police at Shawnee be instructed to arrest both him and his companion and hold them in jail pending arrival of Division Agents. Informant desired that this be done in order to avert suspicion. Therefore, Agent Smith requested the Night Chief of Police, Frank Bryant of Shawnee, to apprehend informant and his companion, whose identity informant had not disclosed over the phone. Accordingly, informant and his companion, who developed to be Lon Johnson, were arrested and placed in the Shawnee City Jail.

The writer was immediately advised by Agent Smith of the above information and a posse was organized consisting of the writer, Agents Frank Smith, K. D. Deaderick, G. H. Franklin, J. M. Edgar, T. M. Birch and Paul Hansen; Deputy Sheriffs W. I. Eads, John Adams, George Kerr and George Catron; and Oklahoma City Police Detectives Lieutenant C. O. Hurt, Charles (Mickey) Ryan and D. A. Bryce. We immediately proceeded to Shawnee, arriving there at 1:20 A.M., December 30, 1933, and contacted Night Chief of Police Frank Bryant and interviewed the informant, who stated that he had come to Shawnee with Lon Johnson about 7:30 P.M., December 29, 1933, where they had gone to the house at 606 West Dewey in an effort to contact Underhill, but found no one at home. They returned somewhere about 8:30 and found Underhill, his wife, Hazel Hudson Underhill, and Ford Bradshaw present. At this time Underhill's automobile, a Ford V-8 Sedan, tan colored, bearing Oklahoma license No. 344-251, was observed on the driveway in front of the garage at the rear of the house, the doors to the garage being open. We then sent informant, accompanied by Agent Frank Smith and Detective-Lieutenant Hurt on a reconnaissance and they reported that the car had disappeared but the garage doors were closed and it was assumed that the car had been placed in the garage. Lights were on in the

house, but blinds were all closely drawn. The Chief of Police was reluctant to raid this house as he had learned that it had been rented to one Hatley Smith, a well known insurance man of Shawnee. Further inquiry, however, developed that Smith had sub-let the house to unknown parties and that the place had been under observation by Shawnee Police for some weeks on suspicion that it was a bootlegger's place.

After receiving the above information, it was decided to raid the place immediately. The party of officers was divided into two squads; one, under the direction of Night Chief of Police Frank Bryant and consisting of Deputy Sheriffs Reds, Adams, Kerr and Catron; and Agents Edgar, Birch and Franklin, was detailed to cover the front of the house so as to direct any possible fire in a northwesterly direction, while the squad led by the writer, consisting of Agents Frank Smith, Deaderick and Hansen; and Police officers Hurt, Ryan and Bryce, took the rear of the house from a position so that our fire would be in a southwesterly direction, thus avoiding the possibility of any of the posse being injured by cross-fire. It was considered that egress by the inmates would probably be made to the rear inasmuch as the automobile was there.

Upon approaching near the rear of the house, a dog began barking furiously, which hastened our approach for fear the noise would alarm the inmates. Upon arriving at the rear of the house all the rear blinds were up and Underhill was plainly seen near one of the back windows in the brightly lighted room, dressed only in a long union suit. The writer and officer Hurt rushed immediately right up to the windows and Hurt shouted, "Wilbur, throw up your hands! This is the law." Underhill hesitated for a moment and then suddenly whirled to pick up his guns, at which time Hurt fired directly at him with a tear gas gun and the writer fired pointblank at him three times with a Thompson machine gun, Underhill immediately falling to the floor. The writer and Hurt immediately backed away from the window in order to be a little out of sight. About this time gun flashes came through the side window and the officers in the rear opened fire directly into the house and also the squad stationed in front of the house opened fire into the house from that direction and also discharged an additional gas shell into the front portion of the house. Almost immediately Underhill emerged from the front door running and was shot at several times, Agent Franklin having fired two shots from a sawed-off shotgun and Agent Birch some four or five shots, some of which took effect as Underhill was knocked down a couple of times but continued running two or three doors south, where he turned between two houses and fell again just as he turned, but quickly got up and ran on. The officers nearest him were unable to pursue him on account of the danger of fire from their own men. Those at the rear of the house were unaware that Underhill had emerged for some seven or eight minutes.

