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## REMORABLING FOR REPORTAL SOURT TO CHARGE W. W. PURPLE

this is to advise you of the activities and observations of the writer in commenting with the Milling of John Millinger.

On the night of July 22, 1934, at approximately 5:15 or 3:50 P.H., this Agent was at the effice at the time the telephone call was received advising Mr. Cowley that Dilling Mr. Ad gone 40 the Biograph Theater, 2435 idnools Avenue, and in accordance with previously-given instructions, the writer proceeded to the vicinity of that theater with Special Agents McCarthy, Wellas and Gillespie. Then arriving within one black of the Biograph Theater, the day was parked and the writer, in accordance with instructions previously given by Mr. Cowley, proceeded to the left-hand side as one comes but of the Biograph Theater on Lincoln Avenue, being accompanied at that point by Special Agent Felles.

position to see the four men designated to make the first approach as Dillinger and to cover those four, men and assist is the approach as grab was made, and to attempt to take the two women that would be with him.

block from the theater, at approximately \$130 P.M., where, as incorrected, our surveillance was begun. From the position we accupied we could quite easily keep Mr. Purvis in direct view, as well as special Agent Hinstead, who later sums to that side of the street. This watch was continued up until about 10:45 P.M., at which line Special Agent is Charge Purvis, the was standing just south of the extrance of the theater, was seen to light his cigar, which was the prearranged signal to indicate that littinger was coming out of the theater. Simultaneously with that signal, the writer observed a man who inswered the description given as to how with two women enswering the description given of the women who would be with him. It was immediately known to the writer that that party was Dillinger.

possibly two other people eyes can be shown in any time and it is and it is an expension of bimbala blokus in the size is and it is and it is an extended and special Agent Velles. I chearved that as military possess made agent is though further, Mr. purels started walking in Military's at rection. I also observed Special Agents Salits and Ministers with accordance to the first companions and two other bystanders were immediately alongside the writer and Special Agent Velles. It was observed that Military Ipokas around in different directions and second to realize that he was being also in upon, it which time he made a posice with his head indicating that he was reaching for his gund it was then observed that Special Agent in Charge S. H. Purviu, and Special Agents Molita, Minetedi and Burt had drawn their guns and were appreciating right we to Millians at that time the writer draw his our guns.

Milinger, them realizing evidently that We was trapped and still trying to get his gam, seemed to take two quick stops toward the alloy, and as he cid so, one or some of the igents making the impediate approach on his first three times and as a result of those should be alloy, at approximately four or five feet from the writer. Not knowing shother or not Milinger sould attempt to shoot after he hit the ground, the writer, along with the ether kents, eigent his mith gums, but it was observed that after he hit the ground be can not nove again.

It was unknown to the writer where the two women accompanying Dillinger went, but they evidently made an immediate escape from that vicinity.

Shortly after the shooting test place the triter observed one women sho had been shot standing is that immediate vicinity, and she would state time ensured to be saly a flock would.

Sparpefter, the writer assisted in keeping the ground every

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. LOCKERHAM, Special Agent.

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July 10, 100

### MEMORANDOM POR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE E. R. PURTE

Bet Dillinger Case

At approximately \$120 o'clock the writer stationed bimself.
Agents Bullivan, Ryan and Wolts at the year alley of the
Biograph Theatre, located at 2455 Lincoln Ryans. The
exits at the year and the northeast side of the Theatre was
covered by Agents.

At approximately 10:25 three aquad cars entered the alley from three different entrences. The writer approached these equad cars and notified the police sergeant that we spre- Government men and requested them to remove their care; which they did.

During this procedure the writer heard two shots and as he was close to the alley a serning was given that possibly they had got him. Shortly thereafter the writer and other agents in the alley were notified that Dillinger had been taken.

The writer remained in front of the Theatre and assisted Agent Richmond in directing traffic and heaping people away from the body. He returned to the Office at approximately.

12:00 ofclock midnights

Respectfully subalthed,

**JIMILIA** 

J. T. MCLAUCHLIN Special Agent

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these square of this cap believes and heath on linguis grasse and prove into the alley fast this hour tell agent lettered. Boy Ald not step on lincoln areas but drove on into the alley, where it was unlocated that agents at that point informed them who they were end the officers left. These was officers returned shout five sinctes after the shooting and helped to keep the great back. This want proved at the secure of the shooting and shooting until entered by Special Agent is though it. It purvis to proved pits agents lecturity and Lecturess to the South Respital and accordant the identity of the warm who was injured, who was believe for the shooting and accordant to the identity of the warm who was injured. We was believe the thin heaptight and accordant

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### IN MILITINE CASE

At approximately 7:85 7.8. July 88, 1984, Agent 2. Charge R.L. Richmond and the writer were essigned by Special Agent in Charge N.S. Perris to proceed to the Mograph Theatre, Still Ngrin Linesia. Aftenne, Chicago, for the purpose of expreying the might defect in order that errangements might be made by this office to egrer all possible exite from that theatre in the event that John Dillinger attended. But theatre on that pertionlar eventuals.

Agen's Richmond and the writer surveyed the premises moting about four ellers in the rear of the theatre, two exits on the books of the of the theatre in the rear, about 4 or 8 exits on the north side of the theatre extending from the year to the atroots on Lincoln Avenue, adjoining the theatre, and two exits in the year of the theatre directly on the alley.

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and savious special agent 5.7. Couler of the description of the president
whereupon arrangements were made for eartein agents to sever tertain puris
of the neighborhood, and to station themselves in such a memor of the
hover the entire surrounding neighborhood.

Theetre arrived in the vicinity of \$455 Lincoln Avenue following receipt of telephone call from Special Agent R.D. Brown to the offect that Billinger had entered the theetre. Special Agent R.L. Richmond, C.G. Compbell, and writer proceeded together to the Hoggrey theetre, and stational beneather across the street from the Meatre in Taxions places to be absorbed to the Story of the Story and Stational Compositions with instructions received from Special Agent Cyclers.

observed two or three agents across the street turning and multing south on Lincoln Avenue towards the alley situated about 4 or 5 doors south of the main entrance to the theatre, and the writer observing that these agents were quickening their pace, the immediately darted ecross the street, and when about half may across heard the revolver shote, which

of activity. In accordance with 1 in Charge Purvis, the sriter t derener's effice by beliephone, and thereaf ero Milliager was lying us the street, and re stely 15 minutes until the Agents were instructed to notes Chicago effice, whereupon the writer in company with Appealal & Tel C. Zimer and other Agents, returned to the Calcago offic socompany special Agent H. Chaffe to the Alexies B Bestitel, 1800 s. Beiden Atenne, Chicago, to thick place the bely Billinger had been taken according to the pelice, and upon arriving the Alexian Brethers Bospital, it was learned that Billinger use that that his bedy use still in the petrol magne, and that he was a be taken to the Cock County morgan, The priter then left/agent theffets to becompany the body b the Cook County morgue for the purpose of taking the fingerprints of Dillinger, and the writer than returned to the Chicago effice. the writer we present at the time the body of Millia removed by the Chicago Police just should le or 20 minutes after shooting, the body being plessed in a thicago Police Patrol year spectfully submitted

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Agent proceeded to the front where John Dillinger was seen lying on the pavement of Lincoln Avenue immediately adjacent to the niley near Agent Lincoln Avenue, Chicago. Agent remained an duty beside Dillinger's tody on til approximately in P.M., and, accompanied by several others, proceeded in the patrol wages with the deed body to the Alexian Brothers Mespital where a staff doctor presounced Dillinger deed. The body of Dillinger was theremian taken in Chicago Police Patrol to the County Morgae, these the bedy was stripped and searched, and examined by the Coronaris office.

