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CALENDARS OF J. EDGAR  
HOOVER  
(SUMMARY)**

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**SUBJECT**

TELEPHONE CALLS TO AND FROM FORMER FBI DIRECTOR J. EDGAR HOOVER

66-4760 SECTION 1

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DIRECTOR

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 15, 1935.

Time-8:35 P.M.

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MEMORANDUM

Mr. Hoover called from New York City and stated that on the first page of the Washington Evening Star there appeared an article, entitled "Shearer Names Nine Senators as Red". Mr. Hoover further stated that Shearer is the man who testified before the Senate Committee on Ammunition; that Shearer stated that the Department of Justice has a list of the Senators who are "Red"; that also the Department of Justice tried to frame him in 1929. Mr. Hoover further stated that the same story also appears in the Times. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Quinn to have Mr. Tamm read the story in both the Washington Evening Star and the Washington Times, and give out from our files a summary on Shearer; that if a summary is not already prepared, a complete summary should be prepared on Shearer; that Shearer was investigated at the time of the Disarmament Conference, and at that time quite a long report was made on Shearer

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Mr. Hoover also instructed Mr. Quinn to have Mr. Tamm find out whether the guns from Oklahoma have arrived, the two guns in the Kennamer Case.

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Mr. Tolson stated that the Washington Times is carrying a story under the International News, with the date line at Kansas City, entitled, "Air Patrol to War on Outlaws"; that the story tells about the police of three states organizing an airplane patrol to run down bank robbers and escaped convicts; that there is not a word in the story about the Bureau. Mr. Tolson instructed Mr. Quinn to contact Mr. Brantley and Mr. Nathan and ascertain if we are in the picture, if not, why not. Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Tolson that nothing has been received at the Bureau regarding the matter.

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Mr. Tolson advised that Mr. Hoover and himself were staying at the Hotel New Yorker.

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Mr. Tolson asked Mr. Quinn if the form letter regarding the booklet was signed. Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Tolson that the typists are working on it at the present time; that they are being dated Tuesday and Wednesday and the rest of the week; that some of them were sent to Mr. Rex Collier. Mr. Tolson stated that our lists should include the member of Congress.

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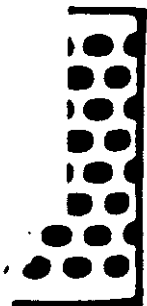
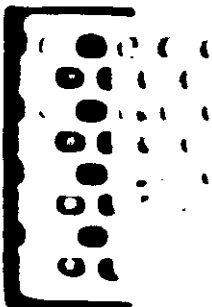
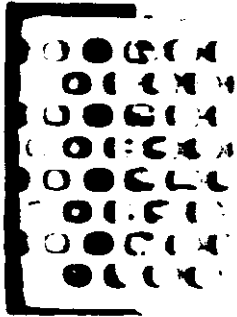
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DIRECTOR

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 17, 1935

Time-7:30 P.M.

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Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Backus	.....
Mr. Baughman	.....
Chief Clerk	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Edwards	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Keith	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Schilder	.....
Mr. Smith	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Mr. Nathan contacting Director.

I called Mr. Ladd in Chicago and advised him to tell Mr. Nathan, just as soon as he arrived, to call the Director in New York City when his inquiries were completed. Mr. Ladd advised that Mr. Nathan had called him Friday and instructed certain agents to be at the office when he arrived, which instructions have been carried out. Mr. Ladd was advised that the above information was confidential.

Respectfully,



E.A. Tamm.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 19, 1935.

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Time-12:10 P.M.

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: Conversation with  
Mr. Tolson

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Tolson, Mr. Tolson asked me concerning the outcome of the meeting last night. I stated that it turned out fine. Mr. Buchholz didn't arrive, however, I stated that a vote was taken for WMAL to broadcast the first game, and a letter was to be sent out by Mr. Buchholz to Walter Winchell today. Mr. Richmond advised that nothing has been decided as to the diamond.

I further advised Mr. Tolson that the letters which were being prepared in regard to the new pamphlet "Training of Personnel" would probably be finished today.

I also stated that I had on my desk about ten or twelve letters from Mr. Edwards of the Identification Unit relative to the work of the Laboratory, addressed to various Universities, and would like his, Mr. Tolson's, advice concerning sending them out. Mr. Tolson stated that it would be all right to send them out.

I also advised Mr. Tolson that the Appropriations Bill was sent to the Vice President yesterday afternoon, and would probably reach the White House this morning.

Mr. Tolson asked me to see that Miss Canty was assigned to some other office just as soon as she finished the letters she was working on. I stated that she had been helping Mr. Backus.

Respectfully,

T. D. QUINN.

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J. EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 19, 1935

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## MEMORANDUM

Kindly be informed that Mr. Tolson telephoned from New York and stated that he desired Mr. Schilder to prepare a letter referring to his conversation with Mr. Courtney Ryley Cooper relative to the Miami situation, setting out in detail in the letter information concerning fingerprints received from that city, identifications made, etc.

Also desired letter be addressed to Mr. Cooper listing the editors of police organization magazines, as well as the names of officers of peace officers associations.

Desired letter to Mr. Cooper giving the complete criminal record of Keating and Holden, with particular reference as to whether there were any outstanding charges pending against these individuals for which they might be prosecuted after they have served their present sentence and if so the full details with regard to same should be given in the letter.

He stated that Mr. Hoover had spoken to Mr. Tamm relative to a memorandum regarding fugitive cases issued by the Bureau since the passage of the new fugitive law and wanted to know if this memorandum could not be expedited in order that it might be transmitted to Mr. Hoover as soon as possible.

Requested a check up be made through Mr. Glavin with regard to Special Agent Crowl; that is, whether he is available for transfer to headquarters at this time.

Mr. Tolson, also, mentioned the cleaning of the rifle range as well as the gun room. He suggested that I talk to Mr. Baughman about both of these matters. He further stated that the crime scene room should be thoroughly cleaned and that it should be fixed up in proper shape, suggesting that I talk with Mr. Coffey in this regard.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 18, 1935.

(Time: 11:40 a.m.)

## MEMORANDUM.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Backus.....
Mr. Baughman..
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Smith.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

In talking with Mr. Tolson, who is in New York, by telephone, Mr. Clegg stated it had occurred to him, as a matter of convenience, we might make an arrangement as follows if agreeable:

Bill Smith is scheduled to speak before the schools in Ohio, and we can arrange for him to spend the balance of the week and all of next week there cleaning up Ohio and Kentucky, if it would be permissible for him to go to Columbus and make the talk on the Work and Functions instead of him, Mr. Clegg. Mr. Tolson inquired if Ohio and Kentucky on the schools were listed for Smith to handle, and Mr. Clegg replied that they were. Mr. Tolson stated he thought this arrangement would be all right, because he does not think that the Ohio meeting is of such great importance, and Mr. Clegg said that he did not either. Mr. Tolson stated that the Columbus affair on the 20th is merely a talk before the gathering. Mr. Clegg stated he has to go to West Virginia on Sunday and would like to be here for the closing days of these classes to talk with some of the men. Mr. Tolson said he thought this was a fine arrangement, and Mr. Clegg said he would tell Smith to go. Mr. Tolson suggested that Mr. Clegg call them on the phone and make sure they understand.

Mr. Tolson inquired with regard to Mr. Nathan's addresses, and Mr. Clegg said he had gone over the same and he and Mr. Quinn agree on about three minor suggestions. Mr. Tolson suggested that Mr. Clegg call Mr. Nathan in Chicago this morning and give him the suggestions, so that he can make the changes on the way out. Mr. Clegg said he would do this.

*W. A. Smith  
Ohio & Kentucky  
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 16, 1935.

Time-2:15 P.M.

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MEMORANDUM

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The Director called from New York City this afternoon and talked to Mr. Quinn. Mr. Quinn stated that he was in receipt of a teletype message from Mr. Connelley, quote "Jodil reference conversation with Mr. McMahon with Mr. Tamm, have arrangements been made for appearance of Mrs. Cowley, Chicago coming week. Preparation for trial of Chase Case progressing satisfactorily" unquote. Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover that Mr. Tamm has done nothing about having Mrs. Cowley in Chicago. Mr. Hoover stated that Mr. McMahon wants Mrs. Cowley and Mrs. Hollis on the front row dressed in mourning and weep profusely at a signal from him. Mr. Hoover stated that the Bureau has not approached Mrs. Cowley on the subject and that he feels reluctant in doing such a thing. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Quinn to advise Mr. Connelley to inform Mr. McMahon that Mrs. Cowley is not in Washington, but some where in the far west; that if Mr. McMahon wants to get in touch with Mrs. Cowley, he will have to do it himself; that we will have to do this without making Mr. McMahon angry. Mr. Hoover stated that he thinks Mrs. Cowley is in Salt Lake City with her father, and that he does not want to call her or have our Salt Lake City Office contact Mrs. Cowley. Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover that he would get in touch with Mr. Connelley at once.

Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover that the Bureau was in receipt of a telegram from the Chief of Detectives, Detroit, Michigan, quote "Preparing film on Merton Ward Goodrich for national distribution stop Request permission to state that it be shown under auspices of National Crime Commission. Rush answer" unquote. Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover that this individual is wanted for murder; that there is a reward totalling three thousand dollars in the case. Mr. Quinn stated that he had prepared a telegram with Mr. Tolson's signature as follows: "In the absence of Mr. Hoover desire to inform you that your telegram even date relative Merton Ward Goodrich Case referred to Mr. Justin Miller, Chairman, Attorney General's Advisory Committee on Crime for appropriate action". Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Quinn to sign the wire himself as Acting Director, and also suggested the following phraseology for a telegram; "In the absence of Mr. Hoover, regret that no action can be taken upon request. Doubt, however, if it would be possible to have such action taken or no similar precedent has been set etc. (or something along that line.) Mr. Hoover asked if Goodrich was the subject of a rape case in Detroit, and Mr. Quinn stated that he was. Mr. Hoover also asked if we had any Federal charge against him and also whether the crime on which he was being held was before or after the Fugitive Act. Mr. Quinn stated that he was not sure, and would check up and find out. Mr. Hoover stated that if Goodrich is violating any Federal statute, he, Mr. Quinn might advise the Chief of Detectives that we can not have it done under the name of the Crime Commission, but it will be proper for him to state that this man is wanted

by the local authorities and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Mr. Hoover stated that he did not want the Crime Committee brought into the matter; that he would like to keep them out of the picture as much as possible

Mr. Quinn advised the Director that the Laboratory report on the Keenan case would be ready Tuesday. Mr. Hoover inquired if Mr. Appel was back yet and he was advised that he was not; whereupon he stated that he would like to know the contents of the report as soon as it was prepared as he might wish to transmit a copy of it to the State Bureau of Investigation, as the original request for the ballistics had come from the State Bureau, who in turn had advised Gilman of the result contained in the Bureau telegram, which was misunderstood by Gilman. Mr. Hoover stated that he had in mind having the Oklahoma City office advise the State Bureau of the laboratory findings, and let the State Bureau deal with Gilman. and if any publicity came out it would emanate from there. Mr. Hoover asked Mr. Quinn to check over the facts in this matter to ascertain definitely if the original request had come from the State Bureau.

With reference to the Sherrer case, Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover that the memorandum on this case was all prepared. Mr. Hoover inquired if any reference had been found to the letter which Sherrer claims put him on the spot by the Bureau, and Mr. Quinn advised him that no reference had been found to this letter. Mr. Hoover stated that the papers were carrying the story containing a statement from Sherrer in which he claims that a letter was introduced by the Department of Justice, written by some man who claimed that Sherrer had threatened this man's life, and he, Mr. Hoover, would like to have Mr. Quinn check on this.

With reference to Mr. Stanley's call that an Agent confer with Mr. Garnett Monday morning, Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Quinn to have an Agent see Mr. Garnett and to be sure that we do not get any of the gambling cases, but that if it had anything to do with the Munitions Investigation, we would probably have to go into it. Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover that Mr. Garnett preferably wanted Agent Loebel, whereupon Mr. Hoover stated that Mr. Garnett could not have Agent Loebel, and that we would send someone else. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Quinn to have Mr. Keith see Mr. Garnett Monday morning and find out just what he wants; that if the Senatorial Committee is certifying someone down to Mr. Garnett for perjury or if it is in connection with any grand jury investigation, we, will of course, have to go into it; that Mr. Keith should take it, and then assign an Agent to it; that the Agent should work under us and not under Mr. Garnett.

Mr. Hoover stated that he had been advised that Mr. Brantley is in Washington; that Mr. Brantley should get out right away; that he does not want any delay on the matter in the southwest. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Quinn to advise Mr. Tamm that Mr. Brantley should understand that this is to be done vigorously and independently with our men; that we do not want to have anything to do with this man, Hamer, on the other hand, it should not be spread among the subordinates that Mr. Brantley had orders

not to deal with Hamer; that the situation in the southwest is very delicate and he did not want to have any conflict with Hamer, but at the same time we don't want to be working with him; that we will take anything he has but we are not going to give anything we have; that this has to be done very diplomatically; that he does not want Mr. Brantley submerged or pushed down by Gus Jones or Frank Blake because both are inclined to get around and do something next year; that the United States Attorney has nothing to do with the case until we get it cleaned up; that it should be done like Mr. Connalley in Chicago, as a special assignment, directly out of Washington.

Mr. Hoover advised that he is in room 3011, Hotel New Yorker.

Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Tolson that he had two appointments on which he had prepared telegrams, E. Russell Davids, Special Agent, and Adam M. Jankowski. Mr. Tolson stated that if they have been approved, they should be sent out.

With reference to the Air Patrol in the southwest, Mr. Tolson inquired of Mr. Quinn the outcome of his conversation with Mr. Nathan. Mr. Quinn stated that he talked to Mr. Little in the absence of Mr. Brantley and Mr. Little advised him, Mr. Quinn, that he knew nothing about the Air Patrol; that Mr. Little stated that he would ascertain the facts and submit same to the Bureau by air mail; that Mr. Nathan stated there was some talk several weeks ago about putting on such a test at Wichita, but nothing ever became of it; that if there is such an organization, he knows nothing about it; that he, too will also ascertain the facts and advise the Bureau.

Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Quinn to call Mr. Stanley and tell him that he is in New York City at the Hotel New Yorker; that he, Mr. Hoover will probably be there for several days.

Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Quinn that he had been thinking over the Detroit case, and instructed Mr. Quinn to see if there is some basis for us to get in on the case; that if there is some basis, he wanted to be advised before a wire is sent to the Chief of Detectives in Detroit; that if the crime occurred subsequent to the Fugitive Act, it would be within our jurisdiction. Mr. Quinn stated that he was not sure about the date, but that he thought it happened before the Fugitive Act. Mr. Hoover stated that he thought that Mr. Quinn should check up on this case and see if there was not some basis for the Bureau to get in on it; that if there were, Mr. Quinn should telephone the Chief of Detectives and explain to him that there is no National Crime Commission; that there is an advisory committee to the Attorney General but which deals with purely administrative matters; that we are, however, making the subject in this case a fugitive from justice under the Federal law and that the Chief of Detectives could state in his announcement that the man is being sought by the Detroit authorities and by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and any information obtained should be reported directly to either of these agencies. Mr. Hoover stated that he thought that

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the Bureau should get into the case if possible and get an indictment against the subject as a fugitive under the Federal Fugitive Act. Mr. Quinn stated that he would look into the matter further before a reply was sent to the telegram from the Chief of Detectives. Mr. Hoover suggested that Mr. Quinn inquire of Mr. Tamm regarding the Federal Angle of this case as it was Mr. Hoover's recollection that Mr. Tamm had looked the matter up some time ago when the papers were playing the case up and inquiring why the Federal government had not taken a hand in it. Mr. Quinn stated that if they found out that it did happen before the Fugitive Act, they would prepare a wire along the lines indicated by the Director; and if any further question arose he, Mr. Quinn, would call the Director on it.

Mr. Hoover stated that if Mr. Waldrop or anyone asked what he was doing in New York, Mr. Quinn should evade any direct answer and if he were asked if the Director were up there on the raid matters being staged by the Treasury Department, Mr. Quinn should reply that he had no comment to make.

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Memorandum of telephone conversation  
Mr Hoover and Mr. Brantley. 3/16/35.

Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Brantley that he should endeavor to handle the matter very delicately and carefully; particularly with reference to Hamer, who will probably want to dominate the scene; that Hamer is very suspicious and critical, but thoroughly fearless and honest according to Gus Jones' observations. Mr. Hoover stated that after Hamer learns that Mr. Brantley is on the same job he will undoubtedly seek Mr. Brantley out; that Mr. Brantley's position should be that we will take anything Hamer offers to give us, but we will not give him anything; that he should be handled with diplomacy; that this assignment should be handled in the same manner that the Dillinger and Bremer assignments in Chicago are being handled, as a special assignment out of Washington; further that Mr. Hoover desired the job to be done quietly and effectively without regard to local authorities, unless we need their assistance, but that Mr. Hoover desired to <sup>do</sup> the job without their aid if possible, due to the jealousy and dishonesty of the local agencies. Mr. Hoover also stated that he wanted the job done in a vigorous manner; that he did not want any delayed action; that Mr. Brantley had charge of the case and was not to take orders from any of the SACs in whose districts he might work; and that he should call on them any time for assistance when it was needed; that he should wire or phone in each day any of the developments.

Mr. Brantley stated that he thought they would be stationed at Dallas for the moment; that he would like to have Agent Frank Smith included in the squad. Mr. Hoover stated that it would be alright to include Agent Smith

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Mr. Brantley and Mr. Hoover

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in the squad, although he believed that Agent Smith was somewhat disposed to be of the typical Southwest type, fearless, honest and with much ability along the line of current cases, but somewhat slow in running down cases needing quick administrative action and ability; that Mr. Brantley should report to Washington any observations he made in respect to the men selected for the squad. Mr. Hoover further stated that he did not wish to have any of his comments and observations which he had spoken, repeated to any subordinates, as was the tendency on the part of some of the executive staff, advising him of the situation at Chicago where SAC Ladd had indiscreetly spoken of his part in the questioning of "Doc" Barker; that Mr. Brantley should not advise anyone of the conversations which he had with Washington, and it was not necessary for the agents to know what each other was doing when they were working on matters of a confidential character; that Mr. Hoover desired each agent to keep very close mouthed about the whole assignment and that they should not be allowed to talk over the case with agents in the Dallas and San Antonio office; that it was Mr. Brantley's job to contact the offices in those districts and advise them of any developments which he saw proper to advise; that Hamer should be watched very closely and that Mr. Brantley should see that the Bureau was given fair credit for its part in the case; that however, care should be exercised to prevent any open feud between Hamer and the Bureau, as he would be inclined to issue a statement stating that he was unable to secure any cooperation from the Federal Government and the Department of Justice.