At this time firing into the house ceased as some of the inmates indicated a desire to come out, which they were permitted to do, and one Raymond Roe crawled out the front door on his hands and knees, having been shot through the shoulder with a machine gun. A woman, Eva Mae Nichols, who had been in bed

with him, also came out the front door and fell on the lawn screaming and about this time Hazel Underhill rose up in the back bedroom in plain view and was instantly recognized by Officer Clarence Hurt, who ordered Hazel Underhill to come out and surrender, which she agreed to do as soon as she recognized Hurt, and upon coming out she was taken into custody, while Eva Mae Nichols and Raymond Roe were sent to the hospital in an ambulance.

In the meantime, an intensive search was being conducted by all Division Agents and other officers within a radius of a mile or two of the place, it being felt that Underhill was severely wounded and could not get far. It was raining and very cold and foggy. A call had been immediately placed for bloodhounds from the State Penitentiary at McAlester about one hundred miles away. In the meantime, Sheriff Stanley Rogers of Oklahoma City had arrived with three or four other officers, having been called to assist. The bloodhounds arrived at 6:45 A.M. and efforts were just being made to have them pick up the trail when a Police car arrived and advised that Underhill had been apprehended and was then in the Shawnee Municipal Hospital. We proceeded there and found him shot in thirteen places with buckshot and machine gun fire and in a very critical condition. It was ascertained that some time after the shooting, he had knocked on the rear door of a second-hand furniture store run by R. E. Owens at 509 East Main Street, Shawnee, and had asked for a drink of water. He was admitted and placed in bed and covered up. Owens, after about an hour and a half, proceeded to the Police station and advised Motorcycle Officer W. A. McKenzie as to Underhill's presence. McKenzie notified Sheriff Rogers and his three men, who happened to be at the Police station at that moment, and they proceeded to the place and took Underhill to the hospital. A heavy guard of Division Agents was immediately stationed at the hospital and was continued until January 6, 1934, on which date Underhill was delivered to the Warden of the State Penitentiary, who conveyed him to McAlester Prison in an ambulance escorted by the writer and Agents Deaderick, Birch, Edgar, Hansen and Franklin, where he was delivered at 11:30 A.M. He died that night at 11:42 P.M.

In the meantime, Eva Mae Nichols, a beauty parlor operator from Seminole, Oklahoma, who had been wounded in the battle, succumbed at 6:20 A.M., December 31st, 1933. It was ascertained that this woman had been consorting with convicts for some time and that she and her sister, Lena Nichols, had recently dyed the hair of Underhill. She had been brought to the house in Shawnee on the night of the raid by Rowe and was in bed with him when the firing started. She has been twice divorced, her latest married name having been Eppler, her divorced husband being a mail carrier at the Seminole, Okla. Post Office. Upon her death Agent contacted local state officials at Shawnee, who advised that they were well satisfied with the outcome of the raid and that no inquest as to the death of Eva Mae Nichols would be necessary. Her body was accordingly surrendered to relatives.

Ralph Rowe, alias Raymond Roe, was operated on and a 45 caliber machine gun bullet removed from his shoulder, after which he was removed from the hospital

to the City Jail at Shawnee and then delivered to Sheriff Stanley Rogers of Oklahoma City, who brought him to the latter place for investigation concerning the recent attempt on December 11, 1933 to rob the bank at Harrah, Okla. Lon Johnson and his brother, "Sleepy" Johnson, were arrested and brought to the Oklahoma County Jail, where charges were filed against them for harboring Wilbur Underhill. Hazel Underhill was also brought to the Oklahoma County Jail, where similar charges were filed against her. She was subsequently released on $2500.00 bond on January 9, 1934.

While Underhill was confined in the hospital at Shawnee, he at times talked quite freely, although lapsing off into periods of semi-consciousness and delirium. He was talked to at various times by Division Agents and consistently denied any participation, either by himself or Harvey Bailey, in the Kansas City massacre, stating that he could easily prove that at that time he and Harvey Bailey were in a house at Oklahoma City, where he was treating Bailey's wounds. He stated to Mr. A. B. Cooper of the Burns Detective Agency, and in the presence of Agent T. M. Birch, that he had participated recently in the robbery of the following banks: At Frederick, Oklahoma, where he, Bob Brady and Jim Clark perpetrated the holdup just before Clark and Brady were apprehended at Tucumcari, New Mexico; the robbery of the bank at Clinton, Oklahoma on July 5, 1933, in which he stated also that he, Brady and Clark participated; the robbery of the bank at Stuttgart, Arkansas; at Coalgate, Oklahoma; at Baxter Springs, Kansas; at Galena, Kansas; and also, I believe, the attempted bank robbery at Harrah, Oklahoma. He would not give any details as to those who participated with him except as to the banks at Frederick and Clinton, Oklahoma and also the bank at Coalgate, Oklahoma, in which he stated he was assisted by Gene Davis, Ed Davis and Ralph Rowe; that the latter remained in the car waiting for them and also that Huston Nash was in another car nearby intending to use his car as a "block" car in case of pursuit. Owing to the condition of Underhill, it was impossible to secure a continuous or coherent statement of his activities.