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- North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois.

to be the wife of in that things police Coursy is personally asquainted, Coursy stated this information highly gonfidential. The above photograph the Obtained from the office by Agent Michigal, and faithed over to Agent V.S. Springson.

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The body when viewed distinced what appeared to would above the left knee, and two fresh wounds on his she below his heart, and a third ballet would in the lover rear portion t his nest, This bullet appeared to here piereed the shall an from the lower parties of his right eye, just shore the de The body contained a vellow gold wing with a suby chome, the initials or monograms were found thereon, and it was noted that small tours by is the disple of Dillinger's with, and approximately le below the left right temples, and a poor between the transcent apparently pade for to purpose of alteriar his facial characteristic. The erabrous apparently had been dyed, and had been plusted, and the hely apparently had dark brown, and there was a long parrow mustades. A STATE OF THE STA

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r Chicago this corning. We stated t Er. Couley believed from Chicago this sersing. We stated that they had gotten in touch with the Commissioner last night at 10:45, who build he would call Captain Store, after which he salled Mr. Couley back and safers him that the Captain blid it was our case and that he me longer desired do hold the informant. I remarked that I fult the Coumissioner would be all rig on that. Mr. Cowley said it was fast commitmee on the part of the newspaper to use the Police Department to obtain what information they could. Hr. Cowl said he thought it was the Chicago Daily Hows which presented this scheme.

I asked Mr. Cowley why the woman wasn't removed before this action took place. He said be talked to her yesterday, insisting that she leave impediately on the trip to Detroit. However, she said she sould not go until she may her den, who was at the beach and wouldn't return until about 5:30 ar 6000 or block. Hr. Cowley stated that the efficers questioned her quite a bit, the apporting to her statement to Mr. Cowley, she told them everything except that she knew who Dillinger was and that she was the informant. Hr. Cowley redarked that he thinks she is a very seart woman. I stated that I noticed that her story was rather fully earried in the morning papers here, and that it was indicated that the other woman told the officers where he was Frank Stage

Hr. Cowley further stated that when they took the informant to the effice last night, newspaper men fellowed her out of the Police Station. Sev of them came to the office and asked what we were going to do. Mr. Cowley informed them that we would presecute her for harboring if we could make a case, and that would be dependent upon whether we establish that she know the identity of Dillinger. In addition, they inquired if she was the "finge woman, and he denied it emphatically. They then asked if this would not indicate that the other girl was the one responsible, but he also demied this. Mr. Cowley said that after they brought the informent to the effice, they had her to get in touch with the other girl. They then brought her in an about 2:00 etclock, but the newspapers do not know this: ∴∂.

sis, Glegg ....k..... Hr. Cowley said they have been questioning the other girl all might Mr. Bauch and he is positive that she knows so more than the informant. She has been oner clerk working as a waitress. When she went out with him they went to theaters, but Mr Coffee had merer stayed evernight with him at any place, although she did stay with Mr. Govern the informant a number of times. Mr. Cowley believes that she is telling Modeling without with. He said that last night the informant called the girl, teld her Millian where she was, and told her to come down and tell the whole truth except Military she know who Dillinger was.

I sproquis sortor chat action be felt we should vake; that Modern see little use in presecuting the girl, because to do so would put theog ★ AUG 2 1934 ★

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informent "on the spot." "r. Covley agreed with this, and remarked that the way it is now, we are being "put on the spot" for not preseduting the informent. Mr. Covley said he still thinks both of these weren should get out of town, and the informent says she will do snything so must her to. I talk him I felt they should be removed because of the newspaper situation. I named Mr. Cowley if the Bast Chicago Police Department knews that we have the second woman in custody. He said he didn't think they did knew this, and I suggested that he not inform them because there is indication in the great that both O'Seill and Earkovich have done quite a let of talking.

I referred to the story in the press by Markevich to the effect that he watched the Biograph Theater and saw Dillinger go in two or three times during the previous week or so. Mr. Cowley said there is no foundation to this and that Barkevich never new Dillinger before that night. I also referred to the story by Barkevich to the effect that they sould have picked up "Baby Pase" Helson and Hamilton any time during Distillant few weeks, but to have done so would have soured Dillinger away. Mr. Cowley said there is likewise no foundation for this.

I remarked that I felt that the two women should be taken away from Chicago without anybody knowing about it, until the present excitement dies down. I suggested that he make a general statement to the effect that we are making an investigation to determine whether there is any grounds for presecuting the informent, and if they finally learn that we also have the second women he might make a similar statement as to her. I teld him. I felt Detroit would be a good place to take them becomes the palice there are more cooperative than at Chicago. The informant said that the Chicago Police questioned her for two hours, their shief objective being to find out why she hadn't given the information to them.

found in his apartment is a very bitter enemy off Plaustt. She contends that Piquettohas robbed her of several thousand collars, I told Mr. towley to take this woman into custody and keep her in proper quarters is an effort to obtain information concerning Piquett. I directed that particular attention be given to this angle, as well as the Dulfassidy and Cleary angles. Mr. Conley stated that according to the Dutchman, Officery is a contact man for the most notorious criminals in the world; that some time ago Officery had contacted a certain party to see if he would kill the principal witness in a certain case. I told Mr. Cowley to check definitely on Officery's background. I stated that I had talked to the Attorney General along this line, and he is very such interested in making an example of one of these lawyers, having Piquett in mind. I suggested to Mr. Cowley that if he needed additional help he might use some of the Agents Leaving Indianapolis. He didn't feel this would be necessary, however.

Very truly yours,

John Rigar Stover,

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During telephonic conversation this afterness, Mr. Devicy stated of that he had a long talk with the informant in the Millinger same this merging. Her purpose in returning to Chicago, she stated, was to take ears of pone property, and her sea is also in Chicago. She understands, however, that we are not going to go to her rescue any more if she stays there. Mr. Gowley teld her we would be glad to send her wherever she munted to go, which would keep her out of reach of the police, as well as the newspapers. She denies any implication with Sarkovich, but admits that she has known where Dillinger was for approximately seven weeks, and that Millinger has alegt at her place on many occasions, with the Samilton woman; usually leaving about 9:30 or 6:00 eclock in the norming; that the keyswhich he had to her apartment were keys which he had taken, during the show, from Pollyidamilton. She denies ever having seen Dillinger prior to that time, which would make it impossible for her to have visited him at Grown Point.