Mr. Hoover inquired why Mr. Brantley had not known of the formation of the "Flying Squadron". Mr. Brantley advised that he had not deemed it of sufficient importance to advise the Bureau, as in his opinion it was merely an effort of Stanley Rogers to get his name in the paper; that he only had one old plane in which he had installed a radio and that the plan, if at all carried out, was merely in a formulative stage. Mr. Hoover stated that it had been given considerable publicity and that he considered it important that the Bureau get in on the formulative stages of any such activity; that the newspapers had reported that the squadron had two planes in Oklahoma and one at Kansas City. Mr. Brantley stated that he had not heard of these latter planes; that the one owned by Stanley Rogers was the only one he knew about. Mr. Hoover stated that if we did not get in at the start of such things they would be taking away the credit from our men and focusing public attention upon themselves; that he, Mr. Hoover, believed that we should get all the credit due us in the public eye and should endeavor to keep ourselves there by active participation in such projects which are worthy of consideration. Mr. Hoover stated that he thought there might be possibilities in the plan for such a squadron in the pursuit of bank robbers, fugitives, etc., and although it was uncertain where we would be able to get the planes, nevertheless we should be in on the plan and he was concerned about the report that we did not know anything about it; that he understood Rogers was very friendly toward the Bureau, and he did not understand why he, Rogers, had not consulted Mr. Brantley before starting on the plan. Mr. Brantley stated that Rogers

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Mr. Hoover and Mr. Brantley

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was in fact very friendly toward the Bureau; that he had sent a letter last fall, according to Mr. Brantley's recollection, to the effect that he was contemplating a plane service for his office but there was nothing in the letter about including four states. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Brantley that Mr. Little should be advised to ascertain what the details of the plan were and what had been done in this regard so the Bureau will be fully advised and will know what is going on, regardless whether or not we take a part in the plan; that it might be well for Mr. Brantley to get Rogers on the telephone and find out what it is all about. Mr. Hoover advised that all the New York papers are carrying a story concerning the plan; that due to the publicity, the other states will probably try a similar plan, and if it were recognized that the Bureau was helping to develop the present plan, the other states would probably look to the Bureau for advice if they chose a similar plan, and it would not be set down as purely an activity of the local authorities



JHE:MM

March 16, 1935.

Time-2:15 P.M.

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Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover that the Bureau was in receipt of a telegram from the Chief of Detectives, Detroit, Michigan, quote "Preparing film on Burton Earl Goodrich for national distribution stop Request permission to state that it be shown under auspices of National Crime Commission, Rush answer" unquote. Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover that this individual is wanted for murder; that there is a reward totalling three thousand dollars in the case. Mr. Quinn stated that he had prepared a telegram with Mr. Tolson's signature as follows: "In the absence of Mr. Hoover desire to inform you that your telegram over date relative Burton Earl Goodrich (name referred to Mr. Justin Miller, Chairman, Attorney General's Advisory Committee on Crime for appropriate action", Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Quinn to sign the wire himself as Acting Director, and also suggested the following phrasing for a telegram: "In the absence of Mr. Hoover, request that no action can be taken upon request. Sincerely, Hoover, if it would be possible to have such action taken or so similar precedent has been set etc. (or something along that line.)" Mr. Hoover asked if Goodrich was the subject of a rape case in Detroit, and Mr. Quinn stated that he was. Mr. Hoover also asked if we had any Federal charge against him and also whether the crime on which he was being held was before or after the Fugitive Act. Mr. Quinn stated that he was going to, and would check up and find out. Mr. Hoover stated that if Goodrich is violating any Federal statute, he, Mr. Quinn might advised the Chief of Detectives that we can not have it done under the name of the Crime Commission, but it will be proper for him to state that this man is wanted

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by the local authorities and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Mr. Hoover stated that he did not want the Grims Committee brought into the matter; that he would like to keep them out of the picture as much as possible

Mr. Quinn advised the Director that the Laboratory report on the ~~Sherrill~~ case would be ready ~~Monday~~. Mr. Hoover inquired if Mr. Appel will look yet and he was advised that he was not; whereupon he stated that he would like to know the contents of the report as soon as it was prepared as he might wish to transmit a copy of it to the State Bureau of Investigation, as the original request for the ballistics had come from the State Bureau, who in turn had advised Gilman of the result contained in the Bureau telegram, which was misunderstood by Gilman. Mr. Hoover stated that he had in mind having the Oklahoma City office advise the State Bureau of the laboratory findings, and let the State Bureau deal with Gilman, and if any publicity came out it would emanate from there. Mr. Hoover asked Mr. Quinn to check over the facts in this matter to ascertain definitely if the original request had come from the State Bureau.

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With reference to the Sherrer case, Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover that the memorandum on this case was all prepared. Mr. Hoover inquired if any reference had been found to the letter which Sherrer claims put him on the spot by the Bureau, and Mr. Quinn advised him that no reference had been found to this letter. Mr. Hoover stated that the papers were carrying the story containing a state-out from Sherrer in which he claims that a letter was introduced by the Department of Justice, written by some man who claimed that Sherrer had threatened this man's life, and he, Mr. Hoover, would like to have Mr. Quinn check on this.

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With reference to Mr. Stanley's call that an Agent confer with Mr. Garnett Monday morning, Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Quinn to have an Agent see Mr. Garnett and to be sure that we do not get any of the gambling cases, but that if it had anything to do with the Emotions Investigation, we would probably have to go into it. Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover that Mr. Garnett preferably wanted Agent Lechl, whereupon Mr. Hoover stated that Mr. Garnett could not have Agent Lechl, and that we would send someone else. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Quinn to have Mr. Keith see Mr. Garnett Monday morning and find out just what he wants; that if the Senatorial Committee is certifying someone down to Mr. Garnett for perjury or if it is in connection with any grand jury investigation, we will of course, have to go into it; that Mr. Keith should take it, and then assign an Agent to it; that the Agent should work under us and not under Mr. Garnett.

Mr. Hoover stated that he had been advised that Mr. Brantley is in Washington; that Mr. Brantley should get out right away; that he does not want any delay on the matter in the southwest. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Quinn to advise Mr. Tamm that Mr. Brantley should understand that this is to be done vigorously and independently with our men; that we do not want to have anything to do with this man, Hamer, on the other hand, it should not be spread among the subordinates that Mr. Brantley had orders

not to deal with Hauer; that the situation in the southwest is very delicate and he did not want to have any conflict with Hauer, but at the same time we don't want to be working with him; that we will take anything he has but we are not going to give anything we have; that this has to be done very diplomatically; that he does not want Mr. Brantley submerged or pushed down by Gus Jones or Frank Blake because both are inclined to get around and do something next year; that the United States Attorney has nothing to do with the case until we get it cleaned up; that it should be done like Mr. Connelley in Chicago, as a special assignment, directly out of Washington.

Mr. Hoover advised that he is in room 3011, Hotel New Yorker,

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Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Tolson that he had two appointments on which he had prepared telegrams, E. Russell Davids, Special Agent, and Alex E. Janowski. Mr. Tolson stated that if they have been approved, they should be sent out.

With reference to the Air Patrol in the southwest, Mr. Tolson inquired of Mr. Quinn the outcome of his conversation with Mr. Nathan. Mr. Quinn stated that he talked to Mr. Little in the absence of Mr. Brantley and Mr. Little advised him, Mr. Quinn, that he knew nothing about the Air Patrol; that Mr. Little stated that he would ascertain the facts and submit same to the Bureau by air mail; that Mr. Nathan stated there was some talk several weeks ago about putting on such a test at Wichita, but nothing ever became of it; that if there is such an organization, he knows nothing about it; that he, too will also ascertain the facts and advise the Bureau.

Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Quinn to call Mr. Stanley and tell him that he is in New York City at the Hotel New Yorker; that he, Mr. Hoover will probably be there for several days.

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Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Quinn that he had been thinking over the Detroit case, and instructed Mr. Quinn to see if there is some basis for us to get in on the case; that if there is some basis, he wanted to be advised before a wire is sent to the Chief of Detectives in Detroit; that if the crime occurred subsequent to the Fugitive Act, it would be within our jurisdiction. Mr. Quinn stated that he was not sure about the date, but that he thought it happened before the Fugitive Act. Mr. Hoover stated that he thought that Mr. Quinn should check up on this case and see if there was not some basis for the Bureau to get in on it; that if there were, Mr. Quinn should telephone the Chief of Detectives and explain to him that there is no National Crime Commission; that there is an advisory committee to the Attorney General but which deals with purely administrative matters; that we are, however, making the subject in this case a fugitive from justice under the Federal law and that the Chief of Detectives could state in his announcement that the man is being sought by the Detroit authorities and by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and any information obtained should be reported directly to either of these agencies. Mr. Hoover stated that he thought that

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the Bureau should get into the case if possible and get an indictment against the subject as a fugitive under the Federal Fugitive Act. Mr. Quinn stated that he would look into the matter further before a reply was sent to the telegram from the Chief of Detectives. Mr. Hoover suggested that Mr. Quinn inquire of Mr. Egan regarding the Federal angle of this case as it was Mr. Hoover's recollection that Mr. Egan had looked the matter up some time ago when the papers were playing the case up and inquiring why the Federal government had not taken a hand in it. Mr. Quinn stated that if they found out that it did happen before the Fugitive Act, they would prepare a wire along the lines indicated by the Director, and if any further question arose Mr. Quinn would call the Director on it.

Mr. Hoover stated that if Mr. Willrop or anyone asked what he was doing in New York, Mr. Quinn should evade any direct answer and if he were asked if the Director were up there on the raid matters being staged by the Treasury Department, Mr. Quinn should reply that he had no comment to make.

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Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Brantley that he should endeavor to handle the matter very delicately and carefully; particularly with reference to Hauer, who will probably want to dominate the scene; that Hauer is very suspicious and critical, but thoroughly fearless and honest according to Gus Jones observations. Mr. Hoover stated that after Hauer learns that Mr. Brantley is on the same job he will undoubtedly seek Mr. Brantley out; that Mr. Brantley's position should be that we will take anything Hauer offers to give us, but we will not give him anything; that he should be handled with diplomacy; that this assignment should be handled in the same manner that the Billinger and Bremer assignments in Chicago are being handled, as a special assignment out of Washington; further that Mr. Hoover desired the job to be done quietly and effectively without regard to local authorities, unless we need their assistance, but that Mr. Hoover desired to do the job without their aid if possible, due to the jealousy and dishonesty of the local agencies. Mr. Hoover also stated that he wanted the job done in a vigorous manner; that he did not want any delayed action; that Mr. Brantley had charge of the case and was not to take orders from any of the SAs in those districts in night work; and that he should call on them any time for assistance when it was needed; that he should wire or phone in each day any of the developments.

Mr. Brantley stated that he thought they would be stationed at Dallas for the moment; that he would like to have Agent Frank Smith included in the squad. Mr. Hoover stated that it would be alright to include Agent Smith

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in the squad, although he believed that Agent Smith was somewhat disposed to be of the typical Southwest type, fearless, honest and with much ability along the line of current cases, but somewhat slow in running down cases needing quick administrative action and ability, that Mr. Brantley should report to Washington any observations he made in respect to the men selected for the squad. Mr. Hoover further stated that he did not wish to have any of his comments and observations which he had spoken, repeated to any subordinates, as was the tendency on the part of some of the executive staff, advising him of the situation at Chicago where SAC Ladd had indirectly spoken of his part in the questioning of "Doc" Barker; that Mr. Brantley should not advise anyone of the conversations which he had with Washington, and it was not necessary for the agents to know what each other was doing when they were working on matters of a confidential character; that Mr. Hoover desired each agent to keep very close mouthed about the whole assignment and that they should not be allowed to talk over the case with agents in the Dallas and San Antonio office; that it was Mr. Brantley's job to contact the offices in those districts and advise them of any developments which he saw proper to advise; that Hauer should be watched very closely and that Mr. Brantley should see that the Bureau was given fair credit for its part in the case; that however, care should be exercised to prevent any open feud between Hauer and the Bureau, as he would be inclined to issue a statement stating that he was unable to secure any cooperation from the Federal Government and the Department of Justice.

Mr. Hoover inquired why Mr. Brantley had not known of the formation of the "Flying Squadron". Mr. Brantley advised that he had not deemed it of sufficient importance to advise the Bureau, as in his opinion it was merely an effort of Stanley Rogers to get his name in the paper; that he only had one old plane in which he had installed a radio and that the plan, if at all carried out, was merely in a formulative stage. Mr. Hoover stated that it had been given considerable publicity and that he considered it important that the Bureau get in on the formulative stages of any such activity; that the newspapers had reported that the squadron had two planes in Oklahoma and one at Kansas City. Mr. Brantley stated that he had not heard of these latter planes; that the one owned by Stanley Rogers was the only one he knew about. Mr. Hoover stated that if we did not get in at the start of such things they would be taking away the credit from our men and focusing public attention upon themselves; that he, Mr. Hoover, believed that we should get all the credit due us in the public eye and should endeavor to keep ourselves there by active participation in such projects which are worthy of consideration. Mr. Hoover stated that he thought there might be possibilities in the plan for such a squadron in the pursuit of bank robbers, fugitives, etc., and although it was uncertain where we would be able to get the planes, nevertheless we should be in on the plan and he was concerned about the report that we did not know anything about it; that he understood Rogers was very friendly toward the Bureau, and he did not understand why he, Rogers, had not consulted Mr. Brantley before starting on the plan. Mr. Brantley stated that Rogers

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was in fact very friendly toward the Bureau; that he had sent a letter last fall, according to Mr. Brantley's recollection, to the effect that he was contemplating a plane service for his office but there was nothing in the letter about including four states. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Brantley that Mr. Little should be advised to ascertain what the details of the plan were and what had been done in this regard so the Bureau will be fully advised and will know what is going on, regardless whether or not we take a part in the plan; that it might be well for Mr. Brantley to get Rogers on the telephone and find out what it is all about. Mr. Brantley advised that all the New York papers are carrying a story concerning the plan; that due to the publicity, the other states will probably try a similar plan, and if it were recognized that the Bureau was helping to develop the present plan, the other states would probably look to the Bureau for advice if they chose a similar plan, and it would not be set down as purely an activity of the local authorities.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 18, 1935.

(Time - 11:40 a.m.)

Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Backus	.....
Mr. Baughman	.....
Chief Clerk	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Edwards	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Keith	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Schilder	.....
Mr. Smith	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

MEMORANDUM

Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover at New York, by telephone, that he had told Mr. Stanley this morning where Mr. Hoover is, and Mr. Stanley's words were: "What - - - are we going to do to get him out fishing".

Mr. Quinn advised that he had contacted Colonel Lincoln and Mr. Baker. He further stated that Mr. John Keith is out this morning - he had a bad cold - and so he had Agent Hickey, in charge of the office, go down to see Garnett, who told Hickey that the Senate Committee had certified to him a brief containing a possible perjury case; that he wanted a check-up made on Mr. L. R. Wilder, Chairman of the Executive Board of the Gulf Industries, and also Mr. Calvin, Secretary and Treasurer of the Metal Trades Department, American Federation of Labor; also, a sworn statement from Mr. [redacted] attorney-at-law in Washington, and a sworn statement from Mr. [redacted]

Mr. Hoover inquired if our investigation was limited just to these, and Mr. Quinn stated Yes - in other words, it seems as though on August 3, 1933, in response to an invitation to bid, Wilder makes the statement that Mr. Raven (?) professed to have a close friend here in Washington who could have the Naval Ship-building Program extended for a consideration, and have certain ships awarded to the Gulf Industries for constructions. Mr. Hoover stated what he has in mind is, when we investigate, we make an investigation, and as he understands this request it is merely desired that we see certain people, and no other persons. Mr. Quinn stated that we had not received the brief from the Committee. Mr. Hoover stated what he had in mind is he does not think that we should be restricted - if we are going to make an investigation, we should go into the matter, and not just see certain persons. Mr. Quinn stated he told Hickey to wait until we received certification from Mr. Stanley for the proceedings there, make a complete review of it, and then we would select an Agent to handle the same. Mr. Hoover said we will wait until we receive the brief, of course, and then see whether the things Garnett wants us to do would be entirely complete, and if so, all right; but if other things should be done we should inform him that the things he has requested are not complete and if we are to proceed in this matter, we are going to do it thoroughly, or not at all. In other words, if he tells us to interview say

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five persons, and we find in reading the brief going into the matter that it will be necessary to interview nine persons to do it thoroughly, and we speak to Mr. Garnett, who says he does not want the other four interviewed, then we should decline to make the investigation; that the responsibility will be ours to do a thorough job and we are not going to "white-wash" it. Mr. Hoover specifically instructed that this matter be gone into very thoroughly, and if it be found that Garnett's request is not complete, he should be so advised and find out whether he wants to have a complete investigation made, and if not, we will not conduct the investigation at all.

Mr. Hoover inquired with regard to the Detroit situation, and Mr. Quinn advised we have been purposely keeping out of that, according to Mr. Tamm; however, that it did happen after the Federal statute was passed, so he contacted the Deputy Chief of Detectives out there Saturday afternoon and told him that we desired not to have that title used but that he could state that Goodrich's apprehension was desired by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Mr. Quinn stated he further told him that Mr. Larson, the Agent in Charge at Detroit, would get in touch with him, and we would go along and do everything we possibly could. Mr. Hoover inquired whether we had taken steps to have the indictment returned on this man, and Mr. Quinn stated that Mr. Tamm talked to Larson on the subject Saturday afternoon, and arrangements have been made, he understands, to get an indictment and we are going to issue an I.O. Mr. Hoover instructed that this be done right away, and let no delay occur, in either the I.O. or the indictment, as we want to be thoroughly protected if we run across him.

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Subsequent to the conversation with Mr. Hoover, Mr. Tolson advised Mr. Quinn by telephone, also from New York, that, with regard to the call from Mr. Maragon, it does not matter to us what radio station they use, although Archie McDonald is a good announcer, and WJSV is probably larger than WMAL, and that he would say WJSV, although it does not make a bit of difference. Mr. Tolson stated that Mr. Maragon may use our name in getting the radio stations to cooperate, so he thinks it is entirely up to Mr. Maragon. Mr. Quinn stated he would contact Mr. Maragon and tell him that in so far as we are concerned, it does not make any difference. Mr. Tolson stated that, of course, Mr. Hoover will not go on the air in this connection, under any circumstances, and Mr. Maragon should make the arrangements, himself.