During the time that Underhill was confined in the hospital at Shawnee, numerous anonymous telephone calls were received, ostensibly from friends or confederates of Underhill and who on one or two occasions stated they were coming after him. Underhill, himself, stated that he felt he would be murdered by some of his companions in crime, who would think that he had revealed their part in various robberies. He repeatedly requested a gun with which to protect himself; also numerous mysterious cars visited the vicinity of the hospital during this time and one night a car containing four men made cautious inquiries in the vicinity of the hospital in an effort to ascertain in which room Underhill was confined.

The above facts were communicated to the Division by telephone and instructions were received that as soon as Underhill was physically able, he should be delivered to the Warden of the State Penitentiary at McAlester, from which institution he was an escape under life sentence. On January 4, 1934 the doctor in charge stated that he believed Underhill could be safely moved

and therefore arrangements were made. The Warden at McAlester Penitentiary arrived with an ambulance for the purpose of removing the prisoner, but upon his arrival he had taken a sudden turn for the worse, and it could not be accomplished. On the night of January 6, 1934, the crisis seemed to have passed and he was much improved, the doctor stating that he could now be moved. Arrangements were again made and he was taken from the hospital at 9:00 A.M., January 6, 1934, placed in an ambulance, accompanied by a doctor and a guard, and escorted to McAlester, as hereinbefore stated.

A lengthy statement was taken from Hazel Hudson Underhill concerning her associations with Underhill, copies of which are attached to this report and which should be read in connection with this report.

The names of Hazel Hudson Underhill, Ralph Rowe, "Sleepy" Johnson and Lon Johnson are not incorporated into this report as subjects, but will be reported upon separately as harborers in this case, and in which reports their respective descriptions will be furnished.

For the information of the Division and interested offices, there is also attached to this report copy of a statement made by Marvin William Connor, the son of Hazel Hudson Underhill, in connection with this matter.

At the time of the raid on the house at 606 West Dewey, Shawnee, the writer and other Division Agents did not immediately enter the place after the occupants had come out, but were busily engaged for an hour or more in a desperate effort to overtake Underhill. Other officers, however, entered this house as soon as the dissipation of the gas would permit and searched the premises, which were in a very disorderly condition when Agent finally got into the house. In Underhill's car, which was found in the garage, were a 30-30 rifle, a sawed-off Winchester shotgun and a short double-barrel shotgun with a pistol handle; also several loaded clips for a Browning machine rifle, a number of cartridges and a tin pail full of roofing nails, evidently intended to be used by throwing them from the car in case of pursuit and puncturing the tires of any following car. Agent is informed that in the house there were found by various officers at least four pistols; one 45 caliber, Frontier model; one 38 caliber; two 45 Colt automatics; and a Luger automatic equipped with a 31 cartridge magazine to be used as a machine gun. Hazel Underhill stated that Underhill had two of these, but so far as Agent has been able to ascertain only one was found.

In Underhill's coat pocket were found eleven bonds of the Franklin Title & Trust Company, Louisville, Kentucky, totaling $5300.00, as follows:

Number	Series	Amount
M 73	28 CC	$1000.00
M 74	28 BB	1000.00
D 14	28 CC	500.00
D 17	28 DD	500.00
D 18	29 AA	500.00
D 32	28 BB	500.00
D 33	28 BB	500.00
D 34	28 BB	500.00
C 16	29 AA	100.00
C 29	28 DD	100.00
C 28	28 DD	100.00

Investigation has developed that the above bonds were stolen in a holdup of the State National Bank, Frankfort, Kentucky, on November 23, 1933 and that Underhill's picture has been identified as one of those participating in the holdup. Underhill himself admitted that these bonds were taken in said holdup, but did not disclose who his companions were. He said there were about $10,000.00 more bonds and promised several times to disclose where they were but always evaded the question and never disclosed their whereabouts.