I inquired as to how the informent first met Samilton. "Hr. Cowley said the stated that she has been a friend of Polly Memilton for some time; that Polly Hamilton was in the habit of visiting her frequently, and told h one day that she had a hop hear friend. The was invited to foring his was Folly replied that she had invited his several times but he didn't went to come. Finally Folly called the informant on the telephone and said that is Vinnie" would be up with her, and asked her to prepare searthing to eat, b They then came up, and she immediately recognised him as Dillinger, and told him so. Finally Dillinger admitted it. He went to her place regularly after that time. I asked if the informent knew where he lived. Mr. Cowley stated that both of the women deny knowing where Millinger lived. Ar. Couley said he has no reason to believe that the informent does know where he lived; that he sees no reason why she would withhold it if it implicated any of the other Mr. Nathall because he didn't know why she would have been willing to turn in ser To Dillinger and not the others. She said that he had about \$3,000 on him when mr. Clothe was shot. Mr. Cowley said this was not true to however. The informant said Mr. Sa he had 65 20-dollar bills, \$1,000 is ten-dellar bills, and \$1,000 is five-dellar Chief Chilles. The said he had counted it before they went to the show. Mr. Cowley Mr. Configured he had no cost on and this much money would have sensed his pockets to Mr. Cobulge a great deal. I remarked to Er. Cowley that of course much depends Mr. Ed. Mpon the impression which she conveyed to him; that if she conveyed the in-Mr Er pression of honesty and franknesssändhink it is all right. I suggested that Mr. Hahe get this all in writing, however, so that we would have a record on it. Mr. K. Mr. Cowley stars, the he will all the truth in so far as the Mr. L. gangsters are concerned, but she was't admit any intimate relations with Mr. Co. Zarkowich, although Mr. Cowley stated he decen't think there is such question are larger than the stars of the larger than the content of the larger than the larg

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but that they have been rather intinate, I stated that I didn't bee such proof our pressing this engle since it is impaterial to us as to what her relations with Eurkovich are.

Mr. Cowley stated that he would have all of the details propared in the form of a sworm statement.

He said that the informant intends to stay in Chicago new, at the home of her parents. She demies ever having been in New Jersey.

Br. Cowley also stated that the Fierponts have returned to Chicago and are out now looking for Figurett. I teld Br. Cowley to continue to follow this angle closely so that we could bring it to a conclusion. We said the Fierponts still feel quite confident that they will be successful, though they are basing their belief primarily upon their past experience. I remarked that I am somewhat dubious about this angle. Mr. Cowley indicated that he is also, though he feels they are in a better position than any one we know. I stated I thought so too, and wanted to give them a fair opportunity of getting it from Figurett, and if they can't, a falt we should given our streatles to Figurett.

Very truly yours,

John Migar Hoover, Director. JOH: DEDGAR HOOVER

Division of Investigation

U. S. Pepartment of Justice Washington, P. C.

August 3, 1934.

Mr. Tolson.

Mr. Quynn .

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

L'called Mr. Cowley and advised him that we had an article from the Chicaro American for July 30th entitled "Though Dillinger is dead, their faces are red", stating that Dillinger visited the police building at 1121 S. State St. four times while he was living in Chicago accompanying Polly Hamilton Keele. I asked whether this had been taken up with the Keele woman and Mr. Cowley stated this had not been done. I told Mr. Cowley to take it up with her and see whether Dillinger actually was or was not there. I advised Mr. Cowley that in one of the other papers there was a statement to the effect that Mrs. Keele, being a waitress, had to go there for a health examination and Dillinger used to go with her and sit in the waiting room at the police station while she was examined and passed upon. Mr. Cowley stated they will check this.

I also advised Mr. Cowley that the Chicago Tribune on July 30th has a photograph of Mrs. Anna Sage sitting on the steps with Sergeant Martin Zarkovich and states that snapshots of the pair were found in Mrs. Sage's flat following her hasty departure after the Dillinger killing. I further told Mr. Cowley that in the same edition of the paper there is published a photograph of Zarkovich with Mrs. Sage's son. I told Mr. Cowley to get an explanation on this, if possible. Mr. Cowley stated that this has been admitted; that these photographs were found in her apartment and were taken several years ago; that Mrs. Sage has known Zarkovich for fourteen years and from 1920 until about 1928 they were on very intimate terms; that she does not admit living with him and neither does he but this is probably the case; that she was married in 1928 to Sage and her contention is that from 1928 until the present time she has seen but very little of Zarkovich and Zarkovich says the same thing; that Zarkovich told Mr. Furvis that he wanted him to believe him when he said that he had had nothing to do with her during recent years. I asked if wrs. Sage had told us about her relations with Zarkovich before we found the pictures and Mr. Cowley stated that she had and I told Mr. Cowley this would take care of it then.

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1 1964 Mr. Cowley advised that some time ago a man named DeWitt, who stated he was going to write an article for the American Detective magazine, came to see him; that DeWitt has now written this article and submitted it to Mr. Cowley and wants it returned immediately; that Mr. Cowley is going to send it to the Division for approval. Mr. Cowley requested that it receive prompt attention when it arrives at the Division and I told him we would get it out the same day. Mr. Cowley stated he will send it sir & mail, special delivery tonight and I told him if we get it in the morning Deximited and it back to him tomorrow night. Mr. Cowley asked that we mail it direct to DeWitt and I stated we would do this.

I told Mr. Cowley that it was my impression that the American
Detective magazine was about to publish a rather disparaging article

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Memo for the Director

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about the Attorney General, the Director and various Departmental officials, written by a man named Austin, who was formerly an investigator for the National Association of Credit Men. I asked Mr. Cowley if he knew about this and he stated he did not know a thing about it. I told Mr. Cowley that this fellow met an agent recently in St. Louis and told him he had written this series of articles which are supposed to be very derogatory and accuse the Department and the Director of hushing up and stopping prosecution in bankruptcy cases and things of that kind and the American Detective magazine is going to publish these articles; that Austin is a no good cad; that he had a contract with one of these investigating agencies some time ago for a certain period of time at a specified salary and they would not let him do any work; that they kept on paying him but would not let him come near the office; that he sued them for libel and is generally a trouble maker. Mr. Cowley stated that this article by DeWitt as it is written now is very favorable; that DeWitt is sort of a free lance writer and Mr. Cowley does not know whether it will be accepted verbatim; that he, Mr. Cowley, is making a few changes; that the big objection is too many I's and Cowley's; that this article concerns an interview with Mr. Cowley; that DeWitt has magnified Cowley's importance two or three hundred fold and Mr. Cowley is cutting this down and expects the Division to cut it down still more.

Mr. Cowley stated that if the American Detective magazine is going to publish a series of derogatory articles, this article would be something to counteract it considerably. I told Mr. Cowley that I had that idea last might when I saw the memorandum on Austin but I wanted him to know about it and the Director will probably take it up with Mr. Purvis. Mr. Cowley stated that he understands that this magazine is published by the American Magazine and although they control it, it is not generally known that they publish it and it looks like a very good magazine.

Bespectfully,

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Director. Division of Investigation

> U.S.Department of Justice, 1001 Vermont St.N.W. Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:



RE: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGE aliases, (Deceased), I.O. 1217; JOHNCHAMI alias, I.O. 1220; HOM with aliases, I.O. 15 dGILLIS with aliases, MARIE MARIONOCOMFORT FUGITIVE; MRS. HELEN aliases, FUGITIVE, e MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT OF JUSTICE AND CONST FUCITIVES.