Mr. Tolson requested Mr. Quinn to have Mr. Schilder write a letter to Mr. Walter Winchell, dealing with the receipt of fingerprints from Miami and the number identified, and any pertinent information that it is entirely proper to give out. Mr. Tolson stated we have been getting a lot



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of fingerprints of persons employed as entertainers, applicants for special police, guards, et cetera, and it is really an astounding record, and he requested that Mr. Schilder prepare a letter to Mr. Walter Winchell just summarizing the matter, so that Mr. Hoover can see the letter and sign it up there.

Mr. Tolson also requested Mr. Quinn to inquire of Mr. Richmond what success he had on the baseball permit - he was curious to know whether they told him we would be able to get the South Diamond on the Ellipse for our games this Summer. Mr. Tolson stated he would like to know the next time he talks with Mr. Quinn.

Mr. Quinn stated that Mr. Clegg desired to talk with Mr. Tolson about something, he didn't say what. He further stated that Mr. Clegg is now reviewing Mr. Nathan's talks, and there were only a couple of things which he, Mr. Quinn, thought should be left out. Mr. Tolson said to tell Mr. Clegg we should be sure these talks are all right, and that he, Mr. Clegg, should see them.

Mr. Quinn told Mr. Tolson he contacted Colonel Lincoln, Mr. Stanley and Mr. Baker. Mr. Tolson inquired whether Colonel Lincoln wanted to come over, and Mr. Quinn stated No - he would like Mr. Tolson to give him a call when he arrived back in the city, and that Mr. Baker said from reading the papers he could understand why Mr. Hoover is out of the city, with all this going on. Mr. Tolson said this was just as well.

Mr. Quinn stated he had ordered overtime in Mr. Renneberger's section, and inquired whether Mr. Tolson desired them to hold a meeting in his absence and consider the North Dakota-South Dakota proposition, and Mr. Tolson advised that he did, and desired that they reach a definite recommendation. Mr. Tolson inquired as to Mr. Renneberger's situation on the Manual, and Mr. Quinn advised that he sent Mrs. Henley down with Miss Wall this morning to start proofing it, and the general letter to go out is being typed. Mr. Tolson stated this was dictated last Thursday - that Mr. Clegg told him before he left town that that letter was dictated - and that surely they are not still transcribing it. Mr. Quinn stated that it was pretty lengthy, and Mr. Tolson said it will be eight or ten pages, but it should not take three or four days just to get it typed. Mr. Tolson said he would like Mr. Quinn to get this letter typed by five o'clock and go over it with the Executive Committee and make sure that everything in the letter is all right, because

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we do not want to issue any instructions to the field, and then have to countermand them.

Mr. Quinn stated that the Appropriations Bill, so far as he could find out this morning, is still on the Floor of the House. Mr. Tolson said he had been told it had reached final conference. Mr. Quinn repeated that it is still on the Floor, and Mr. Tolson said they may have some angle there, but he does not suppose we are connected with it, and Mr. Quinn stated we are not, so far as he knows, but he will follow it, and if anything does come up he would call Mr. Tolson. Mr. Tolson stated he did not think there will be any trouble.

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## MEMORANDUM

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Mr. Tolson telephoned from New York City and talked to Mr. Quinn. Mr. Tolson stated that Mr. C. S. Baker, President of the George Washington Alumni Association, called him Saturday and expressed the desire to come in Monday and see Mr. Hoover with the President of the Rotarians; that they want to invite Mr. Hoover to make a speech sometime in April before a group of six or seven hundred. Mr. Tolson instructed Mr. Quinn to call Mr. Baker tomorrow and tell him that Mr. Tolson had asked him, Mr. Quinn, to call and say that unfortunately Mr. Hoover and Mr. Tolson would not be in Washington on Monday, and accordingly Mr. Baker may want to wait a day or two until Mr. Hoover and Mr. Tolson return to Washington; that he, Mr. Tolson, will be glad to call him and make an appointment for him to see Mr. Hoover.

Mr. Tolson further stated that on Saturday he talked to Colonel Lincoln, head of the Military Intelligence Division of the War Department; that he invited Colonel to come to the Bureau on Tuesday at 10:30 A.M. to see the Bureau and Mr. Hoover. Mr. Tolson instructed Mr. Quinn to call Colonel Lincoln tomorrow morning and tell him that Mr. Hoover does not expect to be in Washington on Tuesday morning; that Mr. Quinn should tell him that he would be very glad to show him through the Bureau if he wants to come over at that time; that if Colonel Lincoln wants to wait until Mr. Hoover and Mr. Tolson return, Mr. Tolson will be glad to call him earlier in the week. Mr. Tolson stated that he spoke to Colonel Lincoln about Mr. Hoover's commission, having in mind that Mr. Hoover might be able to get a colonelcy; that Colonel Lincoln seems to be very much perturbed because they were going in the Navy Intelligence; that Colonel Lincoln indicated that he wanted to talk to Mr. Hoover about it. Mr. Quinn assured Mr. Tolson that Colonel Lincoln would show through in the event he desires to visit the Bureau.

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Mr. Tolson further advised Mr. Quinn that he had received some mail from Miss Gandy and that it was in terrible shape; that a return addressed envelope was not sent; that a lot of the mail was in very poor shape; that he is going to have to send it back with a note to Miss Gandy. Mr. Tolson stated that he was going to try to put it in the mail today; that it is being sent to Mr. Hoover with "Attention Miss Gandy".

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With reference to the letters in Mr. Backus' office, Mr. Quinn inquired if they should be held up until he returns. Mr. Tolson stated that he should see them, and that probably Mr. Hoover will want to see them. Mr. Tolson inquired of Mr. Quinn if Miss Gandy signed the last group and he was advised that she did, whereupon Mr. Tolson stated that it would be all right for Miss Gandy to sign them and send them out, with the exception of those for the Attorney General's Advisory Committee and

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the Executive Committee of the International Association which should be held for Mr. Hoover; that the one to Congressman Oliver and several similar ones Mr. Hoover might want to sign personally.

Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Tolson that he had not called Mr. Stanley but would do so.

Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Tolson that the dance was quite a success; that the only trouble was that there was too much of a crowd; that the Association made approximately one hundred and twenty five or one hundred and fifty dollars; that there was no excessive drinking and everything went off fine.

Mr. Tolson instructed Mr. Quinn to check up with Mr. Holtzoff the matter of pending bills in order that Mr. Quinn and Mr. Glavin might ascertain the present status of them; that there is a bill to permit the Bureau to pay the expenses in case of damage to a car and a bill pertaining to insurance which the Veterans Administration has been working on. Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Tolson that the Appropriation bill as far as he could find out was not signed yesterday.

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Mr. Tolson then talked with Mr. Tamm and inquired if he had found the letter in the Shearer case dated March 27, 1929. Mr. Tamm advised that they had found a memorandum prepared by Bardo, who is one of the officers of the Bethlehem Steel Co.; that this is undoubtedly the document referred to; that it was written in Bardo's handwriting and tells of a meeting in a hotel room and states that Shearer threatened to kill Wakefield (?); that this memorandum appeared to have been given to Mr. Whitley. Mr. Tolson then inquired about the letter which was referred to in the Washington Post article, dated March 27, 1929, which Shearer is supposed to have sent to Homer L. Ferguson, President of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Co. Mr. Tamm stated that they had not found this letter; that the only thing about the killing is the memorandum by Bardo. Mr. Tolson stated that the killing was only one angle to the matter; that the letter is supposed to contain a list of the fourteen Senators including the nine specifically mentioned as being opposed to the bill and are recorded as having past affiliations with the Communist party. Mr. Tamm stated that he would recheck this himself, personally today. Mr. Tolson stated that the article mentioned was the Washington Post of Saturday on Page 3; that the letter mentioned in this article appears to be the principal thing involved; that if the letter cannot be found it would possibly be a good thing to be able to state that no such letter appears in the files of the Department; that he is supposed to have produced the letter before the Committee. Mr. Tolson stated that he might call in later, but Mr. Tamm stated he would call Mr. Tolson after going through the file.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
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Washington, D. C.  
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Mr. Tamm telephoned Mr. Hoover and advised him that the letter written by Shearer to Ferguson had been found in the file; that it had not been found in the first instance due to the fact that Mr. Tamm had instructed Agent Richmond merely to find the statements threatening to kill Wakeman, and that the letter in question had contained no reference to this and had consequently been passed over. Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover that this letter had been signed by Shearer and sent to Ferguson; that Bardo's memorandum is another document containing a conversation which he had with Shearer; that this memorandum is a photostatic copy of the memo which was given to Mr. Whitley in 1929, secured from the files of the Norfolk Shipbuilding Company; that these papers had been sent to the Assistant to the Attorney General O'Brian in 1929. Mr. Tamm advised that no inquiries had been received from the Department concerning this. Mr. Hoover stated that these papers should be kept together and the information summarized in a memorandum in case any inquiries come in concerning it. Mr. Hoover inquired if any reference was made to the Senators who were supposed to be Communists. Mr. Tamm stated that the letter contained the statement that there were twelve Senators who opposed the Cruiser bill, of which nine are recorded in the Department of Justice as having past affiliations with the Communist party, but the names of these Senators are not mentioned, however the newspaper clippings at that time pointed out the names of the twelve Senators who opposed the Cruiser bill.

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Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover that there was a story in the Washington Herald that SAC Guinane had announced an investigation would be undertaken into the sterilization of women on the West Coast; that he was trying to reach Mr. Guinane on the telephone to find out what this was all about. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Tamm to find out from Mr. Guinane the facts concerning this, and send him a memorandum on it to the Bureau.

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Mr. Hoover stated that there was a statement in the papers today which quoted Mr. Harvey as saying what would be done with the boy who was taken into custody in the Hyde extortion case; and Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Tamm to telephone Mr. Harvey and find out what the facts were in this case; that in cases of this kind the Bureau should first be contacted before a statement is issued.

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Mr. Hoover inquired if Mr. Tamm had talked to Mr. Connelley about the matter of having Mrs. Cowley at the trial. Mr. Tamm advised that Mr. Connelley had told Mr. McMahon that Mrs. Cowley was in the West somewhere

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and that Mr. McMahon was very nice about the matter and stated that it did not make much difference anyway, and that Mr. Connelley had indicated that he had Mr. McMahon on very agreeable terms.

Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover that the Washington papers were carrying statements to the effect that certain suspects who were questioned by the Treasury Department in Chicago in one of the raids, had furnished information as to the whereabouts of Alvin Karpis, but that Mr. Connelley had stated that this statement was entirely unfounded, and in his opinion was just an attempt to make headlines. Mr. Tamm stated that he had also learned from Mr. Connelley that so far none of the Bureau's informants had been picked up in any raids. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Tamm to watch this situation very closely.

Mr. Hoover stated that he had sent to Mr. Tamm a memorandum concerning the matter of a post office inspector covering a <sup>case</sup> and that he would like to have Mr. Tamm send him a memorandum concerning this tomorrow; that Mr. Tamm should prepare a memorandum to the Attorney General concerning this with a copy of Mr. Stanley, reviewing the past difficulties and what Mr. Keenan is supposed to have arranged and then describe the recent situation, pointing out that the Bureau cannot work under such circumstances and inquire of the Attorney General if it would possible to have the matter settled for once and for all to remove such obstacles; and that Mr. Tamm should read this memorandum to Mr. Hoover over the telephone after it had been prepared, and if it is alright it can be sent to Mr. Hoover at New York for his signature.

Mr. Tamm advised that Mr. Stanley is leaving at 6:00 PM tonight; that he has gone over the situation very carefully with him and advised him of the Director's wishes, particularly with reference to keeping close mouthed about the whole matter.

Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Tamm to telephone Mr. Ladd at Chicago and have them advise Mr. Nathan to call Mr. Hoover at New York after Mr. Nathan has completed his investigation in Chicago and advise Mr. Hoover of the results.

Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover of the information received from the Kansas City office relative to the air patrol being formed in Kansas and Oklahoma.

Mr. Tamm also advised Mr. Hoover of the information received from Mr. Ladd that the Treasury Department had a man in Chicago whose sole job is to contact newspaper men and stir up publicity regarding the work of the Treasury Department. Mr. Hoover stated that judging from the stories he had read that the Treasury Department is apparently doing the same thing all over the country and are coordinating their activity in regard to publicity.

John Paul Chase

mailroom  
Edward Hamilton

OK

Memorandum telephone conversation  
Mr. Tamm and Mr. Hoover

3/17/35

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Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Tamm to advise Mr. Ladd to keep close watch of the matter in Chicago in order to learn of any pertinent information.

Mr. Tolson then talked to Mr. Tamm and asked Mr. Tamm to advise Mr. Quinn to check up on the following matters:

With regard to the manuals, Mr. Tolson wishes to have them speeded up in order that they will get out immediately and that overtime should be ordered if necessary.

Mr. Quinn should see that the general letter being prepared by Mr. Clegg regarding manual suggestions is gotten out immediately and this should be reviewed by everyone to see that it is alright.

Mr. Quinn should expedite the report on the advisability of having an office to cover the North and South Dakota territory and that this matter should be taken up by the Executive Committee for a final decision before being submitted to the Director.

Mr. Nathan's talk has been sent in to Mr. Quinn to review and Mr. Tolson wishes to have Mr. Quinn and Mr. Clegg review this carefully to see that it is alright.

Mr. Hoover then talked to Mr. Tamm again and advised him that the mail which had been sent to him to sign had been received in terrible condition and that Mr. Quinn should take this matter up with Miss Gandy; that no return envelope had been sent to him to return the mail to Washington; that a letter had been addressed to Colonel Howe at the White House enclosing photostatic copies of a report on an association which Colonel Howe had been interested in and this letter with the copies referred had been sent up to be mailed in an envelope two inches too small; that a letter had been addressed to Mr. Brantley in care of Mr. Clegg and that he should have been addressed in care of the Chief Clerk's office; that this last error had occurred in Mr. Hoover's own office; and that Mr. Quinn should make arrangements to see that the mail in the future is sent up to Mr. Hoover in better form.

Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Tamm to watch things closely and inform him of any matters arising.

Mr. Tamm inquired if the Director would wish to send the Attorney General or Mr. Stanley the material in the Shearer matter. Mr. Hoover advised that he did not believe this should be done unless we were called upon to advise them.

Mr. Hoover stated that if nothing came up he would remain in New York for several more days.

*TAMM advised*

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 17, 1935

Time-8:30 P.M.

EAT:RUF

- Mr. Nathan.....
- Mr. Tolson.....
- Mr. Backus.....
- Mr. Baughman.....
- Chief Clerk.....
- Mr. Clegg.....
- Mr. Coffey.....
- Mr. Edwards.....
- Mr. Egan.....
- Mr. Harbo.....
- Mr. Keith.....
- Mr. Lester.....
- Mr. Quinn.....
- Mr. Schilder.....
- Mr. Smith.....
- Mr. Tamm.....
- Mr. Tracy.....
- Miss Gandy.....

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Statements to Press by Mr. Guinane

I called Mr. Guinane in San Francisco this evening and advised him of the article in the Washington papers which quoted him as saying on behalf of the Federal Government, that a searching investigation would be launched into reports that young unmarried girls were being sterilized upon advice of county welfare officials. Mr. Guinane denied making any such statement. He advised that the Grand Jury of Contra Costa county were investigating sterilization and one of the grand jurors called on him in an effort to enlist the aid of the Bureau. The juror was told that there was no evidence of a violation of the White Slave Traffic Act, so the Bureau could not go into it. Mr. Guinane stated that the Grand Jury gave this information to the newspapers and Yates of the Examiner called to inquire if an investigation was to be started. He was told that nothing could be done, but that if any definite indications arose that there was a violation of a Federal law, it would be investigated. Mr. Guinane stated he would get Yates to verify just what was told him in his conversation with Mr. Guinane.

Mr. Guinane advised that Mr. Olson, one of the grand jurors, contacted him with respect to procuring investigators to probe these charges; that he was advised that the Bureau could do nothing and that perhaps the State Bureau could be of assistance. Mr. Olson stated that this was the information he wanted; just who he should see.

I instructed Mr. Guinane to forward a letter to the Bureau as soon as possible setting forth his conversation with Yates; to forward tonight a telegraphic summary of the above facts including the conversation with Yates.

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Respectfully, 66-4760-11

E. A. Tamm.  
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Memoranda of telephone \* San Francisco  
 call to J. E. Hoover

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 18, 1935.

(Time: 11:40 a.m.)

## MEMORANDUM

Mr. Nathan	.....
Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Backus	.....
Mr. Baughman	.....
Chief Clerk	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
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Mr. Schilder	.....
Mr. Smith	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover in New York, by telephone, that he had talked with Mr. Guinane last night about the sterilization statement, and he denies he made any such statement, and sent us a night letter last night stating that B. C. Yates of the San Francisco Examiner inquired if we were assisting in the investigation, to which Mr. Tamm definitely stated that we were not; that to his inquiry whether we intended to investigate the matter Mr. Tamm replied that no complaint had been made to this office, and no investigation would be made unless definite information was furnished this office indicating a violation of the WSTA. Mr. Tamm states he asked him to trace back on the matter in an effort to determine where the story emanated and try to stop that sort of thing out there, but Mr. Guinane states very emphatically he did not make any such statement.

Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover further that one of the jurors on the County Grand Jury investigating alleged scandal on that matter, came to Mr. Guinane and asked if we would give them some assistance, and Mr. Guinane told him he could not and would not take any action unless they brought in prima facie evidence of a violation of the WSTA or some other Federal Statute within our jurisdiction; that Mr. Guinane made this very emphatic, and told them that if they wanted assistance in the investigation of local crimes, they should get in touch with the State Bureau in California. Mr. Tamm repeated that Mr. Guinane stated emphatically that he did not make any statement to the press that we were going to do this at all; in fact, the only man he talked to at all was Yates. Mr. Hoover inquired what paper it appeared in, and Mr. Tamm stated in the Herald - a Universal Service story. Mr. Hoover asked if it had appeared in any of the San Francisco papers, and Mr. Tamm stated that Mr. Guinane did not know if it did. Mr. Hoover said if it was carried as a San Francisco bulletin, Mr. Guinane should go to see the City Editor and tell him he would like to know what the article is predicated on, as it is an absolute lie. Mr. Tamm stated that Mr. Guinane said that Yates of the Examiner is the only one who asked him about it, and he is going to get in touch with Yates and get a story from him as to what he did with the information which he, Guinane, furnished Yates. Mr. Hoover stated that there must be some ambiguity upon the part of the SAC (Guinane) handling such matters, as he gets constantly quoted. Mr. Tamm remarked that it is strange that Guinane

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(Mr. Tamm)

*b7c* is quoted all the time when he is not making statements, and the other SAC's do not have that difficulty, and along this line he talked with Mr. Harvey about the ~~case~~ case and he is absolutely innocent and has made no statements to anybody about anything, and says that the newspaper men attended the Commissioner's Hearing and that is where they got their information; that the Philadelphia papers did not quote him, but he pointed out that it is often a trick of the newspaper men to make a statement about him, and then follow it by information obtained from some other source and make it appear as though they were quoting him, and that he, Mr. Harvey, had not made any statements. Mr. Hoover remarked that this is possible, but not very probable.

*b7c* Mr. Tamm advised the Director that, with regard to the Goodrich case in Detroit, he talked with Mr. Larson about the matter on Saturday afternoon and he said he had wanted to get into the case some time ago but that the City authorities - the police - had seemed somewhat reluctant to have us in the case. Mr. Larson, according to Mr. Tamm, went so far as to go to the District Attorney and ask him to see if the prosecuting attorney would not ask us to come into the case, but that the police seemed rather reluctant and this is the reason he has never gone ahead with it. Mr. Hoover inquired whether Mr. Larson had ever notified us of this, and Mr. Tamm stated he did not; that Mr. Larson says he thought it was purely a local offense, and Mr. Tamm inquired of him why he thought we should go into it, and Mr. Larson indicated that he just wanted to get into it and help them if he could. Mr. Hoover stated that the whole trouble is we have got to get into it now, and if we were in the position of specifically asking some months ago when this occurred whether we could be of assistance, and they told us no, we could very nicely say, about the criticism we have received from the press, that we had offered assistance but it had been declined, but as it is now, we do not know what Larson has said, and the matter is very vague as we cannot say that they refused to accept our aid, and it is this sort of thing which puts us in a very bad light. Mr. Tamm advised that Mr. Larson has an appointment with the Chief of Detectives this afternoon, to go over the whole thing, and will advise Mr. Tamm of the results. Mr. Hoover stated that Mr. Larson should get the indictment in the Federal Court against this man, and be thoroughly protected.

Mr. Tamm told Mr. Hoover that Mr. Whitley called this morning about stories in the New York Mirror to the effect that Federal Agents and police are investigating in the various Harlem night clubs, looking for Robinson disguised as a woman, which he, Mr. Tamm, presumes is predicated upon Winchell's broadcast last night, and says they know nothing about it and the police know nothing about it. Mr. Hoover said Mr. Tamm should tell Whitley to make no

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*Whitley*

(Mr. Tamm)

comment to the press about the matter; that he, Mr. Hoover, was with Winchell at the broadcast and he had this item written up before Mr. Hoover got there, and wanted to know whether it was all right, et cetera, and Mr. Hoover told him that one guess is as good as another. Mr. Tamm stated that technically we are looking for him in New York. Mr. Hoover said what he had in mind was Winchell also had in the broadcast about Frank Wilson in New Orleans, and it might be well to have ourselves in the picture, even though there is nothing to it. Mr. Hoover stated he asked that he, Winchell, put in something about the Hamilton-Karpis, Robinson matter, which he did. Mr. Hoover stated he was trying to re-gain some of the publicity which we have lost during the past week. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Tamm to tell Mr. Whitley that, if any newspapers call, he should refuse to make any comment, and if any inquiries are made in Washington, Mr. Tamm should tell Colonel Gates or Mr. Suydam he does not know anything about that matter as Mr. Hoover is handling it, and is in New York, and let it stand at that. Mr. Hoover stated the paper was already printed and on the street with this story in it, and Winchell picked it off the second page.

Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover further that Mr. Carusi called him this morning and referred to Shearer's statement, and wanted to know whether we had any lists of Communists in our files, and was told we did not. Mr. Carusi read to Mr. Tamm a newspaper clipping which quoted a high official of the Department of Justice who is supposed to have said the other day that we not only had no lists of Communists in the Department files but that there were no Federal Statutes penalizing such activities. Mr. Tamm told Mr. Carusi he did not know who the high Department of Justice official was, but it was very accurate, so far as he, Mr. Tamm, knew. Mr. Carusi announced he was the high Department of Justice official who made the statement. Mr. Tamm advised the Director we have a plant in New York City, using 12 men, 6 at a time, covering the Conrad woman, who is a friend of Gladys Sawyer; that she went to New York the other day; that Gladys Sawyer is the wife of Harry Sawyer; that Harry Sawyer is a friend of William Weiss or Weissman over around Newark, and we thought we might get a lead on Harry Sawyer, but it has not developed anything as yet. Mr. Hoover instructed that word be given to Whitley, if anything breaks on this, to advise Mr. Hoover at the Hotel New Yorker. Mr. Hoover stated he had not gone to the New York Office, but had been in touch, now and then, with it. He stated he did not desire to go to the office unless it was something absolutely necessary.

(Mr. Tamm)

Mr. Tamm stated that instructions have been issued to the New York Office that if they get any lead on Sawyer, not to go off prematurely and try to pick him up on the street, but to try to trail him back where he is, because that may lead to the capture of other members of the mob. Mr. Hoover said this is what he had in mind, because if we follow him, he may lead us to Karpis and the other crowd, because they may be hanging around New York.

Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover that we have this morning a request from Bruce Nathan to be informed whether he should go along and conduct some additional minor investigations in connection with the State indictment of Adam Richetti for murder - the County Attorney has asked them for one or two items which are probably not in our files; namely, as to whether certain witnesses can testify as to the price of clothes that Floyd and Richetti had on a particular day. Mr. Hoover said he thought we should help on this, and Mr. Tamm said he did not see how we can avoid it because the police will not give them any help, and after all, we have a personal interest in the murder. Mr. Hoover stated it would react badly against us if they lose that case. Mr. Tamm stated he would instruct Nathan to go along with it.

Mr. Tamm stated to the Director that he talked with Mr. Ladd last night and told him to have Mr. Nathan call the Director as soon as he completes his inquiries there today.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

October 2, 1935.

Time - P. M.

MEMORANDUM

During a conversation with Mr. Tolson at Detroit Mr. Quinn advised him of the following:

Mr. Quinn stated Mr. Rex Collier was in and advised that the Boettcher case goes on next Saturday night; that Mr. Collier states Mr. Tolson has revised copies of this and the changes were made; that there were no changes in the body of it.

Mr. Quinn stated Mr. Maragon telephoned and wants Barry for a baseball game tomorrow afternoon. Mr. Tolson stated this would be all right but that Barry would have to make up the time.

Mr. Quinn stated Judge Holtzoff called and stated he had received the report from the Bureau of Standards; that Butler's contention was incorrect, the trouble was not in defective wiring but it was a poor job of wiring; that there are too many electrical attachments for the generator; that in this connection Butler's attorney conferred with Judge Holtzoff this morning and Butler has agreed to put on an oversized generator. Mr. Tolson stated that Butler would notify him when the generator was installed and then the matter would be handled direct with Butler and Judge Holtzoff could fade out of the picture.

Mr. Quinn advised of a conference with contractors in regard to the gymnasium and Mr. Tolson stated it would be Mr. Quinn's job, the only one for him to do, to get the gymnasium built.

Mr. Quinn also stated a letter had been received from Mr. Dunn at Los Angeles showing the motion pictures that had been exempt. Mr. Tolson said this matter could wait his return.

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Re: Charles Boettcher*

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

1:00 PM.

December 30, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM: TELEPHONE CALL FROM MR. HOOVER TO MR. QUINN.

Mr. Quinn advised the Director that Mr. Harold Horan, of the "Time" Magazine telephoned this morning and said that he is preparing a skit for the March of Time and that there is a question of procedure involved and that he would like to talk to Mr. Quinn about it. Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Horan that Mr. Hoover handles all of the major cases and any question of procedure would have to be settled by him. Mr. Horan said he would call Mr. Quinn tomorrow morning. The Hauptmann case is the topic of the skit.

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Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover that Mr. Churchill, of the "G Men" magazine will be in this afternoon to go on tour.

Mr. Quinn advised that Mr. Suydam called him this morning and requested eighty more copies of the article entitled "Police Training School". He is going to release this immediately and will need these copies to give one to each press representative.

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Mr. Hoover said there were two releases sent to Mr. Suydam - the one concerning the curricula and one on the faculty and the members of the school. The third one is the one Mr. Clegg will use for inquiries coming to him from the outside.

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Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Quinn to furnish Mr. Suydam with the copies he has requested.

Mr. Quinn said he had gotten in touch with Mr. McFall this morning concerning the date of the appropriations hearings. He was advised by Mr. McFall that the hearings will start on the fifteenth of January and he could not see how they will reach Justice before January the twentieth or February first.

Mr. Suydam called Mr. Quinn this morning and said he has received inquiries from the press as to whether the Bureau is holding anyone in New York on the extortion case concerning Mr. Quinn advised him that the Bureau is holding a man and that he has admitted writing the extortion notes.

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Mr. Quinn said Mr. Suydam also called him later and asked if a successor has been named to take the place of Special Agent in Charge Harvey. Mr. Quinn advised that none has been named and that undoubtedly none would be named until Mr. Hoover returns to the city.

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-2- Telephone call from Mr. Hoover to Mr. Quinn 12-30-35.

Mr. Quinn advised that Mr. Reinecke has asked if he may talk before the State Training School for Police on January 17th at Indianapolis. Mr. Quinn thinks he should do this, and see what happens. Mr. Hoover said he thinks this is all right.

Mr. Quinn advised that the wife of W. A. Smith, who has been ordered in for the January 6th school, is ill and the Doctor has advised against leaving her alone. Mr. Hoover said have Smith stay at Kansas City and cancel the order bringing him to Washington.

Mr. Quinn advised that there will be about thirty children in the tour this afternoon.

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\*Ind. State Training School,  
Police

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 14, 1936.

TDQ:GHB

Time: 7:15 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: CANCELLATION OF TRAINING SCHOOL FOR AGENTS IN CHARGE; MR. BAUGHMAN'S ILLNESS, AND THE MARTIN MOONEY CASE.

At this time I called Mr. Tolson in New York City and talked with him regarding the following matters.

Mr. Tolson informed me that he had instructed Mr. Douglas last Saturday afternoon to cancel the training school for the Agents in Charge, but that in spite of this instruction Mr. Whitley had received a letter this morning directing him to report in Washington on January 27th. Mr. Tolson stated that he had advised Mr. Douglas of the Director's approval of the cancellation and had therefore told Mr. Douglas to ignore any letter to the contrary which might come through later. Mr. Tolson requested that I contact Mr. Douglas to determine the reason for this mistake and report back to him tomorrow.

Mr. Tolson then made an inquiry as to why Mr. Baughman, who was reported ill last Saturday and unable to accompany a training class to Quantico, was in the technical laboratory working and apparently well when Mr. Tolson went through with a group of visitors. I informed Mr. Tolson that I had seen Mr. Baughman when he came in last Saturday. At that time Mr. Baughman advised me that the doctor had ordered him to remain at home but that some important work needed his attention at the Bureau and he had disobeyed the doctor's instructions by coming in to attend to it.

I then advised Mr. Tolson that Martin Mooney had been in this morning and that I had allowed him to dictate a memorandum indicating the various materials needed for his new book. Mr. Mooney stated that he probably wouldn't need the material for a month and that he was leaving for New York in order to enter the tombs tomorrow or the next day. He also said he had received an advance royalty on his book in order to get unhampered publicity. I informed Mr. Tolson that Mr. Mooney had prepared two stories. One is entitled "The Back Door," and is claimed by Mr. Mooney to be the most vicious attack on the parole system that he has ever written. This story will precede the book in the form of a movie. The other story is entitled, "Bullets or Ballets," and will star Ed Robinson. I advised Mr. Tolson that Mr. Mooney had stated that it was agreed with Hearst that Mooney should come back here

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Mr. Baughman	✓
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and enter the tombs and that Hearst would force a parole. Mr. Mooney's attorney had met him at Harmon, Indiana, however, and told him that the Governor had no right to grant a parole unless the sentence were for six months or more. Mr. Mooney stated that he intended to serve the sentence of 24 days and said he would be the goat if it would help the cause.

I advised Mr. Tolson that the speeches are being sent out but that a few are being held up. Mr. Tolson agreed that those speeches directed to Young of the Federal Laboratories, Stanley Reed, and Governor Hoffman should be held up for the present.

Respectfully,



T. D. Quinn.

*Oklahoma - Memphis & Kansas -  
affairs - Dean*

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 15, 1936.

Time-11:00A.M.

Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Glavin	.....
Mr. Ladd	.....
Mr. Nichols	.....
Mr. Rosen	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Mr. Carson	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Foxworth	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Joseph	.....
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Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Nease	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

## MEMORANDUM

RE: Director's conversation with  
Mr. Tamm.

Telephone call 7:00 PM 1/16

Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover that the District Attorney at Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania is sending his certified papers to the New York City Police Department today with a request that they get in touch with our New York Office; that he, Mr. Tamm, has instructed Mr. Whitley to stay away from Speicher until the word is received.

With reference to the call received by Agent Shivers from Mr. Schwarzkopf yesterday, Mr. Tamm stated that Shivers was out of the office at lunch when the call came in; that Schwarzkopf talked to Agent Rose who told Mr. Schwarzkopf that he would bring the matter to the attention of the Agent in Charge as soon as he returned; that Shivers called the bureau as soon as he returned.

Mr. Tamm told Mr. Hoover that the Bremer Trial looks pretty good on paper. Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover of a bank robbery in Los Angeles yesterday.

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Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover of a teletype received from Agent Blake in Dallas concerning Training School for Law Enforcement Officers in the Dallas District which started today. Mr. Hoover told Mr. Tamm to find out if Mr. Blake read his speech or had someone read it for him.

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Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover that the Bureau is working on a bank robbery which occurred in Dixie County, Florida, yesterday.

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Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover of a call from SAC Spears on night before last; that Spears advised that a big extortion case broke in Everett, Washington. Mr. Tamm stated that the case is within the jurisdiction of the Bureau and he ordered Spears to Seattle to take over the case from the Post Office Inspectors; that a teletype has been received that the case has been turned over to the Bureau and Post Office Inspectors have withdrawn from the case. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Tamm to write a letter to Mr. Crowley of the Post Office Department again requesting that appropriate instructions be issued that the proper jurisdiction be observed in these matters. Mr. Hoover told Mr. Tamm to check up on the matter that Mr. Crowley was supposed to have taken up with Mr. Farley. Mr. Tamm stated that no correspondence has been received from Mr. Crowley about this matter and Mr. Hoover instructed to write a letter to Mr. Crowley to this effect.

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FEB 1 1965 Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover of the Dr. Arthur Hunter extortion case in New York City.

Conversation of Director and Mr.  
Tamm, 1/15/36.

Mr. Tamm advised of a call from Agent Magee who advised that through the U. S. Attorney's office in New Orleans he received a request for a conference with two State ~~Congressman~~ and one State ~~Senator~~ about the ~~gangster~~ situation in Louisiana; that they wanted Agent Magee to undertake at once an extensive investigation relative to the ~~Purple Gang~~ who are reported to be in Louisiana to do some dirty work in connection with an election to be held on January 21, 1936. Mr. Magee stated that in the absence of a specific violation of a Federal law within the Bureau's jurisdiction no investigation would be conducted.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 17, 1936.

Time-10:55 A.M.

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## MEMORANDUM

RE: Director's conversation with Mr. Quinn.

Mr. Hoover telephoned from New York City and Mr. Quinn advised of a call from Mr. Rex Collier who stated that he would try to obtain copies of the speeches made by Mr. Justin Miller and Mr. Hepbron last night.

Mr. Hoover told Mr. Quinn to let the arrangements for the SAC Training School remain as they are for the present time.

Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover of a call from Mr. Brien McMahon this morning who stated that he had two foreigners on his hands; that they are owners of a theatre in Milwaukee; that a foreclosure suit has been pending for some time and today is the deadline. Mr. Quinn advised that there was no Federal violation within the jurisdiction of the Bureau; that they picketed the White House for awhile this morning and then returned to the Department; that they returned to the White House where they again took up their picketing positions; that the White House does not want the local police to pick them up on account of the unfavorable publicity. Mr. Quinn advised Mr. McMahon that this was a matter for the Secret Service to take care of.

Mr. Hoover inquired of Mr. Quinn if he had taken any action on the situation in Arizona relative to the Christmas party attended by several Agents of the Bureau. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Quinn to contact Mr. Andersen by telephone and have him make an investigation.

Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover that the rifle meet is to be held on this Sunday in Miami; that the Bureau Agents leave Sunday and return to Washington Monday. Mr. Hoover stated that he might fly down, but he is uncertain at the present time. Mr. Hoover will advise later in the day just what his plans are.

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Jones	
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Nease	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Joseph	
Mr. Lester	
Mr. Quinn	
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 17, 1936.

Time-10:55A.M.

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MEMORANDUM

RE: Conversation of Director with  
Mr. Tamm.

With reference to the Middletown situation, Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover that the letter was finished last night and was re-written this morning. Mr. Hoover stated that if he does not return to Washington before Mr. Nathan goes, Mr. Nathan should look the letter over. Mr. Tamm stated that the Bureau was absolutely in the clear because [redacted] was drunk when the Agents went out there; that in the letter to the editor Mr. Tamm advised that the Agents were advised at the Court House that he was indisposed.