The above listed bonds are held at this office pending proof of ownership. Agent has been approached by a representative of the Fidelity & Deposit Company of Maryland to recover these bonds and has also received letters from Mr. Larry D. Jones, Cashier, State National Bank, Frankfort, Kentucky, reporting their loss in the above described holdup.

PENDING.

Statement of Hazel Hudson Underhill made to F. S. Smith, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, January 5, 1934.

After being warned by Mr. Smith that any statement I make must be free and voluntary and with no promises of any kind made me to induce me to make a statement, and with no reward or immunity from prosecution, I now make the following statement:

I am 36 years of age, born in Missouri, moved to Kansas when an infant and came to Oklahoma when about ten years of age. My father and mother are both dead. I am a sister of Ralph, Buster and Floyd Jarrett. I have two children by my marriage with Albert Connor, deceased, and one child by my marriage to Sam Hudson, from whom I am now separated.

On November 16, 1933 I was married to Wilbur Underhill at Coalgate, Oklahoma and I was in the house with him at Shawnee, Oklahoma on the night of his apprehension, December 29, 1933, and have been in custody since.

My oldest boy is named Marvin Connor, 18 years old. I have a daughter, Juanita Connor, 15 years old, and a younger child, Lavona Hudson, age 8.

In June, 1933, I was living at 2606 South Harvey Street, Oklahoma City. In the early part of June I went to a beer place near Packingtown, driving there in a taxicab, where I met several people and drank some beer. While there I first met and was introduced to Wilbur Underhill under the name of George Fitzgerald. We became acquainted, drank, talked and spent some time together. He wanted to take me home but I had other arrangements. I was introduced to Underhill by a man whom I understood to be Luke Smith--I don't really think Luke Smith had previously known Underhill and did not know at the time the identity of Underhill. Following our meeting at this beer joint and about three or four days later, Dewey Shipley, whom I had known for some time, came to me and told me he had a friend who had been hurt, whose wife was in the hospital, and asked me if I wanted to do some house work. I advised him that I would and he took me to 21 S.E. 35th Street, Okla. City, and there I again met the fellow who was introduced to me as Fitzgerald and whom I later learned to be Wilbur Underhill. I also met at this place Harvey Bailey, who was at that time crippled and who I later learned was an escaped prisoner from the Kansas Penitentiary, having escaped with Underhill and others. I remained at this address and did the house work for Harvey Bailey and Wilbur Underhill for

approximately two weeks, at which time I had to go to my home. Bailey was pretty badly crippled and had to use a cane or hold onto chairs while walking around in the house. He stayed in the house principally all the time and Underhill did not leave the place only at night.

About three weeks later Dewey Shipley came to me and told me that he had rented a house in the 1700 block on West Park Street, Oklahoma City, and wanted me to keep house for him. I agreed and moved in with my children. After I moved in Dewey Shipley and many of his friends came to the house. On one occasion Wilbur Underhill, alias Fitzgerald, came over to visit me and stayed about thirty minutes one evening. Bailey never came to this house to my knowledge. However, he could have been there, as well as many others, during times that I was away, as I made several trips away during the time I was at this place. I kept house for Dewey Shipley for about one month and finally the officers raided this place and apprehended Shipley and a man named Morris--the latter I did not know.

From the time I met Wilbur Underhill in Oklahoma City in June, 1933, as above stated, our friendship ripened and I was with him very frequently thereafter at various places. The longest period of time that elapsed without my seeing Underhill since we first met in June was about four weeks.

After this raid on the Park Street house, my mother became ill at Nowata, Oklahoma and during her illness Wilbur Underhill loaned me his car, a Chevrolet Tudor Coach, 1933 model, and I drove it to Nowata. I was gone three days and returned to Oklahoma City. Before I went to Nowata, Underhill told me that when I returned, to go to Ira Clark's place, east of Oklahoma City, on the 89th Street road, between Oklahoma City and Harrah, and get in touch with him there, which I did. When I got to Clark's, I found Underhill there and turned him over his car and he brought me back to Oklahoma City.