August 2,

Reference is made to my letter dated July

which mention is made of Confidential informant

For your information please be advised that

individual known as

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Very truly yours,

VMP: JMS

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Washington, D. C.

July 22, 1934.

### MEMORANDUM

Mr. Cowley called at 12:30AM with further reference ko Dillinger. He stated that Dillinger's fingerprints have been taken and Dillinger attempted to disguise each one by destroying the center but they have been compared and found to be identical. ' Acid was used but a positive identification has been made.

Mr. Hoover asked Mr. Cowley if the two women had been located and he replied that they have not been located. Dillinger's RECORD place of residence has not been located.

Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Cowley to see that the informant is INDEXE taken care of properly and thor ughly protected. Mr. Cowley stated that she was very hysterical at that time. Mr. Hoover also advised Mr.Cowley to get a line on the rest of the crowd.

Mr. Cowley stated that there were twenty agents and five members of the East Chicago, Indiana, Police. Only one Agent (Winste did the shooting. It is not known that Winstead did the shooting. and Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Cowley not to give it out and that it not being given out here.

Mr. Cowley stated that he was in the group surrounding the theatre but that he did not witness the shooting. Ur. Cowley furtherr stated that the Chicago Police were not in on it. Mr. Hoover stated that he wanted the Fast Chicago, Indiana Police to get credit and no one else. Mr. Cowley stated that he would see that it was done.

Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Cowley to find out just who is entitled to the reward.as a lot of claims will be filed for it. Mr. Hoover again alvised Mr. Cowley to take care of the informant, take her any where she wants to go, and anything else that she might ask for.

Mr. Cowley stated that Dillinger's girl friend and the informent were friends. All of the contacts were made through Dillinger's girl friend and the incorpant. Dillinger did not contact the informant at all.

Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Collection et a line on the doctor who operated on Dillinger. Mr.Collection that they will do that shortly as they already have simplifying information on him.

Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Cowley not Mointke any celebration over this because there is still plenty of hard work to be done. Mr. Cowley was advised to contact Ladd, Larson, and Connelley.and have them concentrate on Nelson, Van Meter, and Hamilton.

Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Cowley to sit in on the press conferences with Mr. Purvis and to have Winstead remain silent.

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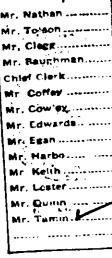
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Division of Investigation A. S. Department of Justice

1900 Bankers Building

Chicago, Illinois



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July 28th, 1954

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Director
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1001 Vermont Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

There are enclosed herewith three copies of an Affidavit made by myself and Mr. S. P. Cowley. There are also attached hereto three copies of a drawing showing the location of the Biograph Theatre and the positions occupied by the various persons attached to the detail which covered this matter on the night of July 22nd, 1954.

Very truly yours,

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M. H. PURVIS Special Agent in Charge

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On Saturday, July Elst, 1856, at about 4:00 e'clock P. H., afficat Purvis personne a talephone call from Captain Status of Weills of the Burt Chicago Entire Police Separtment, at which time he stated that he had information benograing the pessible location of John Dillings. They stated that they desired to confer with the Chicago Office of the Division of Investigation as early as possible and requested that afficult Farvis most them at a betall as seen. Afficult Cowley was with afficult Foreis at the kine this call man received and arrangements were made for both afficults to meet Captain Finothy O'Heill and Sergeant Martin Zarkovich in Room 712 of the Great Morthern Botal, which is the room which was being occupied by afficult Cowley.

Arrangements were used for the two above-mentioned officers to proceed to Chicago as quickly as possible and at about \$400 P. H. on the same date they were set at the above-mentioped betal room, at which they they inferred affiliate that they had information shich they believed to be reliable, in the effect that John Billinger had been to the Marker Theater, which its located at 4124 West Madison Street, Chicago.

These two efficers of the Best Chicago, Indiana Police Department stated that an informati by the name of Anna Bago, personally known to Sergeant Earkevick, had stated to them that John Dillinger and easther woman by the name of Polly Bamilton Keele had recently called at her home for the purpose of having her accompany them to the Marbro Theatre. They stated that they desired to furnish this information to the Division of Investigation in Inasmuch as they may be affirm that the Division of Investigation of the United States Dipartment of Justice sperates more sepretly than may other organization and they fall that by so doing there would be no possibility of any information as to any proposed plan for the apprehension of John Millinger becoming known publicly, which might theart any plans made. It was agreed by and among the afficient and Sorgeant Zarkovich and Captain O'Heill that Sorgeant Zarkovich and affiant Purvis would proceed to a point diagonally cords the street from the Children's Memorial Hospital located at 707 West Fullerton Street, Chicago. Therefore, affiant Purvis and Sorgeant Zarkovich proceeded to this point in order to reach same by 9:00 o'clock P. N. es Saturday, July Elst, 1954, and were followed by affiant Cowley and Captain Timothy O'Neill.

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During the above discussion with the informant, affine Powers was informed that the, have Sage, was having some difficulty with adjust to a deporting tion charge against her and that in the syent she were successful in adding the document in this matter she desired that powerhing he done for high in brder to allow her to remain in the Valted States. In that time she stated that she had a som the had purved in the Valted States Savy for two years and while, according to her statement, her second was not absolutely claim, she having previously questioned houses of sweetlestion in derthern indiam, she felt that if she participed a pervise of this nature she would be intitled to a years and also to consideration with regard to the deportation probeolings. The was informed that affinet Purvis would so proper about as young as prevent her from being deported. Affinet Purvis in informed her that he swell do hil in his power is see that the received the proper amount of received that had been affected by the Malica States. Privates

Mrs. Sage also informed efficient Parris as to the memor in which she would be dressed in the event she attended a picture show with John Dillinger and Mrs. Koole.

On Sunday morning, July 22nd, 1954, affiant Cowley instructed all Agents in the Chicago Office of the Division of Investigation to stand by and be available on short notice.

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The Piograph Tweetre and its surroundings were immediately Surveyed and the information concerning such survey was returned to the Chicago Office immediately by the Special Agents usking the survey in order that they would be fully informed as to the layout of the Megraph Theatre and Immediate surroundings.

Affient Pervis and Special Agent & D. Brown proceeded to the Miggraph. Thestro, arriving there as about 7:57 o'clock. The car is which afficult Purvis and Special Agent Brown proceeded to this point was partial at a point on the same side of the street with the Migraph Thestro and in a goutheasterly direction therefrom. Frequent calls were made to the Office by Special agent serves purpose of determining whether any information had been received indicating that Dillinger and these two women had proceeded to the Earbro Thestro.

Sergeant Zarkovick and Special Agent Charles Winsted had proceeded to the Marbro Theatre at about the same time that affiant Parvis and Special Agent Brown had proceeded to the Miograph Theatre and it was planned that that start communication would be maintained between the pursons observing the Theatres and the Chicago Office of the Bidislam of Investigation.

