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Jacksonville, Florida	July 2, 1934	June 22nd and 25th, 1934	C. E. McRae, Jr.

TITLE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (deceased);
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1201;
CHARLES ARTHUR "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD with aliases, I. O. #1194, et al

CHARACTER OF CASE:
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Information received to effect that "Pretty Boy" Floyd in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Investigation disclosed that he is not there at present time but possibly was there around April 4, 1934. Arrangements made with local police officers to be on look out for him should he return there at any time.

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DETAILS:

This investigation is predicated upon a letter addressed to Special Agent Roger L. Main of the Jacksonville Office on June 19, 1934, from L. O. Scarboro, Chief of Detectives, Miami, Florida Police Department, furnishing information that a prisoner being fingerprinted for the Sheriff at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, had made some remarks to Mr. Gaines, fingerprint man, that he had seen "Pretty Boy" Floyd at Fort Lauderdale. A copy of Mr. Scarboro's letter to Special Agent Main was furnished to the Jacksonville Division Office and the Division at Washington.

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA:

DETAILS:

L. O. Scarboro, Chief of Detectives, Miami, Florida, Police Department, did not have any first hand information of instant matter, and referred the writer to W. J. Gaines, Superintendent of the Identification Bureau, Miami Police Department.

Mr. Gaines stated that the Sheriff at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, had brought a prisoner named Henry Dobbins, Miami, Police Department

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No. 6875, Fingerprint Classification $\frac{21}{17}$ $\frac{W}{R}$ $\frac{I}{00}$ $\frac{20}{17}$ to the Miami Police Department to be fingerprinted; that while fingerprinting this man and photographing him, he had stated to him in confidence that he had seen "Pretty Boy" Floyd at the M. & M. Hospital in Fort Lauderdale, and that Floyd was mixed up in some sort of dope racket in Fort Lauderdale. Mr. Gaines stated that this prisoner spoke very confidentially and did not want the Sheriff at Fort Lauderdale to know that he had furnished this information, in view of the fact that the Sheriff apparently was in with Floyd and the dope ring at Fort Lauderdale, and that Dobbins was afraid of some reprisal at the hands of Floyd and his gang.

Mr. Gaines stated further that Dobbins mentioned some doctor by the name of Sanford as being connected with the dope racket at Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

AT FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

At Fort Lauderdale, Florida, it was ascertained that there was only one hospital there, it being the Memorial Hospital. This Hospital is advertised by the initials "M. H.", the H looking quite a bit like an M, and the name could easily be taken for "M & M". It was also ascertained that there is a Doctor J. A. Sanford, with offices in the Sweet Building, Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Mr. A. G. Shand, Chief of Police at Fort Lauderdale, was contacted and the details of instant matter made known to him. The writer had previously been advised by Mr. Scarboro at Miami that Chief Shands could be trusted, but that it was not advisable to contact the Sheriff at Fort Lauderdale. Mr. Shand advised that he had pictures of "Pretty Boy" Floyd among his files and that he was familiar with his appearance, and that he had not seen him at Fort Lauderdale and had not had any reports from anyone to that effect. He stated, however, that John Millin, one of his motorcycle patrolmen, had been in the Memorial Hospital around Easter time in April, and that while visiting him there he had talked to two or three strange men in the hospital, one of them having a broken arm, but that as he remembered them, neither resembled Floyd. Mr. Shand stated that of his own personal knowledge he knew that Dr. Sanford was presently engaged in handling dope and that he also knew there was supposed to be a dope ring of some kind at Fort Lauderdale, which he believed was being investigation at the present time by Narcotic Agents.

John Millin, motorcycle patrolman, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, was interviewed, and advised that he was in Memorial Hospital on the day after Easter, suffering from a bruised arm as the result of a motorcycle accident. He recalled two strange men as being in the hospital at that time but did not remember much about them. He stated that a picture of Floyd could possibly resemble one of the men in a general way, but he could not be sure of this.

It was not deemed advisable to make any inquiry at Memorial Hospital at the present time, it being reasonably certain that Floyd was not there, and if this Hospital was a hide-out of his, it would not be good policy to "flush" the place and prevent Floyd's return there at a later date.

Arrangements were made with Chief of Police Shands, who could make inquiries there without any suspicion, to check up on this place and furnish the information to the writer at a later date.

On June 25,,1934, Chief of Police Shand was again contacted by the writer, and advised that he had made inquiries and ascertained that Floyd was not located at Memorial Hospital at the present time, and that he could not get any information to the effect that he had ever been there. Mr. Shand advised that he knew Dobbins, who had furnished this information about Floyd, being there and that he knew him to be a disreputable bootlegger and liar, and that he would not put much faith in any statements that he might make.

Henry Dobbins was interviewed at the County Jail, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, without making the purpose of said interview known to the Sheriff there. Dobbins advised that he was taken to the Memorial Hospital, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, on April 4th, suffering from the results of being drunk and that while there he absolutely saw Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd, whom he knew back in Oklahoma, and that he positively is not mistaken about the man he saw there being Floyd. Dobbins also stated that George Birdwell, who is Floyd's first lieutenant, was also at Memorial Hospital, going under the name of John McBride, and both of these men were engaged in making dope at the hospital. Dobbins stated that Floyd and Birdwell were going to kill him because he recognized them, but that a girl who was with Floyd and McBride prevented them from doing so. This girl is Louise Decker from Antlers, Oklahoma, who was married to a man by the name of L. S. Pinkerton.

Dobbins advised that Floyd and McBride were making plans to leave Fort Lauderdale at that time, stating that the dope business would not be good in Florida during the summer, and that they were going to head on towards Georgia and Alabama.

Dobbins was very positive about his identification of Floyd and insisted that it was Floyd that he had seen.

Arrangements were made with Chief of Police Shand at Fort Lauderdale to keep an eye on the Memorial Hospital, and also keep a look out for "Pretty Boy" Floyd should he return to Fort Lauderdale, it still not being deemed advisable to make any open inquiries at the Memorial Hospital in case there is some truth to Dobbins' statements, and not desiring to make it known to anyone that the Division has any information to that effect.

George Coile, Narcotic Agent in Charge at Miami, Florida, advised that at the present time he is conducting an investigation of Dr. J. A. Sanford relative to his operations in dealing with dope and also other narcotic violators at Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE: At Antlers, Oklahoma, is requested to ascertain if possible any information concerning Mrs. L. S. Pinkerton, nee Louise Decker, and ascertain her present whereabouts, as it was stated by Dobbins that Floyd could be located through her.

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DALLAS, TEXAS.	6-30-34	6/25 & 28/34	F.S. DUNN.

TITLE: VERNON C. MILLER, w.a. (deceased)
RICHARD TAILMAN GALATAS, w.a. - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1201; et al.

CHARACTER OF CASE: OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Mrs. Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd and son made personal appearance at Palace Theatre, Ft. Worth, Texas on 6-25 & 26, 1934, and with associates stopped at Ivanhoe Apartments, checking out on 6-27-34, returning to Oklahoma. Special Delivery letter arrived for Mrs. Floyd postmarked Denton, Texas on Sunday, June 24. Same date long distance call came through. Unknown party in Plymouth Sedan, Oklahoma License 391439, contacted the Floyd Associates on 6-26-34. Information received that $2500.00 reward outstanding for one of Mrs. Floyd's associates.

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DETAILS:

On Sunday, June 17, 1934, Mrs. Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd and son Jack Dempsey Floyd, were stopping at the Worth Hotel in Ft. Worth, Texas, and on said date her son was baptised into the church of Frank Norris of Ft. Worth, and moving pictures of this baptismal were taken at the time, and arrangements were made through Pier Levy, Manager of Publix Theatres in Ft. Worth, for a public appearance of Mrs. Floyd and son at the Palace Theatre, where the movie reel of the baptismal was shown and a short talk made by Mrs. Floyd and her son.

Mr. Harry Gould, manager of the Palace Theatre, on being interviewed by the writer, stated that Mrs. Floyd and her associates had left Ft. Worth on the 27th of June for Salisaw, Oklahoma; that they realized that the show was a "flop" and it was the intention of placing Mrs. Floyd under the supervision of an elecutionist to endeavor to develop her voice and stage appearance; that Mr. Levy had handled all the arrangements of the personal appearance of these parties and he understood there was a contract signed by Mrs. Floyd and her husband Charles

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"Pretty Boy" Floyd for the appearance at the Palace Theatre.

The records at the Worth Hotel show that Mrs. Floyd and her associates checked out of the hotel about 9:30 A.M., Saturday, June 23, 1934.

H.M. Grady, manager of the Ivanhoe Apartments, 709 W. 3rd St., Ft. Worth, Texas, telephone 2-0524, advised the writer that Mrs. Rubye Stearns, a graduate nurse, rented apartment 25 on June 3, 1934 and that during the week of June 18 this nurse had charge of Jack Dempsey Floyd.

Mr. Grady stated that Mrs. Floyd's party was made up of the following persons: O.V. Black & wife, E.E. Beech, Morton Harvey, Mrs. Floyd and son, and an 18 year old girl who claimed to be a cousin of "Pretty Boy" Floyd; that E.E. Beech first checked in for one night on Friday, June 22 about 4: AM in room 18, and that O.V. Black stayed overnight with Beech and informed Mr. Grady that they had been driving all night; that the next he saw of these parties was about 4: AM, Monday, June 25, 1934 when Mrs. Floyd and her son O.V. Black, E.E. Beech and Morton Harvey and Floyd's cousin, arrived at the Ivanhoe Apartments and rented rooms. Mr. Grady demanded cash in advance; however Mr. Black stated that he would have the money for him the following day.

Mr. Grady stated that these parties were driving a new Chevrolet - 1934 Coach, and that about 3: AM, Tuesday, June 26, O.V. Black left in this car and was gone about an hour; and during that same day he exhibited a roll of bills of ten and twenty dollar denominations and paid the room rent for all of his associates; that these parties, with the exception of Mrs. Rubye Stearns, the nurse, checked out of the Ivanhoe Apartments on Wednesday, June 27, 1934, Beech stating they were returning to Salisaw, Oklahoma.

During the conversation which Mr. Grady had with E.E. Beech he was told that Beech had known Mrs. Stearns a long time and that it was she who had referred them to the Ivanhoe Apartments; that Beech further informed him that they had a contract with Mr. Pier Levy for Mrs. Floyd and son to appear at the Palace Theatre, and that they had taken the contract to Oklahoma to have it signed. Mr. Gould, manager of the Palace, stated this contract bore the signature Charles Arthur "Pretty Boy" Floyd; and that this contract was in possession of Mr. Levy of the Publix Theatres in Ft. Worth.

Beech also told him that the girl with Mrs. Floyd was a cousin of "Pretty Boy" Floyd.

Mr. Grady further advised that in a conversation which he had with O.V. Black he was told that "Pretty Boy" Floyd was in very bad condition; that the gun shot wound in his leg was troubling him a great deal; that it was caused from a poison bullet and that he also received a serious cut on his arm at the time he escaped through a train window while he was being transferred to the

penitentiery; and that the night was bitter cold and the arm was frozen and appeared to give him considerable trouble. Mr. Grady stated that he formed the opinion from his conversation with Black that it was the intention of surrendering Floyd to the authorities, Black stating to him that he knew it was only a matter of a short time before the Government Authorities would apprehend Floyd.

Mr. Grady reported to the writer, in a conversation which he had with Mrs. Stearns, the nurse, subsequent to the writer's interview with him, that they were discussing Floyd and that Mrs. Stearns seemed to be very well acquainted with the Floyds and their associates, and remarked to Mr. Grady that there was a $2500.00 reward for one of the men with Mrs. Floyd's party; however she refused to divulge his name, she stating that she feared Grady would turn him in to the authorities. Mr. Grady stated he would endeavor to secure additional information from Mrs. Stearns and would supply same to Special Agent in Charge Blake of the Dallas Division Office.

Description of the men in Mrs. Floyd's party:

Name: E.E. Beech
Age: about 45
Ht.: 6'
Wt.: about 215
Hair: black
Eyes: brown
Comp. dark

Name: O.V. Black
Age: about 40
Ht.: 5' 8 or 9"
Wt.: about 160 to 170
Hair: blond
Eyes: grey-blue
Build stocky
Comp. ruddy

Name: Morton Harvey
Age: about 55 or 60 years
Ht.: 5' 11"
Wt.: 250
Bld.: large
Hair: iron gray
Comp. fair.

Mr. Harry Gould, manager of the Palace Theatre, stated that Morton Harvey is an old stage actor and showman and understands that he is in the show business at either Salisaw or Ponca City, Oklahoma.

Detectives Andy Fournier and Jack Reams of the Ft. Worth P.D., were conferred with from time to time by the writer pertaining to the appearance of Mrs. Floyd and her son at the Palace Theatre, and on Tuesday, June 26, 1934, while driving down Main Street they spotted the new Chevrolet Coach bearing Oklahoma License 215-650, which is the car driven by a party answering the description of O.V. Black, and that they trailed this car to the Worth Hotel in Ft. Worth where a Plymouth Sedan, about 1931 model, bearing Oklahoma license 391439, driven by a man about 25 years of age, bare-headed, light brown hair, suntan, hatchet face, sunken cheeks with high cheek bones, stopped and talked to the party in the Chevrolet Coach a few moments when they both left and proceeded out West on 6th Street, at which time the Plymouth was lost sight of; the Chevrolet Coach being followed went out 7th Street and turned North on Burleson about a mile to the River Bridge and it turned around and proceeded back and parked in front of the Ivanhoe Apartments at 709 W. 3rd Street, where the party got out and entered the apartment house.

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Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:—

For better cooperations I am asking Direct from your information and previous adress of charles arthur floyd and John Dillinger and mills. all I want to exact their previous trade or ~~[illegible]~~ expiation city they we Born and other habits if any.

A man resembling Charles arthur floyd Is in this city but the man of your dept. Insist that he is not the man, well within thirty days I intent to obtain his finger print to make sure of that any getaway under nose. I have good reason that this man is Charles A Floyd.

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Your truly
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July 9, 1934.

Mr. Carl Sciacca,
2[illegible]42 Monroe Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your undated letter, received at this Division July 5, 1934, wherein you request information and the previous address of Charles Arthur Floyd and John Dillinger. It has not been possible to identify the person mentioned as Mills from the information you have furnished.

There are enclosed, herewith, copies of Identification Orders #1194 and #1217 issued by this Division on Charles Arthur Floyd and John Herbert Dillinger respectively. In the event you obtain any information respecting the whereabouts of these two individuals, please communicate such information to Mr. M. H. Purvis, Special Agent in Charge, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1900 Bankers' Building, Chicago, Illinois.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this matter, I am,

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Oklahoma City, Okla.	7/2/34	6/22/34	C. H. Phinney

TITLE: VERNON C. MILLER, w.a. (deceased)
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, w.a. - FUGITIVE I.O.#1201;
CHARLES ARTHUR FLOYD, w.a. - FUGITIVE I.O.#1194;
ET AL

CHARACTER OF CASE: Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Dr. Miles W. Hall, Chiropractor located at Boise City Cimarron County, Oklahoma advises that he was in contact with George Lindsey, Sr. relative to financing an advanced course of study in Chicago by the National Educational Society. Does not recall telephone call. Agent unable to obtain any record of same at telephone office in Boise City.

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REFERENCE: Reports of Special Agents G. A. Stevens, Oklahoma City, 1/16/34 and W. F. Trainor of Kansas City, 12/15/33.

DETAILS AT BOISE CITY CIMARRON COUNTY:

Agent contacted Robert Sinclair, Manager of Telephone Exchange in an effort to locate long distance call to Dr. Hall in Boise City and the only information obtained from Sinclair was that the call was probably to Dr. Miles W. Hall as there are two Doctors Hall located in Boise City and they are father and son and that the father is virtually retired from practice.

DETAILS: Sinclair refused to check the call without a court order although he did communicate with Jesse Hessler, Division Superintendent of the Telephone Company at Guymon, who upheld the stand taken by Sinclair

Agent then interviewed Dr. Miles W. Hall at his office relative to his association with Lindseys and Dr. Hall very frankly stated that he had endeavored to arrange with Lindsey to finance some post graduate work in Chicago for him through the Educational Society which specialized in this sort of work. Dr. Hall

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could not recall the telephone call although he did not doubt that he may have received it. He advised that he had been unable to take advanced course because of economic conditions in this part of the country.. He further stated that he had never met Lindsey personally.

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TITLE: VERNON C. MILLER, w. a. (deceased)
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CHARLES ARTHUR FLOYD, w.a. - FUGITIVE I.O.#1194;
ET AL

CHARACTER OF CASE: Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Mail cover placed on Tom Antone, Okla. State Pen. #18728, list of relatives and persons from who receiving mail obtained. No information that Floyd is living at Sallisaw.

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REFERENCE: Letter from Kansas City Division Office 3/22/34 and letter from Portland Division Office, 8/9/33.

DETAILS:

At the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, McAlester, Oklahoma a mail cover was placed on Tom Antone and the Authorities advise they will notify Oklahoma City Division office as to all incoming and outgoing mail.

The following list of correspondence and relatives of Tom Antone obtained. Mrs. L. J. Richards, sister, address not given; Mary Beebee, sister, address not given; Carroll Tankersley, sister, address not given; C. D. Antone, Mother, address not given; J. C. Antone, wife, 726 South Second Street, McAlester, Oklahoma.

DETAILS: Tom Antone is serving twenty years for robbery with firearms and escaped in October, 1933 and was captured at Borger, Texas, in January, 1934.

Special Agent N. E. Marshall conducted the following investigation.

This Agent made discreet inquiry in Salisaw, Oklahoma to determine the identity of persons in the abstract business at Salisaw, Oklahoma.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: Dwight Brantley SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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It was determined through inquiry in Salisaw that there were only two abstract offices in Salisaw, Oklahoma; one run by Alex Foreman and the other by Fred Campbell.

Alex Foreman is an old time resident of Salisaw and has a good reputation in Salisaw, he is a man about fifty years of age or older, while it will be noted that the man mentioned in letter of reference is a young man.

Fred Campbell, is a man of good reputation and character and well thought of in Salisaw and is a man over fifty years of age and has lived in Salisaw for a great number of years. There are no other abstract offices in Salisaw and there have been no others there for the past several years.

Agent in making this inquiry in Salisaw regarding the abstract companies and the men who run them did not mention the name of Floyd and did not mention the fact that he was in the Government Service but left the impression that he had some work to be done and desired to ascertain which of the men would best be able to perform this work.

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DALLAS, TEXAS	7/1/34	6/29 & 30/34	E. J. DOWD

TITLE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased); RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1201; CHARLES ARTHUR FLOYD, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1194, et al.

CHARACTER OF CASE: CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Ben F. Whittaker, professional gambler, Dallas, Texas, and agent for the General News Service of Kansas City, which furnishes race-track information, was interviewed at the Dallas Division office. Whittaker states that in the past few years he has received and sent telephone messages to Kansas City often; that in this connection he has been in constant telephonic conversation with one George Sadlo, who is at the present time at Laredo, Texas operating gambling concessions. Whittaker claims he does not know Richard Tallman Galatas, with aliases. He stated, however, that if Galatas has had any previous dealings with George Sadlo of Kansas City, the most likely place to locate Galatas would be through George Sadlo, now at Laredo or Brownsville, Texas.

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REFERENCE: Copy of letter from the Kansas City office to San Antonio office under date of June 11, 1934.

DETAILS:

DETAILS: Letter of reference lists two telephone calls from the Sadlos (George and/or W.F.), at the President Hotel, Kansas City, to Dallas, Texas. One call was made on May 19, 1933 to L.D. 321, and the other to L.D. 953, on August 19, 1933. The former is the long distance telephone number of the Jefferson Hotel, Dallas; and the latter has been until February 1, 1934, the long distance number of Ben F. Whittaker, professional gambler, who lives at the Jefferson Hotel. Until recently Ben F. Whittaker controlled the pool room betting concessions at Dallas, Texas. These places were closed by the Dallas Police Department, and Whittaker, an agent for the General News Service of

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Kansas City, Missouri, continues to operate under cover, although the pool rooms in which he was interested or controlled, are all closed.

In view of Whittaker's known connections in the underworld at Dallas, Kansas City, Chicago and in other cities, in order to handle the situation in the most discreet manner, the writer interviewed Lieutenant Will Fritz, in charge of the Robbery and Homicide Division of the Dallas Police Department. Lieut. Fritz stated that in his dealings with Whittaker, he had always found him willing to cooperate, and suggested that an appointment be made to talk to Whittaker at the Dallas Division office.

The writer contacted Ben F. Whittaker over the telephone at his suite in the Jefferson Hotel, Dallas, and at Whittaker's own suggestion the latter came to the Dallas Division office where he freely discussed his business.

Whittaker stated that until February 1, 1934, shortly after the pool rooms in which he was interested - furnishing race-track information and taking bets on the horses - were closed, long distance telephone number 953 was assigned to him and the wire was located in the Jefferson Hotel, from which place he furnished service and also took bets; that long distance telephone number 321 is that of the Jefferson Hotel, over which wire he also sent and received telephone messages. In this connection, he stated that he has been in constant telephonic communication with Kansas City, Chicago, St. Louis, and other cities, particularly with one George Sadlo, relative to bets on horses, and equipment for gambling tables; that he understands that George Sadlo is an agent for the "Dutchman", correct name, George Weinbrenner, who owns or operates Mason & Company, manufacturers of gambling equipment and devices. Whittaker stated that he is agent for the General News [illegible] Service of Kansas City, which furnishes race-track information to his connections at Dallas and vicinity; that he believes that Sadlo and John L. Lazia were owners or controlled the interest in the Green Hills Country Club, Kansas City, Mo. Whittaker further stated that when John L. Lazia was tried in Federal Court recently at Kansas City, he Whittaker, was one of the witnesses subpoenaed for the Government relative to a check issued by Whittaker in favor of John L. Lazia, covering the winnings on a race-horse bet.

According to Whittaker, George Sadlo is now interested in a string of horses from the East, and also in gambling concessions at Laredo and Brownsville, Texas; that only a few days ago he received a telephone call from George Sadlo at Laredo, Texas, placing a bet on a horse.

A photograph of Richard Tallman Galatas, with aliases, was exhibited to Ben F. Whittaker. He stated that he does not know Galatas and never heard of him. That if Galatas has in the past been in any way associated with George Sadlo, it is his (Whittaker's) guess that Galatas could possibly be contacted through George Sadlo, at Laredo, Texas, as Sadlo is pretty well known to gamblers all over the country. Whittaker stated that if he knew where Galatas or any other hunted Criminal could be located, he would not hesitate to furnish the information to the Government because some time ago an attempt was made to kidnap him (Whittaker) and instead the bandits robbed him of $500.00 and escaped.

Whittaker further stated that he has given up his home at Dallas, and is now living at a suite known as Rooms 1219-21, Jefferson Hotel, Dallas, Texas.

Whittaker stated that the Dallas Division office could communicate with him at any time, as he will be glad to furnish any known information he has regarding criminals wanted by the Government. In this connection, he furnished Agent with his private unlisted telephone number (7-8031), and stated that he conducts business in a confidential manner at room 1223 Republic Bank Building; that in future should the Division desire to interview him, he would be glad to call at the Dallas Division office, where he prefers such interviews to take place.

Inasmuch as the letter of reference is directed to the San Antonio office, no lead is being set out by the Dallas office, at Laredo, Texas.

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JULY 3, 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

Reference is made to Division letter of June 18, 1934, instructing that this office prepare, for submission to the Boston, Buffalo, Denver, ElPaso, Indianapolis, Little Rock, Nashville and Omaha Offices, additional copies of the Summary Report in this case and copies of a Supplementary Report showing the status of each subject and suspect involved in this case.

At present this office is requesting the Chicago Office to prepare additional copies of the Summary Report for the Boston, Buffalo, Denver, ElPaso, Indianapolis, Little Rock and Nashville Offices. One additional copy of the Summary Report being available here is being forwarded to the Omaha Office.