Later on I again met Underhill at Ira Clark's place. Then a few days later my mother died at Nowata and Underhill let me drive his car to Nowata, where I attended the funeral. While at Nowata, Underhill, under the name of George Fitzgerald, called me by long distance phone from a little place near Sherman, Texas, the name of which I have forgotten, and told me to come there in a car and meet him. I went there and met Underhill. This was about the 3rd or 4th of August, 1933, as I recall that my mother was buried on the 1st of August. I met him at a tourist camp--I don't recall the name of it. I had my children with me and he told me to return to Oklahoma City and

leave my children and to go to Coffeyville to get some things that had been left there by my mother, then to return to Ira Clark's and he would meet me there, which I did.

At this time I had moved over to 21 S.E. 35th Street, where I had formerly kept house for Underhill and Bailey. Underhill came to see me there one time. The officers raided this place, but Underhill had gone. It was owned by "Blind Bob" Watson.

In a short time I moved to 736 S.W. 31st Street, Oklahoma City, where I am at the present time living. It was in the first part of September, 1933, when I moved to the above address. Soon after I moved there my brother, Ralph Jarrett, came to my house driving an automobile and told me that Wilbur Underhill was at Lon Johnson's place and wanted to see me. I got in the car with my brother and drove out to Lon Johnson's place--that is, I drove to a point near the house and there met Wilbur Underhill on the highway on a side road. I talked with him two or three hours, which was in the afternoon, and my brother then brought me back home. About two weeks later Underhill drove up to my present home and honked. This was in the early evening. I went out and talked with him and he made an engagement for me to meet him out near the airport on the highway and he left. I later went out and met him there--in fact, met him on two occasions out there.

A short time later Wilbur Underhill told me that he would be away for a while and stipulated that I meet him at Lon Johnson's place on the 23rd Street road, the date I have forgotten. However, I went out in my car to Lon Johnson's house about 6:00 P.M. and I found Wilbur there. He had just driven in ahead of me in his V-8 tan colored Ford car. The car I was driving was a Chevrolet and had been given me by Wilbur Underhill, and was purchased at Ada, Oklahoma for Underhill and registered in the name of Maurice Fitzgerald. I remained at Johnson's place just a short time and Wilbur Underhill and I drove away and came towards Oklahoma City and later I came on into town by myself. The first time I ever met Lon Johnson was when I went out with my brother to his place to meet Underhill. I recall that a short time before Christmas, Lon Johnson came to my house at 736 S.W. 31st Street, Okla. City, and wanted to borrow $1.00 from me and told me that his car was broken down. I didn't even know that Lon Johnson knew where I was living in Oklahoma City--I hadn't told him.

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On November 18, 1933, I met Wilbur Underhill by appointment somewhere near Wetumka, Oklahoma--in fact I had an engagement to meet him in Wetumka at a service station garage, but as I drove into town, I met Wilbur coming out in the outskirts. He was driving his V-8 tan colored Ford Sedan. He said that we would go down and get married.

He wanted to go to Coalgate to get the license. We then drove to Ada, Oklahoma, reaching there around 12:00 noon and went to the home of Bruce Brady. There we picked Bruce Brady up and I left my car there. Wilbur Underhill, Bruce Brady and I all drove in Underhill's brown or tan colored Ford V-8 to Coalgate, Oklahoma. There we stopped at the Court House and Underhill remained in the car while Bruce Brady and I went to the Clerk's office and bought a marriage license in the name of Henry Underhill and Beatrice Hudson. When we walked up to the Clerk in the Court House, the Clerk remarked; "Well, I suppose you people want to get married", and Bruce Brady remarked, "Yes" and gave our names and the Clerk issued the license, Brady giving the name of Henry Underhill and I giving the name of Beatrice Hudson. I had given Bruce Brady the money to pay for the license and he paid for it. After the license was issued to us, we then returned to where Underhill was waiting for us in front of the Court House. Before leaving the Court House, the clerk told us where we could find a minister, stating that he ran a barber shop, giving us the location. Underhill, Brady and I then drove to this barber shop, which is on the main street of town at Coalgate, and there we all got out and went into the barber shop and the barber, who was a preacher, married Underhill and me. Bruce Brady witnessed our marriage, as well as two other boys, whom I did not know. They seemed to be standing in there at the time we went in. After the marriage Bruce Brady, Underhill and I then drove to Ada, Oklahoma. At Ada we put Bruce Brady out at a filling station, where he said he wanted to go, and Wilbur told him he would wait for him, but Brady stated that he would walk on to where he wanted to go. Wilbur then drove me to Bruce Brady's house and I got out. I then got in my car and drove to Oklahoma City. Wilbur Underhill followed me in his car almost to Oklahoma City, leaving me somewhere this side of Shawnee and turned back.