With reference to the report of Agent Larimer's investigation, Mr. Tamm advised that it was dated March 4, 1933; that the file reflect a notation on that report, one copy Colonel Schwarzkopf ~~March~~ 6, 1933 and in the memorandum, it showed that on May 2, 1933, Assistant Director Nathan proceeded to Trenton while enroute to Washington and in the absence of Colonel Schwarzkopf left with his assistant Major Shopel a copy of the reports submitted by Agent Larimer under date of March 4, 1933, so they evidently received two copies of the report, Mr. Tamm stated. Mr. Tamm stated that Mr. Tolson said last night that the investigation was in two phases, but the only other thing Mr. Tamm could find out was that subsequent to this report, was when Larimer was transferred to New York and Baird called him from Boston and told him that he had some additional information; that Agent Keith at that time interviewed Baird and Baird wanted twenty five hundred dollars before he would tell us anything; that we told Baird we would not give him twenty five hundred dollars; that he could give us the information for nothing or take it up with Schwarzkopf. Mr. Tamm stated that he could not find anything to show that this was referred to Schwarzkopf. Mr. Tamm advised further that Mr. Nathan was in New Jersey in November, 1933 at which time he talked to Schwarzkopf about this matter again. Mr. Hoover told Mr. Tamm to secure from Mr. Nathan the details of the two conversations he had with Schwarzkopf.

Mr. Tamm read to Mr. Hoover excerpts from several newspaper articles concerning impeachment proceedings against Governor Hoffman on Monday. Mr. Tamm read to Mr. Hoover an article concerning announcement made by Mr. Nathan relative to Alvin Karpis. Mr. Tamm stated that he believed that Mr. Nathan told Colonel Gates that he had no comment. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Tamm to have this verified; that nothing should be given to Colonel Gates or to Mr. Supram.

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Conversation of Director with Mr. Tamm, 1/17/36.

Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover of an article in the morning paper to the effect that Governor Hoffman had employed Hicks, the Washington Criminologist.

Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover further of an article concerning oil men seeking probe by the Department of Justice.

Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Tamm that a man by the name of Mannie Levine had written a book entitled "Cheese it here comes the cop", which was published by the Vanguard Press; that this book burns the Bureau up. Mr. Hoover stated this information came from Martin Mooney. Mr. Hoover stated that he thinks the name of Mannie Levine was attached to an article appearing in some magazine critical of the Bureau. Mr. Hoover told Mr. Tamm to have Mr. Joseph check this thoroughly in order to get a line on who Levine is.

Mr. Tamm advised of the call from Mrs. W. E. Maloney. Mr. Hoover told Mr. Tamm to call and tell Mrs. Maloney that he is in New York City and that it is uncertain as to when he will return.

Mr. Tamm advised that Judge Mattingly's name was included in the names sent to the Senate for re-appointment.

Mr. Tamm advised of an article in the morning Herald relative to a girl now hunted in connection with the Lindbergh <sup>case</sup> and also a criminal.

Mr. Tamm read to Mr. Hoover on the Grayson arrest.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 16, 1936.

Time-12:45 P.M.

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MEMORANDUM

RE: Director's conversation with  
Quinn.

Mr. Hoover telephoned from New York City and Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover that everything went along all right at the Attorney General's home yesterday.

Mr. Quinn advised of a telephone call from Mr. Rex Collier with reference to a tip received from the editor concerning Mrs. McLean and Gaston P. Means in connection with the Lindbergh Case.

*Evelyn Walcott*

Mr. Quinn told Mr. Hoover that he listened to the Phillips Lord program last night and that he thought it was terrible.

Mr. Quinn advised of a call from Stanley Carroll of Universal Service this morning who stated that he saw in the paper that he, Mr. Hoover was in New York and as far as their office was concerned he, Mr. Hoover, was still in Tulsa; that Mr. Carroll inquired if Mr. Hoover was in New York City and Mr. Quinn advised that Mr. Hoover was in New York City.

Mr. Quinn advised of a letter this morning addressed to Mr. Tolson from Mr. Courtney Ryley Cooper sending in a story on "Ma" Barker. Mr. Quinn advised of several requests contained therein and Mr. Hoover requested that all the facts be checked and ~~hand~~ *held* it for Mr. Tolson.

Mr. Quinn advised that Agent Richmond is negotiating with the New York Police Department for a game between them and the Bureau. Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Quinn to be sure that the date of the game is not on February 8, 1936; that he has a previous engagement for that time and he would like to see the game.

Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover of the pamphlet received by the Bureau from former Agent Wilkie concerning a Christmas party by several Agents of the Bureau. Mr. Hoover asked Mr. Quinn to find out who was at Phoenix at the time and if Andersen was at St. Paul at the time, he should be instructed to conduct an appropriate investigation into the matter.

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Mr. Quinn advised of the request of SAC [unclear] [unclear] for annual leave. Mr. Hoover stated that the leave should not be approved.

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*Memorandum of Telephone Conversations with Director of FBI*

Conversation of Director with Mr.  
Quinn, 1/16/36.

Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover of the memorandum from Mr. Reynolds to Mr. Edwards concerning Mr. Borgen, a technical employee in the Bureau who advised that he has an opportunity to go with Senatorial Investigating Committee of which Senator Wheeler is the Chairman to conduct investigations in connection with railway. Mr. Quinn stated that Borgen was wondering if there was some way or arrangements made whereby he could be loaned to the Committee. Mr. Hoover stated that this could not be done; that if he wants to resign and go with them it will be all right; that he could not go with the Committee and remain on the Bureau payroll. Mr. Hoover told Mr. Quinn to have a very cordial talk with Borgen.



JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 16, 1936

Time: 12:45 P.M.

Mr. Nathan	.....
Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Baughman	.....
Chief Clerk	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Edwards	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Foxworth	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Joseph	.....
Mr. Keith	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Schilder	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

## MEMORANDUM

RE: Director's Conversation with Mr. Tamm.

Memoranda re Telephone Conversation with Director

Mr. Hoover telephoned from New York City and Mr. Tamm informed him that the name of the individual discussed last night is Robert M. Baird alias Harry Mack. Mr. Hoover stated that he had a conference with Governor Hoffman last night and that the Governor had asked if the Bureau had ever received any of the fingerprints that had been found on the kidnap ladder to which Mr. Hoover stated that he did not believe they had been; that the Governor asked if the Bureau would check the fingerprints if he sent them down and Mr. Hoover stated that this would be done; that the Governor inquired if there did exist a record of Condon's conversation and if so where it was. Mr. Hoover requested Mr. Tamm to determine if the fingerprints had been sent in at any time and to locate the record. Mr. Hoover also requested Mr. Tamm to check on a lawyer named Aaronow who is figuring in the Hauptmann case according to Governor Hoffman.

Mr. Tamm informed Mr. Hoover that Speicher had talked to Mr. Whitley last night and that Mr. Speicher had stated that any time the Bureau wanted him he would walk into the Bureau's office. Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Tamm to call the District Attorney at Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania and tell him to expedite the matter if he wants Speicher and to contact the New York police and get the warrant there.

Mr. Tamm informed Mr. Hoover that Judge Holtzoff had telephoned with regard to the Department of Commerce investigation that Johnson had requested and had stated that there was no basis for an investigation and that he would so advise the Bureau. Mr. Tamm stated that he had advised Judge Holtzoff that Mr. Hoover had only an official interest in the matter and wanted the case decided on its merits. Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Tamm that he could write Mr. Johnson in accordance with Judge Holtzoff's opinion.

Mr. Tamm informed Mr. Hoover that a letter had been prepared to Mr. John J. Reesons, business manager of the Middletown Times Herald, Middletown, New York, in answer to his request for a representative of the Bureau to address the Rotary Club at one of its Monday luncheons, stating that he should correspond with Mr. Whitley. Mr. Hoover requested Mr. Tamm to hold up the letter until his return as he would like to send some one from the Bureau at Washington.

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Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover of Mr. Nathan's memorandum suggesting that before an answer was made to the recent critical article in the Middletown Times Herald letters be addressed to the Agents concerned in the bank

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robbery case mentioned in the article in question, in order to secure all the facts. Mr. Hoover requested that Mr. Whitley be telephoned and instructed to secure from the Agents concerned all the information rather than write letters. Mr. Hoover also requested that Mr. Lester be asked to draft the letter to the editor replying to the article.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 16, 1936

Time: 4:00 P.M.

## MEMORANDUM

RE: Director's Telephone Call from  
New York City.

Mr. Hoover telephoned from New York City and advised Miss Gandy in reference to the personal call of Mr. Arthur C. Layton who desired some information concerning a suspect in a case he was working on in Miami that assistance should be given to Mr. Layton if possible.

Mr. Hoover talked to Mr. Quinn and Mr. Quinn stated that Mr. Snydam had called saying that the Associated Press desired the status of the Harpia-Barker gang from January 1, 1935 to the present. Mr. Hoover stated that if Mr. Snydam called again to tell him that he, Mr. Quinn, had spoken to the Director about it and that it was absolutely contrary to policy to reveal the status of any case under investigation. Mr. Quinn stated that Mr. Snydam had commented unfavorably on the Phillips-Lord program; and that Mr. Carroll of the Universal News had called and inquired if the Director's visit in New York was related to Mr. Wilentz's visit to Washington.

Mr. Hoover talked to Mr. Tamm who informed the Director that the fingerprints of the ladder had not been forwarded to the Bureau and that the phonograph record of Gordon's remarks was at the Bureau. Mr. Hoover requested Mr. Tamm to have the record sent to Governor Hoffman by an Agent and transmit with it a letter advising the Governor that it is being sent in accordance with his request and requesting its return as soon as it has served its purpose. Mr. Hoover then requested that the letter be written but that the record and letter be held until his return so that he could listen to the record. Mr. Tamm stated that he would arrange to have the Laboratory furnish a suitable instrument on which the record can be heard.

Mr. Tamm informed the Director that the Bureau files revealed no person by the name of Karonow in connection with the Lindbergh case, although a New York attorney by that name had once written the Bureau a letter of commendation, and there was an Assistant United States Attorney by that name whom Mr. Medalie had removed from office in the Southern District of New York.

Mr. Quinn informed the Director that Mr. Keith requested the preparation of \$2,000.00 which Mr. Hoover stated was all right; that Mr. Keith had talked to him, the Director, about it. Mr. Hoover stated that a record should be made of the purchase of bonds and their purpose. Mr. Hoover stated that Mr. Keith had informed him he was returning to Washington tomorrow (January 17) and Mr. Quinn stated that he would have the money ready.

Mr. Hoover requested that any mail requiring his signature should be sent to him by special delivery.

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- Mr. Edwards
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Foxworth
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Joseph
- Mr. Keith
- Mr. Lester
- Mr. Quinn
- Mr. Schilder
- Mr. Tamm
- Mr. Tracy
- Miss Gandy

*New York City*

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 21, 1936.

Time-2:40 A.M.

Telephone calls to Director  
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MEMORANDUM

Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover of Mr. Connelley's call at 8:30P.M. Mr. Tamm stated that the man in Vancouver is not Dainard; that the man is an individual that they regarded as suspicious; that the man had a safe deposit box in one of the banks and the bank went to the police; that the police investigated but that they did not think the man was Dainard; that the Assistant Chief of Police talked to the Consul General about the matter; that the Consul General stated that precautionary measures should be taken by having some papers there in the event this man turns out to be Dainard; that the police were so sure that the man was not Dainard that they did not notify our Portland office; that the Consul General went ahead on his own initiative and asked that the papers be sent up. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Tamm to have Mr. Connelley arrange with the Consul General to notify the Portland office whenever a situation arises like this.

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Mr. Hoover inquired of Mr. Tamm if he had talked to Mr. Carusi about the information getting out. Mr. Tamm stated that he talked to Mr. Carusi and that Mr. Carusi indicated that it might have come and possibly did come from Mr. Suydam. Mr. Tamm further stated that Mr. Suydam and the Attorney General had talked about the matter this afternoon because the General was at a press conference and that Mr. Suydam stated numerous inquiries were received predicated upon the newspaper article in Takoma on Tuesday night; that the Attorney General agreed that if there were inquiries made he would never comment on a case under investigation. Mr. Tamm further stated that Mr. Carusi confided in him that Mr. Suydam does not like to say that there is no comment when he is asked about something; that Mr. Suydam will say "keep your ears open" or some similar remark. Mr. Tamm stated that he impressed upon Mr. Carusi the harm which might have been done in this case and also in future cases. Mr. Tamm stated that he also discussed the matter with the Attorney General; that the Attorney General admitted that it was very bad.

Mr. Hoover told Mr. Tamm that if they call him to tell them that he has not received any report because the Agents would report it to him, Mr. Hoover, directly at Miami Beach as it was being handled from there; that he, Mr. Hoover, will call in sometime this morning; that Mr. Tamm should tell them further that he, Mr. Tamm, knows that there could not have been anything to it, otherwise he, Mr. Hoover, would have called him. Mr. Hoover told Mr. Tamm that he would call him this morning and then have the Attorney General put on at which time he would advise the Attorney General that the whole thing was washed out.

Mr. Hoover stated that he was going to Palm Beach this morning but would be there until about noon.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 21, 1936

Time: 3:45 P. M.

Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Baughman	.....
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Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Edwards	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Foxworth	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Joseph	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

MEMORANDUM

Conversation of Mr. Quinn with Mr. Tolson

Mr. Tolson informed Mr. Quinn that a few weeks ago a letter had been received from the publishers of the "G-Man Magazine" requesting authority to publish an excerpt of an old speech of the Director's which request had been denied; that Mr. Whitley had gone to see the publisher in New York and told him not to publish anything indicating that the Director was a contributor to the magazine without authority; that he, Mr. Tolson, understands that in the current issue of the "G-Man Magazine" Mr. Hoover is listed as a contributor and a portion of an old speech is quoted. Mr. Tolson requested Mr. Quinn to check the current issue of the "G-Man Magazine" to determine if this material is the same that was refused by the Bureau; that if the material quoted is the same as was disapproved to call Mr. Keith in New York and have him talk to the publisher and have made clear to him that nothing is to be published as coming from the Director without specific permission. Mr. Tolson requested to be informed as to the result of the investigation into this matter.

Mr. Tolson requested Mr. Quinn to have Miss Sheaffer write a letter of condolence to Mrs. Keefe and to send flowers to the funeral.

Mr. Quinn informed Mr. Tolson of the special tour for the colored employees of the Department last night, and of the recent successful speech given by Mr. Lester.

Mr. Quinn discussed with Mr. Tolson various phases of the deficit status.

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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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- Mr. Foxworth
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Joseph
- Mr. Lester
- Mr. Quinn
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Carson
- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

MEMORANDUM

Conversation of Mr. Quinn with Director.

Mr. Quinn advised the Director of Mrs. L. Wheeler's call. He, Mr. Quinn, would talk to her if she returned and desired to speak to anyone but the Director. Mr. Hoover stated to tell her he would be out of town.

Mr. Quinn stated that a letter had been received from Mr. Wakefield, Director of Public Safety, Louisville, who desired to have the Director wire him and make an appointment for February 24. Mr. Quinn stated he had wired Mr. Wakefield advising of Director's absence and that message would be called to Director's attention on his return. Mr. Hoover approved this.

Mr. Quinn stated a letter had been received from Bennett E. Tousley who stated that the New Jersey State Hotel Association is holding its annual meeting in Atlantic City on April 29 to May 2 and invited Director to address the banquet on May 2. Mr. Hoover requested Mr. Quinn to write Mr. Tousley under his, Mr. Quinn's, signature acknowledging the letter and advising that the Director is absent from city and letter will be called to his attention upon his return. Mr. Hoover requested Mr. Quinn to secure some information on the organization and the convention.

Mr. Quinn advised of the receipt of a letter from the National Identification Association, Jamesville, New York, which is having its annual convention on August 11, 12, and 13, at Philadelphia and requests Director for an address. Mr. Hoover requested Mr. Quinn to talk with Mr. Schilder on the organization.

Mr. Quinn informed the Director of a bill introduced by Senator Copeland providing for Federal Service medals for government employees for distinguished service. Mr. Hoover requested that either Mr. Quinn or Mr. Tamm contact Mr. Waldrop and suggest that an editorial be written against the bill on the grounds that the greatest value is cooperation and coordination and that the awarding of the individual medals creates jealousy and destroys team-work.

Mr. Quinn informed the Director of an item appearing in Winchell's column in the Daily Mirror on February 21, 1936, referring to the bill introduced by Congressman McMillan to extend retirement privileges to "G-Men".

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 Mrs. Wheeler  
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 24, 1936.

Time - 2:20 P.M.

MEMORANDUM

Conversation of Mr. Tamm with Director.

Mr. Tamm stated he had talked to Mr. Nathan and they have a good lead on the woman and the indications are that she returned to Europe and not to Florida. Mr. Hoover stated to have Mr. Nathan remain in New York.

Mr. Tamm stated Mr. Whitley had come to Washington; that [redacted] admits dictating the first letter and is very much frightened and states he did it just as a joke; that Judge Martin tells a straightforward story to the effect that he asked Crooks if he should fire the woman at once but that Crooks stated he thought it just a joke and was so foolish that it should not be brought to the attention of the Chief Justice. Mr. Tamm stated he had told Whitley and Loebel to write an excellent report showing no stone was left unturned. Mr. Hoover stated to have Whitley stand by while the report was submitted to Mr. Carusi for any further action which the Attorney General might wish to take. Mr. Hoover stated to have Mr. Nathan look over the New York office.

Mr. Tamm mentioned the fact that Col. Figgs had been killed at San Juan and stated that the Agents had left the island. Mr. Tamm suggested that the results of the preliminary survey in the island be sent to the Attorney General and Mr. Hoover agreed.

Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover about the telephone tap which had been established by Brantley on Burrhead Keady who was taken into custody by the Post Office authorities who consider Keady a Karpis contact.

Mr. Tamm stated Mr. Dewey advised a confession had been secured from the [redacted] at Hopkinsville, Kentucky that he wrote the letters which the Chicago Tribune has in the Robinson case. Mr. Hoover stated to tell Mr. Ladd to advise the Chicago Tribune of the results.

Mr. Tamm stated a memorandum had been received from Assistant Attorney General Dickinson requesting that an Agent be assigned to conduct an examination of certain Interior Department files. Mr. Tamm stated that Agent Plummer is in bad shape and will not be able to work for several months. Mr. Hoover stated to put a capable Agent on this assignment.

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Mr. Tamm advised of a teletype from the New York office to the effect that Asst. A. G. Amen advises that pressure was brought by Dept. of Labor and the A. F. of L. to stop the investigation into the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Union and therefore requests that witnesses be produced instead in the

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case of the ~~Textile Refinishers Assn. Inc.~~ which has been only partially investigated and Mr. Amen was advised presentation to the Grand Jury is believed premature at this time. Mr. Hoover stated to write a strong memorandum to the Attorney General advising him of the facts and stating it is hoped that the Dept. will see fit to proceed against the Teamsters' Union.