There is in progress now the preparation of a report setting forth the additional pertinent information suggested.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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July 2, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Nathan telephoned from Kansas City and advised that the informant and McMullen of the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department have started out on their way to Fort Smith. I advised Mr. Nathan that it did not appear to be a very good idea for McMullen to go to Fort Smith inasmuch as he is known to Floyd as the Captain of Police at Kansas City and if any of Floyd's gang see McMullen, Floyd will never go to Fort Smith. Mr. Nathan stated that McMullen insists on going. However, Agent Anderson is going to Fort Smith and the contact is supposed to be made between the informant and Anderson. McMullen has been instructed and states he will just get into a room and stay there and not be seen. McMullen and the informant will not go into Fort Smith together - they will each go in separately at different times. Mr. Nathan states that there was no way of keeping McMullen from going to Fort Smith.

Agent Anderson is going to Fort Smith Arkansas and register as Rex Page at the Goldman Hotel. Agent Trainor is going to Fayetteville and will register under his right name at the Washington Hotel. Any contact that Anderson has with the Kansas City Office will be through Agent Trainor. Mr. Nathan advised that he plans on going up tomorrow night and will probably take with him Special Agent Simons. Mr. Nathan stated he would like to have four more Agents sent to Fayetteville from either the Little Rock or Oklahoma City Office.

I advised Mr. Nathan that I would get in touch with Mr. Brantley and make arrangements for him to send possibly three agents to Fayetteville and instruct the agents to get in touch with Trainor at that point. Mr. Nathan stated that he is likewise going to Fayetteville tomorrow night, as stated above. He was told to take sufficient firearms, which he stated he would do. I informed Mr. Nathan that I would call Mr. Conroy and advise him that there was nothing for him to do and if he had a man in Fort Smith, he should remove him. Mr. Nathan stated that Conroy was requested to do this yesterday and Conroy advised he would remove his man now at Fort Smith.

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In connection with the informant [redacted] I advised Mr. Nathan that in the event this "blows up", if we spent not more than $100 on [redacted] it would be all right. I told Mr. Nathan not to buy an automobile or anything of that sort; that he should just give [redacted] the money and if he wants to buy an automobile, that is his business. Mr. Nathan stated he would follow these instructions.

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Mr. Nathan stated that there is a possibility that Richetti may be with Floyd and wanted to know if we would pay anything for him. I advised Mr. Nathan that we would not and wanted to get out of this as cheap as possible. The Division will be kept advised.

Respectfully,

E.A.Tamm.

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Division of Investigation
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Washington, D. C.

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July 3, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.

Confirming telephonic advice furnished Mr. Newby on June 27, 1934, you are advised that the files of the Identification Unit reflect no fingerprint record for any individual by the names Betty Sturney, Betty Galatas, Betty Gladis, Betty Galates, Betty Galatis, or Betty Sheridan, who had any arrest record in California in 1922.

Respectfully,

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June 30, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. R. B. Nathan, Special Agent in Charge of the Kansas City office, called by telephone this afternoon and advised that he had talked to the informant of the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department who is one Earl Eno. It appears that the Eno family is closely connected with Floyd and that he, Earl Eno, feels sure he can contact Floyd at Fort Smith or in that vicinity; that Crocheti will be with him and suggested the possibility that Doc, Fredie Barker and Terry Campbell will be there; that Karpis would not be there because he does not know him; that three other men might be there and he is sure that Floyd and Crocheti will be there. Mr. Nathan stated that the Kansas City, Kansas outfit are very difficult to deal with as they do not tell all they know and are "Cagey".

Mr. Nathan stated that Eno feels that he ought to go to Fort Smith either tomorrow or the next day; that the telegram dated the fourth means that Floyd will be there around the 4th; that Floyd may not go there himself but that he would send word in and that he may be at a point a little away from Fort Smith as it would not be advisable for him to be seen at Fort Smith before the 4th. Mr. Nathan suggested that Eno go to Fort Smith a day or two in advance with McMullen who knows Floyd. McMullen was the Chief of Police in Kansas City when Floyd was arrested. Agents Anderson, Trainer and Mr. Nathan talked to Eno and it was agreed that an Agent register at a hotel, already agreed upon, and he, Eno, will contact him direct. McMullen thinks Eno will want some expense money and I authorized Mr. Nathan to pay him a reasonable amount, if in his judgment it is necessary.

Eno will go down to Fort Smith on Sunday night or Monday morning and Mr. Nathan suggested that two men from the Division go down, one to Fort Smith and one to the neighboring town. Mr. Nathan suggested calling Special Agent in Charge Brantley in order to check up on the telegram from Tulsa, Oklahoma; also to check up on Eno's record at McAlester and get a photograph of him in order to make sure that it is Eno he was talking to. He stated that Agents of the Division would go to Fort Smith the day after Eno goes down and will contact him at the hotel, will keep in touch with the office and then arrangements can be made to send additional agents at the proper time should they be necessary. I authorized Mr. Nathan to send Special Agent Anderson to Fort Smith on Monday morning and, after conferring with Mr. Brantley, to call me in order to ascertain whether Conroy and others should be notified. Mr. Nathan suggested that no men be sent to Fort Smith for a few days.

There is another informant in this case named [redacted] who is now in the Leavenworth Penitentiary but who will be released [redacted] Mr. Nathan was instructed that this lead be held in abeyance until the lead at Fort Smith has been completed.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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NEW ORLEANS	7-3-34	6-26-34	J. V. BLAKE

TITLE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases. (Deceased). RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1201. ROBERT C. BRADY (Deceased). HARVEY J. BAILEY, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1189. WILBER UNDERHILL, with aliases (Deceased) ED DAVIS, with aliases, I. O. 1193. BERNARD PHILLIPS, with aliases, I. O. 1196. CHARLES ARTHUR FLOYD, I.O. 1194.

CHARACTER OF CASE: CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Earl Tedford, inmate Louisiana State Penitentiary says that he formerly ran with Floyd but they had separated about three years ago and while he believes he could contact Floyd again if he were on the outside, he is unable to give the name or address of anyone who could assist in locating Floyd.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent J. O. Peyronnin, New Orleans, La., March 28, 1934. Letter to Oklahoma City office dated June 4, 1934.

DETAILS: AT ANGOLA, LOUISIANA

DETAILS: Earl Tedford, prisoner at Camp "E" Louisiana State Penitentiary, was interviewed. He says that his correct name is Westerman but that he was sentenced to the Louisiana State Penitentiary under the name of Earl Tedford on a charge of robbery at Shreveport, La. about three years ago. He says that he met Charles Floyd in Kansas City, Missouri in 1929, that Floyd had just been released from Jefferson City, Missouri and had requested a mutual friend to introduce him to Tedford. Tedford says that Floyd wanted to work with him so he gave him employment. He says that Floyd was one of the best men that he had ever seen but that he was too quick to use his gun. He says that he and Floyd separated about three years or a little more ago when Floyd went to Bowling

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: R L Whitley SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Green, Kentucky and to Ohio. He would not say why they had separated. He says that the last time he saw Floyd was in Kansas City in 1930, but would not give any information about the circumstances of their meeting there. He claims to be well acquainted with Floyd's mother and to have been in her home; that the mother and a sister of Floyd live at Salisaw, Oklahoma and that a brother lives at Seminole and is employed by an oil company there. He knows Beulah Baird and says that Floyd is crazy about her and that she would be more apt to be in touch with Floyd than would anyone else; that Beulah and Floyd's little boy were staying with a Mrs. Smalling (Smalley) at Wewoka, Oklahoma and that a raid had been staged there on one occasion when Beulah and the boy were taken into custody but later released. Since he, Tedford has been in the penitentiary, his family has been hard pressed to get by, so he had urged his wife to try to locate Beulah through Mrs. Smalling feeling that Beulah probably has the cash for Floyd and plenty of it and he was quite sure that for old time's sake Floyd would be gald to help his, Tedford's family financially while he, Tedford was in prison. Tedford said that if he were out, he was quite sure that he could go to people whose names and addresses he does not remember but he would know where to find them and would know their faces, and they would recognize him as having been associated with Floyd and he would be able to locate Floyd, but that he could not tell the writer the name of anyone who could assist in locating him. He indicated that he would first try to locate Beulah through Mrs. Smalling and in the event he had no luck there he would go to Kansas City and find some old acquaintances there, or that he could tell certain things to Floyd's mother that would convince her that it would be all right for her to direct him to Floyd. He was sure that if he could be paroled for a short time he could locate Floyd and put him "on the spot" within three months, or six months, or nine months. He was advised that the writer was quite sure that neither the Government would recommend, nor would the State entertain any such proposition but that if he could furnish any information that might lead to the location of Floyd, the fact that he had furnished such information would be brought to the attention of those in authority. He insisted that he could go to people and get information if he were out, but that he and Floyd had been separated more than three years; that his later friends and haunts were not known to him, Tedford, and that he could not furnish the name or address of anyone who could furnish the information.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE NEW ORLEANS OFFICE: At Shreveport, Louisiana, and vicinity, will continue investigation referred to in reference letter.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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June 30, 1934.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. R. B. Nathan telephoned and advised that he was called to Kansas City, Kansas this morning by Acting Chief of Detectives Jack Jenkins. Jenkins advised that some of his men have been working with an informant, name not given, in connection with a deal to recover a lot of stolen bonds. This informant is a known associate and friend of Pretty Boy Floyd. He told these officers that he recently had a letter from Floyd and yesterday showed them a telegram which he stated is from Floyd. The telegram was sent from Tulsa and addressed to the informant at Kansas City, Kansas and reads as follows: (telegram sent collect.)

"J. Fort and Mith meeting you there 4th without fail"

Signed "C. F. Wilson". According to this informant, C. F. Wilson is an alias that Floyd has used heretofore, the two initials being Charles Floyd and Wilson being a name he has used from time to time. The informant interprets this telegram to mean that he is to meet Floyd at Fort Smith, Arkansas on July 4th. The informant is willing to go to Ft. Smith to meet Floyd but wants to know how much reward he can get for turning Floyd over to the police.

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Mr. Nathan advised that there has been some publicity in Kansas City recently to the effect that a reward has been offered by the Department for the capture of Floyd. I advised Mr. Nathan that the Department has offered no reward for Floyd but I was of the opinion that the Director would offer a reasonable amount for the apprehension of Floyd. After discussing this subject with you, I advised Mr. Nathan that we would give the informant $1,000 if we could get Floyd. I told Mr. Nathan that this should be a C.O.D. proposition.

Mr. Nathan advised that in the Kansas City, Kansas police department there is some friction between the different officers and members of the Department and, according to Jenkins, the men who obtained this information from the informant are not very reliable and are out for the publicity and whatever they can get out of it. Mr. Nathan stated that McMullen, who has had most of the contact with the informant, used to be Chief of Police at Kansas City, Kansas and wants to have an understanding with the Division to the effect that Floyd be turned over to the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department, if he is apprehended. I advised Mr. Nathan that we could not make any agreement of this nature inasmuch as we have no jurisdiction in this connection. In other words, we are an investigative agency and if we apprehend Floyd, we can not guarantee that he will be sent to any place. Mr. Nathan advised that the Kansas City, Kansas police department have only a minor charge against Floyd and their reason for wanting him is for publicity purposes. I told Mr. Nathan to be very diplomatic about this matter and inform them that this is a problem for their local attorneys and as far as the Division is concerned, we would make no effort to thwart any State

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prosecution against Floyd on any charge. I told Mr. Nathan that the best we have on Floyd is conspiracy to obstruct justice which would carry the maximum of two years and we do not feel that the Department would stand between local authorities that had other and more serious charges against Floyd. I also stated that our chief interest in Floyd was to find out all about the Kansas City massacre.

Mr. Nathan stated that he does not believe they intend to prosecute Floyd over in Kansas City, Kansas but they feel like, if he was brought there, they would get a lot of publicity out of it. Mr. Nathan advised that Jenkins realizes this situation himself but he is only Acting Chief of Detectives and does not have as much authority as he would like to have. According to Jenkins, if we do not try to keep McMullen in a good humor, he is liable to do anything. However, Mr. Nathan stated this can be probably straightened out, and I told Mr. Nathan to advise them that our chief interest was to cause the apprehension of Floyd.

Mr. Nathan will see that this matter receives appropriate attention and I instructed him to see that no publicity was given to this matter.

With further reference to rewards, I advised Mr. Nathan that $10,000 had been offered for Dillinger's arrest, $5,000 for information leading to his arrest, $5,000 for Nelson's arrest and $2,500 for information leading to Nelson's arrest.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

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July 2, 1934.

Mr. Nathan
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I called Mr. Conroy with reference to the Floyd matter and advised that we had an informant going to Fort Smith; that Agent Anderson was going to Fort Smith in an under cover capacity and Agent Trainor was going to Fayetteville where he would register in his own name at the Washington Hotel. I also advised that Mr. R.B.Nathan and one other Agent would go to Fayetteville some time tomorrow and we expected this thing to break on the 4th. I advised Mr. Conroy that we would like to have him go to Fayetteville tomorrow afternoon and get in touch with Trainor or Nathan at the hotel. Mr. Conroy advised he had four agents available besides himself. I instructed him to take three of his best agents and go to Fayetteville and be ready for any emergency.

Mr. Conroy advised that yesterday Agent Anderson called him and gave him the above information. However, Mr. Conroy stated he had just received a call from Mr. Spear from Kansas City, Kansas to the effect that McMullen and the informant had left Kansas City at noon today; that there had been a leak somewhere and it appeared as if these two men were going to be killed. Spear asked Conroy to stop them in the event they got into his district. I advised Mr. Conroy that I would call the Kansas City office at once and get all of the details. In view of this, I told Mr. Conroy not to do anything but to be prepared to move over to Fayetteville if it should be necessary.

Mr. Conroy advised that Fayetteville is quite a distance from Fort Smith - about 75 to 100 miles - and if you strike a fog, it is almost impossible to get through . Mr. Conroy suggested that some spot closer to Fort Smith would be more desirable. I told Mr. Conroy that I would definitely ascertain what the situation is with regard to this matter and then advise him. He was requested to be prepared to move in at once upon receipt of advice to this effect.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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420 Post Office Building,
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July 3, 1934.

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

CONFIDENTIAL

RE: Vernon C. Miller, w.a. (deceased)
Richard Tallman Galatas, w.a.,
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1201;
Charles Arthur Floyd, w.a.,
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1194; et al.
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

Dear Sir:-

I have had another conference with Dr. J. Frank Norris, Pastor of the First Baptist Church at Ft. Worth, relative to Charles Arthur Floyd. He is of the opinion that E.E. Beech, who acted as Manager of Mrs. Floyd in her theatre venture, is not sincere in his negotiations of surrender and is without any authority to so deal. He is convinced that Floyd's mother at Sallisaw, Oklahoma is the person who controls the situation, and Dr. Norris has expressed a willingness to go to Sallisaw and endeavor to convince Mrs. Floyd that surrender is the most reasonable thing Floyd could do. He proposes that I accompany him by plane to a point near Sallisaw, where we will be met by a representative of the Oklahoma City office with a car, and proceed to Sallisaw.

I am dubious of the advisability of a representative of the Division joining in an endeavor to induce his surrender, but if the Division feels otherwise, I will make the trip and ascertain what her position is. Dr. Norris says he will defray his own expenses, but the Division may desire otherwise and if so, should instruct as to how the expenses should be met. I have emphasized to Dr. Norris the necessity of secrecy as to any plans that may be made and as to any negotiations which may be carried on, and he professes to appreciate the importance of such.

He says the theatre venture was a failure and that Mrs. Floyd, her son, and Beech have returned to Sallisaw, Oklahoma. He says that Mrs. Floyd appears to be sincere in her expressions of desire that Floyd surrender, but that her wishes are subordinated to those of her mother-in-law. He says that Mrs. Floyd told him that her husband heard the radio broadcast of the ceremonies attendant upon the joining of the church by his son. The station over which these were broadcast has a power of 1000 watts and could have been heard some distance away, depending upon the efficiency of the receiving set used.

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He said he had no reason to expect that Mrs. Floyd and her son would return to Ft. Worth in the near future; that she seemed to distrust Beech and if he were removed from the affair more progress would be made, as Beech was trying to capitalize upon the case. I endeavored to ascertain whether Mrs. Floyd had told him anything that would be of assistance to us in locating Floyd but he said he asked her no questions along that line.

I have in a previous letter, advised the Division of the character of Dr. Norris. His friends have implicit confidence in him; his enemies have none. My dealings with him have been cordial and so far as I know he has not violated any trust I may have reposed in him. However, he is a volatile individual and there is a possibility that he might, from his pulpit or on the radio, divulge what has been done and said. We have the same risk in dealing with other individuals. I believe he is sincere in his fight against crime; that he has a high regard for the Division and its achievements; that he would be happy if the plan as outlined for the surrender could be worked out. He professes to have faith in me, which he gives as his reason for stipulating that I accompany him upon his mission, which I will gladly do if the Division feels it is wise to do so.

I have made it plain to Dr. Norris that the Division offers only two provisions attendant upon surrender: That he will not be killed and that he will be removed to Leavenworth Penitentiary, where necessary medical attention will be afforded. I have emphasized that, after the surrender, our actions would be dependant upon what Floyd did. He says he appreciates our position and will assure Mrs. Floyd (the mother) that if the surrender is made and Floyd makes a complete statement to us and assists us, that he (Norris) will personally intervene in Floyd's behalf whenever and wherever necessary by recommending consideration for the assistance rendered the Government.

Dr. Norris feels that the Floyds would be satisfied with any sentence which did not carry the death penalty.

Very truly yours, -

F. J. Beaver

F. J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Oconee, Ill.
June 26, 1934

Attorney General Homer S. Cummings,

Dear Sir:

I am writing in regards to an announcement that was in the Decatur Herald in regards to rewards for several notorious bandits. I notice one described as Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd.

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I know of a man that has drifted in here from some where. If there is a reward for such a man as the paper says, please send me a photograph of the man wanted by the name of Charles (Pretty Boy) Floyd.

I will arrest him if the photograph corresponds to his description and wire you at once.

I have heard that this man was going to leave in about two weeks.

Iremain,

Yours truly,

EARL KINNEY DEPUTY SHERIFF
OCONEE ILL.

BOX 45

(Please answer at once if this letter is of any information to you).

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Mr. Earl Kinney,
Deputy Sheriff,
Post Office Box 45,
Oconee, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter dated June 26, 1934, addressed to the Attorney General, there is transmitted herewith Identification Order #1194, issued by this Division on Charles Arthur "Pretty Boy" Floyd, with aliases.

A copy of your letter has been referred to Mr. L. B. Reed, Special Agent in Charge, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 801 Title Guaranty Building, St. Louis, Missouri, who will assign an Agent to interview you regarding this matter in the near future.

Thanking you for your cooperation and interest in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

Director.

Enclosure 55748

cc-St. Louis

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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July 5, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased);
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases -
FUGITIVE, Identification Order 1201; CHARLES
ARTHUR "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD, with aliases -
FUGITIVE, Identification Order 1194, et al.
Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter of the Kansas City Office addressed to your office with which was enclosed a copy of a report rendered by investigators of the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, St. Paul, Minnesota, relative to an inquiry made by that organization into the murder of Arthur W. Dunlop, paramour of Mrs. Kate Barker, whose body was found near Webster, Wisconsin, on April 25, 1932. In order to complete the files of the Division respecting the activities of the Barker-Karpis gang, you are instructed to forward this report to the Division in order that photostatic copies might be made and retained in its files.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

cc-Kansas City

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Springfield, Mo.
June 24, 1934

Mr. Cummings

Dear Sir:

Mr. Cummings I wrote Mr. J. E. Hoover the other day. I wrote about this Pretty Boy Floyd. Mr. Cummings if you are putting out so much money for rewards of this Dillinger and Nelson what have you got on Pretty Boy Floyd. Now the time to get him while he is quiet. Mr. Cummings I wish you would get in touch with Mr. J. E. Hoover and read the letter I wrote him. I would like for you and him to get together and think it over, and write me and let me know something. I know you have plenty of men for the job. But it looks like the Federal men never does the captureing it out-siders that has done it lately. Please think it over and write me.

Yours truly,

HARRY MARLO
1014½ N. Boulevard Avenue

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Mr. Harry Marlo,
1014½ North Boulevard Avenue,
Springfield, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Your letter dated June 24, 1934, addressed to the Attorney General, has been referred to this Division for consideration and reply.

Your previous letter dated May 15, 1934, was inadvertently directed to the Director, Bureau of Budgets, Washington, D. C., and consequently was not received in this Division until some time later, and as stated in my letter dated June 19, 1934, an Agent of this Division will be assigned to interview you concerning the whereabouts of "Pretty Boy" Floyd.

Thanking you for your cooperation and interest in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

Director.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

COPY

June 29th, 1934.

The Honorable,
The Attorney General,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

My dear sir,

In re the whereabouts of the much wanted Pretty Boy Floyd, you might keep an eye on the Travelers Service Station at Arlington, Texas. This place is some 20 miles from Dallas.

You will find that besides the gasoline and oil these proprietors dispense good cheer in bottles - bootleg booze and beer. Do not confuse the Traveler's service station with the Traveler's Garage in the same town. The later is harmless.

For personal reasons I cannot sign this letter. You, however, know how to make use of such anonymously provided information. You will find that this is not a bum steer. And you will find no fingerprints on this sheet.

ANONYMOUS

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July 5, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
Dallas, Texas.

JUL 6 1934

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased)
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1201; CHARLES ARTHUR "PRETTY
BOY" FLOYD, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O.
#1194, et al.
Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.

Dear Sir:

There are enclosed herewith copies of an anonymous communication dated June 29, 1934, addressed to the Attorney General, wherein the writer indicates the presence of subject Floyd in Arlington, Texas.

You should give this matter appropriate attention.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Enclosure 557149

cc-Kansas City

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JUL 1934
F. B. I.
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION,
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

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Mr. Tolson
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Cowley
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Lester
Chief Clerk
Mr. Tamm

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July 3, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Nathan telephoned and advised that everything seems to be O.K.; that Trainor is down in Fayetteville; that Anderson is in Fort Smith at the Goldman Hotel using the name of Harry Andrews and he and Agent Simons are leaving for Fayetteville in about an hour.

Mr. Nathan advised that he had talked to Mr. Conroy and all arrangements have been perfected. I asked Mr. Nathan if he could not get closer to Fayetteville and he advised that he discussed this with Mr. Conroy but Mr. Conroy could not suggest any other town. However, after Mr. Nathan arrives down there, he will see if they can not get into some town that is closer to Fort Smith and then advise the Division.

I told Mr. Nathan that we wanted to avoid criticism with regard to our being too far away to take any action and suggested that the agents might go in one at a time and register at the different hotels in Fort Smith. Mr. Nathan stated that this seemed to be a good idea and he would consider it. Mr. Nathan will advise the results in this matter.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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Kansas City, Mo.
July 4th. 1934

Dear Mr. Hoover:

As you will recall the Union Station massacre which happened June 17th. implicating Verne C. Miller as one of the killers.

Mr. Hoover as you recall the slaying of Miller in Detroit the latter part of November (last year) by Detroit gangsters Mr. Hoover what I'm trying to get at is that I think that was ## a scheme of Miller's. I believe Miller had it fixed so that ##### he would t###### throw investigators off his trail. I believe he obtained a corpse somewhere and kinda fixed it up.

Mr. Hoover I'm an amateur detective by profession. I would like for you to mail me a circular concerning Miller. Also state what happened to the little girl whom Miller claimed to be his daughter when agents picked up his trail in Kansas City.

Enclosed find page ######## concerning me which was In the issue of November ## 25th. 1933.

Truly,

Joe Koenigsbauer
Joe Koenigsbauer
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2437 HOLMES ST
Kansas city. MO.