On a date which I have forgotten, Huston Nash of Ada, Oklahoma came to my house in Oklahoma City and told me that Wilbur Underhill was in Ada sick and wanted me to come there. I got in the car with Nash and drove to Ada, arriving there sometime during the middle of the day. We went to a duplex just across from a hospital, where Wilbur had a house rented. The people who owned the premises lived in one side of the house and Underhill had the other side rented. When we got to this house Nash put me out and I went in and found Wilbur Underhill there and he appeared to be sick. He was in bed. I remained there with him about four days and Wilbur got better and took me to Oklahoma City in his V-8 car and left.

During these four days that I was with Wilbur Underhill in this house at Ada, Oklahoma, Huston Nash came over frequently and visited with

us. He appeared to be a good friend of Wilbur Underhill's. There is a big signboard across the street from the house giving the name of the hospital. I am not sure as to which side of the street the hospital is located on, but the house at Ada is located on the corner of the block and has two entrances into the front.

After Wilbur Underhill brought me to Oklahoma City, I don't know where he went, but the next I heard from him was when Huston Nash again came to my house in Oklahoma City and again told me that Wilbur Underhill was sick and in Ada. I left Oklahoma City between 4:00 and 5:00 P.M. and drove with Huston Nash to his father's home, which is out of town on a farm near Ada. We drove up to his father's home and Huston Nash saw some cars there and remarked, "Well, I guess the officers have got Wilbur - those are the law's cars," and we drove on past. I asked Huston Nash if he would take me back to Oklahoma City and he said "No"; that I had better go on the bus. He then took me to a filling station or tourist camp and put me out, where I later caught the bus and came to Oklahoma City.

Several days later Wilbur Underhill came past my house in Oklahoma City and honked and I arranged to follow him in my Chevrolet where he told me to meet him, and there we talked. He mentioned his escape at Ada from "old man" Nash's home. He said the officers came there and he had to leave. When Underhill left he told me to meet him on the Friday before Christmas about 8:00 P.M. on the highway at the Hollywood Tourist Camp below Norman, Oklahoma. At the exact time I met Underhill at this tourist camp, and had my children with me, including my son. There I got in Underhill's car and my son drove my car. We then drove to Ardmore, Oklahoma and there we went to the farm of Birdie Pruitt, which is about five miles south and three or four miles east of Ardmore. I had arranged with Birdie Pruitt, whom I had known for some time to visit her farm and spend a little time. We spent the night at this farm and the following morning we drove to Wichita Falls, Texas and there spent the night at the Kemp Hotel and did some shopping at Wichita Falls. Underhill had me send some presents to his people at Kansas City, including his mother and sister. We returned to the Pruitt farm the next evening and spent that night there. Birdie Pruitt came there while we were at the farm the last time. I forgot to state that coming back from Wichita Falls we stopped at Gainesville, Texas and had a meal in a restaurant there. After we returned to Pruitt's farm my children and I left and came to Oklahoma City in my car and Underhill left in his car. He came on as far as Ardmore with us and then went east towards Ada.

On December 29, 1933, Marvin Connor, my son, and I went to

Holdenville and there I purchased 1934 Oklahoma tags for my car, and I had an engagement, which I had made with Underhill the last time I saw him, to meet him on the night of the 29th at a point near Shawnee, which is about a mile north and a little east of the K.Y.Z. station going into Shawnee. My son and I reached there around 6:00 or 7:00 P.M. and met Underhill waiting for us on the road. I got in the car with Underhill and my son drove my car on back to Oklahoma City. Underhill then drove me to a house where we found a man by the name of Rowe and a girl from Seminole. I did not know either one of these persons. I was a little skeptical about going to this house, but Wilbur Underhill told me it was all right. Sometime after we were there, Lon Johnson, whom I have previously mentioned in this statement, came into the house and had a talk with Wilbur Underhill. I did not overhear the conversation. He was only there a short while and left. I don't know how he was traveling or whether anyone was with him. Later on Underhill and I were occupying a back room in this house and Rowe and this woman were occupying a front room. Suddenly I heard a command - "Come out, Wilbur. We are the officers"--or something like that. Wilbur started as if he was going to the door and the shooting began. The next I knew the house was full of gas and there was considerable shooting going on. The lights were all on in the room when the shooting started.