After observing the Biograph Theatre with Mrs. K. affiant Paryls noted Mrs. Sage, John Dillinger and Mrs. Keels extering the Theatre, along with several other patrons of the Theatre, Agent Brown insediately made a phone call to affiant Cowley and informed him of these facts and affiant. Cowley immediately instructed all of the men detailed to this matter to proceed to their positions for the purpose of covering all exits, they having been previously instructed as to the positions to be maintained by them. The Theatre was immediately covered and the persons attached to this

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The the sea to close in. Special special in the limit of the planter begins of the sea to close in. Special special is being for the landle in the first of the filter of the line of the line. The tree of the line of the line, listing Police Theatre. Officers topsic and Stretch of the line the line, listing Police Department had assessed a position at a point in a northware by the time the signal was given, because the time the signal was given, because the terrest from the Diograph Theatre, and anable the street and motified officers from the Diograph Theatre, and anable the street and motified officers topsic and Stretch, who had but seen the giggest. Gentals S'Neill and afficer Corroy of Captala O'Neill's squad had assumed swring positions desire the satisfactors are the satisfactors.

John Dillinger was seen to draw his gun, which was later found to be a secured a dolging, semi-escuching position and draw his gun from his socket and at that time he was shot by Special Agents E. E. Selias, E. B. Furt and C. B. Wineted, who fixed one shot sech, except the last-camed, the fixed one shot sech, except the above-contioned who fixed three shots. Is editedly after the shooting the above-contioned subscript pistol was taken from his head sed an esculator and galled, inserting pistol was taken from his head sed an esculator and galled, inserting pistol was taken from his head sed. He was taken to the Alexian Brothers Hospital where, prize to illowing his entry into same, he was amounced dead at 10:50 P. E. by Dr. Halter Present. He was then taken to the Cook County Horgue, Shicago, Illinois, share he was fingerprinted by Special Agent Hexwell Chaffets, and although as affect had been made to change his fingerprinte, his prints were residly identified as helds those of John Dillinger.

Subscribed and sworn to before me

this 28 day of July, 1984.

Helen Dunkel Hotary Public

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MUNICIPALITY POR THE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY SECREMAN.

The order that you may have complete date statishing them considering the payment of any report or reverts for information leading in, and the puberquent capture of, John Millinger, I am setting forth hereafter, in nearrative form, a complete statement of the facts leading up to end surrounding the capture of John Millinger.

In Charge Melvin M. Furvis of the Chicago Division Office received a telephone call from Captain Timothy O'Meill of the Mast Chicago, Indiana Pelice Department, at which time Captain O'Meill stated that he had information concerning the possible location of John Milliagur. Septain O'Meill requested that Mr. Furvis meet him outside of the Mivision Office and secondingly Mr. Purvis, together with Special Agent S. P. Cowley, met Septain Timothy O'Meill and Sergeant Martin Markovich in Moon 712 of the Great Morthern Motel in Chicago on the afternoon of July 21, 1934.

Er. Cowley that they had an informent known by the wans of Ampa Magapersonally known is Sargeant Markovich, who had stated to them that John
Dillinger and another woman maned Polly Mamilton Keels had recently salled
at her home for the purpose of having her accompany them to the Markov
Theatre. During this conference it was agreed that Mr. Purvis and Sergeant
Sarkovich would contact this informant is order that Mr. Purvis aight obtain
the benefit of any information which she peasessed. Thereafter Mr. Purvis
and Sergeant Sarkovich proceeded to a point diagonally across the street
from the Children's Memorial Mospital, located by 707 West Pelbarton Street,
Chicago in order to pake a sontact with the informent Amas Sage. Captain
Official and Special Agent Cowley followed Mrs. Patris and Sergeant Markovich

Mr. Tolord.

At about 9:30 P.M. Anna Sage, the informant mentioned above,
Mr. Ballocontacted Mr. Purvis and Sergeant Zarkovich at this point and these three
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Anna Sage called the Chicago Office of the Division of Investigation at 7:00 P.M. on the night of July 22nd, stating that John Milinger,
Hrs. Essie and herself would attend the Markes Theatrs or the Riegraph.
Theatrs, the latter being lessted at 2433 Lincoln Avenue, Chicago, Insediate
upon the receipt of this information, Mr. Parvis and Mr. Souley Astailed a
detachment of Special Agents for the purpose of conducting appropriate
investigation at these theatres. Suptain Timothy O'Heill of the Bast
Chicago, Indiana police assigned Officers Teter Sopsie, Walter Conray and
flow Stretch, all of the East Chicago, Indiana Police Department, to
participate with the Agents of the Rivision in effecting the apprehension
of Dillinger. Unptain Timothy O'Heill and Sergeant Martin Iarkovich also
participated in the planning and subsequent apprehension of Billinger.

At \$136 P.E. Special Agent in Charge Purvis observed Mrs.
inna Sage, Polly Hamilton Keele and John Dillinger entaring the Biograph
Sheatre. Innadiate Steps were taken to someentrate the Special Agents
assigned to this matter in the vicinity of the Biograph Theatre and
the five efficers of the East Chicago, Indiana Police Department were
also stationed at the Biograph Theatre.

Officers Sepsic and Stretch of the East Chicago, Indiana Police Separtment were assigned to a position at a point in a morthwesterly direction from the theatre. Sergoant Earkovich was stationed at a point diagonally across the street from the Biograph Theatre. Captain O'Heill and Officer Course of the East Chicago, Indiana Police Department were assigned to roving positions during the entire period. About fifteen Special Agenta of the Division were also stationed at various points in the vicinity of the theatre.

positions in as inconspicuous a manner as possible until about 10:40 P.M., when John Billinger, Mrs. Anna Sage and Polly Hemilton Ecale left the theatre and proceeded on foot in a southeasterly direction. It may be here stated that Lincoln Avenue runs in a northwesterly direction. Special Agent in Charge Purvis identified Dillinger and gave a prearranged signal for the men to close in.

Four Special Agents in addition to Mr. Parvis immediately surrounded Dillinger. As the igents elected in around Billinger, he attempted to draw an automatic pistal Sean his right brouger pocket. He assumed a dodging, semi-croaching position in attempting to draw his gen and at that time five shots were fired by the Special Agents. Immediately after the shooting, the automatic pistal was taken from Dillinger's hand and an ambulance was called inasmich as it appeared that Millinger was not dead. He was taken to the Alexian Brothers Hampital where, prior to allowing his entry into the hospital, he was pronounced dead at 10:50 F.H. by Dr. Welter Prusait. Dillinger was then taken to the Cook County Horgae, Chicago, Illinois where his fingerprints were taken by Special Agent Hampell Chaffets. Although an effort had been made to change Millinger's fingerprints, it was possible to absolutely identify Billinger through his fingerprints.

In order to properly protect Mrs. Anna Sage, the informant in this matter, she furnished the initial information leading to Dillinger's whereabouts, it is respectfully suggested that the payment of any reward in this case be made in each.

I desire to recommend that the sum of \$5,000 be paid to Mrs. Amage Sage for the information furnished by her which led to the apprehension of John Dillinger. It is further recommended that the sum of \$2,500 be paid to Captain Timothy O'Seill of the Bast Chicago, Indiana Police Department and the sum of \$2,500 to Sergeant Martin Sarkovick of that Police Department.