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JUL 12 1934

I'll See You Soon

A SHORT SHORT STORY

By DONALD HOUGH

(Reading time: 4 minutes 15 seconds.)

DEAR JOE: Well, I thought I'd write you and tell you what a fine funeral you had. Of course you remember all the events that led up to the funeral, but naturally you couldn't tell what happened after they found you stretched out on the bed in your room with the pistol near your right hand and a neat bullet hole, complete with powder burns, in your right temple.

You had a fine funeral. I have never seen a better one. There must have been three hundred people there. Jimmie McDougal was there, the fellow you owed ten dollars to, looking for the will or for somebody who could tell him something about his ten dollars. Do you remember that blonde girl you met at the New Year's party three years ago? Well, she was there. What do you think of that?

The newspaper boys were there. They took a picture of the crowd, and I gave them a photo of you taken in 1924 at the Elks' ball. They wanted it for the paper. And the next day there it was, on the third page, right next to a picture of Charles Evans Hughes. I wish you could have seen it. And they wrote quite a story about it. It was a good story. They told how you had got tired of life and had decided to end it all, or something like that. Oh, yes, they all knew it was suicide, of course. There was no hint of anything else. It was just as you would have wanted it to be.

They had four young men at the funeral. I think they call them the Harmony Four, or something like that. They sang some songs, sort of sad ones. And the minister made a fine speech. I have seldom heard such a fine speech. I almost enjoyed it. Then they carried you out to a fine eight-cylinder hearse, one of the best hearses I have ever seen. And they went to the cemetery. There were a lot of very swell cars in the procession. I went on home.

I got a great kick out of seeing you lying up there in your casket. I could just see your nose. It stuck up. Once I thought I saw it twitch. It would have, if you could have had anything to say about it, because I know you never cared for fine funerals.

Well, I have saved the most interesting part to the last. You know what it is about. It is about Alice Jordan. Alice was there. I was with her. I thought I owed it to you to take Alice to the funeral. The three of us had always been pretty thick, you know. The fact that on the very night you died you called me such terrible names, and accused me of lying to Alice about you, and trying to break up your engagement, and one thing and another made no difference to me. I took her anyway.

I think Alice had a pretty good opinion of you at the end. I don't think she believed half the things I had told her. And that little affair when I framed you so you'd be caught in that room with Queenie—it seems she saw through that all the time. And when you lost your job on account of—well—you know—she knew all the time that I had done it. She told me so. She said there was no reason for you to shoot yourself. She was crying pretty bad, and perhaps a little hysterical.

The funny part of it was she wouldn't marry me after all. I didn't ask her, because I was waiting until a while after the funeral; but she told me right at the funeral that she never wanted to see me again. What do you think of that? After I'd taken her. But I didn't ever want to see her again, either. And I won't see her. I thought you'd want to know that, so I am telling you. Alice is a very smart girl, and it's no wonder we both of us fell for her like we did. I'll admit I did everything humanly possible, before your death, to take Alice from you. It didn't work. Nothing worked. I'm sorry about it, because I certainly wanted Alice—worse than anything in the world. But I guess in order to get a girl away from somebody else you got to go about it different. Especially a girl like Alice.

IT was Alice who identified that watch charm. Can you imagine her identifying the watch charm? The one you gave me for my birthday six years ago? Well, she did. She came right out with it. And of course, after that, she wouldn't marry me at all. She said she never wanted to see me again. Well, she won't.

Of course I have got a lot against Alice on account of that charm, but I have not got anything against you, and I never did have. You can't get sore at a fellow because he's got guts. I don't see yet how you could do it. Look at the trouble I had gone to, to have everything done right. There wasn't a thing wrong. Everything was perfect. And then, when I lifted you to the bed to put your fingerprints on the pistol and lay it beside your hand, you were still conscious enough to get my watch charm in your fist and keep it there. I didn't even miss it, and I don't know yet why I didn't see you clutching it in your left fist as you died.

Well, let bygones be bygones. I got to close now. I hear the guard coming up the hall. The guard and the priest. It's midnight. The reprieve from the governor didn't come. So I got to go now. I'll see you soon.

Yours, CHARLIE.

I *saw and heard* Lincoln *at* Gettysburg

(Reading time: 12 minutes 55 seconds.)

GEORGE D. GITT'S eighty-five years have by no means dimmed his memory of either the Battle of Gettysburg or Lincoln's delivery of the Gettysburg Address. Even minor details of the latter event stand out, clear-cut, before Mr. Gitt's mind's eye as he looks back upon that November 19, 1863, when he stood at Lincoln's feet, beneath the speakers' platform, and looked up through a crack to observe the gestures of the great President and the play of emotion on his face. A few months before, only a short distance away from the thick of the Battle of Gettysburg, he had heard the rumble of the cannon; and he had looked upon the face of General Reynolds as his body was being removed from the battlefield on a spring wagon. At the Battle of Hanover, which was the prelude to Gettysburg, he had stood close by a cavalryman at the moment a fragment of shell cut away the unfortunate soldier's thigh, and then by a hair's breadth had dodged several bullets himself as he, with his brothers, ran about along the fringes of the fight.

The author today, at eighty-five.

A Novel Close-up of a Historic Episode 70 Novembers Ago

By GEORGE D. GITT

AS every one knows, the simplicity, the quiet kindliness which were so much a part of the great Lincoln, became more than ever manifest when he spoke those few classic words that make up the Gettysburg Address. But the writhings of soul of the magnanimous Lincoln, as revealed at that moment when private anxieties as well as the grave national crisis wrung his heart almost to the breaking point, lie recorded only in the memories of those few of us still living who saw and heard him on that Day of the Dedication, as November 19, 1863, is still familiarly called in and around Gettysburg.

This November 19 threescore and ten years will have passed away since the "Fourscore and seven years ago" address fell upon the ears of an assemblage that stood, as I well remember, motionless and silent. Many bowed their heads and, almost without exception, men doffed their hats. They mistook the speech for a prayer. A group of Negroes moaned forth an "Amen" in each pause.

I, a boy of fifteen, intent upon being as close to Lincoln as was physically possible without being on top of the platform, had concealed myself earlier in the day among the huge store boxes that formed the foundations of the structure; and during the delivery of the address I stood, with my heart in my mouth, literally at the feet of my hero.

Early in the evening of the previous day I had heard the shrill whistling of a locomotive at an hour when no train ever entered our little village of Hanover, which lies about fourteen miles east of Gettysburg and a mile

ately I hastened toward the station, but not alone, for others had heard the whistling and were equally curious.

To my vast surprise I discovered that the special train on which Lincoln was journeying to Gettysburg had developed a hot box, and was therefore being shunted from the main line into the Hanover siding.

Of course some had assumed that there would be no stop after a junction point ten miles to the east, and consequently, earlier in the day had gone there, hoping to get a glimpse of the President. But enough townsmen had remained at home so that within a few minutes after the first whistle blasts a crowd surrounded the coach in which Lincoln sat writing the latter part of his address, the top of his high hat serving as a makeshift desk.

There was no cheering. The babble of the crowd was subdued. The locomotive, with the forward car of which the offending axle was a part, rolled off to the repair shop. Then a voice was raised. "Father Abraham! Father Abraham! Come forth! Your children want to see you." The crowd gave way, and the minister of the village Lutheran church, one Rev. Alleman, continuing his appeal, stepped close to the coach.

A moment later Lincoln's tall figure appeared in the doorway. Stooping, so that the crown of his head would clear the lintel, he strode out on the platform, smiled sadly, and slowly descended to the lower step.

I was close by. In order that I might touch the skirts of Lincoln's coat, I squirmed beneath the coach and wriggled between its wheels, and as I emerged my shoulder brushed the President's knee. The great, kindly face looked down at me and again smiled wistfully, and the great, friendly hand patted my proud, happy head.

Thrilled and strangely moved, I forthwith made up my mind to go to Gettysburg the next day, even though I should have to walk.

With his eyes still fixed on me Lincoln began to speak; and while he spoke his thoughts seemed to be far away and unrelated to the words he uttered, for that day his mountainous troubles were peaked by a distressing anxiety due to the critical condition of his little son Tad.

After thanking the townspeople for being good enough to greet him, he referred to the fight which had taken place at Hanover on the day before the opening of the Battle of Gettysburg as the "prelude to one of the world's most momentous battles." He said it was his opinion that had not General Jeb Stuart been engaged by General Kilpatrick at Hanover and as a result been turned east, General Lee would have had the support,

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GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP MEANS SLAV[illegible]

WHEN big business takes undue advantage of workers we often hear the socialistic doctrine advocated which tells us that all business should be owned and conducted by the government.

Few people stop to think what government ownership really means. They seem to have an idea that once the government becomes the proprietor everybody will have an easier time, that every worker will have a large voice in the management.

But what does it really mean?

We have an example of government ownership in Russia at the present time. The workers of that country are ordered about like a lot of cattle. There are no strikes over there. You are told what wages you can have; you are told at which job you must work; and you work accordingly or go to jail or are penalized in some other way.

That is one form of government ownership.

And let us view some of the results of government ownership in our own country.

Point out if you can a single instance where government ownership has been an outstanding success—that is, where it has succeeded to such an extent that it could compare favorably with the successes attained by some of our great business executives. Wherever or whenever the government steps in, superefficiency vacates.

Political favorites become the dictators. The men who have spent their lives studying the details of business are frequently reduced to minor positions.

We are suffering from many forms of government ownership or control at the present time. The United States government went into the business of controlling the price of cotton and wheat a few years ago. Hundreds of millions of dollars were lost in this governmental activity. The government took over the railroads during the war. It released them back to the companies following that world-wide conflict; but it maintained a control of such a nature that railroad executives were hamstrung—they could not run their own business.

And the government has had to step in and save our railroads from bankruptcy due, as so many railroad executives maintain, to government interferen[illegible]

The government has gone into the banking bus[illegible]ness; and to just what extent its intrusion into the financial field has influenced the appalling record of bank failures no one can tell. At no time in the history of the world have there been such disgraceful financial catastrophes.

The NRA will undoubtedly serve a good purpose, but it has been made necessary by the government's interference with the natural course of business in previous years. We are all hoping that it will help bring us back to normal, and the benefits already attained are encouraging.

But we are also hoping that the procedure will be temporary, that it will not be a deviation from our democratic principles.

All the codes for the various businesses should be valuable at this time, but if they become a permanent fixture they may create a horde of bootleggers that will be like a cankerous sore eating at the vitals of every legitimate business. Their enforcement may be worth a trial, but the Prohibition Law has taught us some terrible lessons and if we do not profit by them we will have to accept the penalty.

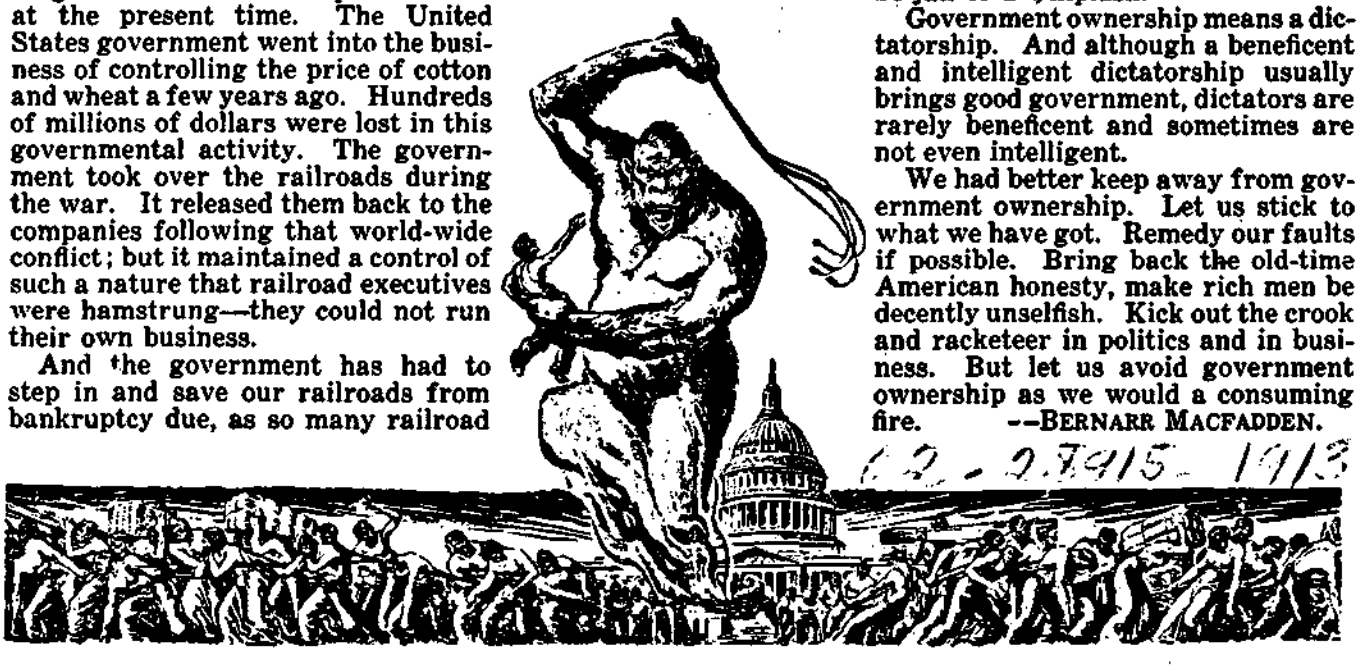
Capitalism may have its faults, big-business executives may be harsh with workers at times. But our workers are not slaves. They cannot be ordered around to suit the whims of a dictator. At least they may quit their jobs if they do not like them.

But if we change to government ownership they will work whether they like it or not, and if they do not work hard enough the penalty may be jail or a whiplash.

Government ownership means a dictatorship. And although a beneficent and intelligent dictatorship usually brings good government, dictators are rarely beneficent and sometimes are not even intelligent.

We had better keep away from government ownership. Let us stick to what we have got. Remedy our faults if possible. Bring back the old-time American honesty, make rich men be decently unselfish. Kick out the crook and racketeer in politics and in business. But let us avoid government ownership as we would a consuming fire.

--BERNARR MACFADDEN.



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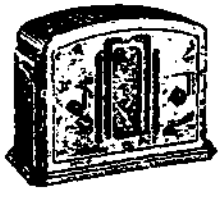

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July 11, 1934.

Mr. Joe Koenigsbauer,
2457 Holmes Street,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated July 4, 1934 wherein you state that you are an amateur detective by profession and that it is your belief that Vernon C. Miller, one of those involved in the Union Station Massacre, is still alive.

Please be advised that the body of a murdered man found in the vicinity of Detroit, Michigan on November 20, 1933 was identified through fingerprints as the body of Vernon C. Miller, who was being sought in connection with the massacre case.

Thanking you for your interest in this matter, I am,

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

CINCINNATI DIVISION OFFICE
(Name and address of Contributor)

JFS JH
#62-785

Date March 5, 1934

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

Dear Sir:

Following are the dispositions of cases on which fingerprints have been mailed to the United States Bureau of Investigation:

Print Number	Name and Alias	Disposition
Prints forwarded to Division, 3/5/34.	JAUNAITA BUELAH BAIRD	Arrested, Bowling Green, Ohio, 5/1/31; charge, accomplice to bank robbery; trial - Williamstown, Ky; case dismissed on appeal.
Prints forwarded to Division, 3/5/34.	ROSE BAIRD	Arrested, Bowling Green, Ohio, 5/1/31; charge, accomplice to bank robbery; trial, Williamstown, Ky.; case dismissed on appeal.

Very truly yours,

E. T. Connelley,
Special Agent in Charge
(Official Title)

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July 23, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

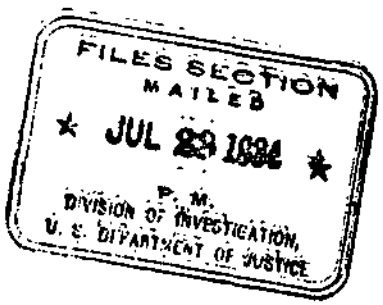
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the Division's letter of July 3, 1934, in connection with the disposition sheet submitted by you under date of March 5, 1934, concerning the cases of Jaunaita Buelah Baird and Rose Baird, your file #62-785.

It is desired that you advise the Division as to the date on which the cases referred to were dismissed on appeal, in order that the ambiguity in the Division's records may be eliminated.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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July 3, 1934.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to disposition sheet submitted by you under date of March 5, 1934, concerning the cases of Jamaita Beulah Baird and Rose Baird, your File #62-785.

It is observed that your disposition sheet reflects that the case of each of these individuals was dismissed on appeal. The disposition sheet does not indicate on what date these cases were dismissed.

It appears from fingerprint cards submitted by the Kentucky State Penitentiary that both of these individuals were received in that penitentiary for a term of three years, commencing August 15, 1931. The said fingerprint cards set out that these sentences were imposed for the crime of robbery. The disposition sheet submitted by you apparently covers the same offense as that for which the aforementioned dispositions were submitted by the Kentucky State Penitentiary.

In order to clear up all ambiguity in the records of the Division, it is requested that you advise the Division as to the date that these cases were dismissed on appeal.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

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

Dear Sirs

67D [redacted] Reference is made to your communication of June 29, 1934 pertaining to the contemplated use of [redacted] as a confidential informant in efforts to locate subjects Floyd and Richetti.

67D [redacted] You are authorized to pay to informant [redacted] a sum not to exceed $100.00 to cover his expenses in conducting inquiries. I have observed that [redacted] desires to purchase an old automobile for the purpose of traveling into Oklahoma, said automobile not to cost more than $50.00. Of course, the Division can not purchase an automobile in this manner but you are authorized to pay [redacted] the sum indicated above for his expenses and he may, if he so desires, purchase an old automobile with these funds.

Very truly yours,

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Director
Division of Investigation
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JUL 9 1934

Dear Sir:

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

Reference is made to Division letter addressed to this office under date of May 18, 1934, relative to [redacted] prisoner in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas.

As outlined in letter from the Division, [redacted] is to be released on July 4, 1934. The exact time of his release has been verified through inquiry by Special Agent Harold E. Andersen. This office has kept in touch with [redacted] in a discreet manner, in order to utilize, for the benefit of the Division, any services which he might be able to render or information which he might divulge.

Special Agent Andersen recently interviewed [redacted] and was advised by the prisoner that immediately upon his release from the penitentiary he is willing to "put Richetti and Floyd on the spot". He expressed the opinion that it would be comparatively simple for him to locate Richetti, and that once he located Adam Richetti it would not be hard for him to get in touch with Charles Arthur Floyd.

The manner whereby [redacted] believes he can quickly locate Richetti is that he proceed to Wewoka, Oklahoma, where he will get in touch with Eva Richetti, his former paramour, and through her contact Adam Richetti, her brother. He expressed the desire, under those circumstances, to have Special Agent Andersen somewhere in the nearby vicinity shortly after he arrives at Wewoka, in order that he may make contact with the Agent and advise him of the progress he is making.

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[redacted] has asserted that under no circumstances does

he desire that his name be disclosed outside the Division in connection with his offer of services. He stated that it would be necessary that he have some kind of an old automobile and sufficient cash to pay his personal expenses from Kansas City to Wewoka, Oklahoma. He stated he would not require any money to pay his expenses after arriving at Wewoka since he would advise Eva Richetti that he needed money and would secure it from her. He indicated that such a request of her would be a means of her securing a quicker contact with Floyd and Richetti in order to secure the funds for him. The maximum amount which would be required for the purchase of an old automobile and the payment to the informant of the cash for expense purposes should not exceed $100.00, since an automobile of ample durability could be purchased for not more than $50.00 locally.

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It may be possible that [redacted] could be induced to travel by bus or train from Kansas City to Wewoka, although to date he has indicated that he would not undertake the mission unless he were provided with a car of some sort.

In view of the known close contact of this informant with Eva Richetti it is believed that he has possibilities of accomplishing the location of Richetti and Floyd. It is, of course, realized that this informant is a convict and that he may be basing his request on purely selfish motives. He appears, however, to be sincere. If the Division should desire to authorize the expenditure requested by this informant, it is requested that this office be immediately notified, and it is also suggested that authorization be granted for Special Agent Andersen to proceed to the vicinity of Wewoka, Oklahoma, and such other places in that vicinity where occasion may demand. The Oklahoma City Office would, of course, be furnished in that event, telephonically and by letter, with complete information to serve as a basis for any activity which might be desirable on the part of that office. It is felt that if [redacted] locates Floyd and Richetti through the means outlined it would be possible, without a great loss of time, to assemble the Agents necessary for the execution of the raid.

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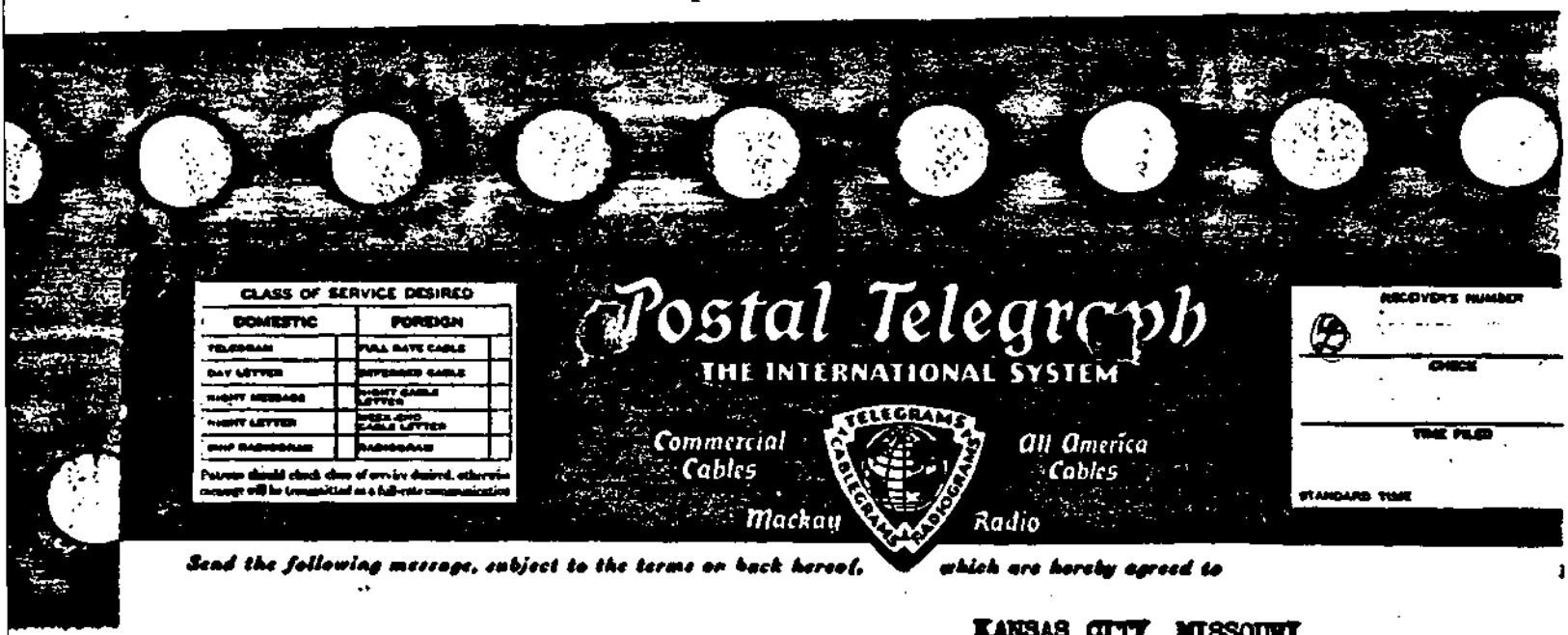
Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN



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

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INDIANAPOLIS INDIANA

KARPIS FLOYD REPORTED SIGHTED NEAR CLINTON MISSOURI DRIVING PLYMOUTH SEDAN

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July 1, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Special Agent in Charge Stapleton of the Charlotte office telephoned today, July 1, 1934, to advise that he, together with Mr. Forbes of the National Fire Underwriters Insurance Company, had contacted the latter's informant, [redacted] where she repeated the story previously furnished by Mr. Forbes to Special Agent Brent of the Charlotte office respecting a gang of kidnapers from New York who frequently pass through Greenville, South Carolina, and who have headquarters in the vicinity of Savannah Georgia.