I was arrested soon after the shooting ceased and have been in custody since. I feel that it is the proper thing to tell the Government the true facts concerning everything I know with reference to my association with Wilbur Underhill and I expect to do this. There may be things that I have forgotten, but I will be glad to refresh my memory and give the Government the benefit of everything I know, and I may be wrong as to specific dates in this statement.

I am going to advise my son, Marvin, to tell everything he knows concerning his and my association with Wilbur Underhill and the association of others with Underhill. I don't expect to withhold anything that is of interest to the Government.

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I have benefited by the experience that I have had in my association with Wilbur Underhill and from now on I never expect to let such a thing happen again, and intend to lead a different life and take care of my children and raise them in a proper way.

(Signed) Hazel Hudson Underhill
Hazel Hudson Underhill

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, this 6th day of January, 1934.

Grace M. Hussey
Notary Public

My Com. Exp. 12-12-36

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Statement of Marvin William Connor made to F. S. Smith, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, January 6, 1934.

I am the son of Mrs. Hazel Hudson Underhill and reside with my mother and two sisters at 736 S.W. 31st Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. I am 18 years old. I haven't finished high school as I quit while in the 10th grade. I learned the baker's trade and have followed it some. I am unemployed at the present time.

Sometime in November, 1933, as I recall, my mother told me that she was married to Wilbur Underhill. I was not present when this took place.

The first time that I ever met Wilbur Underhill was in Texas. My mother and I were at Nowata, Oklahoma, where my grandmother died and she received word to come to a place near Sherman to Underhill. He was then using the name of George Fitzgerald. As a matter of fact at that time I did not know that Fitzgerald and Underhill were one and the same person. My mother was using Underhill's Chevrolet car at that time and we drove to Texas and met Underhill at a tourist camp at some place I do not recall, but near Sherman. We only remained there a little while and Underhill got in the car with us and we went to Hot Springs, Arkansas. There we went to a house--I don't know the location of it--and stayed for a couple of hours and later my mother rented a house up on the side of a hill. I don't know what address it was or on what street. It was a little red brick apartment house trimmed in white. We had a two room apartment with a kitchen, also a garage which was at the back of the house on the side of a hill. The apartment house was about five blocks from a big theatre and only a short distance from the bath houses on Central. We remained at this place in Hot Springs about two weeks. While there Wilbur Underhill went away and, as I remember, was gone one day and one night. I think this was the only time he was away while we were there.

We then went from Hot Springs to Shawnee, Oklahoma, as I remember, and stopped in a tourist camp just around the corner from the X.Y.Z. filling station. I think we remained there a day and a night. As I remember we then went to Holdenville and at Holdenville we stopped at an apartment house. We stayed there for a week or a week and a half. This apartment house was south off of Main Street three or four blocks. I do not know the location or the number of the house. My mother made

The next time I saw Underhill was on the Friday before Christmas. My mother and I left Oklahoma City in the car Underhill had given her and drove down beyond Norman and met Underhill on the highway near a tourist camp. My mother got into the car with Underhill, a tan Ford Sedan, and I drove mother's car. We went to the farm of Mrs. Pruitt, several miles beyond Ardmore. We stayed there all night. The following morning we all left in the two cars and drove to Wichita Falls. There we spent the night, stopping at a big hotel with an elevator. We had our supper sent up to us. The next day we left Wichita Falls and went back to the Pruitt farm and there we met Mrs. Pruitt. She and someone else came there in a truck. We spent Christmas eve at the Pruitt place. Santa Claus came to see us there and brought me some presents and also my sisters. We left there the next morning and drove to Ardmore and Underhill followed us in his car. He left us near Ardmore and went east and we came on to Oklahoma City.

The next time I saw Underhill was when I left Oklahoma City with my mother and drove to Holdenville, where she got some new license tags for her car. We drove back to Shawnee and stopped in the southeast end of town at a pig stand and ate a sandwich and drank some coffee. Mother said something about meeting Underhill and that she didn't have time to go home and come back. We went out by the X.Y.Z. filling station, turned east and went about 12 miles when we met Underhill. Mother got out and got in the car with him and they told me to go home and Underhill told me to meet them Monday morning about 9:00 or 10:00 o'clock on the highway near Norman. I returned to Oklahoma City and the next morning I saw in the paper where Underhill was shot at Shawnee. That's all I know about it.

(Signed) Marvin William Connor

Marvin William Connor

Witnessed:
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