It mail be observed that the rewards recommended total \$10,000. I believe that, if the payment of the rewards to the persons indicated is approved, it might be well to expedite the payment as much as possible since the prompt payment of this reward, particularly to police efficers, will augment the possibilities of future cooperation from police departments in matters of this kind.

Fory truly yours,

John Edgar Scores, Directors

# Division of Investigation 11. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 812, Chicago, Illinois.

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July 29, 1935

Mr. Nothan ......
Mr. Tolson .....
Mr. Baughman .....
Chief Clerk ......

Mr. Coffey ......

Mr. Edwards ...... Mr. Egan.....

Mr. Fexwerth

Mr. Joseph ....

Mr. Keith .....

Mr. Lester .......... Mr. Quina .....

Mr. Scheidt ......

Mr. Tamm .....

Mr. Tracy .....

Mr. Sch..der ....

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.,
Weshington, D. C.

Dear Sir,

I beg to respectfully submit for your attention the following.

On Saturday evening, July 27, 1955, Mrs. Anna Sage, who you will remember furnished the information which led to the apprehension of John Dillinger on July 22, 1934, called me and stated that she desired to talk with me about her deportation. It appears that she is to be deported from the United States to Roumania sometime during the middle of August, 1935. She desires that any action possible be taken in her behalf in order to prevent her deportation.

I informed Mrs. Sage that I did not know what could be done about the matter and she requested that I write to you about it. While the service performed by Mrs. Sage to the Federal Bureau of Investigation was one of immense value in many ways, I fully appreciate the fact that this might not be such an act as to have any bearing upon any action which might be taken by the Bureau in Washington in order to prevent her deportation.

I likewise am not entirely aware of the action which the Bureau has previously taken in this matter in Washington. I remember our several discussions about the matter but whether any actual step was taken I do not know.

If anything can be done by the Bureau I will appreciate it if you will advise me in this regard.

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Sincerely yours,

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Mr. M. H. Purvis, c/o Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. Department of Justice, Post Office Box 812, Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sire

I have received your letter of July 29, 1935, advising of the inquiry made of you by Mrs. Anna Sage on July 27, 1935, concerning what if any action this Eureau would take for the purpose of preventing her deportation to Roumania. Since deportation matters are solely within the jurisdiction of the Immigration and Maturalization Service, there is no action which can be taken in this matter by the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Scover, Director.



JOHN EDGAR HOOVER DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Inbestigation

H. S. Bepartment of Justice

Washington, A. C.

August 10, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Temm ..... I am attaching hereto a memorandum relating to the Tracy ... shooting of John Dillinger in Chicago, Illinois on July 42, as Gandy. 19为, which summarizes the information contained in the Euresu's files, quotes information taken from the statements obtained ... from the various Agents, and gives the actual occurrences on the night of July 22, 1934, without mentioning the names of any of the participants, other than Mr. Purvis and Mr. Cowley. The identity of the various Agents is indicated by letters and the following key is quoted for your information in ascertaining the identity of the Agents involved:

V. W. Peterson (z,)

R. D. Brown /

C. B. Winstead

~ D. C. O. Hurt -

H. E. Hollis √E.

A. E. Lockerman V

J. R. Welles -

√ H. E. L. Richmond

Respectfully

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Mr. Egan .....

Hr. Foxworth ...... Mr. Eurbo ......

Mr. Joseph .....

Mr. Quinn ..... Mr. Scheidt ..... Mr. Schilder .....

The following memorandum is prepared for the purpose of setting forth the facts in sommection with the shooting of John Dillinger on the evening of July 22, 1934, at Chicago, Illinois by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, accompanied by officers of the East Chicago, Indiana Police Department. In view of allegations that instructions were issued by the Director of the Bureau that Dillinger was not under any circumstances to be taken alive and that Dillinger was not armed at the time he was shot, did not reach for his pistol or make any other move which necessitated his shooting, and that he was to be killed rather than apprehended, only those sections of statements obtained from various Agents, which pertain to these specific matters are set forth.

The files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation contain absolutely mothing indicating that any instructions were issued at that time to Agents of the Chicago Office or of any other office of the Bureau that Dillinger was to be "shot on sight" or any similar instructions. It does not appear from the files of the Eureau that any instructions were issued by the Director with reference to the manner in which Dillinger's approhension was to be effected.

The report of Special Agent A, dated at Chicago, Illinois, August 4, 1934, outlines previous contacts of the Chicago Office with representatives of the East Chicago, Indiana Police Department and states that on the aftermoon of July 21, 1934, Sergeant Kartin Zarkovich and Captain Timothy O'Neil of the East Chicago, Indiana Police Department contacted the then Special Agent in Charge K. H. Purvis and Inspector S. P. Cowley and advised that a confidential informant had in the recent past been attending theatres in Chicago, accompanied by the informant's girl friend and John Herbert Dillinger. The informant stated that her girl friend was "keeping company" with Dillinger and that Dillinger was in the habit of attending the Karbro Theatre in Chicago.

The report states that about 5:30 P.N. en July 22, 1934 the informant advised the Chicago Office that she had received word from her girl friend that Dillinger, the girl friend and informant would attend either the Karbro or Biograph Theatre in Chicago on the evening of July 22, 1934, the party proceeding to the theatre about 8:00 P.K. Agents of the Chicago Bureau Office were called to the office where former Inspector Cowley, and former Agent in Charge Purvis outlined the plans for effecting the apprehension of Dillinger at the theatre on that evening, it being unknown at the time the plans were made which theatre Dillinger would attend. At approximately 7:30 P.N. on the night of July 22, 1934, Mr. Purvis and Special Agent B proceeded to a point near the Biograph Theatre and Sergeant Zarkovich of the East Chicago, Indians Police Department and Special Agent C proceeded

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to a point near the Marbro Theatre. The balance of the Agents assigned to this investigation remained at the Chicago Office, avaiting advice as to the identity of the theatre which Dillinger would actually enter. At 8:50 P.M. Dillinger and two women companions were observed entering the Biograph Theatre, 2435 Lincoln Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, by Mr. Purvis and Special Agent B. This information was immediately telephoned to the Agents of the Chicago Office, who proceeded to the vicinity of the Biograph Theatre and covered all exits, in accordance with plans previously laid. In this regard it may be noted that both theatres had been visited earlier in the evening and detailed information obtained concerning the various exits and possible avenues of escape. Agent A's report states that: "Special Agents D and E were assigned, together with Agents Bopsic and Stretch of the East Chicago, Indiana Police Department, to seize Dillinger as he was leaving the theatre". The report them names other Special Agents who were "to close in towards Dillinger from the north, while other specifically named Agents were "to close in towards Dillinger from the south". Special Agents were stationed on the opposite side of the street from the theatre, in addition to those immediately surrounding the theatre. Special Agent B remained in a car near the theatre at a point close to that where Mr. Purvis was stationed. In the meanwhile, Special Agent C and Sergeant Zarkovich, who had proceeded to the Marbro Theatre, were notified by telephone that Dillinger had entered the Biograph Theatre, and proceeded immediately to that point. Captain Timothy O'Neil and Sergeant Conroy of the East Chicago, Indians Police Department, were also at the Biograph Theatre, while Inspector Cowley of the Federal Bureau of Investigation maintained a roving position about the theatre, keeping in touch with all Agents, to assure proper functioning at all exits.