Mr. Stapleton advised that in fairness to Special Agent Brent the information with respect to the possibility that Andrew Mellon, former Secretary of the Treasury, will be kidnaped had not been received by Mr. Forbes at the time of his first contact with Special Agent Brent.

Mr. Stapleton did not have any additional information to report other than that already recorded in the report of Special Agent Brent. Stapleton requested that he be furnished with photographs of all members of the so called Touhy mob of Chicago and also photographs of Edward McNamara and Eddie Nichols, the two escaped Federal prisoners from the Institution for Defective Delinquents at Springfield, Missouri, which photographs he desires to exhibit to [redacted] with a view to possibly identifying a member of this kidnaping gang from whom she is receiving her information and whom she called Burt Kelly alias Burt BruLa.

I have requested the photographs to be prepared by the Equipment Section and will transmit them to the Charlotte office when they are received.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby.

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REPORT MADE AT:	DATE WHEN MADE:	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE:	REPORT MADE BY:
San Francisco, Calif.	July 3, 1934.	June 19, to 29, 1934.	Wm. R. Ramsey, Jr. - AP.

TITLE:
VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased)
RICHARD TALIMAN GALATAS, with aliases - Fugitive, Identification Order #1201,
CHARLES ARTHUR "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD, with aliases - Fugitive, Identification Order No. 1194, et al.

CHARACTER OF CASE:
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER A FEDERAL PRISONER.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Irene Dorsey located Stanford-Lane Hospital, San Francisco, California, under treatment for nervous breakdown, and expected to remain in hospital two more weeks. One Lee T. Bevans, thought to be the Leroy Bovins previously mentioned reports this matter, and one Lawrence Shaw and wife, contacting her, and Lee Bevans guaranteeing her hospital bill. Investigation here indicates Lee Bevans and Shaw restaurant employees; that Lee Bevans is reported to have a brother, one A. E. Bevans, unemployed, and with whom he is presently residing at cheap hotel of questionable character in San Francisco. Bevans apparently arrived California June 2, 1934, from East, in 1930 Ford Cabriolet, 1934 Illinois license 1-142-496, with Irene Dorsey. A. E. Bevans most nearly fits reported description suspect Gus Stone, and his photograph secured and forwarded, together with those of Lee Bevans and Shaw. Surveillance San Francisco continuing, with arrangements to interview Irene Dorsey prior to her departure.

DETAILS:

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REFERENCE:

Report Special Agent R. C. Suran, Chicago, Ill., June 16, 1934; letter from Kansas City Office, dated June 19, 1934; letter from San Francisco Office to

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: [signature] SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Kansas City Office, dated June 28, 1934.

DETAILS:

Immediately following the receipt of reference report, a telephone call was received from the Kansas City Office, and Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan of that office, in conversation with Special Agent E.B.Montgomery of this office, directed attention to a letter from the Salt Lake City Office to the Chicago Office, dated March 29, 1934, and letter from the Kansas City Office to the Chicago Office, dated April 2, 1934, in this case, copies of which had been sent to this office, and which letters indicated that an individual, known as Gus Stone, alias Stevens, was said to be on intimate terms with Irene Dorsey, and it was thought also that the individual known as "Big Homer", probably identical with Homer Wilson, might be located through Gus Stone. It was further stated that Gus Stone and Homer Wilson were being sought as suspects in connection with this case, and Special Agent Montgomery was instructed that the Kansas City Office had been in telephonic communication with the Division, and it was desired that Irene Dorsey be located, and her movements and activities covered by surveillance for a period of two weeks, endeavoring to thus possibly locate Gus Stone and "Big Homer", alias Homer Wilson.

This office was specifically instructed not to approach or interview Irene Dorsey earlier than noted above, unless it appeared that she was about to leave this district.

The above noted telephonic communication was confirmed by reference letter, and the further suggestion was made that this office endeavor to secure photographs, at an appropriate distance, of the individuals known to be contacting Irene Dorsey, in order that they might possibly be identified at Kansas City during the progress of the investigation here.

Reference report of Agent Suran details the contents of a telegram allegedly sent by Irene Dorsey from San Francisco on June 9, 1934, which wire appears to be in code, or by a mentally deranged person, and the contents of which wire do not appear to correspond with the statement of Irene Dorsey's parents to Agent Suran regarding the news received from their daughter.

In order that verification of this matter might be had here, and with the thought that Irene Dorsey had possibly sent other wires, and that the original wires received by the Western Union Telegraph Co. might indicate the exact location of Irene Dorsey in San Francisco, whether under an alias, and whether apparently actually sent by her, investigation was made at the head office of the Western Union Telegraph Co. in San Francisco.

Mr. Turri, Assistant Office Manager, Western Union Telegraph Co., 51 Geary St., immediatelystated, when approached, regarding this matter, that the name Dorsey was familiar to him. He stated that he believed Irene Dorsey had sent a collect message to some point in Illinois; that payment had been refused in Illinois, and that he had endeavored to secure collection here through notes to Irene Dorsey at the Larne Hotel, but that as he remembered it, the notices had come back marked "not here", and he had guaranteed the account as uncollectible, and charged it off the books. He endeavored to find the file in connection with the matter, but was unable to do so after a lengthy search and check of all departments, and advised that the same had been misplaced, or he had been mistaken in his recollection. His attention was directed to a wire of the type quoted in reference report, and he seemed to remember that the wire sent had been of this type, and he believed that the charge for transmission had been about $1.40.

Search of all files of the company by Mr. Turri for June 8, 9, and 10, failed to disclose the location of the sending of the wire quoted in reference report, and Mr. Turri finally concluded it must be in the file recording the collect charge, which was lost. He did discover, however, the following wire sent by Irene Dorsey on June 9, 1934, filed at 2:53 P.M. on that date:

"Health, finances, friends, all O.K. Courage
to all. Love.

Irene."

Examination of the original wire revealed Irene's address as Room 205 in the Larne Hotel on that date, and that she had paid the 95¢ charge for the wire here. It will be noted that this wire appears to be the one referred to by Irene's parents, referred to by Agent Suran.

The Larne Hotel, located at the corner of Mason and Ellis Sts., San Francisco, is of poor reputation, and is personally known to Agent from previous investigations conducted here to be frequented by "pimps" and to be a residence of prostitutes, and that no cooperation in this matter might be expected through the hotel.

Telephonic inquiry, under appropriate pretext, of the hotel clerk, developed the statement that Irene Dorsey was no longer at the hotel; that she had become sick and was now at the Stanford-Lane Hospital; that her husband was Lee T. Bevans, who was now at the Holland Hotel.

The Holland Hotel at 221 Mason St. is located immediately adjacent to the Larne Hotel. It is a cheap hotel, which is of the same reputation and character as the Larne Hote, and it was deemed inadvisable to conduct investigation there at this time.

Through inquiry at the Stanford-Lane Hospital, Clay and Webster Streets, San Francisco, it was learned that an Irene Dorsey was the patient of a Dr. Henry Newman.

Check with the California State Board of Medicine developed that Dr. Newmen was a graduate of Stanford University Medical School of 1931, and had an excellent reputation. It was learned that Dr. Ralph B. Seem was the Superintendent of the hospital, and likewise of excellent reputation, and it was deemed advisable therefore to approach these men directly.

Dr. Ralph B. Seem promised his full cooperation, and immediately ascertained that a woman had come to the hospital under the name of Irene Dorsey on June 10, 1934; had been assigned a private ward in the Mental Department, and was under the direct supervision of Dr. Henry Newman; that the patient's name had been changed, so that she was now being carried as Irene Goetz. Dr. Seem advised that Dr. Newman was reliable and absolutely trustworthy and would cooperate.

The balance of this investigation was conducted in company with Special Agent V. E. Criss, except where noted.

Agents interviewed Dr. Henry Newman at Stanford-Lane Hospital, and he advised that he had charge of the Mental Ward at the hospital; that on June 10, 1934, a Dr. Donald De Carle had come to the hospital and brought Irene Dorsey; that he had been accompanied by a Mr. and Mrs. Shaw and Lee T. Bevans. He stated that Bevans and Dr. De Carle had informed him of the mental condition of Irene, and he had gotten the impression, in talking with them, that she had been the wife of a gangster in the East who had been murdered, and was on the verge of a nervous collapse. He advised that they desired that he take her into the hospital; place her under treatment, and endeavor to diagnose her trouble, as well as aid her. He stated that he understood that she had been known to Dr. DeCarle, who had formerly been at Mayo Bros. Clinic, Rochester, Minn., and that she had originally contacted Dr. De Carle because of this prior acquaintance. He stated that Bevans informed him that he had brought Irene Dorsey out from the East, and planned to marry her as soon as she was well and able. He stated that she and Bevans appeared to be very affectionate; that Bevans appeared to be very straightforward and apparently sincere in his regard for Irene Dorsey, embracing her on frequent occasions, and he stated that the two appeared to be very much in love. Dr. Newman advised that he had, after the first two or three days, allowed no visitors or contacts by anyone with Irene Dorsey, inasmuch as he had been able to observe that she was very nervous, and visitors appeared to harm and set back her progress. He stated that the only visitors which she had had, prior to the time he had restricted visitors, had been Mr. and Mrs. Shaw, and Lee T. Bevans. He stated that his preliminary observation of the girl had indicated to him that she was very definitely suffering from

a state of mental derangement, but that he was not yet able to give the psychosis a specific term, or to place it in line with a specific trend. He advised that when first arriving at the hospital, she had endeavored to write out and have him send numerous telegrams, which appeared to have no sense whatsoever, and he advised that a telegram of the type contained in reference report was typical of those that she had endeavored to have him send out. He stated that at frequent intervals she would endeavor to see him, and that she would ask him whether or not he did not have some questions to ask her; that on one or two occasions during this preliminary period, she had seemed to believe that someone desired to question her, and asked him whether the Federal authorities desired to question her. He stated that he had endeavored to learn what she desired to be questioned about, but that Irene had always, when confronted with this question, been unable to make any explanation. He stated that from his observation, and from what he understood from Dr. De Carlo, the woman had previously been under treatment at the Mayo Bros. Clinic at Rochester, Minn., and it was his opinion from talking with her, that she had probably been kept under, to what amounted to, military surveillance during the time she was with her husband, Fred Goetz, and that he believed that this had been a large factor in contributing to her present condition. Dr. Newman promised his full cooperation in connection with this matter, and advised that Irene was kept in a private ward and locked up, where she would not be able to leave the hospital without his knowledge and consent, and further that she could have no visitors or messages without his consent. He stated that he would give this office ample notice of the time when Irene Dorsey was to leave the hospital, in order that she might be contacted if deemed advisable, and interviewed prior to her departure. He stated that all mail coming to Irene Dorsey, or to be delivered to her by any other person, was censored by him before delivery to her, and he promised further cooperation in keeping Agents informed with reference to this matter, and allowing them to see mail received. He advised, however, that thus far, she had received no mail.

Through the Business Manager of the hospital, it was learned that Irene Dorsey was incurring a bill at the rate of $4.50 per day; that Lee T. Bevans had paid for the first two days in advance, but that she was at that time in arrears for each day since the first two days.

Dr. Seem upon learning of the condition of the account at the hospital, informed Dr. Newman that it would be necessary that Bevans make a payment, and on Dr. Seem's instructions, Dr. Newman called Bevans and arranged for an appointment with him at the hospital for discussion of this matter. It was arranged that Agents might be in the waiting room with other visitors and patients at a point where Bevans might be observed when pointed out by Dr. Newman. Accordingly, Bevans was noted by Agents to come to the hospital accompanied by another individual, who Dr. Newman later stated was his friend Shaw. When Bevans departed, Agent Criss secured

the license number of this automobile, which was noted to be Illinois 1934 license No. 1-142-496, and the automobile was described by Agent Criss as a 1930 or 1931 Ford Cabriolet, with yellow body and wire wheels.

Bevans had, during this visit to the hospital, contacted the Business Manager, and following his departure, Agent interviewed Mr. Ross, the Business Manager, who advised that Bevans had told him that he was living at the Holland Hotel in San Francisco with his brother; that he had just secured a position at Gene Compton's Cafeteria in San Francisco as a counter man; that he would be willing to assign his salary to the hospital and stand responsible for all debts of Irene Dorsey, and that he would, if necessary, mortgage his car to pay the hospital bill. Mr. Ross exhibited the hospital account card for Irene Dorsey, and it was noted that the person to be notified in case of emergency was given as Lee T. Bevans, Holland Hotel. Mr. Ross indicated a notation which had just been made across the top of the card by himself, and which had been signed by Bevans, where Bevans agreed, in writing, to guarantee the hospital bill. A tracing was made of Bevans' signature as appeared on this card, and tracings of same are being forwarded both to the Kansas City and Chicago offices with copies of this report.

Personal observation of Shaw and Bevans by Agents reflected the following descriptions:

Name:	Lee T. Bevans
Height:	5' 11"
Age:	25 to 30
Weight:	150 to 160 lbs.
Hair:	Light brown; fluffy; parted in center.
Eyes:	Blue or light.
Build:	Slender
Complexion:	Sandy
Teeth:	Good
Face:	Thin
Nose:	Long, straight, well cut.
Dress:	Well dressed.

Name:	Lawrence Shaw
Height:	5' 7 or 8"
Age:	25 to 30
Eyes:	Dark brown
Hair:	Dark, parted at the right side.
Build:	Medium slender.
Weight:	150 lbs.
Complexion:	Dark
Teeth:	Good
Dress:	Neat dress.

The individual indicated as Lee T. Bevans, and with the description as noted above, was thought probably or possibly to be the Leroy Bovine noted in reference report of Special Agent Suran. The 1934 San Francisco Directory lists a Lee T. Bevans as a waiter, with address at 221 Mason St., which is the Holland Hotel, which individual is no doubt the Lee Bevans mentioned here.

Special Agent Criss interviewed Dr. Donald De Carle, 2000 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, who is a specialist on obstetrics, and he advised Special Agent Criss that he had first become acquainted with Irene Dorsey when he had been at the Mayo Bros. Clinic, Rochester, Minn., and that for some reason he had, while there, been able to exert his soothing influence over her, and that she had, when she came to San Francisco during the first part of June, contacted him in company with Mrs. Shaw. He advised that he had not known Mr. Shaw nor Mrs. Shaw prior to this occasion, and that he did not know where they were located, but that he had the telephone number of Mrs. Shaw, which he stated was Ordway 9464. He stated that he also remembered their apartment number was 403. He further advised that Irene Dorsey was apparently suffering from mental trouble, which had been brought on, as noted by Dr. Newman, by the conditions which she had been forced to live under during the past few years. He was able to furnish no further information at this time with reference to the matter, merely indicating that he had referred the case to Dr. Newman at the Stanford-Lane Hospital.

Investigation conducted through Captain Hansley, Chief Special Agent, Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, developed that the number, Ordway 9464, was the Cornelia Apartments, 641 O'Farrell St. It was ascertained that the Cornelia Apartments is an old type apartment house, where the apartments are a small single room and kitchenette type, which rent for about $30.00 per month. Agent Criss ascertained through pretext that the correct name of Shaw was Lawrence Shaw, and that he worked nights at the Foster's Restaurant Service in San Francisco.

A telegram was dispatched to the Chicago Office on June 20, 1934, requesting the details regarding the issuance of the above noted license plates seen on Bevans' car, and reply was received indicating that these license plates had been issued to Lee T. Bevans, 222 Main St., San Francisco, and that the motor number of the car was A-3158696.

Investigation conducted by Agents developed that 222 Main St. is a vacant lot, which has not been occupied in the past five years.

Agents interviewed Mr. S. Peterson, Office Manager of the Foster's Lunch Company, 96 Mission St., San Francisco, who advised that he hadacted in such capacity for several years, and was personally familiar with the major

of the employees of the Foster's Lunch Company in San Francisco. He stated that he knew a Shaw, who was working as a cook in one of their restaurants, and from the description which he gave of this individual, whom he knew as Shaw, it appeared he was one and the same as the individual whom Agents had observed in the company of Lee T. Bevans. Examination of the records of the Foster's Lunch Company developed that this man's name was Lawrence Shaw, and that he had begun work there on Dec. 18, 1931, at store No. 15, 366 Geary St., and that he had worked continuously from that date until March 6, 1932, when he had been made night cook; that he had continued to work for this concern until the present time, and was making $75.00 per month. According to Mr. Peterson they had never had any trouble with Shaw, and his reputation with the company was good.

In order that this identification might be made certain, Agents later observed at Foster's Lunch, 366 Geary St., the above noted Shaw working there, and determined that he was identical with the individual whom they had seen with Lee T. Bevans.

Agents contacted Mr. A. H. Renfort, Manager of Gene Compton's Restaurants and Cafeterias in San Francisco, 144 Ellis St., who immediately recalled Lee T. Bevans, and stated that he had first worked for him beginning in May of 1933, and that from that time on had worked continuously in the cafeteria up until February of this year, when he understood he had left to go to Los Angeles, and then to his home in Illinois. He stated that during the first week of June of this year, Lee Bevans had returned to San Francisco, and had come into the restaurant and introduced a girl, known as "Irene", as his wife, and stated that they had recently been married and came to San Francisco. He stated that he then asked Bevans whether he desired his old job at the cafeteria back, and that the girl, whom he described as dark brunette; medium build and attractive looking, said it would not be necessary that Lee go back to work at the cafeteria, as "I have plenty of money to take care of us both". Renfort stated that prior to Bevans' departure for Illinois during the first part of this year, he had often noticed Bevans come into the cafeteria with an older man, whom he described as being about 5' 8" tall; about 39 to 40 years of age; weight 150 lbs., and with heavy black hair with marked tinges of gray. He stated that he had not known the identity of this individual, as Bevans had not introduced him at that time, but since Bevans had come back this month, this individual had again come into the cafeteria in company with Bevans, and he had since learned that this individual was Bevans' brother. He stated that during Lee Bevans' absence in the East, this individual had continued to come into the restaurant, but that he had, of course, at that time not known his identity. Mr. Renfort stated that on June 18th Bevans had come back to the restaurant and advised him that his wife had taken sick, and asked whether or not he might have back his old job; that he had given him his job, and that he was now working as a counter man at the cafeteria at 144 Ellis St., San Francisco, working from 4:30 in the afternoon

until 9:30 P.M. at night, and making 52¢ per hour. He stated that he was at a loss to account for Bevans' return after the statement which had been made by his wife that she had plenty of money to take care of them, and he thought that probably Bevans had had some trouble with his wife, and they were about to split up, although he had no basis for this opinion, other than the fact that Bevans had come back to work.

Agents verified the occupation of Bevans at this restaurant by actual observation.

Surveillance of the activities of Shaw and Lee Bevans by Agents developed that they were frequently in each others company; that ordinarily Lee Bevans would arise about 9 or 10 in the morning; get breakfast and apparently loaf about the Holland Hotel until one or two in the afternoon, at which time he usually was joined by Lawrence Shaw, and these two usually spent the next two or three hours together, either in riding about the city, or in some leisure, prior to going to work at 4:30 P.M., it having been learned that Shaw also reported for work at that hour. On one occasion Agents noted Shaw and Lee Bevans go to and enter a place which was ostensibly the Big Brother Transfer Company office on Mason St. On one occasion they stayed in this office for half an hour. Surveillance at this office developed that manywell dressed persons went in and out at frequent intervals, and inquiry of the police later developed that although in fact a legitimate transfer company, a book-making joint was being operated in the rear, and it is apparent that Lee Bevans and Lawrence Shaw are interested in and probably betting on the races.

On one occasion the individual who apparently was Lee Bevans' brother, A. E. Bevans, drove up to the Holland Hotel in the car registered to Lee Bevans, with a girl thought to be the wife of Lawrence Shaw, and who answered the description of Shaw's wife as given by Dr. Newman, which is -

Height:	5' 6"
Weight:	About 100 lbs.
Age:	23 to 25
Hair:	Auburn
Build:	Slender

and drove about the city, apparently on a tour of the show places of the city, the car touring through Golden Gate Park and along the beach shore, and finally returning and parking in a parking lot at the corner of Taylor and Ellis Sts., at ehich time these two persons returned to the Holland Hotel. It should be noted that this parking lot is immediately adjacent to and behind the Holland Hotel.

Investigation under appropriate pretext at the above noted parking lot developed that the car above described had been brought into the parking lot by Lee T. Bevans on June 3, 1934, and had been parked at the parking lot

as a regular customer since that time, the storage being paid each week in advance. The parking lot attendant furnished information that the car belonged to the "tall young man known as Bevans", and that the boy had recently been married, and that he and his brother were very refined.

On June 22, 1934, an opportunity was afforded for examination of the non-resident permit on the windshield of this car, and it was ascertained that this permit contains the following information:

Entered California June 2, 1934, at Daggett, Calif.
Name: Lee T. Bevans.
Illinois address: Springfield Apartments, Springfield, Ill.
California address: 221 Mason St., San Francisco.

At the inception of this investigation, when the identity of the parties contacting Irene Dorsey was known, a cover was placed on the mail directed to Bevans, the doctor at the hospital cooperating in informing regarding the mail for Irene Dorsey. On June 22, 1934, an airmail letter arrived for Lee T. Bevans, bearing the return address of the Kankakee Hotel, Kankakee, Ill., addressed to Lee M. Bevans, 221 Mason St. and postmarked Kankakee, Ill., 6/21/34. An airmail letter also arrived for A. E. Bevans, care of the Holland Hotel, 221 Mason St., San Francisco, which bore the return address of what appears to be the American or Americus Hotel, Room 602, Allentown, Pa. It is being requested that discreet investigation be conducted with reference to the identity of these persons corresponding with Lee and A. E. Bevans in San Francisco.

Surveillance indicated the usual course of activity of A. E. Bevans, which was followed on several successive days by him, was that he got up in the morning about 9:30 or 10; usually came out of the hotel, walked leisurely down the street to the nearest coffee shop; got his breakfast; returned to the hotel; loitered about the hotel during the day and possibly took a ride in Bevans' car during the afternoons. He was not observed to contact any other persons other than the usual employees and play about the hotel. He appeared to have no ostensible occupation or means of income, but always appeared dressed very neatly. A good description of this individual as obtained from Agent's personal observation is as follows:

Age:	39 to 40
Height:	5' 8"
Weight:	145 to 150 lbs.
Eyes:	Dark
Hair:	Dark, with heavy gray tinges, quite noticeable.
Build:	Slender
Complexion:	Sandy

Usually wears grey well pressed clothes, with pearl grey turned-down brimmed hat.

It was particularly observed by Agents that this individual has a fine, straight, well cut nose. It will be noted, however, that this individual most nearly fits the description, as reported by the Kansas City Office, of Gus Stone, alias Gus Stevens, noted as a suspect in connection with this matter.

On June 25, 1934, Agents observed Lee Bevans call at the Shaw apartment at 641 O'Farrell St., and that they, Shaw, Lee Bevans and two girls, emerged. One of these girls was auburn haired, very slender, and answered the description above noted of Shaw's wife. On this occasion she was wearing amber glasses. The other girl was one not previously seen by Agents, and is described as 5' 5" tall; weight 105; brown eyes; black bobbed hair; medium complexion and build, and very attractive looking. All four of these persons later appeared at the Stanford-Lane Hospital, where they were observed to wait for some time, and then leave, apparently seeing no one, and it was later learned that they had endeavored to contact Dr. Newman, and that he had been out at the time.