Mr. Tamm advised of the extortion case at Buffalo involving the manager of the ~~Harrison Radiator Co.~~ at Lockport, N.Y. and inquired if a release should be given out in case prosecution is brought in this case. Mr. Hoover OK'd the release.

Mr. Tamm advised that Judge Holtzoff had called and referred to the bulletin about the investigations for emergency corporations stating that the ~~RFC and the Commodity Credit Corporation~~ wished the Bureau to handle their criminal cases for them. Mr. Hoover stated to tell Judge Holtzoff that the Bureau will be very glad to all the RFC investigations but will not do part of them.

Mr. Tamm stated that Corporal ~~Horn~~ had arrived to review the Condon reports; that there was memorandum made by Agent Turrou for the file on Sept. 21, 1934 regarding the identification of Hauptmann by Dr. Condon. Mr. Tamm stated it did not appear whether a copy of this had been furnished to the N. J. Police but that he would check. Mr. Hoover stated to let Corporal Horn have this.

About the list of names which had been left by the Secretary to Congressman ~~Bell~~, Mr. Hoover stated to furnish the information but to point out that it could not be absolutely accurate without fingerprints or further data. Concerning the breaking into of Johnny ~~Clark's~~ car Mr. Hoover stated we should make the investigation.

Mr. Tamm advised of interviews being received which were conducted by Sacket around Albany.

Mr. Tamm advised of the trouble Inspector ~~Griffin~~ is having at Memphis in obtaining witnesses for a perjury case, due to the fact witnesses are employed at a hotel which is under Federal receivership. Mr. Tamm stated he was writing New Orleans telling them to go to the receiver or the Federal judge. Mr. Hoover stated to do everything possible and to advise Inspector Griffin of what we are trying to do.

Mr. Tamm advised of the press dispatch from Los Angeles re the arrests and activities by ~~Naval Intelligence~~ officers against radicals. Mr. Hoover advised of the work that the Treasury is doing for the Naval Intelligence and stated a close contact should be kept with this situation.

Mr. Tamm advised that in regard to the report that George D. ~~Aufenkamp~~ of Louisville is missing, that Dewey advises the facts to date do not warrant an investigation. Mr. Tamm advised a check was being made of report from Grand Rapids Michigan to the effect that Dainard had been seen there.

*John London  
Chas. C. Lindbergh, Jr.*

*William D. Amos*



Conversation of Mr. Tamm  
with Director, 2/24/36.

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Mr. Tamm stated Connelley had been unable to contact the editor due to the holiday but will return today; and that Mr. Nathan thinks we can wait until the middle of April to interview Hamm. Mr. Hoover advised this would be satisfactory.

Mr. Tamm advised of arrest of a man named Crum by Tulsa Police; that Crum has been selling advertising in the police journal which has Director's picture on the cover. Mr. Hoover stated to stop this and Mr. Tamm advised that Brantley had told Tulsa Police to go the limit with this man and make an example of him.

Time - 6:30 P.M.

Mr. Tamm advised of a call from Blake at Dallas re the filing of a civil suit against the Director and about 33 others by Robert L. Scott. Mr. Tamm advised of the background in this matter advising the Bureau was clear in every respect. Mr. Tamm read to Mr. Hoover the wire received from the United States Attorney at San Juan advising of the assassination of Col. Riggs. Mr. Tamm stated he would send the reports to San Juan as soon as the second report was received. Mr. Hoover stated to send to Mr. McMahon a copy of the memorandum submitted to the Attorney General.

*William Hamm*

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 23, 1936

Time: 5:05 P.M.

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MEMORANDUM

Conversation of Mr. Quinn with Mr. Tolson.

Mr. Tolson inquired if Agent Gebben was on his way to Miami. Mr. Quinn stated that Agent Gebben would probably leave New York either Monday or Tuesday. Mr. Tolson stated that Agent Donaldson was now in Miami but would have to leave Monday night for court at Tampa and he is anxious to have Gebben report as soon as possible. Mr. Quinn stated that he would follow up the matter tomorrow.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 18, 1936.

Time - 5:40 P.M.

- Mr. Nathan .....
- Mr. Tolson .....
- Mr. Baughman .....
- Chief Clerk .....
- Mr. Clegg .....
- Mr. Coffey .....
- Mr. Edwards .....
- Mr. Egan .....
- Mr. Foxworth .....
- Mr. Harbo .....
- Mr. Joseph .....
- Mr. Keith .....
- Mr. Lester .....
- Mr. Quinn .....
- Mr. Tamm .....
- Mr. Tracy .....
- Mr. Nease .....
- Miss Gandy .....

## MEMORANDUM

Re conversation between Mr. Tamm and Mr. Hoover.

Mr. Tamm stated in regard to the Supreme Court matter that Mr. [redacted] had arrived this morning and that he and Loebli are questioning the woman and [redacted] make no explanations as yet. Mr. Hoover stated to keep after her and impress upon her the seriousness of the consequences even though it was a [redacted] part. Mr. Tamm stated the woman is working at the Resettlement Administration and has a good reputation; Mr. Hoover stated to get her fired from there. Mr. Tamm stated he had not obtained a signed statement as yet because [redacted] thereafter to break a person down and Mr. Hoover agreed.

Mr. Tamm gave the facts as stated in a teletype from the New York office concerning the surrender of John M. Cornell who claimed he was wanted for theft in 1917 of Navy money. Mr. Hoover stated that if it was ascertained that the Navy Department did want this man to give a release in general terms to Colonel Gates.

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Mr. Tamm told Mr. Hoover about the appointment of Francis Lederer to replace Lt. Newman on the Bomb and Forgery squad in New York City and stated he had a letter from Mr. Whitley who stated Lt. Pike had called on [redacted] cooperation. Mr. Tamm stated a letter was received from Edw. E. Gann about a letter which Mrs. Gann had received from Sally Kane re the late [redacted] requesting an investigation of Sally Kane. Mr. Hoover stated to do [redacted]

Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover of news report that threat had been [redacted] by Francis Lederer but that it turned out the threat had been received according to Lederer's manager who stated the Bureau would be advised of any extortion and Mr. Tamm stated that as a result of a search for Teddy Hentz that Mr. Vetterli advises several persons have stated they had identified Karpis; that Vetterli had stated he had no information that Karpis was around Scranton; that he, Mr. Tamm told Vetterli to make no comment to the press. Mr. Hoover agreed.

Mr. Tamm stated that Connellley had gone to the West Coast; that about \$500 of the changed ransom money had been located during the past week during which time it had been floated; that the banks are cooperating. Mr. Tamm stated there was no indication as to what the grand jury was going to do in the Milne case. Mr. Tamm stated Mr. Ladd had talked to the Chief of Police at Chicago who stated he did not wish to participate in a joint release but to give the release. Mr. Tamm stated he had instructed Mr. Ladd to give full credit to the Chicago police. Mr. Tamm stated a memorandum had been received from Brien McMahon transmitting a letter from the U. S. Attorney at Puerto Rico inquiring whether extortion cases should be referred to the Post Office Inspector. Mr. Hoover stated to indicate

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very strongly that no exception should be made inasmuch as the Bureau has agents in Puerto Rico from time to time. Mr. Tamm stated that he had advised Mr. Thompson to handle the case referred to in the letter of the U. S. Attorney.

Mr. Tamm stated the New York situation is about the same,

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 15, 1936.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. QUINN.

Time: 8:15 PM Telephone call from Mr. Hoover at Miami Beach, Florida.

In regard to the Los Angeles situation: Mr. Hoover said he has went through a recommendation approving the transfer of Billings. He does not think either one of the subordinate agents should be reprimanded and thinks the order for transfer of Whitsen should be disregarded. The orders which were already in effect for the transfer of the accountant to Phoenix can stand.

Mr. Hoover referred to the request for information concerning an applicant from the office of Congressman Buchanan and asked that Mr. Quinn call the Congressman's office and handle the matter very courteously.

Mr. Quinn advised the Director of the call from Mr. Carusi requesting that Mr. Tamm see the Attorney General. He advised that the Attorney General advised Mr. Tamm that he had had a visit from Senator McAdoo this afternoon and that the Senator had stated that there is a story going around to the effect that

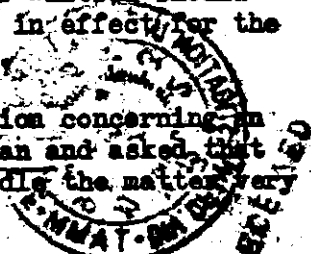
whose name the Senator does not know. The General stated that McAdoo originally sponsored [redacted] but that [redacted] had joined with the political faction opposing the Senator and consequently antagonism exists on the part of the Senator. The Attorney General advised Mr. Tamm that he does not wish an investigation made but merely wishes a survey made to determine whether an investigation should be made. For the time being, he wishes activities confined to an interview with [redacted] an attorney who allegedly has some information to give. The Attorney General gave instructions as to how he wishes the matter handled. Mr. Tamm has suggested to the Director that he get in touch with Listerman and outlines how he thinks the matter may be handled. Mr. Hoover said to go ahead and handle this matter as instructed.

Mr. Quinn advised that Special Agent in Charge [redacted] called in this afternoon and advised that the Cohen boy has been located. Mr. Quinn outlined what has been done, in connection with advising the parents and Rex A. [redacted]

\*Collier.

Mr. Quinn advised that Mr. Collier would like to bring the City Editor of the Star and his children down to the Bureau for a tour. Mr. Hoover said to have this done. Mr. Collier wishes to bring his wife and children

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2-2 Miami Beach, Florida. Director and Mr. Quinn tele. 2-15-36.

also. Mr. Hoover said this is all right.

Mr. Hoover said the Cohn story should not have been an exclusive story to the Star and that if it is not used in the Sunday Morning Star a release should be gotten up a release that can be given out the first thing Monday morning for all of the papers. It should be given to Colonel Gates to be given out.

Mr. Quinn advised that Special Agent Brice is departing this afternoon by plane to his home in Oklahoma City for an emergency appendicitis operation.

Mr. Quinn advised that Whitley had called from New York and stated that Norma Abrams, with the New York Daily News, claims to be a life long friend of the attorney who is now representing Hauptmann, named Lebovitz. She stated that she has been talking to Lebovitz about his participation in the case and his interview with Hauptmann and that he is anxious to have someone present at these interviews who is thoroughly familiar with the case. Miss Abrams said she has suggested to him that he have an agent of the Bureau present, and wonders what the Bureau would think of this. Mr. Hoover said absolutely NO. The Bureau is out of the case and should stay out of it.

Mr. Quinn stated Mr. Tamm received a telephone call from Mr. Reed this morning concerning some difficulty which has arisen in the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. Mr. Tamm has referred this matter to the Washington Field Office for attention.

Mr. Quinn advised of a call from Mr. Snyder of the Anti-Trust Division relative to the Major Oil Companies, Anti-Trust matter, requesting the assistance of an Agent of the Chicago office; that Mr. Tamm told Mr. Snyder that the Chicago office had been instructed to conduct any investigation requested; that all he had to do was to contact the Special Agent in Charge and make known their desires.

Mr. Quinn advised of a call from Congressman Hancock of North Carolina who advised of a young man who left his home in Oxford, North Carolina and who was found dead in Nevada; that the people in Oxford are somewhat concerned about the matter and that he, the Congressman, was wondering if we could help them; that Mr. Tamm told the person calling that there was no indication of a Federal violation; that the Congressman was requested to direct a letter to Mr. Hoover setting forth details.

Mr. Quinn advised of instructions issued to Mr. Ladd concerning the assigning of employees to Special Assistants.

Miami Beach, Florida. Director and Mr. Quinn tele. 2-15-36.

Mr. Quinn advised of a call from Mr. Suydam who stated that a Mr. Van Dressler, a free lance writer, wanted to get a story on the Magic Eye for one of the Washington papers. Mr. Quinn stated that he told Mr. Suydam that he, Mr. Hoover, was out of the city. Mr. Hoover stated that he did not want anything given out on the Magic Eye.

Mr. Quinn advised that Mr. Collier was in this morning; that Mr. Collier wanted to get two photographs, one with Mr. Baughman holding the machine gun and the two Agents firing on the range and the other one showing the Director taking his fingerprints; that Mr. Collier stated that he talked to Mr. Tolson about this; that he gave Mr. Collier these photographs.

Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Quinn to have ~~have~~ Mr. Tamm to prepare an immediate release on Robert Cohen. Mr. Hoover further instructed Mr. Quinn to contact Colonel Gates and tell Colonel Gates that he, Mr. Quinn, had just talked to Mr. Hoover in Miami and that Mr. Hoover suggested that the release be given out at once. Mr. Hoover stated that if it is agreeable to Colonel Gates he, Mr. Quinn, should call the four press associations and the four Washington papers and advise them that this release is available tonight. Mr. Hoover stated that he wanted to avoid Mr. Collier getting a scoop.

Mr. Quinn advised that Mr. Nathan is scheduled to make a talk on Tuesday night in Buffalo. Mr. Hoover stated that this would be all right.

Mr. Quinn advised of a memorandum from Mr. Baughman concerning a pistol shoot to be held in Tampa on March 8 to March 11, 1936. Mr. Quinn suggested that this be not approved and Mr. Hoover concurred.

Mr. Quinn advised of a memorandum from Mr. Clegg advising that he can release Mr. Lester effective February 15 from the Training School and Mr. Hince on February 23. Mr. Hoover cautioned Mr. Quinn not to let this get out. Mr. Hoover advised that Mr. Lester is leaving tomorrow afternoon for Chicago thence to the Northwest section.

Mr. Quinn advised of a memorandum for the Attorney General calling his attention to various tours and people who have been through the Bureau. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Quinn to sign this memorandum and send it around.

Mr. Quinn inquired if it would be all right for Miss Gandy to sign the letters to Mr. Waldrop and Mr. Lambert transmitting a copy of that Bill.

Mr. Hoover advised that he can be contacted in room 321 at the Roney Plaza.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 18, 1936.

Time - 5:40 P.M.

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MEMORANDUM

Telephone conversation between Mr. Hoover and Mr. Quinn.

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Fingerprint Bulletin

Mr. Quinn stated that Mr. ~~Gray~~ in the office of Mr. Farley had telephoned regarding the cancellation of Mr. ~~Clagg~~'s speech before the ~~United~~ Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Hoover stated to call Mr. ~~Gray~~ and tell him that due an emergency which had arisen the Bureau would be unable to designate a speaker on that occasion.

Mr. Quinn stated that Mrs. ~~Heade~~ of the Bureau ~~Prisons~~ had requested ~~Quarterly Crime Bulletins~~, the last one she had being the last quarter of 1935. Mr. Hoover said to tell Mrs. Heade that the back issues are exhausted but to her the latest Bulletin.

Mr. Quinn stated that Mrs. ~~Cohen~~ was in to express her appreciation for the assistance of the Bureau in locating her son. Mr. Hoover stated to have a letter written to her for his signature expressing his regret at not being in when she called. Mr. Quinn stated that Mr. ~~Suydam~~ called relative to the request for information on women's fingerprints by Miss ~~Cummings~~ of the Honolulu Star Bulletin. Mr. Hoover stated to give her general information about fingerprints and tell women's are no different from men's.

Mr. Quinn advised that Mr. ~~Stewart~~ had called regarding Mr. Hoover's letter to Leager about the ~~Texas Centennial~~ and wanted to know if the decision could be rescinded. Mr. Hoover stated we would not go into this matter unless a definite assurance as to the time of withdrawal was made; that Mr. Stewart should be told we would not reconsider this. With regard to the request from the State Prosecutor at Raleigh, N. C. to have Parsons come down there Mr. Quinn recommended against it but thought the Bureau should offer to examine any bullets that were found. Mr. Hoover agreed.

With regard to the car Mr. Quinn stated SAC Nathan advised the first sent was wrecked and letter in the mails now about this; that SAC Nathan call Agent Winstead who was on the road and he stated his car was in good condition that advised Agent Austin to check on the car thoroughly; that a letter of explanation will be sent air mail special delivery.

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Mr. Quinn stated preparation would be made in flood which might occur.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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Washington, D. C.

February 20, 1936

Time: 5:10 P.M.

MEMORANDUM

Conversation of Mr. Quinn with Director.

Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover that Mrs. Geoffrey Greyke, Sr., had talked with Mr. Pagan about the letter she had received containing the Director's refusal of the invitation to speak before the D. A. R. convention; that she was not taking the letter too seriously in view of the fact that the Director had not signed the letter but that she would like to know something definite by tomorrow afternoon. Mr. Hoover stated that he had talked with William Stanley who had been requested by the D. A. R. to urge Mr. Hoover to speak; that he had advised Mr. Stanley that if he would contact the Attorney General and if he approved he, Mr. Hoover, would make the address. Mr. Hoover requested Mr. Quinn to send a memorandum to the Attorney General advising him of the invitation and that the memorandum is being sent in order that the Attorney General may indicate if Mr. Hoover should accept the invitation; that the memorandum should be sent with an important and urgent tag on it so that a reply may perhaps be received by tomorrow.

Mr. Quinn advised that Mr. Whitley was scheduled to make an address before a women's group on next Monday night but that Mr. Whitley will not be able to be there and Mr. Vetterli was suggested as a substitute. Mr. Hoover approved this.

Mr. Quinn advised that a note had been received from Mrs. Waldrop stating that the editorial on the bill will appear in a few days; that he has not yet had time to write a series of articles on the pensions for the F.B.I.

Mr. Quinn stated that a letter had been received from Mr. Watkins, Chairman of the entertainment committee of the Yale Club in New York City, requesting the Director to speak there on March 12 or on April 2 and to bring someone along to discuss special problems of large urban districts. Mr. Hoover stated to decline the invitation and offer a substitute.

Mr. Quinn advised that a memorandum was being sent to the Attorney General transmitting a recent cartoon entitled "Leaks in the Law" hitting the parole system. Mr. Hoover advised to send the memorandum as it was indicative of public opinion.

Mr. Quinn advised that Mr. Hicks of the Securities Exchange Commission had requested another copy of the FBI bulletin. Mr. Quinn recommended that more information be ascertained concerning Mr. Hicks before sending the bulletin. Mr. Hoover approved.