Agent A's report states: "About 10:30 o'clock on the night of July 22, 1954, Dillinger, accompanied by two women companions, was observed emerging from the Biograph Theatre. They walked south on Lincoln Avenue from the theatre. Special Agent in Charge E. H. Purvis gave the pre-arranged signal of lighting a sigar. Agents immediately began to close in slowly towards Dillinger from all sides. Dillinger apparently became apprahensive. He glanced over his shoulder at Agents and started to run, grabbing for his gum simultaneously. As Dillinger grabbed for his gum, five shots were fired by three Agents, one Agent firing three shots and two Agents firing one shot each. Dillinger fell face downward near an alley, a .380 calibre automatic pistol was in his hand when he fell. No shots were fired from Dillinger's pistol. An extra elip for his pistol was found in his pocket."

Under date of July 28, 1934, former Special Agent in Charge M. H. Purvis and the late Inspector S. P. Cowley executed an affidavit sworn to before Helen Dunkel, a notary public of Cook County, Illinois, which sets forth the facts surrounding the shooting of Dillinger. The affidavit sets forth the preliminary contacts with representatives of the East Chicago, Indiana Police Department, and the informant, describes the stationing of Agents about the theatre, mentioning the fact that Special Agent B accompanied Mr. Purvis to the Biograph Theatre at about 7:57 P.M. on the night of July 2 2, 1984, states that Mr. Purvis observed John Dillinger and two women enter the theatre and that the Chicago Bureau office and Sergeant Earkovich and Special Agent C were notified, and that the entire theatre was immediately covered. This affidavit states that the various Agents maintained their positions in as inconspicuous a manner as possible until about 10:40 P.K. on the night of July 22, 1934, at which time John Dillinger and the women companions left the theatre and proceeded on foot in a south-easterly direction.

The affidavit of Mr. Purvis and Mr. Cowley then states "Upon identifying Dillinger, affiant Purvis gave the pre-arranged signal for the men to close in. Special Agent E, C, D, B and affiant Purvis immediately surrounded John Dillinger, all being stationed on the south-east side of the Biograph Theatre. Officers Sopsic and Stretch of the East Chicago, Indiana Police Department had assumed a position at a point in a northwesterly direction from the theatre, and at the time the signal was given Sergeant Zarkovich, who had been stationed at a point diagonally across the street from the Biograph Theatre, ran across the street and notified Officers Sopsis and Stretch, who had not seen the signal. Captain O'Neil, Officer Conroy of Captain O'Heil's squad, had assumed roving positions during the entire covering of this matter. John Dillinger was seen to draw his gun, which was later found to be a .380 automatic pistol, from his right trousers pocket. He assumed a dodging semi-crouching position and drew his gun from his pocket. At that time he was shot by Special Agent E, D, and C, who fired one shot each, except the last maned, who fired three shots. Immediately after the shooting, the above mentioned automatic pistol was taken from his hand and an ambulance was called, inasmuch as it appeared he was not dead."

After the shooting of Dillinger, statements were taken in the Chicago Office from all of the Special Agents who participated in any manner in the shooting of Dillinger. Pertinent parts of the statements taken are set out hereinafter.

Special Agent C, under date of July 25, 1954, submitted a memorandum in which he states: "Agent stepped in a doorway, where Special Agent D was standing, and it was agreed that when Mr. Purvis gave the signal, that Dillinger was leaving the theatre, if he had gone south,

D was to take the right side and this agent the left side, and endeavor, to apprehend Dillinger, before he reached an alley about 40 or 50 feet from where we were stationed. When Mr. Purvis gave the signal a few minutes before 11 o'clock, D turned to this Agent and stated, "That is Dillinger with the straw hat and the glasses". Special Agent D stepped across the sidewalk and Dillinger passed us. Just after he passed where this agent was stationed, Agent stepped from the doorway to the sidewalk, falling behind him and at that point, Dillinger turned his head, locked squarely at agent, and reached for his gum. Agent then pulled the Division of automatic, with which he was armed, and shot Dillinger as mearly as he could tell in the right side, from the rear. Just as this shot was fired, Dillinger, who was then beginning to rum, struck a woman who was walking in front and a little to his right, with his body and Agent fired two more shots as he turned. He staggered to the mouth of the alley and fell on his face."

Mr. C. further sets forth in this statement the fact that a local police officer had begun systematically searching the body of Dillinger. He states: "I requested that they look for a gum, as he had reached for eme. Mr. Purvis stated that he had already taken a gum out of his hand, and that it was a .380 calibre Colt automatic."

In a statement executed on July 25, 1954 by the late Special Agent E, he stated: "About 10:50 P.K., John Dillinger, accompanied by two women, came out of the theatre and walked south on Lincoln Avenue. Mr. Purvis lighted a cigar, which was the signal to all Agents that Dillinger had come out of the theatre. Dillinger, just before passing this Agent, glanced in the direction of Agent, and them took about two more steps, and again glanced at Agent. At this time, this Agent approached Dillinger on his right rear side. Agent observed Dillinger draw from his right hand trousers pocket a pistol and he then made an effort to run. There were three or four shots fired and Dillinger fell."

It may be noted in this regard that Special Agent E fired one of the shots at Dillinger.

Former Special Agent F, in a statement executed en July 25, 1934, stated, \*\* \* \*Special Agent in Charge Purvis, who was standing just south of the entrance of the theatre, was seen to light his eigar, which was the pre-arranged signal to indicate that Dillinger was coming out of the theatre. Simultaneously with that signal, the writer observed a man who answered the description given as to how Dillinger would look and would be dressed who came out of the theatre with two women, answering the description given of the women who would be with him. It was immediately known to the writer that that party was Dillinger. \* \* \* I observed that as Dillinger passed Special Agent in Charge Purvis, Mr. Purvis started walking in Dillinger's direction. I also observed Special Agents E and C start moving toward Dillinger. At about that time Dillinger and his two



companions and two other bystanders were immediately alongside the writer and Special Agent G. It was observed that Dillinger looked around in different directions and seemed to realize that he was being closed in upon, at which time he made a motion with his hand, indicating that he was reaching for his gum. It was then observed that Special Agent in Charge M. H. Purvis and Special Agents B. C and D had drawn their guns and were approaching right up to Dillinger. At that time the writer drew his sum gum. Dillinger then realized, evidently, that he was trapped and still trying to get his gum, seemed to take two quick steps toward the alley and as he did so, one or two of the Agents making the immediate approach on him, fired three times and as a result of these shots, Dillinger pitched forward on his face into the alley, at approximately four or five feet from the writer. But knowing whether or not Dillinger would attempt to shoot after he hit the ground, the writer along with the ether Agents, severed him with gums, but it was observed that after he hit the ground, he did not move again."