On June 27, 1934, Special Agent in Charge E.P. Guinane and this Agent interviewed Dr. Newman, who advised that Bevans had called at the hospital that afternoon in company with another man, who was new to Dr. Newman, and who had been introduced to him as Jack Hooker. He stated that he had learned through Bevans that this man was from the East, specific place unknown, was an old-time writer and friend of Bevans, and that he had obtained the general impression from Bevans that this man was interested in having Irene Dorsey write a story of her life - "Ten years as a gangster's wife". He advised that this Jack Hooker had also consulted him with reference to possible treatment of his (Jack Hooker's) wife, advising that she had some feminine trouble, the nature of which he was not aware. Dr. Newman advised that Irene Dorsey was progressing as well as could be expected; that she continued to ask him, on each occasion that she saw him, whether he desired to ask her any question, and that she spent much of her time in writing innocuous letters, which had no meaning whatsoever, but were merely ramblings of her mind, all of which letters he was keeping, and did not allow her to send, and which letters will be examined by Agents for any information of value they may contain.

Description of Hooker, as furnished by Dr. Newman, is the same as that of an individual which Agents Criss and Ramsey had noted talking with A. E. Bevans in front of the Holland Hotel on one occasion. Hooker is described as follows:

Age:	39 to 40
Height:	6' 2"
Weight:	165
Build:	Slender - "skinny"
Hair:	Light brown
Eyes:	Gray
Face:	Very thin, with light mustache on upper lip.
Nose:	Long, thin and slightly humped.

On this occasion when Hooker was seen with A. E. Bevans in front of the Holland Hotel, he was accompanied by a woman whose description was furnished as -

Height:	5' 7"
Age:	25
Eyes:	Blue
Hair:	Light brown
Build:	Medium

It is presumed that this individual is Hooker's wife.

The gist of the information available here in connection with this matter was telephonically communicated to the Kansas City Office on June 24, 1934, this Agent talking with Special Agent Trainor of the Kansas City Office. Photographs of Shaw, Lee Bevans, A. E. Bevans, and the woman friend of Bevans and Shaw, were forwarded airmail to the Kansas City Office on June 28,1934. For purposes of identification, it is requested that this office be immediately advised as to the results thereof.

Further investigation is continuing here, with a view to securing further data from Dr. De Carle, and looking towards the securing of the identity of Jack Hooker and wife. Photographs of the above noted individuals, together with enlargements of A. E. Bevans, Lee Bevans and Shaw, are being forwarded with copies of this report to the Chicago Office for their information and possible identification.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

KANSAS CITY OFFICE: The Kansas City Office is requested to immediately advise the results of efforts to secure identification of the individuals whose photographs were forwarded, and to advise this office regarding further investigation desired here, in view of the information set out hereinabove, with reference to any particular one of the individuals noted.

CHICAGO OFFICE: The Chicago Office is requested to conduct immediate expedite investigation in their district regarding the background of Lee T. Bevans, bearing in mind the letter received from the Kankakee Hotel, Kankakee, Ill., and the address of Bevans as noted on his non-resident license, as Springfield Apartments, Springfield, Ill.

PHILADELPHIA OFFICE: The Philadelphia Office is requested to conduct immediate discreet investigation to ascertain the identity of the person in room 602, American or Americus Hotel, Allentown, Pa., who is corresponding with Bevans, at no time openly approaching this individual. For the assistance of the Philadelphia Office in conducting this investigation, a copy of the

reference report, as well as the reference letter from the Kansas City Office, are being forwarded with copies of this report to the Philadelphia Office.

SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE: The San Francisco Office will continue investigation as suggested in the body of this report.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
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REPORT MADE AT:	DATE WHEN MADE:	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE:	REPORT MADE BY:
Dallas, Texas.	7/5/34	July 1-5 '34.	E. J. Dowd.

TITLE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases,(Deceased)
RICHARD TALIMAN GALATES with aliases(Fugitive) I.O.1201
CHARLES ARTHUR FLOYD with aliases-Fugitive I.O.1194,et al.

CHARACTER OF CASE: OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE. CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Mrs. F. Leach is now at the Franciscian Hotel, Albuquerque, New Mexico. Her husband is in a hospital at that place.

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REFERENCE: Letter from Kansas City office, 6-26-34 and report Special Agent Suran, Chicago, dated June 28,1934.

DETAILS: The writer interviewed J. M. Hallaman, Manager of the Southland Hotel, Dallas, and ascertained that Mrs. F. Leach and her husband until a month ago stopped at the hotel; that they left a forwarding address care Rice Hotel, Houston,Texas. According to Mr. Hallaman, F. Leach is a traveling salesman for the Selig Company of Dallas, Texas. At the time the writer called at the hotel a letter was received addressed to Mrs. F. Leach, post marked Ensley, Alabama, and bearing return address 2426 Ensley Avenue, Ensley, Ala.

DETAILS:

The Grande Tourist Lodge, mentioned in reference report is a modern tourist camp located on Zangs Boulevard, Dallas,Texas, covering six acres, where furnished apartments are rented. Discreet inquiries at the office disclosed information to the effect that Mr. & Mrs. F. Leach usually stop there when at Dallas, Texas.

Under pretext of being a friend of Mr. F. Leach, the writer telephoned to the Selig Company, Dallas, Texas, and was advised that Mr. Frank J. Leach, a traveling salesman for the firm, while at Albuquerque, New Mexico, a few days ago was in

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an automobile accident suffering with a broken leg, and is now confined in a hospital there. His wife is living at the Franciscian Hotel, Albuquerque, N.M.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

EL PASO Office is requested to conduct necessary investigation with a view of establishing the identity of Mrs. F.Leach. In this connection, a copy of reference letter and report, together with a copy of a memorandum dated at Birmingham, Alabama, June 21,1934, by Special Agent D. S. Hostetter, are attached to copy of this report for the El Paso office.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased),
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases -
FUGITIVE - Identification Order 1201; CHARLES
ARTHUR "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD - with aliases -
FUGITIVE - Identification Order 1194, et al.
Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.

Dear Sir:

There has been referred to the Division a copy of a tabloid newspaper, published at Hot Springs, Arkansas, known as "The Public Opinion," issue of June 29, 1934, which was apparently forwarded to the Attorney General by the Reverend John Bendelow, 608 Prospect Street, Hot Springs, Arkansas. This newspaper contains marked references to subject Galatas, and it is possible that the Reverend Bendelow is acquainted with Galatas and can be of assistance to this Division in effecting his location and apprehension, in the event Galatas is now in the vicinity of Hot Springs, Arkansas.

You are instructed to have an Agent interview the Reverend Bendelow at the earliest practicable date. The persistent rumors that subject Galatas sometimes disguises himself as a minister should be inquired into at this time.

Very truly yours,

Director.

cc-Kansas City

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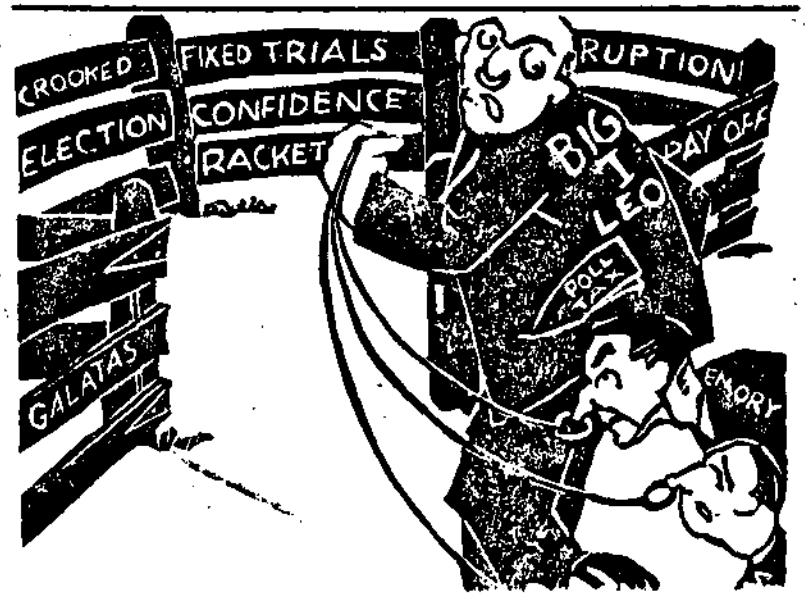

"Leo Is My Leader" Says Jim Floyd

Sheriff Jim Floyd very frankly states, "Yes I am an administration man. Every organization has to have some one to lead it. You can't get anywhere without having a leader, so, we boys decided to make Leo our leader."

Jim Floyd has a very pleasing personality. Everybody likes him; but his very best friends have to admit that he has made a very great mistake by failing to exercise the authority of the office of sheriff to which the people of Garland County elected him. We elected Jim Floyd to be our leader. He should have done the leading instead of turning the leader-

Fact Finding Board Being Petitioned To Investigate Our Utility Rates

MAYOR HAS ALWAYS BLOCKED THE LOWERING OF RATES

Petitions are being circulated calling on the Corporation Commission of the State of Arkansas to direct the Fact Finding Tribunal to investigate the utility rates which are being charged in Hot Springs for electricity, gas and water, in order to determine whether or not the rates we are paying are exhorbitant. We understand that the labor union organizations of the city started the ball rolling by passing resolutions endorsing the movement to have the Fact Finding Tribunal take action in our city.

The law provides: "The Fact call on the Corporation Commis- Finding Tribunal shall have power sion to order the Fact Finding Tri-

"Yes, I Am An Administration Man. We Boys Picked Leo to Lead Us"—Jim Floyd

City Chisels Legitimate Business to Favor Rackets

Beer Sellers Robbed

As an example of the way legitimate business is chisled to favor the rackets which furnish pay-off money to our public officials, we call attention to the illegal charges made by the city against the places which retail beer.

The state law provides that each retailer, whose total gross annual sales do not exceed $1,000.00, shall pay a license fee of $15.00.

Each retailer whose total gross annual sales shall be above one thousand dollars and not in excess of two thousand dollars, shall pay $20.00.

The law also provides that an additional $5.00 may be charged for each $1,000.00 of annual gross sales above $2,000.00.

The city arbitrarily charges a flat license fee of $40.00 per year.

A fee of $40.00 would not be justified, unless the retailer's gross sales for the year amounted to $22,000.00. As a matter of fact many of the places do not have

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Sewage Disposal Plant

Delay May Mean Loss of Government Aid On Project

Garland County's appropriation for the sewage disposal relief work may be withdrawn according to the statement of Secretary Ickes.

On June 22 there was a statement by Secretary Ickes published to the effect that the appropriation allowed by the U. S. Government to the sewer disposal plant for this city will be withdrawn owing to the fact that those in charge of the work are neglecting the completing of same.

It is well for the voters of Garland County at this time to consider the fact that during this period of time when neglect has been most evident on the part of "Big I" McLaughlin and his supporters, who have been too busy buying poll taxes recently, with the view of corrupting the election, to pay the proper attention to the completing of this much needed project. As usual, the citizens pay for the neglect on the part of the City Hall Gang, and they are being called

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ple of the county and a small part of its area.

As a result of his policy of letting Leo do all the leading, the gambling rackets have been allowed to operate for the benefit of Leo and Verne and a few others, without contributing anything to the county or city. Leo has even been allowed to dictate the policy of those outside the city over which he, as mayor, has had no jurisdiction. As a result of Jim Floyd's policy of surrendering his authority to Leo, visitors have been robbed by three card monte games, confidence games and other swindles. If our sheriff had exercised the authority we conferred upon him when we elected him our sheriff, old Doctor Johnson and his wife would not have been robbed of ten thousand dollars; and he would not now be spending his last days in a charity hospital in Roanoke, Virginia. (Frank Clark, partner of Geo. McLaughlin, in the slot machines, was identified as the man who robbed Dr. Johnson.) If our sheriff had performed the duties of his office, Dick Galatas would not have become one of the rulers of our city; Hot Springs would not have become the regular hangout for characters like Frank Nash; and this resort would not have had all of the unfavorable advertising growing out of the Kansas City massacre. If he had done the work of his office, perhaps George McLaughlin might not have been quite so free with his black jack; Sid Long might have been alive today. Mr. Floyd's best friend will not deny that the sheriff's office during the past few years has done less work than that office has ever

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facts entering into or forming the basis of rates to be charged for any service supplied by any public utility, whether a person, firm, association, corporation, trustee, receiver, or lessee, and whether operating under a franchise, indeterminate permit or otherwise, furnishing gas, water, light, heat or power; producing, generating, transmitting or distributing gas, water, light, heat or power; or furnishing telephone service. Such investigation, and finding of facts, shall be made at the instance of any city or town council, utility company, or of the Corporation Commission." (Sec. 2, Act 72 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1933.)

The reader will observe from the last sentence quoted that the power to start the investigation rests with the Utility Company, the City Council or the Corporation Commission. If the rates happen to be too high and the city council happens to be working against the interest of the people, or happens to be under the domination of a mayor who is indifferent to the welfare of his people, then the only chance the people will have is to

that they can not get any [illegible] through the city council because it is dominated by Mayor Leo P. McLaughlin and they are having to go around the mayor and city council by petitioning the Corporation Commission.

The resolution adopted by the unions calls attention to the fact that a recent report of the Fact Finding Tribunal shows that a rate of seven and eight cents a kilowat hour which is being charged in many cities of Arkansas is too high; and shows that as a result of the investigation many cities in Arkansas, which already have a rate three and four cents cheaper than Hot Springs, are going to secure a further reduction in their electricity rates. The resolution calls attention to the fact that the sm[illegible] sumer in Hot Springs pays [illegible] cents per kilowat hour and places the Unions on record as favoring a petition by all of the consumers to the Corporation Commission for an investigation and lowering of rates. So far as we have been able to learn, everybody is signing

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Next week's issue of Public Opinion will be the Women's Issue, written and edited by the women of Garland county. Women wishing to contribute mail your copy to Public Opinion.

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Public Opinion is authorized to announce JOHN L. McCLELLAN as a candidate for Congressman—Sixth District, subject to action of the Democratic primary.

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munity and to those needing the work.

Again we are not fully convinced that this project met with the approval of the Federal Government for the reason that the Government has seen fit at two other times to have the project and those who were to administer it investigated. It is unfortunate that public officials should conduct themselves in office in such a manner that the Federal Government should find it necessary, through the Secret Service to investigate any work in which the Government is interested.

There was another flurry last week when the news came from Washington that Secretary Ickes was threatening to withdraw the P. W. A. funds from the Hot Springs Sewage disposal project because of delays in getting the construction of the plant underway. While there has been a lot of jockeying by our city racketeers and some inexplicable delays in this project, we have very little fear now as to its final outcome. It has gotten to where the engineers, Black and Veach, of Kansas City, have been selected by the city council. We think the firm selected will be approved by the Interior Department of the United States Government, as they are men of very high standing throughout the nation, especially in the central and western part of the country.

The government has used extraordinary care in checking up on this job because the government authorities are thoroughly informed as to the shady reputation of some of our officials.

The government men blocked a plan of the racketeers to force the

Election Chatter By An Old Timer

Judge Earl Witt spent all of last week in Montgomery County, explaining things. The people of that county say the judge will have to do a lot of explaining. They say he could spend a year or two explaining in that county and still not have all the gaps in his political fence patched up.

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Economy is the political catch word of the third and fourth termers in Montgomery County as it is in Garland. The people in Montgomery County say:

"We ought to have economy, we haven't had any court. We would rather spend a little money and have the Circuit Court held at the times provided for in the Constitution and statutes. It would raise the morale of the county and encourage the local magistrates and Constables, if we could have our courts held at the regular times with strong and vigorous charges to the Grand Juries."

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With all of this boasted economy, why is our county on a scrip basis, with scrip being peddled around at sixty-five cents on the dollar, asks a Montgomery County Citizen.

* *

Jim Floyd says: "I admit I am an administration man. Yes, Leo leads me. Everything has to have a leader and we decided to let Leo do the leading."

Old John Citizen says: "Well, Jim, if you had to have somebody to lead you around, you needn't

it might have found its way into the public treasury. But that would have violated our economy program. A grand jury investigation would have cost the county some expense. Likewise it would have taken some money out of the pockets of us boys who are in on the pay off racket. "No sir we don't want court. We want economy.

* *

If these things had to run, Jim ought to have seen that the county got something out of them. It will be hard for him to explain why he didn't get something out of them to pay part of the county's expense, especially, since the county is now about to go on a scrip basis.

* *

It is now considered pretty certain that the county will go on a scrip basis as soon as the election is over. It would be bad for the economy propaganda, if the county would have to go on the scrip basis before the election. Ask Eliza Housley, the county treasurer, how long they will be able to keep us off the scrip.

* *

We are all strong for economy. We don't want anything to interfere with our economy program, even if the county does have to go on a scrip basis.

* *

When the county does go on a scrip basis, Jim, do you think that Leo and Verne and the rest of them will take any money out of their bulging strong boxes to keep county scrip up to par or to pay county expenses?

* *

Since our last week's issue Old Timer has found out that Public Opinion did not get all of the facts connected with the argument be-

that the story last week was correct as far as it went but a part of it was left out.

These witnesses say that Judge Ledgerwood in the course of his boastful harangue said: "I will admit that a lot of the boys don't like us much; but they have to do what we tell them to do. We don't go around begging them to vote for us, we send for them and give them their orders. We tell 'em what they've got to do."

Downen answered: "Judge, you talk like you fellows owned this county just like a man would own a horse or dog or cow. You talk like you could use the county and the people as long as you live and then will them to somebody else. You may be strong but you ain't so strong but what they can throw you out. I have known of stronger combinations than yours being overthrown in one night. I knew one gang that thought they were plenty strong one night, and the next morning the whole gang was hanging by the neck to trees and posts."

Sonny Davies, in the course of Judge Ledgerwood's big talk, told him three times, "Hush, Verne, you are talking too much."

Editor's note: We think that

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Sewage Disposal Plant

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upon to do it again according to the statement published by the daily paper of June 22.

We note the suggestion of "Big I" that there is nothing to the statement as made by Secretary ickes, and that these funds will be available to Hot Springs nevertheless. This statement, directed toward the Secretary of Interior, is in keeping with all the statements he has made either of men in higher authority here or elsewhere.

Other citizens of the community who have kept in touch with the progress of the sewer disposal plant like serious issue with the Mayor's statement and suggest that unless its project is continued with expedition and without delay these funds will be withdrawn by the government.

If "Big I" has to continue with his project, it will not fully coincide with his present plans of using this project in soliciting votes from laborers on the project in his own behalf.

It is commonly known that "Big I" intends to withhold all work on this much needed project as long as possible for him to do so in the hope that he might be able to sell himself of the pay checks to laboring men as inducements to re-elect himself as mayor. In this, it is unfortunate that the government of the United States, through its spokesman, can not see. This work is for the immediate relief of both the communities proposition was made to two engineering firms: "If you get this job, you must give us back the money which has been spent in the preliminary work." But the government put its foot down on that sort of thing right in the beginning and nipped it in the bud. The government engineers are checking and double checking on everything as they are afraid the Hot Springs racketeers will put something over on them in spite of all they can do.

Too bad, boys, to be where you can see and smell so much gravy and not get to taste any of it—a new experience for you.—Observer.

"Leo Is My Leader" Says Jim Floyd

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done in the same period of time since the county was created.

Even though the people of Garland County feel greatly humiliated because their sheriff has surrendered the authority of his office to a small bore city politician, nobody seems to be mad at him. They feel sorry for him, but do not express anger, as is often the case when a public official betrays his trust. Their feeling toward him is somewhat like that of a father toward a son who has wholly failed to live up to his expectations.

Read the Ads in Public Opinion and Save Money

lead you around like a steer, or a dog or a goat. When the people elected you sheriff of Garland County, they chose you as their leader. They did not expect you to betray them by turning the reins of government over to a city official, especially one who is detested by ninety percent of the people."

* *

Jim, even if, inside the city limits, you felt yourself to be incompetent to handle the affairs of Garland County; and you thought you should abandon your office of High Sheriff and surrender your authority to a city official, please explain to your friends outside the city limits why you turned them over to a city official whom they abhor and detest? Why did you not at least assert your authority over public offenses committed outside the city? Why did you permit Jake, and Leo, and Verne, and Archie Ledgerwood and Judge Witt's uncle to run their gambling house at Belvedere, outside the jurisdiction of the city officials, without paying a fine or tax or assessment of any kind, to help pay the expenses of the county? Why did you let Georgie, and Leo, and Frank Clarke, and Dick Gallatas run their enormously profitable slot machines racket outside the city without paying any fine or tax or making any contribution to the cost of government?

* *

Yes, we have saved some money by not having Court. By the same means, Leo, Verne and the rest of them have made a lot of money. Let's see: If the Grand Jury had investigated the pay-off and where all the money was going, then some of it might have been diverted from the pockets of a few officials; and

R. Downen last week. Two men who were present have reported

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Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (deceased);
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1201;
CHARLES ARTHUR "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD with
aliases, I. O. #1194, et al
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER

Reference is made to my long distance telephone conversation with Assistant Director H. H. Clegg, speaking from St. Paul on July 3, 1934, in which Mr. Clegg advised that information had been obtained that Homer Wilson, with aliases, is financially interested in certain Miami, Florida, dog tracks and is possibly from Florida, at least he hangs around Miami and while there associates with a man named "Dutch" alias C. D. Harris alias Clyde Mimerick, who is originally from Des Moines, Iowa. Mr. Clegg suggested that this Office ascertain the names of the persons financially interested in all dog tracks in Miami to determine "Big Homer's" location. He also suggested checking the license, tax and other records which might be of assistance.

Mr. Clegg also suggested that Marshall Wisehart, who is a brother of former Special Agents William and Raymond Wisehart, be contacted for information.

Immediately upon the conclusion of my telephone conversation with Mr. Clegg, I referred the matter to Special Agent Roger L. Main, resident Agent at Miami, Florida, for appropriate attention.

By letter dated July 5, 1934, Agent Main advised that at the present time all dog tracks in Miami are closed. There are three dog tracks in greater Miami, as follows:

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The Miami Beach Kennel Club,
West Flagler Kennel Club,
Biscayne Kennel Club.

The Miami Beach Kennel Club is owned and operated by Chicago interests. Mr. Carl T. Hoffman, Attorney, Miami, Florida, is attorney for this corporation. Mr. Hoffman is a brother of George Earl Hoffman, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Florida, at Pensacola. Efforts were made to contact Mr. Hoofman at Miami, and it was learned through his associate, Mr. J. A. Dunn, that he was in New Orleans. Mr. Dunn informed Agent Main that he was familiar with the affairs of the Miami Beach Kennel Club and had access to Mr. Hoffman's files. These files were checked. The records failed to show the name of Homer Wilson as a stockholder or the name of the individual who is supposed to associate with "Big Homer".

Edward O'Hare, c/o The National Jockey Club, Chicago, Illinois, is the principal stockholder in the Miami Beach Kennel Club, and no doubt some information could be obtained from him in the event Big Homer is well known at Miami in the dog track game. Mr. Frank Anderson is Manager of the Miami Beach Kennel Club. He can be located at 84 Lake Lane, Belleville, Illinois. He, also, might be able to throw some light on Big Homer's whereabouts and connections. Copies of this letter are being furnished to the Chicago Division Office, with the suggestion that Edward O'Hare and Frank Anderson be contacted for information relative to this matter.

The President of the Biscayne Kennel Club is Edward Knight, and his son-in-law, Joe Adams, is the Manager. Both are Miami men. Mr. J. A. Dunn advised that it is his understanding that there is also some Chicago capital interested in this track, but he is unable to furnish any definite information. Mr. Robert Lane, Attorney, Miami, Florida, is the attorney for the Biscayne Kennel Club. He is a personal friend of Agent Main and the latter believes that he can obtain full data on this Kennel Club from Mr. Lane when he returns to Miami on Saturday, July 7, 1934.