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Mr. Quinn informed Mr. Hoover of the following invitations concerning which Mr. Hoover made the following comments:

- ✓ Invitation from local society of Daughters of American Revolution at Reading, Michigan: No acceptances of state meetings of D. A. R.; offer substitute.
- ✓ From Judge Reed of Greensboro, North Carolina, for July 7: Cannot make commitments that far in advance; if they wish to communicate with Director nearer that date will be glad to consider it.
- ✓ From Twelfth Century Club of Washington: Decline. Mr. Quinn recommended that Mr. Clegg be assigned to this. Upon being advised that Mr. Lester would not be in town on the date in question Mr. Hoover approved having Mr. Clegg make this address.
- ✓ From constable of Bloomington, Illinois who writes that he understands the Director is to make a speaking tour and invites Director to address Kiwanis Club of Bloomington: Advise him that his information is incorrect and decline. Mr. Quinn stated that Mr. Newman had been offered. Mr. Hoover approved this.
- ✓ From Mr. Crenshaw, President of the State Bar of Alabama, to speak before State Bar Association at Birmingham July 5 to July 11: Decline and offer substitute on grounds of other commitments.
- ✓ From Indiana Association of Chiefs of Police at Terre Haute for June 2, 3 and 4: Decline and offer substitute on grounds of previous commitments.
- ✓ From Francis Biddle who telephoned this morning wanting Director to speak before Community Charity Drive: Decline on grounds of other commitments and offer substitute.
- ✓ From St. Louis Chamber of Commerce wanting Director to speak of June 11th sometime in March: Decline and offer substitute.
- ✓ From Kiwanis Club, Wilmington, Delaware: Decline and offer substitute.
- ✓ From Fifty-eighth annual convention of the Sheriffs Association, Waco, Texas: Decline and offer substitute.

Mr. Quinn advised that there was being sent to the Director the letter addressed to Mr. Smith who wrote in about Mr. Purvis in connection with Post-Toasties. Mr. Hoover stated that he wished the letter phrased to indicate that he had nothing to do with what Purvis says. Mr. Quinn read the letter as written and Mr. Hoover approved it.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 17, 1936.

MEMORANDUM

RE: Director's conversation with  
Mr. Quinn.

During a telephonic conversation with the Director, Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover of Sam's request for a special tour for a group of about 100 on Thursday night. Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Quinn to make arrangements for this tour.

With reference to Agent Hyman of the New York Office, Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Quinn to give all possible sick leave allowed by the law and all accrued annual leave and to advise Hyman that no leave without pay can be given; that he will have to tender his resignation and after he gets well if he wants to apply consideration will be given his application.

Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover of Agent Burruss' accident on Friday night.

Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Quinn that Mr. McMahon may return to Washington today.

With reference to the release on Robert Cohen, Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover that the Agents will not reach Cohen until Tuesday on account of the weather; that nothing has appeared in the papers as yet. Mr. Hoover stated that since we have done a good job on this case we should get the publicity. Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Quinn that just as soon as Cohen is taken into custody to give the release out. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Quinn to contact Colonel Gates and advise him that this case is brewing; that Cohen is some where in the Dakotas and that we have good reason to believe that we will find him in a day or two; that if Cohen is taken into custody in the daytime, we will be able to have a release for him to give out. Mr. Hoover stated further that he wanted Mr. Quinn to find out if it would be all right for him, Mr. Quinn, to call the press representatives if the case breaks late at night and give the release to them ourselves. Mr. Hoover told Mr. Quinn to be sure that Frank Waldrop and the other boys that we know get a copy of the release.

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Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover of the letter received from Mr. Scott Loftin extending the Director an invitation to speak in Jacksonville. Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Quinn to write a letter to Mr. Loftin advising him that the other letter had been received from Mr. Henderson of Jacksonville extending the invitation; that he had indicated his inability to accept it.

Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover of the letter to the Attorney General from Mr. Francis Biddle of Philadelphia. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Quinn to find out just what Biddle this is; that if this Drexel Biddle he may be willing to accept the invitation. Mr. Hoover told Mr. Quinn that if this is not the

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Drexel Biddle family to prepare a memorandum advising that he, Mr. Quinn, had communicated with him, Mr. Hoover, by telephone and that it would be impossible for him to accede to this invitation.

Mr. Quinn advised Mr. Hoover of the letter from SAC Listerman who advised of the invitation to speak over station KYA at San Francisco on fingerprints. Mr. Hoover granted his approval for SAC Listerman to speak.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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

February 21, 1936.

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With reference to the information leaking out on Dainard, Mr. Tamm advised in detail his conversation with Mr. Carusi and the Attorney General.

Mr. Tamm advised of a letter from SAC Newman with reference to the L. B. Reed case. Mr. Tamm advised the Director that Byron Bolton is due to come up for sentence on February 24, 1936; that Bolton is going to be one of our main witnesses in the Hamm case; that he, Mr. Tamm, was planning on talking to Mr. Connelley and Mr. Stein this morning about postponing the sentence again. Mr. Hoover stated that this should be done.

Mr. Tamm advised that the Assistant Chief of the Division of Eastern European Affairs was in to see him this morning; that this is the gentleman with whom the Bureau corresponds with generally on radical matters; that they have had an investigation in Brazil involving a man named Evaré alias Berger who the Brazillian authorities have had in custody; that as a result of this the Consul has become well acquainted with the police authorities at Rio de Janeiro; that they are planning on bringing two ranking officers of the Rio de Janeiro Police Department to the United States to see the various police systems; that they would like very much to turn them over to the Bureau for a day or so in order that they might see how the Bureau works. Mr. Tamm stated that he advised that he would refer the matter to Mr. Hoover. Mr. Hoover stated that we will be very glad to do this.

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Mr. Tamm advised of a letter from SAC Richmond giving the details of his interview with Colonel Schwarzkopf. Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover of the details contained therein.

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Mr. Tamm stated that he talked to Mr. Hickey this morning who advised that Mr. Bruckman called him this morning stating that O'Reilly, the defense counsel, had brought in a witness in connection with the Lindbergh case; that they wanted Mr. Bruckman to interrogate and that he was notifying the New Jersey State Police and that he wanted to notify us in the event we wanted to participate in the interrogation which was scheduled to start at 10 o'clock. Mr. Tamm stated that he told Mr. Hickey to call Mr. Bruckman back and tell him that we appreciated sincerely his offer of cooperation and his invitation to participate in this matter, but that in view of the Attorney General's instructions that we were to conduct no further investigation in the case, we did not think we should participate in the interrogation.

Mr. Tamm advised of the teletype received from SAC Rorer with reference to the Hamilton watch in the possession of an Ogden jeweler which watch was described on the "Gang Busters" program last night as wanted by the Virginia State Police in connection with murder. Mr. Tamm advised of

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the teletype which he has prepared to the Virginia State Police.

Mr. Tamm advised of a call from Mr. Keith this morning who advised that on being unable to reach the Director last night at the Roney Plaza, he talked to Mr. Montgomery. Director stated that Mr. Montgomery told him of the call he had received; that Mr. Montgomery stated that he had checked the hotel there and there was no record of the woman being registered. The Director stated that it was very doubtful if the woman will stop there on account of the long list of applicants for rooms; that the Jacksonville office should make arrangements to have the other hotels checked; that the Pan American Airways should also be checked as well as the boats leaving for Cuba. Mr. Tamm advised that the Washington angle is all washed up; that the informant is trying to buy a bond to sell at a higher price.

Mr. Tamm advised of the lead on the Ballston, Virginia bank robbery; that he has authorized the payment of a hundred dollars for information resulting in the apprehension of the robbers by us.

With reference to the resident agent at Miami, Mr. Tamm advised that he and Mr. Quinn looked over some more names with the result being that Agent Gebben be designated as resident agent. A brief summary on Gebben was given the Director who authorized the designation as resident agent.

Mr. Tamm advised of the article in the Washington papers relative to Cornell, the Navy Paymaster. Mr. Tamm further advised of the article by Arthur Brisbane relative to old machine guns sold by the United States Government.

Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover of the article relative to the Morgenthau Bill.

Mr. Tamm advised of the article relative to a speech to be given by Mr. Justin Miller before the District Federation of Women's Club on Monday morning at the Raleigh Hotel.

Relative to the Vancouver angle, Mr. Tamm advised of the details concerning the man who rented the safe deposit box. Mr. Hoover inquired as to when the Department was first notified and Mr. Tamm stated that the Department was notified by the State Department yesterday morning; that Mr. Fisher in the Criminal Division was trying to obtain a description of Mainard from the United States Attorney at Seattle. Mr. Hoover told Mr. Tamm to talk to Mr. McMahon and tell him that he, Mr. Hoover, could not understand why the Criminal Division endeavored to handle this matter through the U. S. Attorney without first communicating with the Bureau.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U.S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

Feb. 19, 1935.

9:00 AM

Mr. Baughman	
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Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Edwards	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Foxworth	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Joseph	
Mr. Keith	
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Mr. Tamm	
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Mr. Egan	
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Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Joseph	
Mr. Keith	
Mr. Lester	
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Schilder	
Mr. Tamm	
Mr. Tracy	

MEMORANDUM

Telephone conversation, Mr. Hoover and Mr. Tamm

Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover that Mr Whitley and [redacted] were unable to break the woman last night but were going to bring her [redacted]

Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover of the story in the Seattle Star re the Meyerhauser kidnap money, and that the story was reported to have originated from an official of the Federal Reserve Member Bank there, who declined to allow himself to be quoted. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr Tamm to have Mr. Connelley, when he arrives at Seattle, get in touch with the Managing Editor of the paper there and advise him that the story they published has spoiled nine months work by the Bureau and has prevented the capture of Mahan and that the Bureau wished them to know of the consequences of their action, and that such action was not patriotic action in the interests of law enforcement.

Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover of the teletype from SAC Hanson, advising of the abduction of the wife of a Naval Captain in San Diego.

Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover of the letter from Col. Schwarzkopf asking that a representative of the Bureau be present at the experiments being conducted by them with regard to the sound motion picture equipment. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Tamm to prepare a letter to Col. Schwarzkopf for the signature of the Assistant Director, advising that this matter would be called to Mr. Hoover's attention upon his return.

Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover of the request of Col. Schwarzkopf for the transcripts of the statements taken from Dr. Condon by the agents which are in the Bureau files. Mr. Tamm advised that these transcripts had been copied and copies sent to Col. Schwarzkopf. Mr. Hoover stated that he did not see how we could decline to make copies for them if they said they could not locate their copies. Mr. Tamm advised that no extra copies were available; that the reports would have to be abstracted in view of the fact that they contain material other than interviews with Dr. Condon. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr Tamm to have SAC Richmond talk to Schwarzkopf and explain to him the condition of our file and inform him that although we had sent copies to them, if they could not locate them, it would be necessary for the Bureau to abstract the reports in the Bureau file, which would be considerable work; that however, if the New Jersey Police desired to send a man or to Washington to look over this file this could be done, and they could pick out the material they desired. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Tamm to send them copies of the transcript of the telephone conversation of Condon.

Mr Hoover advised of the newspaper article which appeared in Miami yesterday, which reads as follows:

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Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Tamm of the big jewelry robbery at Miami Beach.

Time 12:45 P. M.

Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover that SAC Richmond had conferred with Col. Schwarzkopf and the Colonel thought that it was a good idea to send two of his employees down to the Bureau to review the files and is going to send Corporal Horn and a stenographer down on Monday morning. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Tamm to supervise this matter personally, and to see that all necessary material is segregated and that nothing is withheld that would cause the Bureau to be reported as withholding any necessary information from the local authorities. Mr. Tamm advised that Col. Schwarzkopf brought up his sound motion picture equipment subject but fortunately stated Mr. Tamm, SAC Richmond knew nothing about this matter.

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J. EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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Washington, D. C.

February 20, 1936.

Time-11:00A.M.

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With reference to the Supreme Court case, Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover that the woman was interviewed again yesterday. Mr. Tamm advised of the affidavits dictated to her and the refusal to transcribe her notes; that she has admitted that [redacted] dictated the first letter to her and that she composed and transcribed the second letter herself. Mr. Tamm stated that Mr. Loebel and Whitley left last night for Birmingham; that [redacted] went to Montgomery, Alabama yesterday afternoon evidently on a short business trip; that [redacted] is under surveillance; that [redacted] returned to Birmingham and he is under surveillance. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Tamm to keep this woman under surveillance.

Mr. Tamm advised that Agents Thompson and DeLille will leave San Juan at three o'clock this afternoon.

Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover of the article in the Herald this morning relative to the Federal Communications Commission Bribe Charge. Mr. Tamm advised of a call received by him several days ago from someone at the Federal Communications Commission about the report of Agent Loebel which we had sent to them; that they inquired if we objected to this report being incorporated in their public report on their findings; that he, Mr. Tamm told them that we did object to our report being made public. Mr. Tamm further stated that they issued a formal public release and that our investigative report was not incorporated therein. Mr. Tamm stated that one of the Commissioners, George Henry Payne, issued an urgent demand from his sick bed for the immediate release of all testimony taken during the investigation; that Mr. Payne claims that the public is entitled to know what was in our report. Mr. Tamm stated that evidently they are not going to make the report public.

Mr. Tamm advised that Mr. Connelley has arrived in Seattle and that he is going over and talk to the managing editor of the newspaper. Mr. Tamm stated that about last Friday, the same time this money was being passed in Seattle, someone walked into a bank in Portland and changed three hundred dollars in small money for large bills; that sixty five dollars of this money was Weyerhaeuser money and had been altered in the same manner; that the teller who changed the money picked Dainard's photograph as the man who passed the money. Mr. Tamm advised of instructions to the offices in that territory in connection with the checking of banks for further ransom money.

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Mr. Tamm advised of a call yesterday from SAC Ladd who stated that the Chicago Tribune had turned over the original letters on the Robinson lead and inquired if they would be given the first news if the lead developed. Mr. Tamm stated that Mr. Ladd told them that they would be given the first news.

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advised that the letter came from Hopkinsville, Kentucky and the investigation  
being conducted relative thereto.

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Mr. Tamm advised of a call from Mr. Keith last night. Mr. Tamm stated that [redacted], the attorney who was taken from the Britannic, disclosed the name of the person who had been interested in the bonds with him as an Italian named [redacted], an individual who Mr. Keith states has been in the country several years and who has a very good background and standing; that [redacted] upon being interviewed claimed that on a boat he had an affair with an American woman who was accompanying Mrs. McAdoo and others; that this woman is now back in France; that she asked him about these stolen bonds and this is why he made the inquiry through [redacted]; that when he was pressed as to who she was, he stated that she was not the woman who was interested, but that she was asking for a friend of hers. Mr. Tamm stated that Mr. Nathan talked to [redacted] last night and told him that he was going to give him until today to furnish complete and full information; that before Mr. Nathan left, [redacted] called and said that he thought full information would be furnished by [redacted] today. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Tamm to talk over the situation with Mr. Nathan and have Mr. Nathan go to New York for a day or two in order to get a line on the situation.

Mr. Tamm further stated in connection with this case that Sokol, the man referred by the Treasury, went to New York with his contact this morning and went right back to the same mob that we have been dealing with thru our bank informants in New York. Mr. Tamm stated this situation is being watched very closely.

Mr. Tamm advised that Judge Holtzoff had asked his opinion on a bill which had been sent over from the Treasury Department for approval prior to submission to Congress; that the bill contains provisions designed to allow Coast Guard personnel to make arrests for all crimes committed on the high seas and to come ashore to make these arrests. Mr. Tamm stated he had told Judge Holtzoff to oppose this. Mr. Hoover stated that this bill should be opposed vigorously. Mr. Tamm stated he asked for a copy of the bill which he would send to Mr. Hoover for his comment; that the bill had been sent back to the Treasury but had returned in substantially the same form.

Mr. Tamm stated he had received a wire from Brantley requesting permission to use E. B. Reed on a telephone tap in the Bremer case. Mr. Hoover stated this would be all right. Mr. Tamm stated that individual identified in Seattle is Mat Smith an ex-convict who has been passing money.

Mr. Tamm told Mr. Hoover about the letter from Mr. Ladd about the plot to kidnap Edsel Ford and Mr. Hoover stated he would handle it from Miami. Mr. Tamm stated a request had been received from Col. Schwarzkopf to interview a person in Reno, Nevada who claims information in the Lindbergh case. Mr. Hoover approved this. Mr. Tamm read to Mr. Hoover the letter he wrote to Col. Schwarzkopf and Mr. Hoover approved it; this letter was about the interviews with Dr. Condon.

*Charles Lindbergh*  
*Edward Bremer*  
*Thomas Ladd*

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In regard to the transfer of Agent Devereux to Miami as resident Agent Mr. Tamm stated that Devereux's wife is about to be confined and Mr. Hoover stated to find some other Agent to send.

Mr. Tamm stated he had received a call from Brantley in regard to a surveillance being maintained on the residence of Harry Campbell at Tulsa; that one of the Agents went to pay the rent and owner stated she knew government Agents were in the house and so did Campbell's people; that he would talk to Mr. Connelle; but that the surveillance would be removed as it was doing no good now.

Mr. Tamm stated Mr. McMahon had inquired if the Bureau had ever conducted an investigation into small loan companies from the interstate angle and was told we had not. He also stated an inquiry had been received from the State Department about disposition of some information in the Lindbergh case and were informed this would be handled through the publicity director of the Department.

b7c-1 About the investigation for the Attorney General of [REDACTED] Mr. Hoover stated to leave the decision up to the Attorney General.

Mr. Hoover asked Mr. Tamm to check on the investigation requested by Walter Winchell of Willie Hass.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 20, 1936

Time: 5:10 P.M.

MEMORANDUM

Conversation of Mr. Tamm with Director.

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Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover of the situation concerning Mr. [redacted] that Mr. Keith understands the necessity for avoiding any publicity and has endeavored to impress the New York Police in this regard as they had been informed by the Chemical Bank of the [redacted] incident at the same time the Bureau had been notified. Mr. Tamm advised that the informant sent from Washington had refused to go to the New Yorker Hotel and had gone to the Governor Clinton where he is under surveillance; that the informant had sent a telegram, apparently in code, to F. Muloy in Kansas City, Mo., who is undoubtedly the Fritz Muloy who was convicted in the Kansas City Massacre case. Mr. Tamm advised that Mr. Nathan is going to New York tonight and Mr. Hoover stated to have Mr. Nathan take charge of the situation.

Mr. Tamm advised that the Grand Jury had returned no count bills in both counts of the indictment against Caleb Jones Wilne IV.

Mr. Tamm advised that a release had been sent out on Cornell, the Navy embezzler, from whom a signed statement had been secured last night; that the Navy Department had agreed to accept it.