Special Agent G, under date of July 23, 1934, submitted & statement, from which the following pertinent statements were takens "As Dillinger passed in front of Special Agent in Charge Purvis, kr. Purvis lighted a ciger, which was the signal that John Dillinger was approaching. Dillinger looked towards Special Agent in Charge K. H. Purvis, but did not appear at this time to be suspicious. He did not appear to leok at Agent E, as he passed him, but as he passed the car in which Agent B was sitting, he looked at Agent B. As soon as he had passed Special Agent in Charge M. M. Purvis and Agent K, these two Agents fell in behind him. As he passed Agent C, it appeared as though the shorter of the two women who were accompanying him, pulled his shirt or gave him some signal and he looked quickly around at Agent C. By this time he was approximately 25 feet from the alley entrance mentioned above. He appeared to realize that he was trapped, there was a very tense look on his face, and he crouched and pulled his gum. At this point, Agent D took a step towards him and Dillinger appeared to be ready to spring into the alley. Agent I and this Agent had their gums ready, but Dillinger had only taken about two steps in a crouching position towards the alley, when Agent C fired.

In a signed statement submitted by Special Agent B, he states, "\* \* Dillinger immediately fell, but just before Special Agent B took his place immediately in front of Dillinger, I saw Dillinger reach in his right rear trousers pocket. I did not see him pull a gum out of this pocket as my view was then obstructed, but immediately after that Dillinger fell to the sidewalk, and I immediately walked to the body and saw in Dillinger's right hand a .580 cellibre automatic pistol."

Special Agent D, under date of July 25, 1934 submitted a statement concerning his participation in this shooting from which the following

It may be noted that the inventory of the property in the possession of Dillinger at the time he was taken to the County Morgue, included one loaded clip of \$80 calibre Remington U.M.C. cartridges. This clip was of the type which would fit the gum which Dillinger had in his hand at the time he was shot.

With reference to the instructions which were issued by ErPurvis and Kr. Cowley prior to the shooting of Dillinger, (the instructions
were issued at a conference held in the Chicago Bureau Office late on the
afternoon of July 22, 1934,) Special Agent D, under date of August 1, 1935,
submitted the following signed statement:

"I, D, Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, hereby state that I was present in the offices of the Bureau at Chicago in the early evening of Sunday, July 22, 1934, at which time plans for the capture of John Dillinger were outlined and discussed. Those in charge of the discussion were Inspector Sam P. Cowley and Special Agent in Charge Kelvin H. Purvis.

We were instructed to seize Dillinger bodily and under no circumstances to fire a shot unless compelled to do so in self defense. I was one of those delegated to seize Dillinger when he came out of the Biograph Theatre, but the plans did not work out as contemplated, and it became necessary in self defense to use firearms to subdue Dillinger.

Our instructions were to fire no shots whatsoever if same could be avoided. These instructions were issued jointly by Mr. Cowley and Mr. Purvis, and they were in accord upon the instructions, and each took an equal part in outlining the plans and issuing the instructions. It was even suggested at one time during the conference that no firearms of any nature should be taken to the scene. This suggestion was not advanced by either Mr. Cowley or Mr. Purvis, and was not adopted.

Special Agent A, under date of August 1, 1935 submitted the following signed statement:

" I attended the conference which was held in the Chicago Bureau Office on the afternoon of July 22, 1934, at which time all Agents of the Chicago Bureau Office were informed by Mr. Cowley and Mr. Purvis that positive information had been received that John Herbert Dillinger would attend either the Biograph Theatre or the Earbro Theatre that night, in sompany with confidential informant Arma Sage, and another woman companies. The greater part of the conference consisted in explaining the mature of the various assignments to be taken care of by the Agents. At approximately 8:00 e'clock, information was received by telephone from Mr. Purvis and Mr. B to the effect that Dillinger had entered the Biograph Theatre. At that time, Agents E, D, together with two officers of the East Chicago, Indiana Police Department, were instructed to place themselves on both sides of the entrance to the Biograph Theatre for the purpose of effecting the apprehension of John Dillinger as he emerged from the theatre. All Agents present were aware of the dangerous character of Dillinger, and were instructed that no chances should be taken at the time the attempt would be made to effect his apprehension. I do not recall any instructions having been issued to the effect that under no circumstances should Dillinger be taken alive. In view of the desperate character of Dillinger and also because of his past reputation, it was probably the opinion of all Agents present that Dillinger could not be taken alive, but no instructions were issued that he was to be killed, regardless of the fact that he might not offer any resistance."

Special Agent C, under date of Angust 1, 1935, submitted the following signed statement as to his present recollection of the instructions issued at the Chicago Office on the afternoon of July 22, 1934:

"On Sunday afternoon, July 22, 1954, the agents were called into the private office of Special Agent in Charge N. H. Purvis in Chicago and present, in addition to the Bureau personnel, were Captain Tim O'Heil and Sergeant Zarcowich and, to the best of my recollection, two other members of the East Chicago, Indiana Police Department. At that time agents were told that John Dillinger was expected to appear at one of two picture shows that evening. A description and the kind of clothes which would be worn by one of his women companions on that evening was furnished to the agents assembled. According to my recollection, Mr. Purvis gave the instructions to the Agents and these instructions were confirmed by Mr. Cowley. The general instructions were as follows:

"Gentlemen, you all know the character of John Dillinger. If he appears at either of the picture shows and we locate him and he effects his escape it will be a disgrate to our Bureau. It may be that Dillinger will be at the picture show with his women companions without arms - yet, he may appear there armed and with other members of his gang. There of course will be an undetermined element of danger in endeavoring to apprehend Dillinger. It is the desire that he be taken alive, if possible, and without injury to any agent of the Bureau; yet, gentlemen, this is the opportunity that

we have all been assiting and he must be taken. Do not unnecessarily endanger your own lives and if Dillinger offers any resistance each man will be for himself and it will be up to each of you to do whatever you think necessary to protect yourselves in taking Dillinger.

"After specific instructions were given to the agents by Mr. Purvis, someone asked "What type of gums shall we take?" and Mr. Purvis stated, "Your pistols, enly." No agent had at the scene any other kind of gum.

The above were the instructions as given by Mr. Purvis as spokesman and concurred in by Mr. Cowley - maybe not verbatim, but to the same intent and purpose as nearly as I can recall at this late date."

signed statement outlining his recollection of the incidents surrounding the shooting of Dillinger and states with reference to the instructions issued by Mr. Cowley and Mr. Purvis: "At this conference no instructions were given to shoot Dillinger, nor were any instructions given that he was to be taken alive. It was the understanding of this Agent that Dillinger was not to escape, and that he was to be taken alive, if possible. This understanding was based on the fact that instructions were given that when the signal that Dillinger had been spotted was given, the Agents were to close in around Dillinger. If it had been the intention to shoot Dillinger, the writer does not believe that instructions would have been given to close in around Dillinger, inasmuch as the Agents participating in effecting his apprehension would be in the line of fire from the pistols of the other Agents."

Special Agent B, under date of August 1, 1935 submitted a signed statement from which the following excerpt is taken: "The instructions given by Inspector Cowley and Special Agent in Charge Purvis were to the effect that no undue chances should be taken in connection with the apprehension of Dillinger. No instructions were given at that time, by anyone during the conference, to the effect that Dillinger should not be taken alive under any circumstances. Neither was this mentioned by efficers from the East Chicago, Indiana Police Department;

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