The West Flagler Kennel Club is operated by Jake Schur and a man named Huntley. Schur lives at the Dallas Park Hotel, Miami, but is now reported to be in New York City. It is also reported that Schur's sister is the principal owner of the stock of that corporation. Agent Main is endeavoring to obtain

information more definite on this Corporation within the next day or two. However, information is had that this track is entirely owned and controlled by local people.

In accordance with Mr. Clegg's suggestion, Agent Main contacted Marshall Wisehart. Mr. Wisehart is a personal acquaintance of Agent Main. He was unable to furnish any information of value, but is making some discreet inquiries for Agent Main. Mr. Wisehart suggested that Agent Main discuss this matter with Robert Lane, Attorney for the Biscayne Kennel Club, which will be done upon Mr. Lane's return to Miami Saturday.

Agent Main has advised that he has been unable to obtain any information of value at the various license and tax bureaus of Dade County at Miami.

Mr. Leroy Weston, an employee of the State Racing Commission during the last season at Miami, advised Agent Main that he has never heard of Big Homer being connected witheither dog or horse racing tracks at Miami, and the same was true of the aliases of his alleged associate. Mr. Weston advised that he visited all the tracks daily and was constantly in touch with the operators and officials, as well as the employees. He stated that he believed he would have at some time or other heard of Big Homer should he have been in Miami during the season.

All of the above three dog tracks are now tightly closed. Agent Main was unable even to find the keepers around so there was no chance of picking up any information at any of the plants.

Investigation in this matter is being continued.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge.

CC Kansas City -2
St. Paul -2
Chicago -2

Jax.62-877

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

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July 2, 1934.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Cowley
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Lester
Chief Clerk
Mr. Tamm

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I telephoned Mr. Spear with regard to the frame-up at Fort Smith. He advised that Mrs. Van Hammer, who is a special investigator for the Katz Drug Co., received a telephone call from an unknown individual this morning asking her to meet him at 1:00 o'clock today at 11th & Kirby Drive at Kansas City. She has been working on the robbery of a Katz store and agreed, therefore, to meet this individual. She was followed by two detectives from the Kansas City, Kansas police department, in accordance with arrangements made by her.

When she arrived at this point, she was met by three individuals in a car whom she does not know. A third car was then parked behind the police car so that the police car could not get out. She was then informed by one of these individuals that they were not going to cause her any trouble there but they wanted her to know that they were part of a gang which had planned to snatch Mike Katz. However, their part of the gang has decided not to kidnap Katz although the other part of their gang might decide to go through with it but they wanted her to know they were out of it.

They also gave Mrs. Van Hammer a description of the place where Katz was supposed to be held in the event he was kidnaped. In this connection Mr. Spear stated that the Kansas City, Kansas police know where this hide-out is and also Mike Katz, the supposed victim, is out of town at the present time.

These individuals also told Mrs. Van Hammer that she might be interested in knowing that her friend McMullen who left at noon today with the informant Eno for Arkansas was going to be killed. They did not tell her whether the informant was also going to be killed, but did tell her that Floyd's friends intended to kill McMullen and whoever was with him. Jenkins advised Spear that a short time ago McMullen went to some point in Kansas with one of the other detectives and the informant and they made some contacts down there. Within four hours after they made these contacts, Floyd was in the same place and talked to the same people that McMullen did. The next morning the informant received a telegram asking him to meet Floyd. Apparently the informant's telegraphic address was obtained by Floyd from the same individuals who had been contacted by the police. Mrs. Van Hammer states that she did not know anything at all about any of this when she contacted these individuals and they gave her all of the above information. They did not mention any definite city in Arkansas but did state Arkansas. Mr. Spear stated that Mrs. Van Hammer was working on the robbery mentioned above and that was the reason she agreed to meet these individuals at 1:00 P.M.

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Mr. Spear advised that McMullen is sort of "bull-headed" and although they tried to talk him out of going to Fort Smith, he insisted upon going there. Mr. Spear stated that he has contacted the State Police at Joplin and given them a description of the car and these individuals in the car and asked them to try to stop the car. He has not told them what it is all about but just stated they are working on a case with us and we want them stopped. Mr. Spear also called Mr. Conroy to make similar arrangements in Arkansas. I told Mr. Spear that it was rather inconsistent to keep everything secretive and then have the highways patrolled looking for these men. Mr. Spear stated that he thought the best thing to do would be to stop these men and then make plans from the other end. He advised that he has not talked to Agents Anderson or Trainor as yet and has not talked with Mr. Nathan. He will see all three of them and they will work out some sort of plans. I advised Mr. Spear that Mr. Nathan should call me this evening at the office and advise me as to any plans formulated by them.

In regard to this set up, I advised Mr. Spear that it was my opinion that Fayetteville was too far away from Fort Smith inasmuch as I had been advised that it was about 75 or 100 miles from Fort Smith through the mountains and in the event of a fog, it would be almost impossible to drive an automobile. Mr. Spear stated that this would be discussed with Mr. Nathan and Mr. Nathan will telephone the Division.

With further reference to Mrs. Van Hammer, Mr. Spear stated that he showed her pictures of the Barker-Karpis gang but she could not make any positive identifications. He stated he would show her some enlarged photographs and see if she could identify any of these men. The Division will be kept advised.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
JULY 2, 1934.

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

Dear Sir:

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

The Division has instructed that this office prepare for transmittal to various newly opened offices copies of the Summary report in this case dated at Kansas City, Missouri, 10-12-33 by Special Agent W. F. Trainor.

For the purpose of expediency and due to the stenographic situation in this office, it is respectfully requested that your office at this time prepare photostatic copies of this Summary Report and forward one direct to each of the following offices:

Boston
Buffalo
Denver
ElPaso
Indianapolis
Little Rock
Nashville.

The Omaha Office has already been furnished with such copy of report from here.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
JULY 5, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
506 Fletcher Savings & Trust Building
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Sir:

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

It is requested that immediate investigation be made to determine the identity and connections of the party who wrote a letter postmarked "Terre Haute, Indiana, June 18, 1934" addressed to Mr. Bill Demate, Route 1, Dillonvale, Ohio, return address "D. Superior 12 point Hotel, Terre Haute, Indiana".

This letter was noted by the Postmaster at Dillonvale, Ohio, who is maintaining a cover on communications to the relatives of Adam Richetti, who is a close associate of Charles Arthur Floyd, and whose apprehension is desired at this time in connection with the instant matter, although no process of arrest has been issued.

There is enclosed a photograph of Adam Richetti which you may retain in your file.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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

Dear Sir:

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

With reference to your letter of June 25, 1934, it is suggested that an interview be had with John Curry and his wife under such pretext as to enable your office to determine complete facts relative to their occupations and that of other members of their family. It is desired to determine what connections these individuals have with the Sadlos.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
JULY 8, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 1156
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

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

Transmitted herewith is a photostatic copy of the Summary Report in this case dated October 12, 1933, prepared by Special Agent W. F. Trainor.

Within the near future you will be furnished with an additional resume of the evidence in this case pertaining to the subjects and suspects, which will show dispositions had to date and an outline of investigation as desired on the part of various offices.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
JULY 3, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 536
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sir:

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

Reference is made to letter of June 25, 1934, from the Nashville Office addressed to the Kansas City Office, copies of which were furnished to Dallas and Los Angeles Offices.

It is noted that a report by Thomas E. Harrison, of Dallas, Texas, was made to the Clerk at the General Delivery Window of the Post Office, Memphis, Tennessee, to the effect that Richard Tallman Galatas is working either for the Herald Express or the Examiner newspapers at Los Angeles.

It is noted that Thomas E. Harrison is apparently employed by the Dyanize Manufacturing Company, Mercantile Building, Dallas, Texas.

The Dallas and Los Angeles Offices are requested to make immediate investigation in this connection in their respective territories. Mr. Harrison should be personally interviewed and his reputation and motives in making this report should be scrutenized.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - Dallas
Nashville
Division

420 Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

July 3, 1934.

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

RE: Vernon C. Miller, w.a. (deceased)
Richard Tallman Galatas, w.a.-
FUGITIVE, I.O.#1201;
Charles Arthur Floyd, w.a.-
FUGITIVE, I.O.#1194; et al.
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE.

Dear Sir:-

Your attention is invited to report of Special Agent F.S. Dunn dated at Dallas 6/30/34 in this case, the last page, where it is shown that Chevrolet coach bearing Oklahoma license plates #215-650 and Plymouth sedan bearing Oklahoma license plates #391-439, were seen at Fort Worth; and you are requested to ascertain the identity of the persons to whom the licenses were issued.

Very truly yours,

F.J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

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KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
JUNE 30, 1934.
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Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
506 Fletcher Savings & Trust Building
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

With reference to our telephone conversation of today concerning J. DON WHITNEY, with aliases, who has been alleged to have two machine guns in the State of Indiana, I am transmitting herewith copy of a communication from this office to the Jacksonville Office dated April 6, 1934.

You are advised that I communicated by telephone today with the Topeka, Kansas Police Department and was advised that the State charge against Whitney has been disposed of, he having received a fine and being placed on probation. That Department is, accordingly, not interested in his apprehension.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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1331 First Nat'l. Bank Bldg.,
El Paso, Texas,
July 3, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S.Department of Justice,
1616 Federal Reserve Bank Bldg.,
Kansas City, Mo.

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

Dear Sir:

Reference is had to your letter of June 11, 1934 addressed to the San Antonio office, with copy to this office, concerning certain telephone calls made by the Sadlos at the President Hotel, Kansas City, Mo., as follows:

On April 28, 1933, calling Main 4025 at El Paso, Texas. This telephone is listed to Mrs. Winona Walsh, 914 West Yandell Blvd., but is the residence of Joe Mogul, a well known saloon keeper of Juarez, Mexico, and El Paso, Texas, who has been in business here for many years. It has not been deemed discreet or necessary to interview Mogul as the telephone call in question appears to have been placed sometime prior to the Kansas City massacre.

On April 28, 1933, to Main 1915, El Paso, Texas. This is the telephone number of the Annex Club, 110 West San Antonio St., El Paso, which is a gambling and pool hall.

June 9, 1933, to Main 269, El Paso, Texas. This is the telephone of W.D.Greet, County Clerk, 1606 Hawthorne St., who is the man who first gave us the information involving the Sadlos. Mr. Greet states he does not recall the telephone message in question, but that he has received numbers of telephone messages from the Sadlos.

Very truly yours,

R. H. Colvin,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Little Rock, Arkansas

R. H. Calvin
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1551 First National Bank Building
El Paso, Texas

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
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KANSO HAVE REACHED AND STOPPED DETECTIVE McMULLIN AT CARTHAGE MISSOURI WITH INFORMANT WILL TELEPHONE YOU FURTHER PLANS THIS EVENING

NATHAN

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July 7, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased),
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases -
FUGITIVE, Identification Order #1201;
CHARLES ARTHUR "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD, with
aliases - FUGITIVE, Identification Order
#1194, et al.
Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.

Dear Sir:

In connection with the arrangements which were put into effect at the United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, at the instance of this Division, with a view to obtaining information through Kathryn Kelly concerning the above entitled case, as outlined in the Division's letter dated March 27, 1934, the Division desires that you discreetly interview Kathryn Kelly regarding this matter and advise the Division fully with respect to the status of this arrangement.

Very truly yours,

Director.

cc-Kansas City

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U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice
Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida

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July 7, 1934

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

Dear Sir:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER with aliases (deceased)
RICHARD TALIMAN GALATAS with aliases -
FUGITIVE - Identification Order 1201
CHARLES ARTHUR "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD with
aliases - Identification Order 1194, et al
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER

Further reference is made to my long distance telephone conversation with Assistant Director H. H. Clegg, speaking from Saint Paul on July 3, 1934, in which he requested that certain investigation be made at Miami, Florida, in an attempt to locate Homer Wilson with aliases for questioning in connection with the instant case and in the Bremer kidnaping case.

Yesterday, I transmitted to the Division a letter covering in detail the investigation conducted in this matter at Miami by Special Agent Roger L. Main.

Today, by letter, Agent Main from Miami, advised that Robert Lane, attorney for the Biscayne Kennel Club, returned to Miami where he was interviewed concerning Homer Wilson. He advised that at the present time no one named Wilson is a stockholder or in any way interested in the Biscayne Kennel Club. He stated that several years ago there was a man named Wilson from Chicago, interested in the Club but that Wilson is now deceased. He could not recall the first name and did not have access to any records which would refresh his memory as to the full name.

Mr. Lane further informed that he is of the opinion that Wilson had a brother, given name unknown, and that the brother on several occasions represented or looked after Wilson's

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interests and since the brother's death the stock has been transferred to a Mrs. McLaughlin, thought to be living in Chicago, and that the brother of Wilson, the original stockholder, also looked after Mrs. McLaughlin's interest since the stock has been placed in her name.

Mr. Lane could not furnish any information as to the man named Dutch alias C. D. Harris alias Clyde Mimerick, who is thought to be an associate of Big Homer.

Mr. Lane stated that all of the records of the Biscayne Kennel Club are in possession of Joe Adams, who is now away from Miami on his honeymoon, but that he will endeavor to obtain access to these records in Mr. Adams' absence and we could then endeavor to trace the stock formerly owned by Wilson and the addresses of the persons now interested.

Mr. Lane, of course, emphasized the fact that his recollection concerning the above stockholder may not be entirely correct, but he is positive that no one by the name of Wilson is now a stockholder of the Biscayne Kennel Club.

Attorney Marshall Wisehart of Miami, through an attorney friend of his, obtained a list of the stockholders of the West Flagler Kennel Club. He obtained only the surnames and the name of Wilson did not appear in the list. All of these stockholders appear to be local people and most of them are known personally to Mr. Wisehart.

As soon as Jacob Schur, operator of the West Flagler Kennel Club, returns to Miami, he will be interviewed to determine whether he can throw any light on this matter in determining whether Big Homer is connected in any wise with any of the dog tracks in Miami and vicinity.

Investigation in this matter will be continued.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

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J. P. MacFARLAND
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WESTERN UNION MESSENGERS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE DELIVERY OF NOTES AND PACKAGES

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July 7, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
Portland, Oregon.

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased),
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases -
FUGITIVE, Identification Order #1201;
CHARLES ARTHUR "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD, with
aliases - FUGITIVE, Identification Order
#1194, et al.
Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.

Dear Sir:

In connection with the surveillance which your office is maintaining on Nicholas LaVoy, a known associate of subject Galatas, it is suggested that the race meets to be held at Vancouver and Victoria be covered with a view to determining whether LaVoy attends these meets, and with whom he is associating while in attendance at these meets.

Very truly yours,

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Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Cowley
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July 5, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. R. B. Nathan called from Fort Smith, Arkansas about 8:30 P.M. last evening and advised that he and Mr. Conroy and the other Agents at Fort Smith were convinced that the informant's story concerning Pretty Boy Floyd's contact at Fort Smith was a complete "wash-out". Mr. Nathan stated that they had checked a number of items in connection with the informant's story and had disproved his statements to such a point that they were convinced he was lying. The informant desired that they proceed to Muskogee, Oklahoma where he stated he could contact some one who would contact Floyd. Mr. Nathan stated he was convinced that this was just a continuation of the hoax and accordingly I instructed him to advise the informant that he should contact the Oklahoma City Office in the event he secured any definite information.

All Agents were authorized to return to their headquarters.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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DIRECTOR

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July 6, 1934.

Mr. Nathan
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Harold Nathan telephoned and stated he went to Fort Worth this morning and saw Dr. Norris; that he is still very much interested and will undoubtedly continue to be interested. Mr. Nathan stated that the headquarters for the individual we are looking for are still interested in negotiations - referring to Floyd's Mother. I told Mr. Nathan that I saw a letter a day or so ago from Blake in which he stated that he wanted to go to the mother's place but he indicated at that time that he did not think these negotiations were legitimate.

Mr. Nathan advised that Dr. Norris told him that he hears from a second source, the second source being a Baptist Minister at Sallisaw, Oklahoma and it is his, Dr. Norris, intention to go to Muskogee with Blake, which is about 30 miles from Sallisaw, and then Dr. Norris will go from Muskogee to Sallisaw alone and continue negotiations with Floyd's mother. Blake or Mr. Nathan (if Mr. Nathan goes) will remain at Muskogee ready for negotiations direct if they want to or ready for Floyd to come in if he wants to. (Mr. Nathan did not tell Dr. Norris that he is planning on staying and Dr. Norris thinks Mr. Nathan is just passing through.)

I told Mr. Nathan that there was some doubt in my mind as to whether, by doing this, we would be taking the attitude of bargaining for Floyd's surrender ourselves. Mr. Nathan stated there was something to this but there was also the possibility that nothing at all would come of it. I told Mr. Nathan that we should also consider the fact that this minister down there is quite a "hound" for publicity. Mr. Nathan stated that the minister has been telling us that there must not be any publicity. I advised that the minister might not consider the radio or his pulpit publicity and Mr. Nathan stated that there is this possibility. However, Mr. Nathan feels that he is interested in the ultimate publicity rather than immediate publicity. In other words, if negotiations fail, he might double-cross us with regard to publicity and if the negotiations succeed by any accident, then of course he will have all kinds of publicity.

However, Mr. Nathan suggests "playing with him" and Mr. Nathan made it plain to him that we would not go any where unless somebody wanted us and the organization possessed dignity. Although there is a possibility of our humiliating ourselves, Mr. Nathan believes that we should take the risk and we should go to Muskogee and then allow Norris to go on alone and if Floyd's mother wants to see us, why we should see her. I stated that this would be satisfactory.

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I told Mr. Nathan that R.B.Nathan had an informant at Fort Smith on July 4th who wanted to take them into Muskogee, claiming he could make a contact at that point. Mr. Nathan stated he thinks this is about the same proposition and it is possible that negotiations in this matter were

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started by Floyd himself. However, Mr. Nathan made it clear today that we had nothing to offer except that we would not kill Floyd and he would be taken to Leavenworth. After that, we would have nothing to say.

Mr. Nathan stated this would probably be started some time early next week. I stated this looked all right and I would discuss the matter with the Director and advise him. Mr. Nathan advised that it might be necessary to pay this informant's expenses if he goes to Muskogee and I stated this would be O.K. and Mr. Nathan should submit a blue slip for such expenses. I told Mr. Nathan it he did not hear from me to the contrary, it would be satisfactory to proceed along the lines mentioned above.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Kansas City, Missouri FILE NO. 26-4426

REPORT MADE AT:	DATE WHEN MADE:	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE:	REPORT MADE BY:
Oklahoma City, Okla.	7/6/34	6/22/34	Donovan Owens.

TITLE: CHARLES ARTHUR FLOYD, alias Frank Mitchell, alias "Pretty Boy" Smith, I. O. #1194; ADA RICHETTI.

CHARACTER OF CASE: National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Investigation discloses that Joe Hudiburg, Vocational Training and Agricultural Instructor, Excelsior Consolidated School, north of Cromwell, Oklahoma, is alleged to have had a Pontiac Coupe stolen during the summer of 1933. Hudiburg now supposed to be Pine Hotel, Apt. 209, 3736 Pine Grove Street, Chicago, Illinois.

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REFERENCE: Letter from Kansas City office dated 3/14/34, and report of Special Agent W. E. Miller, Kansas City, dated 6/6/34.

DETAILS:

On or about June 16, 1933, subjects Floyd and Richetti are alleged to have kidnaped Sheriff Killingsworth at Bolivar, Missouri and kept him in their custody during the day, releasing him in or near Kansas City, Missouri on the night of June 16, 1933. These subjects are alleged to have abandoned Pontiac Coupe, Motor Number 898716, at Bolivar, Missouri on the same date. This car is supposed to have been stolen from a school teacher in the vicinity of Cromwell, Oklahoma on or about June 7, 1933, and transported to Bolivar where it was abandoned as stated.

DETAILS: Special Agent N. E. Marshall of this office conducted investigation at Cromwell and vicinity in an effort to ascertain the identity of any individual who might have had such a car stolen from him. Agent Marshall learned that one Joe Hudiburg, Vocational Training and Agricultural Instructor at the Excelsior Consolidated School, north of Cromwell, Oklahoma, had a Pontiac Coupe stolen from him sometime during the summer of 1933 which was supposed to have been recovered in Missouri and allegedly stolen by Floyd and a companion. Further inquiry established the fact that Hudiburg and his

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: Dwight Brantley SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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wife left Cromwell about the first of June, 1934, and that they had gone to spend the summer with Mrs. Hudiburg's parents at Ada, Oklahoma. It was ascertained that Mrs. Hudiburg's parents' name is White, initials unknown, and that both Mr. and Mrs. White are school teachers in the Ada public school, and that probably Hudiburg can be located through them.

Agent interviewed Mrs. C. W. White, mother of Mrs. Hudiburg, Box 707, Ada, Oklahoma, who stated that J. A. Hudiburg and his wife are in Chicago for the summer and are stopping at the Pine Hotel, Apartment 209, located at 3736 Pine Grove Street, Chicago, Illinois.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE CHICAGO OFFICE is requested to interview J. A. Hudiburg at the Pine Hotel, 3736 Pine Grove Street, Chicago, Illinois, and ascertain from him whether the coupe allegedly abandoned by Floyd and Richetti at Bolivar, Missouri on June 16, 1933 is the car which was stolen from him, and if so, obtain all the particulars and circumstances connected with its theft, whether he has any knowledge as to the identity of the thieves, when and where stolen, etc.

THE OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE at Maud and in the vicinity of Wewoka and Henryetta, Oklahoma, will conduct appropriate investigation in an effort to locate Adam Richetti as requested in the report of Special Agent W. E. Miller, Kansas City, Missouri, dated June 6, 1934.

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
July 6, 1934

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

Dear Sir: Re: HAZEL HUDSON UNDERHILL, et al; HARBORING AND CONCEALING WILBUR UNDERHILL FOR WHOM A WARRANT OF ARREST HAD BEEN ISSUED.

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter under date of June 18, 1934 instructing that the Kansas City office should be furnished with all pertinent serials in this case, and suggesting that this matter be vigorously pursued in the Federal Court at Oklahoma City.

Please be advised that on July 5th Special Agent K. D. Deaderick discussed this matter with Honorable W. C. Lewis, United States Attorney for the Western District of Oklahoma, at Oklahoma City, and called his attention to the report of Special Agent T. M. Birch, dated Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, May 29, 1934, relative to possible charges of perjury. Mr. Lewis expressed his opinion to the effect that he did not believe he would be justified in filing a charge of perjury against the persons who attempted to make the bond of Subject Ralph Rowe.

As instructed, there are attached to the Kansas City office copy of this letter the following reports:

Special Agent F. S. Smith, Oklahoma City, January 19, 1934;
" " " " " " February 8, 1934;
" " " " " " February 13,1934;
" " " " " " March 8, 1934;
Letter from Oklahoma City office to Division, April 4, 1934;
Special Agent F. S. Smith, Oklahoma City, May 21, 1934;
" " T. M. Birch, " " May 29, 1934.

Very truly yours,

Dwight Brantley

Dwight Brantley,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc-Kansas City (Encl's.)
U.S.Atty. Okla. City

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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Mr. Nathan telephoned with regard to the informant [redacted] and stated that Agent Anderson has been talking to [redacted] and [redacted] claims he can not operate successfully without an automobile and an automobile can probably be purchased for about $100.00. In this event, [redacted] will need some extra money for expenses. Mr. Nathan stated that Tom Bash , the sheriff out there, operates an automobile concern and Agent Anderson thinks Bash will sell the informant a car very reasonably.

I told Mr. Nathan that the Division could not buy a car but could give the informant the money and the informant could buy a car, in which event there would be no objection to the informant buying a car from Bash inasmuch as Bash is reliable and this would be a personal deal between the informant and Bash.

I informed Mr. Nathan that if the car cost about $100.00 this would raise the ante to about $150.00 and requested advice as to whether the informant was worth this much. Mr. Nathan stated that he thinks [redacted] can get some information if he will work on it and Agent Anderson is convinced that something will develop from this contact. I told Mr. Nathan to go ahead with this proposition and to spend a sum not to exceed $150.00 for everything.

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Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I telephoned Mr. Harold Nathan with reference to the Floyd proposition and advised him that I had discussed this matter with you and it would be satisfactory to go ahead with the arrangements made but it would not be necessary for him, Mr. Nathan, to go up there. I advised Mr. Nathan that he should concentrate on laying the ground work with regard to taking Floyd as we have had so many misleads in this connection that we did not have much confidence in it. Mr. Nathan advised that Mr. Blake would go up on this .

I advised Mr. Nathan to go ahead with the plans with regard to doing whatever is necessary to take this fellow and particular attention should be given as to the desirability of placing a telephone tap, mail cover, et cetera on Floyd's mother who seems to be the contact there. Mr. Nathan stated this would receive his attention and advised that he is planning on going to Oklahoma City within a couple of days. I suggested that after he arrived at Oklahoma City it might be well to contact R. B. Nathan at Kansas City and see how he is coming along with the informant [redacted] the prisoner at Leavenworth who was supposed to come out on the 4th of July.

I advised Mr. Nathan that [redacted] and is going to buy an old automobile and go down to Sallisaw, Oklahoma or wherever [redacted] lives. Mr. Nathan stated he would contact Mr. R. B. Nathan with regard to this informant.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
July 7, 1934

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

Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases, (Deceased);
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases, I.O. #1201 - FUGITIVE;
CHARLES ARTHUR "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD, with aliases - I.O. #1194 - FUGITIVE; et al;
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER A FEDERAL PRISONER

Dear Sir:

Of possible interest to the Technological Laboratory of the Division, I am transmitting under separate cover three X-Ray pictures taken of Wilbur Underhill on December 30, 1934 at the Shawnee Memorial Hospital, Shawnee, Oklahoma after he had been shot.

The return of these X-Ray pictures is not requested.

Very truly yours,

Dwight Brantley

DWIGHT BRANTLEY
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Kansas City

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
July 7, 1934

DB:CG
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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); RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS,
with aliases, I.O. #1201 - Fugitive;
CHARLES ARTHUR "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD,
with aliases, I.O. #1194 - Fugitive;
et al.
Conspiracy to Deliver a Federal Prisoner.

I am transmitting herewith a circular which I thought might be of interest to the Division in that it relates to the appearance of the wife of subject Charles Arthur "Pretty Boy" Floyd and her son at a theater in Sallisaw, Oklahoma recently.

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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STAR Theatre

SALLISAW, OKLAHOMA

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MONDAY-TUESDAY-WED.

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....Greatest Show In Many Moons....

Three Big Shows In One

MRS. CHARLES "Pretty Boy" FLOYD

And Her Son

Charles Dempsey Floyd

In person and on the screen. The baptismal

service by Frank Norris of the First Baptist Church, Fort Worth, *thousands thronged the church and streets too see this.*

THAT RED HOT BAND

Cookson Hills String Band

RADIO STAGE SCREEN STARS

Have been on the air for the last five years. Let's give them a rousing welcome. They will play at the theatre each day at 2-4-6-8-10 p. m.

Ten Reels of Motion Pictures

"I've Got Your Number"

Joan Blondell, Pat O'Brien, Others

Joy Jammed, Laugh Loaded. Rip-Rollicking Jamboree. It's More Fun than a Tapped Wire with He-Man on one end and pair of mules on the Other. MONDAY, GRAND OPENING Moving pictures will be taken of Crowd and Theatre that will be shown all over the United States. Tuesday See the Show and get Election Returns. Wednesday See the Show and Celebrate the 4th in Sallisaw. Come early. Doors open at 1:00 p. m. First 50 people there will be Admitted Free. This big triple bill program will be shown at usual admission prices.

Children *10c*
Adults *20c*

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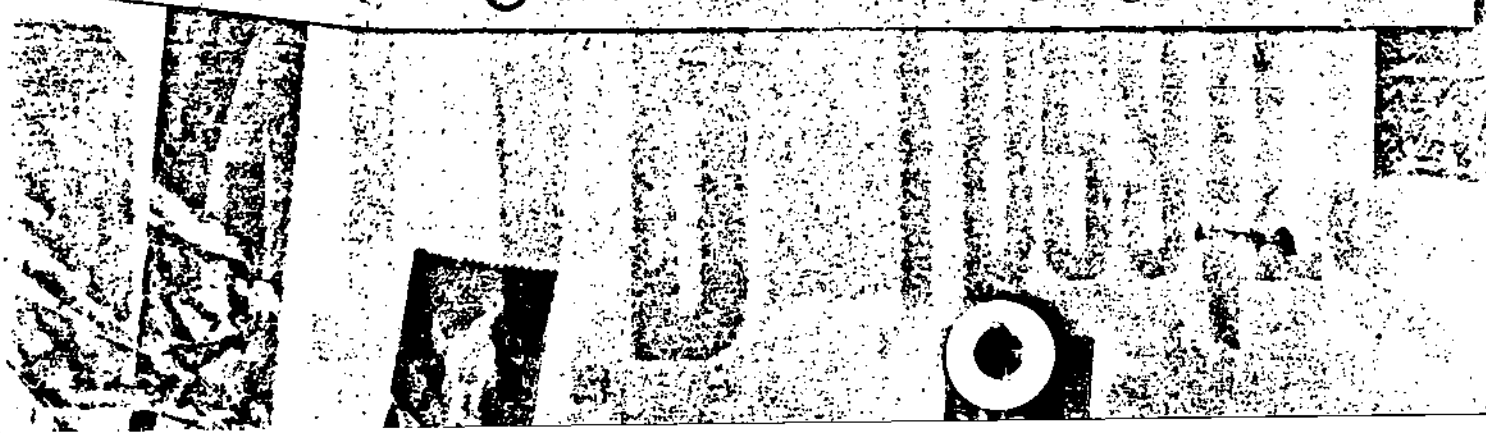

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box #709
Portland, Oregon

July 6, 1934

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

Dear Sir: Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases, (Deceased); RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1201; CHARLES ARTHUR "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1194; Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.

Referring to the Division's letter of June 23, 1934 in the above entitled matter please find enclosed two copies of the letter written by one Leon Epmeier, U. S. P. McNeil Island, Washington number 10908, which is referred to in letter of this office dated June 16, 1934 addressed to the Chicago office.

Very truly yours,

C C Spears

C. C. SPEARS, per HAK
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc-Kansas City

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(C O P Y)

To Mr. & Mrs. F. Hunt,
730 South Main Street,
Lombard, Illinois.

Leon Epmeier, #10908
Lock Box 500,
Steilacoom, Wash.

Dear Frank & Henry:-

I know you folks feel a letter from me is long over due - and justly so. It is only our limited writing privileges that prevent me from writing you often. By having no Chicago address to wrote to I am afforded this opportunity. Last week I heard from Flo for the first time since I left Leavenworth. It seemed so long. It was my intention last week to write you but when I heard from Flo I spent both letters on her.

Your nice letters which I received before leaving Leavenworth were appreciated and I treasure the thoughts and sentiments expressed.

My departure from Leavenworth to the North (St.Paul) was altogether unexpected. I did not know what it was about or what destination until I tried on clothing an hour prior to departure. I knew something was amis because from the time of my arrest until my arrival here (With possibly a two week's exception) I was in solitary. So that duration was between five and six months. I had been involved in so much that I pretended not to notice - so I asked no questions.

But the Inspectors in their determined way gained their point by using me as a bluff to get those two in Minneapolis to plead guilty. With things as they were I was sunk. I had at least twenty-five years more staring me in the face - without an out. The situation was this: Immediately after the robbery I made an itemized list of all bonds, securities, etc. Rogert T. conceived the idea to "frame" Skidmore (the notorious junk dealer, etc. of Chicago). The bonds, new currency etc was taken by two persons from Chicago back to Minneapolis - mailed to Skidmore and the P.O. Inspectors tipped off by phone that a package containing mail loot was on its way to Skidmore. These men split up on their way to Chicago. One returned via Milwaukee. He didn't like the "framing idea" so he proceeds to send Skidmore a telegram warning him of the "frame-up". You see Skidmore a bitter enemy (very wealthy) had long been a member of the Capone Syndicate - and if this went over "Skid" would have a difficult time explaining-besid es it would look like members of the Capone gang had committed the robbery and get the Government hot on their trail.

Skidmore refused to accept the package-and of course the P.O. Inspectors were right there to take it. This all came out in the papers a year ago last December. This was one big reason I left Chicago, you will recall, shortly after the new year. I never dreamed the numb-skulls would leave with the bonds the itimized list containing my handwriting- and so the Inspectors got it too: Imagine that: Might as well put my photo in it. Then, after the acquittal in the Hamm kidnapping trial Willie Sharkey talked with the Inspectors- trying to make a deal and to plead guilty to the Minneapolis affair to avoid returning to Chicago. When he found he would have to go to Chi (Gus & Roger quit him because he dickered with the P.O. Inspectors) he committed suicide. That is an outline in brief.

I had no idea it would require so much space to relate the above-done just to show my position - and the peculiar twist of things.

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You wonder about this place here. I like it much better than at Leavenworth. It is less like a prison than one would imagine.

It is good to be in communication with Flo again. Her leg is still bothering her. I'm wondering if mom has rid herself of the place. Sara has given me G.D. as an address but we are prohibitted from writing to such address. So please inform her so she will not be putting herself out calling there. If no address comes I will write you again next week. Frank, I appreciate your attitude and kindnesses to my mother and I'm sure she can appreciate you. You responded nobly to the occasion. I was not surprised because you are just naturally that way.- nice, good, you were mighty nice to Flo & me too. I owe you a lot - Neither mother nor Sara have heard from me recently so tell them you've heard. I hope she can find it possible to enjoy a trip to town. Say, under the rear porch is buried a forty-five calibre revolver in shoulder holster, box of shells, two shot-gun gas shells - Flo can give you particulars. Thought you might want it. It has been buried there since last October. It belonged to Red Kerr. He has told around here that I framed with the Inspectors beforehand to get his gun so he would be unable to do any shooting. What a joke. He left it with me because he was at a hotel. Should you get that gun take a snap-shot of it. I may want the picture sometime. Unless you want the gun do not bother. I thought of Edwin on the 7th. Will have to close now sending my love to each of you and to Mother and Sara. Write me when the spirit move you. So until another day,

Lovingly, Leon X X X

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Laboratory Report

Case: Vernon C. Miller with aliases (deceased); Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.
John Herbert Dillinger with aliases, I.O. 1217, et al, Fugitive, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.
Alvin Karpis with aliases, et al, Edward George Bremer, Victim; Kidnaping.

No. 62-28915-1803
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Specimens: Twenty photographs; three letters; two newspaper clippings; one envelope; three photostatic copies of a letter signed "John Hamilton" and beginning "Dear Sis- Sill and Elmer stopped here, etc." Three photostatic copies of an envelope addressed to "Mrs. I. Steve 1513 4th Ave. Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., and postmarked Michigan City, Indiana, January 19, 1933, 10 AM. Three photostatic copies of a letter signed "John Hamilton" and beginning "Dear Sis- I received your letter and the kiddies also, etc." Three photographic copies of parts of letters in the handwriting of Homer Van Meter. Two photographic copies of parts of letters in the handwriting of John Dillinger. Photo of signature "Ray E. Hamilton" partially identified as that of Alvin Karpis. Letter of Fred Barker to mother, Lansing, Kansas, 2-16-31 - positively identified by handwriting.

Examination requested by: St. Paul and Chicago Division Offices.

Date Received: June 27, June 28, and June 22, 1934.

Examination requested: Laboratory and Handwriting.

Result of examination: Examination by: C.A.Appel

June 28. The handwriting specimens of the signature "Ray E. Hamilton" partially identified as that of Alvin Karpis, of Fred Barker, of John Dillinger, of Homer Van Meter, and of John Hamilton were compared with the anonymous letters, extortion letters, and other questioned documents in the cases of John Dillinger, Vernon Miller, and Alvin Karpis. The handwriting in the signature "Ray E. Hamilton" was also compared with the signatures on the fingerprint cards of Alvin Karpis to ascertain if this is his handwriting. It was concluded that there are sufficient similarities to warrant the belief that this is the handwriting of Karpis. The characteristics which may be compared are, of course, too few for a positive determination.

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The handwriting of the letter signed "Fred Barker" was compared with his signatures on fingerprint cards and it was positively concluded that this is the handwriting of Fred Barker.

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No identification was made between the handwriting of any of these individuals and the questioned documents referred to with the exception that the handwriting on the road map showing the route from Des Moines, Iowa, to Minneapolis and St. Paul by side roads, which was recovered in connection with the case of John

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Dillinger, was determined to be in the handwriting of Dillinger. This is a positive conclusion. It will be recalled that there were also found on this road map finger-prints of Dillinger.

THE ORIGINAL EVIDENCE WHICH WAS SUBMITTED IS BEING RETAINED IN THE LABORATORY FOR ANY SUBSEQUENT EXAMINATIONS WHICH MAY BE DESIRED. SHOULD YOUR OFFICE DESIRE THIS ORIGINAL EVIDENCE FOR USE IN ANY SUBSEQUENT PROCEEDINGS WHICH MAY DEVELOP THE DIVISION SHOULD BE NOTIFIED IN AMPLE TIME TO PERMIT TRANSMITTAL.

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July 25, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota.

Re: Vernon C. Miller, with aliases (deceased);
Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.
John Herbert Dillinger, with aliases, I.O.1217;
et al, Fugitive; National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.
Alvin Karpis, with aliases, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim; Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Division ~~July~~ June 27, June 28, and June 22, 1934.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

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July 7, 1934

62-28915-1938

Mr. H. H. Clegg,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: Vernon C. Miller with aliases (deceased);
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Laboratory Report

July 6, 1934.

Case: Vernon C. Miller, with aliases, et al.
Conspiracy to Deliver a Federal Prisoner.

Number: 62-28915-1865

Specimens: Two bullets and two shells fired from .45 caliber Colt Automatic Pistol (National Match) serial #173697.
Two bullets fired from .45 caliber Colt Automatic Pistol, serial #161971.
Two bullets and two shells fired from Thompson Machine Gun taken from possession of R. S. Lehman, San Antonio, Texas.

Examination requested by: San Antonio Division Office.

Date received: June 30, 1934

Examination requested: Ballistic

Result of examination: Examination by: C. A. Appel

July 2, 1934. The test bullets and shells fired from the .45 caliber Colt Automatic Pistol, "National Match", serial #173697, from the .45 caliber Colt Automatic Pistol, serial #161971, and from the Thompson machine gun, without serial number, all of which were taken from the possession of R. S. Lehman, San Antonio, Texas, were compared with the so-called fatal bullets forwarded to the Laboratory for examination in connection with crimes, but no identification was effected. They were also compared with the photographs of the fatal bullet and shells made by Merle Gill of Kansas City with the specimens recovered at the Kansas City Massacre in the case of Frank Nash, et al, and no similarities of individual characteristics were apparent.

These specimens will be filed for comparison with any recovered in connection with crimes which may be forwarded and which were recovered before these weapons were seized.

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July 9, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
San Antonio, Texas.

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases, et al;
Conspiracy to Deliver a Federal Prisoner.

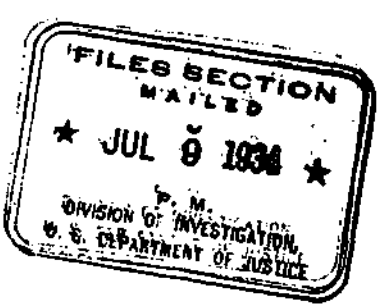
Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Division on June 30, 1934.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure: 557457



UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI. FILE NO. 62-977 AM

REPORT MADE AT:	DATE WHEN MADE:	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE:	REPORT MADE BY:
PHILADELPHIA, PA.	7-7-34	7-5-34	J. L. FALLON.

TITLE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased)
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, Identification Order #1201.
CHARLES ARTHUR "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD, with aliases - Fugitive - Identification Order #1194, et al.

CHARACTER OF CASE: CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER A FEDERAL PRISONER.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Investigation at Americus Hotel, Allentown, reveals occupants of Room 602 registered as T. M. Heggie and wife. Heggie is formerly from Joliet, Illinois, and is now supposed to be employed by the Phoenix Steel Company, Catasauqua, Pa; arrived in Allentown, Pa., 11-27-33; owner of Buick sedan, Penna. license FP 498, for 1934. Wife of Heggie followed him to Allentown three months later. Both of good character and reputation, with no police or criminal record at Allentown.

R.U.C.

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent Wm. R. Ramsey, Jr., dated San Francisco, California, 7-3-34.

DETAILS: This is a joint report with Special Agent J. F. McDevitt.

In accordance with the reference report, no contact or surveillance was made but observation was made of the individuals under investigation.

DETAILS: William Detweiller, Captain of Detectives, Allentown Police Force, was contacted by Special Agent J. F. McDevitt and the writer and entry was made to the Americus Hotel, where agents interviewed Mr. William Heimbach, manager of the hotel. It was ascertained from the records that the occupants of room 602 were Mr. T. M. Heggie and wife. Mr. Heggie registered at this hotel 11-27-33 from Joliet, Illinois; upon his arrival, he was observed to be travelling in a Buick sedan, with Illinois license 923003 for 1933. Mr. Heimbach further informed that in conversation with Mr. Heggie he learned he was employed by the Phoenix Steel Company at Catasauqua, Pa, in the capacity of superintendent; that approximately three months later, his wife arrived at the hotel and registered from the same city in Illinois; that they have always paid their bills promptly, bear a good reputation in and about the hotel,

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: R. L. Harvey, Jr. SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

62-27915-1940

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although Mr. Heggie is somewhat prone to be a braggart, leaving them under the impression he is rather wealthy; that they own an exceptionally large home in Joliet and Mrs. Heggie continuously asserts herself as to her social standing in the community in which they reside.

From inquiry further made from Mr. Heimbach it was further ascertained that Heggie's car is stored in the motor ramp, directly in back of the hotel but not attached to the hotel. From discreet investigation it was learned this Buick sedan at the present time carries Pennsylvania license FP 498 for 1934.

Captain Detweiller informed agents the police department at Allentown do not have any criminal record as to the Heggies and further he had never heard anything detrimental to their character. In this connection, both agents remained in the vicinity of the Americus Hotel and at 6:30 P.M., on the date of the investigation, Mr. Heimbach pointed out Mr. and Mrs. Heggie and, from observation, the following descriptions are listed:

Mr. Heggie -

Height	5'10"
Weight	195 - 210 pounds
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Light - grayish tinge.
Age	45
Build	Heavy
Appearance	Well dressed.
Complexion	Flushed smooth face.
Residence	Formerly of Joliet, Illinois.

Mrs. Heggie -

Age	28 - 30 years
Height	5'6"
Weight	127 pounds - 135 pounds.
[redacted]	[redacted]
Hair	Bobbed - dark henna (probably dyed)
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Medium light
Appearance	Well dressed.

In this connection the pictures of Richard Sheridan, as well as Bernard Phillips, and all the I.O's still outstanding in this file, were taken Allentown by agents and Heggie does not resemble any of the photograph

It is thought if a picture of Gus Stone could be obtained, as well as one of Homer Wilson, alias Big Homer, and furnished the Philadelphia Office, the same will be taken to Allentown for possible identification.

The above photographs were displayed to Mr. Heimbach, manager of the hotel, who could not identify same as ever having visited the Heggies.

Agents did not make any contact at the Phoenix Steel Company due to the fact that Heggie might become apprehensive and inquire about the investigation.

- REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO OFFICE OF ORIGIN -

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
DIVISION ONE
JUL 11 1934 PM

St. Louis, Missouri
July 7, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE:

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased)
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1201
CHARLES ARTHUR FLOYD, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1194,
ET AL
Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner.

REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent J. O. Hiches, St. Louis, Missouri, 5-14-34.

It was ascertained from information at the Telephone Company in Jacksonville, Illinois that telephone No. 1044-W is listed in the name of Charles Witwer, who operates a gasoline filling station and a tourist camp on the Mound Road near Jacksonville, Illinois.

Thomas Harbor, Assistant Postmaster, and Sergeant R. L. Zell of the Jacksonville, Illinois Police Department stated that Charles Witwer has resided in Jacksonville for many years and is regarded as a reliable person.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Witwer stated that in the latter part of August, 1933, a woman known to them as A. Hallmarch stopped over night at their tourist camp and that about one week later she called Mr. Witwer by long distance telephone either from Mexico, Missouri or Quincy, Illinois. They stated they regarded her as a "gold digger" and that she tried to get Mr. Witwer to join her, and that this was the purpose of the long distance call; that in all probability she is a prostitute. Mrs. Witwer stated that she formerly resided in Mexico, Missouri and learned from this woman that she is either related to or a close friend of Betty Gilbert and her sister Marie Quals of Mexico; that it is her understanding that A. Hallmarch is either married to a brother of Betty Gilbert and Marie Quals or is closely associated with him. They viewed a photograph of Charles Arthur Floyd and stated that to their knowledge they have never seen him, and to their knowledge are not acquainted with anyone who knows him; however, they stated that A. Hallmarch stated that she intended to go to Oklahoma with the Quals on or about October 15, 1933.

Submitted by,

C. B. NORRIS,
Special Agent.

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cc Division
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July 14, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases, (deceased);
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases, Fugitive,
I.O. #1201; CHARLES ARTHUR "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD,
with aliases, Fugitive, I.O. #1194; -
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER.

Dear Sir:

There are returned herewith the three original photographs which were transmitted to the Division with your letter dated July 9, 1934, with the request that copies be made. There are enclosed herewith, and with the copy of the letter to the Kansas City Office, copies of these photographs.

The photograph of the woman appears to be that of Kate Barker, whose photograph has previously been furnished by the Division to all interested offices. The two views of the dead man appear to be photographs of George Dunlop, alias Anderson. Your attention is invited to the marked resemblance between the individuals whose photographs are enclosed and those individuals whose photographs were forwarded to you with copy of Division letter dated June 29, 1934 addressed to the Kansas City Office.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION,
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

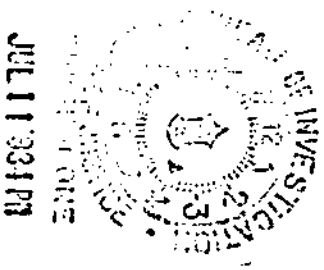
Enclosure 557247

cc - Kansas City

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.



July 9, 1934.

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

Dear Sir: Re: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (deceased);
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1201, et al.
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE.
St. Paul file No. 62-886.

Enclosed you will find three photographs, of which we would like to have copy made and returned to this office as soon as possible.

It is requested that the originals be preserved and returned to this office as they belong to the State Bureau of Criminal Apprehension of Minnesota.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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

Dear Sir:-

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

Print Number	Name and Alias	Disposition
Bureau of Investigation, Crown Point, Indiana, No. 7674.	Adam Richetti 1748427	1 to 10 years, Indiana State Reformatory.

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

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Very truly yours,

Special Agent in Charge.
(Official Title)

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P.O.Box 515, St.Paul,Minn.

July 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.
St.Paul File No.62-888

Reference is made to your communication of July 5,1934, relative to the report received at the St.Paul Office from the Kansas City Office, containing the circumstances surrounding the murder of ARTHUR W.DUNLOP, paramour of MRS. KATE BARKER, near Webster, Wisconsin, on April 25,1932. This report is being submitted to the Division today accompanied by one typewritten copy which the St.Paul Office has already made.

It is requested that as soon as the original report has served its purpose that it be returned to the Kansas City Office so they may return it to the sheriff at West Plains, Missouri.

Very truly yours,

D.M.LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Case 1075
County Webster, Wisconsin
Agent Vall
Left 4/27/32
Returned 4/27/32

April 30th, 1932

M U R D E R

Body Found at Webster, Wis.

To
Melvin C. Passolt
Superintendent
Bureau of Criminal Apprehension

On April 27th, the following information was received: That two men, living at 1031 South Robert Street, West St. Paul, whose pictures and records appeared in the April issue of the True Detective Mysteries, were wanted for the murder of Sheriff C. R. Kelly at West Plains, Missouri. The pictures of Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis were taken out of the magazine. The parties giving this information were advised to appear at the Criminal Bureau in the morning to see Superintendent Passolt. Checked the files for records of these men and also checked with the St. Paul Police Department and the Minneapolis Police, but found no records.

At 6 P. M., I received a telephone call from Deputy Sheriff John Schwartz, who asked me at that time if I had received any call from Sheriff Dunn of Hastings. I said, "No". He then asked if I could come over as they wanted to take this matter up regarding the two men mentioned, Barker and Karpis. I then gave them the phone number of Passolt's residence. A half hour later, Passolt called me on the telephone and advised me to get in touch with Irie Mallette. I called Mallette and made an appointment to meet him at 7:30 P. M.

Case 1075
County Webster, Wisconsin
Agent Mallette
Left 4/27/32 Time 10:30 A.M.
Returned 4/27/32

April 30th, 1932

62-28915-144

M U R D E R
Body found at Webster, Wisconsin

To
Melvin C. Passolt
Superintendent
Bureau of Criminal Apprehension

At 10:30 A. M., April 27th, the Bureau Superintendent and this Agent left for Webster, Wisconsin. Arriving there, we met the Sheriff, Deputy Sheriff, and Coroner. We took fingerprints and secured photographs and viewed the body of a man who had been found the morning of April 25th, 1932 on the shore of Frenstad Lake, four and a half miles north of Webster.

We visited the scene of the crime. Four and a half miles north of Webster on State Highway # 35, there is a side road, turns off of # 35 towards Frenstad Lake and runs for about a quarter of a mile between the highway and the lake when it again meets highway # 35. The evidence indicated that a car with U. S. tires had pulled into side road from the South. The car stopped at a point about midway of the length of the short road. Here was found a forty-five calibre bullet, together with some blood indicating that the victim had been shot at that point. The evidence further indicated that a body had been dragged from this point through the brush to the lake shore, a distance of about one hundred feet. It seems that they had taken him by the arms, one person on each side of him, and pulled him through the brush. Apparently they had planned on tossing him into the lake and possibly weighting him down. However, when they reached the shore of the lake, they found it so boggy that it was not possible for them to get the body out into the lake, and they dropped it where it was partly submerged on the shore. The body was naked. A small boy in the neighborhood found the body and reported it to the Deputy Sheriff at Webster, who immediately came out. This was at about 9:45 A. M., April 25th. About two hundred feet from where the car had stopped in the road was found some paper and a bottle containing some alcohol. This was in brush however on the side of the road. The paper was given to us by the Sheriff. We brought it into our office and turned it over to Assistant Superintendent Jones, who stated there were no latent prints on it.

The car apparently was backed out of this side road onto the highway # 35, Owing to the fact that this highway is all gravel and in a hard condition, it was not possible to determine

which was the car went on highway # 35. However, there is a river a short distance south of the scene of the crime, which river follows under highway # 35. Near this point was found a black woman's glove with white trimming, size about eight, covered with blood. The Sheriff is of the opinion, in which we concur, that it is possible that the clothes of the deceased were thrown into the river.

We returned to St. Paul arriving at 6 P. M.

Description of Corpse

Age	60-65 years
Height	5' 8"
Weight	160 pounds
Hair	Steel gray, almost white, receding somewhat, in front, wiry.
Moustache	same as hair, neatly clipped
Eyes	light blue

Scar half inch, left side chin. Scar one half inch over each eyebrow. Vaccination scar left arm. Scar right side groin, rupture operation. Second toe on left foot is club toe.

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Case 1075
County Webster, Wisconsin
Agents Vall & Mallette
Left 4/27/32
Returned 4/27/32

April 30th, 1932

M U R D E R

Body Found at Webster, Wisconsin

To
Melvin C. Passolt
Superintendent
Bureau of Criminal Apprehension

At 7:30 P. M., Agent Vall met Agent Mallette and called at 1031 South Robert Street, where we met Deputy Sheriff John Schwartz, and Joseph Fisher, and Chief of Police Paul Braun. We then called at the residence of Mrs. Hannegraf, 1035 South Robert Street, the owner and proprietor of 1031 South Robert Street.

On or about February first, the people referred to in the closing of this report, namely Karpis, Barker, Anderson, and Mrs. Anderson, rented the house which Mrs. Hannegraf owns, next door to her home, at 1031 Robert Street, South.

From the description that she gave of the man, Anderson, these Agents were certain that the man was the one who was referred to in the first part of this report as having been found murdered near Webster, Wisconsin. A telephone report of our findings was made to Superintendent, and he directed these Agents to spot the place for a while and to arrange for local police and Deputy Sheriffs to spot the place for the rest of the night and the next day. We arranged for a spot to be maintained and then visited Nick Hannegraf, the son of Mrs. Anna Hannegraf, the owner of the building. "Nick" is a business man of South St. Paul. He positively identified Barker and Karpis. He said that several automobiles had been coming and going to the house, and the following three license numbers were taken down by him:

B 152-202
Motor # 3103341; Serial # 21BA0214246

Chevrolet Coach

(2) B 446-030
Motor # 3113451
Serial # 21BA0213466

Chevrolet coupe

(3) B 446-261
Motor # 3062214
Serial # 21BA042342

Chevrolet Coach

He stated that the subject Barker had left Monday, April 18th in one of these cars. On Monday April 25th, at about 8 A. M. the subject Anderson, Mrs. Anderson, and Karpis hurriedly left in the

other two cars, Anderson in a coupe, and Mrs. Anderson with Karpis in the coach. The left the door open, the gas on, and the radio running, and part of a cooked dinner on the table. They loaded some things into the car which we were unable to obtain a description of.

George E. Barker, alias George E. Anderson

Age 73 years, looks younger
Height 5' 8" or 9"
Weight 155
Comp. medium light
Eyes light blue
Hair steel gray, mostly white, wiry, receding slightly at temples.
Moustache same as hair, clipped neatly
Very slight limp in one leg.
Has had a rupture operation.
Has had carbuncles removed from the back of his neck.

Alvin Karpis, alias George Dunn, alias R. E. Hamilton, etc. Murder

Rewards: Authorities, $300 arrest and surrender and $200 conviction; TRUE DETECTIVE MYSTERIES, $100.

Age	22 years
Height	5 feet 9⅝ inches
Weight	130
Build	slim
Comp	fair
Eyes	blue
Nationality	American
Hair	Medium brown
Worked in bakery	
Scar base left index finger.	

Wanted: with Barker for murder of Sheriff Kelly of West Plains, Mo. Is member of Kimes-Inman gang and is desperate.

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Fred Barker, alias F. C. Ward, alias Ted Murphy, alias J. Darrows. Murder

Rewards: Authorities, $300 arrest and surrender and $200 conviction; TRUE DETECTIVE MYSTERIES, $100.

Age	29 years
Weight	120 pounds
Height	5 ft. 4 inches
Build	Slim
Comp.	fair
Hair	sandy
Eyes	blue
Teeth,	lower front gold, two upper front gold.
Shot scar	outer left knee.

Wanted: Murdered Sheriff C. R. Kelly of West Plains, Mo., in cold blood Dec. 19, 1931.

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Mrs. George Anderson

Age	58 years
Height	5 ft. 4 inches
Weight	150-160
Hair	medium blonde, bobbed and marcelled
Dresses	well

Sweetheart of Barker, who visited at the house occasionally

Age	about 20 years
Comp.	light
Well dressed	

Case 1075
County Webster, Wisconsin
Agent Vall and Mallette
Left 4/28/32 Time 8:30 A. M.
Returned 4/28/32

April 30th, 1932

M U R D E R

To
Melvin C. Passolt
Superintendent
Bureau of Criminal Apprehension

These Agents reported to Superintendent Passolt at 8:30 A. M. The photograph films were given to Assistant Superintendent Jones. The fingerprints of the corpse at Webster were classified.

We were directed by the Superintendent to proceed to the house on South Robert Street, where these people had lived to search the house and to bring back with us some of the witnesses to identify photographs if possible of Anderson, and weewere also directed to bring to the office such evidence as we deemed material.

We proceeded to the house, and in company with Mrs. Anna Hannegraf, John F. Schwartz, made a search of the premises. We found the closets all stocked with men's and women's clothing. All personal identification marks, however, being removed. They had left some outlery but had taken with them a set of Mrs. Hannegraf's silverware.

We found and brought to the office as evidence what we considered might later be material, which was as follows:

One suit case containing

12 .45 automatic shells
4 .16 gauge shells, Winchester repeaters.
2 keys for automobile trunks
1 pair dark shell rimmed glasses
Several original papers which are attached hereto and made a part of this report.
2 revolver cleaners
1 gray cap
2 gray ties

In the garage were found the following license plates:

1930	Minnesota	X 53-847
1931	Wyoming	2-3194
South Dakota		44-3767
Minnesota		B 132-656

These were taken to the Bureau and are now held.

We then took Mrs. Anna Hannegraf, Nick Hannegraf, and John Schwartz to the office. On our way to the office, we stopped off at the McDonald Chevrolet Company and found that on the 26th day of February, 1922, they had sold to one A. W. Dunlap, general deliver_, city, the coach which bore license # B 152-202 above referred to. In the miscellaneous papers, referred to above, is a receipt for this car, which shows that the car cost $659.08, that a cash payment was made of $159.08, and that $500.00 credit was given for a special Chevrolet sedan, motor # 2504675, Serial # 5AE28182. They had no record of any further sale, and the man, who sold the car, Mr. Travis, was not in.

We then came to the office where we showed the picture of the corpse at Webster to the witnesses. They all positively identified him as George E. Anderson referred to above.

Arrangements were then made for Agents Mallette and Agent Brick to take the witnesses, Nick Hannegraf and John Schwartz, to Webster, Wisconsin.

Case 1075
County Webster, Wisconsin
Agents Mallette & Brick
Left 4/28/32
Returned 4/28/32

April 30, 1932

M U R D E R

To
Melvin C. Passolt
Superintendent
Bureau of Criminal Apprehension

Agents Mallette and Brick, together with witnesses Nick Hannegraf and John Schwartz, left for Webster, Wisconsin, at 1 P. M. stopping at Grantsburg, but the Sheriff was not in. We

talked to his wife, however, and gave her the information that we had. We then proceeded to Webster, where we met Deputy Sheriff O. E. Broberg, and Coroner J. B. Hanson. Schwartz and Hannegraf positively identified the body in the morgue at Webster, Wisconsin as that of the George E. Anderson that had rented the house at 1031 South Robert Street, West St. Paul on or about the first day of February, 1932.

We then returned to Grantsburg. The Sheriff was not back, and we left with his wife the further information that we had obtained, including information as to where he could secure the pictures of Karpis and Barker.

Brick and Mallette then returned to St. Paul with the witnesses and discontinued at 7 P. M.

Case 1075
County Webster, Wisconsin
Agent Vall
Left 4/28/32 Time 1:30 P.M.
Returned 4/28/32

May 2nd, 1932

M U R D E R

To
Melvin C. Passolt
Superintendent
Bureau of Criminal Apprehension

At 1:30 P.M., Captain Vall called at the Empire State Bank at Fifth and Robert Streets, interviewing A. W. Warn, the assistant cashier. Checked on George E. Anderson, alias George E. Barker, alias Dunlap. No checking or savings account could be found at this bank. Also called at the First National Bank and found no record there of said George Anderson. Called at the Western Union Telegraph office, checking on any messages received or wires sent by said George Anderson. This was carefully checked. No message or wires were received by said party. Called at the McDonal Chevrolet Company, Fourth and Pleasant Avenue. Got in contact with R. J. Travis, automobile salesman, On being shown a bill of sale, dated February 26th, 1932, sold to A. W. Dunlap, Travis stated that an old man and a young man came to the salesroom and made inquiries regarding Chevrolet cars. After looking over

several cars, the old man asked Travis what he would allow him on his special Chevrolet sedan. Travis allowed him five hundred dollars on a trade in for a new Chevrolet coach, the old man paying him one hundred and fifty-nine dollars and eight cents. The car taken in trade is listed as a special Chevrolet sedan Oklahoma license 3504675, Motor # 2504675; Serial # 5AE28182, registered to A. W. Dunlap, 700 North Peoria Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, purchased December 23, 1931.

Mr. Travis described the old man as follows:

Age	70 years
Height	5' 8" or 9"
Weight	150
Hair	turned gray

Grayish stubby looking moustache
Had about a week's growth on the face.

Has not seen the old man since the trade and buy was made. February 26th, 1932. Could not give description of young fellow. Thought he was about 25 years old, wearing light gray hat. Travis advised me to call at 503 West Fourth Street, the Twin City Simonizing Company, located just north of the McDonald Chevrolet Company.

Arriving there, I interviewed a Mr. George Walker, who claimed to be one of the owners. Mr. Walker was unable to give any information concerning "Doc" Barker, alias George Barker, or Alvin Karpis; referred me to the shop foreman, Mr. Wilds. Wilds could find no record of repair or sale of any Chevrolet car to either George Barker or Karpis, referring me to see Tony Mullaney, the night man, who came on duty at 6 P. M. Not being able to get any further information, I returned to the Bureau where I was informed by Passolt that a positive identification had been made of the man found at Webster, Wisconsin. He was identified by John Schwartz and Nick Hannegraf as George E. Anderson, who lived at 1031 South Robert Street, St. Paul.

Case 1075
County Webster, Wisconsin (Burnette)
Agent Witters & Erickson
Left 4/28-32
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April 29th, 1932

MURDER OF GEORGE ANDERSON AT WEBSTER, WISCONSIN

To
Melvin C. Passolt
Superintendent
Bureau of Criminal Apprehension

About 2 P. M., informant was supposed to have seen the two women, who had lived with George Anderson at Seventh and Cedar Streets in a new Chevrolet coach.

In order not to make a mistake, she claimed she wrote the license number down on a telephone post, and she immediately came to the Bureau office and gave the license as follows: B 446-261.

This was checked by Agent Erickson, and it was listed to V. M. West living at 583 Wabasha Avenue, Motor # 3062214.

Agents Erickson and Witters immediately went to that number and checked on the place and the vicinity for two blocks but were unable to locate anyone by that name nor could we find any car bearing the above mentioned license plates.

Case 1075
County Webster, Wisconsin
Agents Vall & Mallette
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April 30, 1932

M U R D E R

To
Melvin C. Passolt
Superintendent
Bureau of Criminal Apprehension

At 9:30 A. M. Vall and Mallette were directed to proceed on

a further investigation in St. Paul. We visited the Tri-State Telephone and Telegraph Company, where we found phone calls as follows made from the house on South Robert Street.

April 5th	(Geneva 4890)
April 22nd	a call to Earl Doyle, Fargo, No.Dak. phone # 5935.
April 23rd	(to the Chevrolet garage at Freeport, Minnesota.
April 23rd	(to Geneva 4890)

We then proceeded to the McDonald Chevrolet Garage but secured no additional information. We also called at "Herbs" place in the rear of the McDonald Chevrolet Company, 503 W. Fourth Street, but there was no one there except a mechanic.

We returned to the Bureau and discontinued.

Case 1075
County Webster, Wisconsin
Agent Witters & Erickson
Left 4/29/32
Returned 4/29/32

May 2nd, 1932

M U R D E R

To
Melvin C. Passolt
Superintendent
Bureau of Criminal Apprehension

At 9:45 A. M., Agent Erickson and Agent Witters left the Bureau office in St. Paul and drove to St. Cloud where we met Sheriff Schoener and conferred with him regarding Leo J. Knoblach, who conducts the Knoblach Motor Company in Freeport. Sheriff Schoener said he had known Leo since he was a baby and that he had always borne a good reputation as far as he knew, and expressed a desire to accompany us to Freeport and assist in the investigation. This we did and succeeded in meeting Knoblach in the garage.

Knoblach seemed to be quite nervous and was not willing to talk, but finally asked us if we would go to his house with him and he would tell us "stuff". This we did.

Knoblach informed us that about a year ago, he had gone to St. Paul with a man named Clarence Botsen, Chevrolet dealer in Breckenridge and at that time Botsen was delivering a car to this bunch in "Herb's"Place, and at that time he had been introduced to the crowd, and that he had seen them more or less at times since. Said that within the last month, he had sold them three cars; that on April 9th, he had sold a Chevrolet coupe to one E. H. Evans. Said that he came to St. Paul and met Evans, and Evans had given him five hundred and fifty dollars in cash, and that he had gone to the Berry Chevrolet Company in St. Paul and gotten this coupe and taken it to "Herb's" Place and turned it over to E. H. Evans. Said that Evans is described as follows:

Age	26 years
Height	5' 4"
Weight	140
Compl.	light
Hair	light

Wore a gray suit with light blue hat and light tan topcoat.

On April 12th, he had received another order from them and had driven down a Chevrolet coach that he had in his own place and delivered it to W. H. Morris, who handed him five hundred and fifty dollars in cash. Morris is described as follows:

Age	30 years
Height	5' 6"
Weight	180
Comp.	light
Hair	light

Wore gray suit, gray hat, gray topcoat.

On April 23rd, he had received an order for a Chevrolet coach and had gone down to St. Paul and met V. M. West; that West had given him four hundred and fifty dollars and had gone and gotten the balance from Evans in his presence, this making up the amount of five hundred and thirty-six dollars which he received for the car. He had taken this money and gone to Minneapolis and secured a car from the Bert-Baston Motor Company in Minneapolis and had brought that car to "Herb's" Place in St. Paul and delivered

it to West. Then he and West had gone to the State Capitol and West had handed him fifteen dollars in cash on the outside of the Capitol, and he, Knoblach, had gone in and secured the license plates, # B 446-291, and taken them out and given the plates and change from the fifteen dollars to West, and gone back to "Herb's" Place where the plates were put on the car. He said that Evans always installed a short wave radio set in each car as soon as it was delivered to him, as they said they were going to keep abreast of the radio news. Description of West is as follows:

Age	24 years
Height	5' 4"
Weight	140
Comp.	dark, pimply or swarthy skin
Hair	dark
Wearing blue suit and brown hat	

Knoblach claims that he saw the man called "Herb" sign Morris' name and also West's name to the applications for the car, and that the hand writing on the applications as appears in the Automobile Department, is Herb's handwriting and does not belong to the man that got the car.

Said that Herb's description is as follows:

Age	28 years
Height	5' 10"
Comp.	light
Weight	170

That Herb's Place is at Fourth and Pleasant in the rear of the McDonald Chevrolet garage, which is located near the mouth of the Selby Street car tunnel. On the window are big signs - "Simonizing". Said he noticed they specialized on Auburn cars. That throughout the day, there were scarcely any cars, but at night plenty of large cars. Said he had been approached by them to talk with Sheriff Schoener. That they claimed they had five or six sheriffs working with them, and that their racket was the liquor game. Said he had been given drinks in the garage, and that it was good Canadian whiskey, and they secured their whiskey from Canada. Said they had asked him about Sheriff Schoener, as to what kind of a fellow he was and how he could be approached, and Evans said he was going to have a talk with Schoener.

Knoblach said that he had an order for another car, which was to have been delivered this week, and that he was expecting Evans yesterday to make arrangements for the car.

This Agent secured pictures from the St. Paul Dispatch newspapers of Barker and Karpis, and Knoblach at one identified the picture of Karpis as being Evans, but could not identify Barker, on account of the lower part of his face, as being the man West, although, he said positively that he had seen Barker in Herb's place. Knoblach's brother, who is a mechanic working in the shop, also identified Karpis' picture as Evans.

The identification card that I had, bearing Leo J. Knoblach's signature and showing erasure of name previous to Knoblach's signature, was shown to him, and he said it was his personal signature and that the original name erased from there belonged to Clarence Botsen, the Breckenridge dealer. That when he sold the first car, he didn't have an identification card, so he used that card.

Said that Botsen had sold him a new car a year ago this March, and that, he thought, was Botsen's last deal with him.

He afterwards corrected his statement regarding Herb's signing all the application statements in the Capitol and said he thought Morris had signed his own.

Following are the motor and serial numbers on the West car:

License B 446-291
Motor # 3062214
Serial # 21BA0420342

On the Evan's car:

License B 152-202
Motor # 3113451
Serial # 21BA0213466

On the Morris' car:

License # B 446-030
Motor # 3113101
Serial # 21BA0213302.

Knoblach claims that Evans had told him that he had been stopping recently at the Lowry Hotel, and he thought that perhaps under an assumed name.

These Agents made arrangements with Knoblach and the Sheriff to apprehend anyone who came to Knoblach for this car that he expected they were coming after.

We brought Knoblach to St. Cloud to identify pictures and called the Bureau office by long distance telephone and reported.

We left St. Cloud at 5:10 P. M. and arrived in St. Paul at 7:30 P. M.

Case 1075
County Webster, Wisconsin
Agent Mallette
Left 5/14/32
Returned 5/14/32

May 14, 1932

M U R D E R

To
Melvin C. Passolt
Superintendent
Bureau of Criminal Apprehension

Information was received today that on May 9th, 1932, Mrs. M. Hannegref, of 1035 South Robert Street, West St. Paul had tried to cash a bond. This bond was in the amount of five hundred dollars on the Hotel St. George, New York City, # D 258. Mrs. Hannegref took this bond to the First National Bank of St. Paul

Investigation has shown that this bond was stolen on March 10th, 1931, through a robbery by three men of the Farmers Savings Bank of Alden, Iowa.

This Agent then talked to Mrs. Hannegref. She claims that she only received rent money from the people who lived next door in cash and once by check, which check was for the exact amount of the rent for one month. She does not remember the bank that it was on. She stated, however, that sometime after the bandits had

moved out, and she was changing the rugs, she found this bond under one of the rugs. She has been advised by the bank or someone else that the bond was stolen during the robbery as stated above.

For the records, it should be here reiterated that Agents Vall and Mallette searched this house thoroughly shortly after the bandits had left, all rugs being turned over but no bonds were found at that time.

Mrs. Hannegref also gave to this Agent a bill from the Telephone Company dated May 12th, 1932, which is attached hereto.

Case 1075
County Webster, Wisconsin
Agent Mallette
Left 5/26/32
Returned 5/26/32

May 27, 1932

M U R D E R

To
Melvin C. Passolt
Superintendent
Bureau of Criminal Apprehension

This Agent today interviewed Assistant Cashier Crowley of the First National Bank. He said that on May 9th, 1932, Mrs. M. Hannegref of 1035 South Robert Street, came to the bank and wanted to cash bond D-258 on the Hotel St. George, New York City.

Mr. Crowley noticed that a year's coupons, amounting to about $50.00, were unclipped so he asked her where she got the bond. She said that a man gave her the bond who owed her $200.00 rent. She was asked where the man was, and she said he was gone. She was then asked where he was, and she said he was dead. She was asked where he died, and she said he was murdered. She was then advised that in the opinion of the bank people the bond was stolen and that she had better leave it there. Mr. Crowley then got in touch with the Burn's Agency, and the bank was subsequently advised that the bond had been stolen in the hold-up of the bank at Alden, Iowa, March 10, 1931.

The bond was given by the bank to a Mr. Sullivan, representing Daurety-Rumble-Bunn and Butler, who are attorneys for the National Surety Company.

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July 20, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

RE: VERNON C. MILLER, with aliases (Deceased);
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FUGITIVE, I.O. 1201; CHARLES ARTHUR "PRETTY
BOY" FLOYD, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O.
1194, et al;
CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter of the St. Paul Office dated July 9, 1934, with which was transmitted to the Division a copy of a report containing the circumstances surrounding the murder of Arthur W. Dunlop near Webster, Wisconsin on April 25, 1932.

This report is being returned herewith to your office so that it can be returned to the Sheriff at West Plains, Missouri. A copy of this report is being retained in the Division's file.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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