Mr. Tamm advised that the Senate today passed a bill to regulate interstate shipment of all firearms, which bill now goes to the House.

Mr. Tamm advised that a call had been received from [redacted] of Rainelle, West Virginia who stated that he had some information concerning Judge Carter; that the caller talked as though he were intoxicated and told a weird tale. Mr. Hoover stated that if at any time a worthwhile tip were received on this matter the Bureau should investigate it but otherwise permit the New York Police to handle the case.

Mr. Tamm advised that a few calls had been received concerning one John Harvey who claimed to be a special agent of the Alcohol Tax Unit working under Mr. Hoover and now on a special detail in connection with the [redacted] murder case. Mr. Tamm stated that he had been brought in for interview.

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and it was discovered that he had not been employed by anybody and was only attempting to make the headlines. Mr. Hoover advised that the subject be given a thorough talking to and made to understand the gravity of his acts.

Mr. Hoover requested Mr. Tamm to have a talk with Mr. Carusi on what he should explain was a confidential matter which Mr. Hoover had asked him, Mr. Tamm, to discuss with Mr. Carusi; that Mr. Hoover is disturbed over what appears to be a leak of information in the Department concerning the Weyerhaeuser case; to ask Mr. Carusi if it is possible if anyone but himself, the Attorney General, or Mr. McMahon could possibly have known that anything was impending in the case; that Mr. Hoover has been approached at Miami through the wires reaching there that the press boys at Washington have been told to stand by for an expected break in the Weyerhaeuser case; that this will result in front page publicity and will ruin any possibility of apprehending Mahan; that Mr. Hoover is very much concerned about it and to ask Mr. Carusi to check with Mr. Snyder and Colonel Gates to make certain that nothing has even remotely been said to the press indicating that something may break. Mr. Tamm stated that he had a request from Mr. McMahon to telephone him and Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Tamm to mention the leak to Mr. McMahon also.

Mr. Tamm informed Mr. Hoover that Mr. McMahon wanted to ascertain if the Bureau wanted to have the provisional detention papers that have been drawn up forwarded to the United States Attorney. Mr. Hoover suggested that an effort be made to secure the papers and have them sent to Mr. Connelley by air mail to be delivered to the counsel. Mr. Tamm stated that he had told Mr. McMahon to hold the papers until tomorrow as he did not believe it would be necessary to have the provisional detention papers if Mahan was apprehended. Mr. Tamm stated that Mr. McMahon expressed concern about the leak of information and stated that he believed it did not come from his Division.

*George Weyerhaeuser*

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 20, 1936.

Time - 11:00 A.M.

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Conversation of Mr. Quinn with Director.

In regard to the <sup>Speeches of the American Revolution</sup> D.A.R. speech Mr. Hoover stated that the invitation should never have been declined; that he should be given an opportunity to pass on the more important speeches. Mr. Quinn stated this would be done in the future.

Mr. Quinn stated a short release re John Cornell had been sent to Colonel Gates; that a letter had been received from Mr. Lester re his speech before the Chicago Dental Society; that it was well received; that he met Gen. Butler who commended the Bureau and the Director. Mr. Quinn stated that Mr. Grushwald telephoned and stated he was going to postpone the tour for the Mt. Vernon girls until the Director returns to the city.

Mr. Quinn stated that Mr. Wineburg of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer telephoned and stated they were organizing a movie about a lynching episode and were contemplating using the name Watson and wished to know if it were all right. Mr. Hoover stated to check our files and advise him according to their content but to state of course we could not speak for the whole country.

Mr. Quinn stated that Mr. Andretta in Col. Stewart's office stated that Mr. Eddy, City Mgr. of Cleveland wants to know if we have information re individuals under consideration for Chief of Police, if we could have an old Agent out for a few days to give instructions. Mr. Hoover stated to tell Mr. Andretta that nothing along this line could be done without consultation with the Director who is out of the city. Mr. Quinn stated that Mr. Bates talked last night and stated the average age of prisons inmates is 27 years and that the crime has diminished during the last 5 years. Mr. Quinn stated a letter had been received from the President of the Board of Police Commissioners of Hartford, Conn. who stated he had discussed with Mr. Schilder the possibility of sending down Sgt. Sullivan down for a few days for latent fingerprint instruction. Mr. Hoover stated that this would be all right.

Mr. Quinn stated that Mr. Hair in Mr. Egan's office has been ill for two weeks and that the doctor advises a change of climate; that Mr. Egan suggests moving him to Phoenix and having Sgt. Sauer report to take Hair's place. Mr. Quinn advised a wire had been received from Mrs. Meloney stating that Mr. Hoover would address the Forum on March 11 at 2:15 until 2:45 PM. Mr. Quinn advised of the receipt from SAC Smith at Kansas City telling of the call from Assistant U.S. Attorney Homer Davis and Mr. Hoover stated to send a detailed memorandum about this incident to the Attorney General.

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Mr. Quinn advised a letter had been received from "The Senator" of station WJSV requesting statistics about crime. Mr. Hoover stated to send him a quarterly Crime Bulletin and the pamphlet on the Bureau.

Mr. Quinn stated Rex Collier left a proposed letter which he stated had been drafted by Mr. Suydam and Mr. Hoover stated to check first with Mr. Suydam and make sure the letter met with his approval. Mr. Quinn stated the clerk at Dallas had resigned and if approved they would allow the vacancy to be filled by the clerk who had resigned at El Paso. Mr. Hoover approved. Mr. Quinn stated a letter had been received about the possible transfer of Agent H.A. Dietz to the Treasury Department, said letter being from Senator Hiram Johnson. Mr. Hoover stated to write to the Senator and tell the Bureau had no objection to the transfer but had no control over the Intelligence Unit, and it might be desire to take the matter up directly with the Treasury Dept. and to send a copy of the letter to Dietz. Mr. Hoover approved the talk of Inspector O'Connor of the N.Y. Police Dept. before the Police School on March 7 as set forth in Mr. Clegg's memorandum. Mr. Hoover approved a press release for Col. Gates re the number of criminal records among applicants for positions. Re the inquiry by Mr. George Riley as to whether the Director had sponsored the House bill for the retirement of Agents. Mr. Hoover stated to tell him that the bill is sponsored by Congressman Ramspeck but that the Director is heartily in favor of it; that he, Mr. Quinn had talked to the Director on the telephone about the matter.

Mr. Hoover talked to Mr. Stanley who told him that the D.A.R. had asked him to ask Mr. Hoover to speak before it. Mr. Hoover ~~stated~~ stated that he made very few speeches but asked Mr. Stanley to talk to the Attorney General about the matter and that he would be guided by their desires.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
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The following is a verbatim transcription of a telephonic conversation between Mr. Tamm and Mr. Hoover:

Tamm: Carusi telephoned me and asked me to come right around there and bring my hat and coat. I went around there, and the Attorney General said he had had a call from Chief Justice Hughes who asked that he come up to discuss a matter, and that he bring you (Hoover) along, and that in your absence, he wanted me to go up there with him. I went up to the Supreme Court Building, saw the Chief Justice with the Attorney General, and the story briefly is as follows: On Saturday February 8, 1936, there was found in the cafeteria of the Supreme Court Building a woman's pocketbook. It was turned over to the Captain of the Guard, and he opened the pocketbook for the purpose of ascertaining the identity of the owner. In the pocketbook there were found a number of typewritten letters. One of the letters was addressed "Charles Edward Hughes" with the salutation "Dear Charlie". It was signed [redacted], and then went on to say in reproaching terms that he had come clear up to Washington to hear the TVA decision on that Monday and was disappointed that it hadn't been handed down. The other letter, which was a long typewritten letter, was addressed to [redacted] and was signed "Charlie", evidently for Charles Evans Hughes, and went on to say that the TVA decision would be handed down in due course, and would be in favor of the power interests, that is, against the Government. It referred to each of the Justices by their first names, etc. In checking into the matter, they found that [redacted] who is supposed to be the correspondent in these matters, is a high official of the Commonwealth Southern Company, and of the Alabama Power Company, which are the power interests pushing the TVA suit. About an hour and a half after this happened, a woman walked into the office of the Captain of the Guard and asked for her pocketbook. She described it, they confronted her with these letters, and under pressure she claimed that she as a stenographer had had those letters dictated to her by [redacted] and that it was all a joke. This woman's name was found to be [redacted]. She, it turns out, was working temporarily as a stenographer or secretary to Mr. [redacted], who is [redacted] is [redacted] and [redacted] was [redacted] secretary. She admitted writing the letters, claiming that she wrote them at the dictation of [redacted] and that it was all a joke, and thereafter this man [redacted] came into the office of the Captain of the Guard and said that the thing was all a joke, and that he wished they would tear up the letters. On

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Monday, [REDACTED] came back and asked them not to report this matter to the Chief Justice. Of course, it was reported to the Chief Justice on last Monday, which was the 10th, but Justice Hughes said in view of the fact that the case was pending, the only person to whom he could refer the matter for proper investigation was the Department of Justice; in view of the relationship of the Attorney General as opposing counsel to [REDACTED] he didn't want to do anything on it until the decision was handed down. The decision was handed down today, and he called the General this afternoon. He says that [REDACTED] is supposed to be a very high-class reputable attorney, and that certainly if he were honest and sincere in this matter, the first thing he would have done when this was brought to his attention was to come to the Chief Justice, and explain that he had nothing to do with it. [REDACTED] was occupying an office in the Supreme Court Building which had been supplied for him to do his work in the library, etc., but he never came near the Court about it. The officials at the Capitol haven't done much, but the Captain of the Guard up there has had a little discreet check made to see who this [REDACTED] woman is. She is a divorced woman from Birmingham \* \* \*.

Hoover: What does the Chief Justice want?

Tamm: He wanted a complete investigation to see who wrote the letters, who dictated them and why, and a complete investigation into all the facts with criminal prosecution or disbarment proceedings if any attorney is involved. He says that \* \* \*.

Hoover: The way it looks to me is that here is some individual who wanted to appear as a "big shot", and wanted to impress the other members of the company or the association as a "big shot", and he had this letter written using these familiarities, calling the Justices by their first names, and indicating that the decision was going to be against the Government, which everybody assumed that it was going to be. If it had come out that way, and the decision had been against the Government, and the letter hadn't been found, this fellow probably would have been in the position to get a nice slice of money out of these utility companies. It strikes me that what you ought to do is to get hold of this woman and get a sworn statement from her, advising her of her legal rights, of course. I would ask her what she wrote it on and where it was written, so that you can get the machine. What I would do is to get hold of her right away \* \* \*

Tamm: Here is what I have done - I have taken the letters up to the Laboratory. You see, there are two originals of the letter signed "Charlie". One of them, after dictation, has had a number of penciled inter-lineations written

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on it.

Hoover: But the point that strikes me is there is not much use of wasting with Laboratory if we can get the woman to make the statement and if she will produce the typewriter. Of course, if she lies, our Laboratory can prove it, but my idea would be to get her and take a sworn statement from her, and then I would get hold of this fellow [REDACTED]

b7c-1 Tamm: Well, [REDACTED] is in Birmingham now. He was up here as a spectator in the Court on December 19, 1935, and from the information available now, he wasn't up here at any other time.

Hoover: Now where is [REDACTED]

Tamm: [REDACTED] is back in Birmingham also.

Hoover: Now my feeling about it is this: I think that we ought to send some damn good men down to Birmingham.

Tamm: Here is what I have done so far. We didn't get this until after five o'clock. I have sent Louis Loebel up to see Captain Crooks of the Guard at the Capitol, and to see United States Marshal Green of the Supreme Court, who has had his thumbs in it a couple of times, to get all the facts so that we can confront this woman with something tangible, and then get a sworn affidavit \* \* \*

Hoover: Don't let that woman get out of Washington.

Tamm: You see, this happened last Saturday, and we don't know where this woman is at this time. They have had over a week since the matter was brought to the attention of the Chief Justice. She was working for the Resettlement Agency here a week ago, and there has been no indication that she has moved out.

Hoover: I would locate her and keep her under surveillance so that we won't lose track of her, until we get the facts to serve as a basis to question her. Now, when is Mr. Nathan going to be done at Buffalo.

Tamm: Nathan is leaving at eight o'clock, and will be there tomorrow, and he wants to come by New York on the way back \* \* \* (record ran out).

b7c-1 The following is by dictation from Mr. Tamm: Mr. Hoover instructed that Mr. Whitley be brought down from New York to work on this matter with Mr. Loebel; that an immediate surveillance be placed on the [REDACTED] woman so that if she attempts to leave Washington we will know about it; that an immediate check be made at Birmingham

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to ascertain whether [redacted] and [redacted] are there.

Miss Gandy took the telephone at this point, and Mr. Hoover said that when he talked to Washington on Saturday evening last, he forgot to have the charges reversed. He said that the operator down there said it was too late to have the matter reversed down there; that Mr. Quinn should take this matter up with the telephone company here in Washington and get the charges placed against the Bureau in Washington.

Mr. Hoover was advised of the call from Congressman Doughton of North Carolina concerning the speech, and he said he would be unable to make this speech, and said for the Congressman so to be notified.

Mr. Hoover was advised that the inquiry from Miss V. Cummings, writer for the Washington Post, concerning the number of women's fingerprints in the Identification Division was referred to Mr. Suydam.

Mr. Hoover was advised of the call from Dr. Corbett of New York, the call from Mr. Sanford of Lubbock, Texas, the request of Colonel Gates for a copy of the November issue of the FBI Bulletin, the call from Francis Connor thanking the Director for the copy of the release on Robert Lee Cohen, the call from Captain Trevor from New York. Mr. Hoover instructed that Miss Gandy get in touch with Captain Trevor in New York and advise him that if the Captain wanted to talk with him, Mr. Hoover, he could be reached in Miami. He was further advised of the call from the Washington Daily News wanting additional information on the Robert Lee Cohen case, the personal call from "Turkey" the baseball mascot who, with a friend of his, wanted to see the office, the call from the Bureau of Prisons concerning the request of Mr. John Harling of the Milwaukee Leader to be placed on the mailing list, the call from Mr. Gordon of the News stating that Karpis was supposed to have been at the Hamilton Hotel here in Washington (this was furnished to Mr. Hoover in detail by Mr. Tamm), the request of Mr. Francis Gray, general secretary of the Y at Saginaw, Michigan, to be remembered to Mr. Hoover. Mr. Hoover was furnished his request, with the address of Mr. Manning Marcus here in Washington. He was advised of the fact that Special Agent J. J. Perkins died in Muskogee, Oklahoma, and that a wire had been sent to his wife, and that an Agent of the Oklahoma A.S. was being sent with the body from Muskogee to Boston, where it will be buried. Mr. Hoover was advised that the basketball team of the Bureau won the first half of the Community Center League, but lost a game to the YMCA at Baltimore.

Mr. Hoover was informed of the letters received from Congressmen McMillan and Gary thanking him and telling him what a wonderful time they had when they were visiting the Bureau, the letter from Jimmy Cochran written on the bottom of a slip from Mr. Marsh. Mr. Hoover requested that this letter be sent to him, whereupon he was advised of the situation with reference to getting mail down to him as soon as possible. He was advised of the letter from Miss LeHand at the White House.

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Mr. Quinn took the telephone at this point, and Mr. Hoover instructed him to call the Jacksonville Office and admonish Mr. Nathan seriously about the condition of the automobile which was sent over there for the use of Mr. Hoover and Mr. Tolson. Mr. Hoover instructed that SAC Nathan submit to the Bureau at once a written report explaining, if possible, his actions in this matter. Mr. Hoover was advised of the call of Mr. Ernest Colling of the RCA Corporation of New York with reference to information on airplanes and radio control; of the memorandum of Mr. Egan requesting authority to transfer Special Agent T. W. Bain from Birmingham to New Orleans, which authority was granted by Mr. Hoover; of the telephone call from Donald Griffin, messenger in the Attorney General's Office, wanting information on the cost of crime throughout the United States; of the call from Carusi about the Magic Eye; of the further information relative to the Biddle matter, which Mr. Hoover said he would decline; of the possible flood of the building, and the steps being taken to protect our interests and property. Mr. Hoover said he would authorize, if necessary, the placing of the gymnasium equipment and supplies in rented space. Mr. Hoover was advised of the fall which Mr. Dickason of the Butte Office took, and of his being in the hospital, and he asked that the usual letter be prepared to Mr. Dickason telling him to take care of himself, etc.; of the Rex Collier matter; of the inquiry made upon the Attorney General by Mr. Everath Holmes for a comment upon the splendid work the "G-Men" are doing to use in introducing SAC Richmond at a banquet - negative comment by Mr. Hoover.

Mr. Tamm took the telephone here and advised Mr. Hoover of the proposed release of the information on the individuals in custody in Chicago. Mr. Hoover approved the release of this information, and cautioned that we should get at least 50% of the credit. He was advised that Mr. Whitley would be down tonight to work on the Supreme Court matter, and that the Birmingham Office is already conducting necessary investigation in that district.

Mr. Quinn then talked with Mr. Tolson and advised him that the resignations had been obtained without difficulty; of the situation with reference to the boy in whom SAC MacFarland is interested; of the situation with reference to the girl who was recently married, and who Mr. Edwards recommended be placed on probation, and Mr. Tolson instructed that her resignation be requested; of the situation concerning the physical condition of Willie Tucker. With reference to Willie Tucker, Mr. Hoover advised that his wife is the cook in his home, and he wanted the definite facts concerning the matter at once. Mr. Tolson instructed that the physical examinations on the other colored employees of the Bureau, particularly those in the Director's Office, be given without further delay.

Mr. Tamm later talked with Mr. Hoover and advised him of the favorable publicity resulting from our finding Robert Lee Cohen. Mr. Tamm advised Mr. Hoover of the request of the Tulsa Police Department for the Bureau to place a certain telephone tap in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and Mr. Hoover approved this, adding

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*Charles Lindbergh*

that this tap should be maintained by our men; of the request of the New Jersey State Police for certain investigation out of New Jersey on the Lindbergh Case, which was referred to the Attorney General, about which the General had stated that in this instance we should cover the matter for the reason that he had already told the press we would do so; that, however, further incidents should be handled by the Bureau as they arise; of the developments in the Weyerhaeuser Case out in Washington State; of the information on the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act case about which he inquired this morning; of the results of my conference with Mr. Brady, counsel for the Veterans Administration, on the investigation of the criminal angles of the bonus matters; of the return of Special Agent T. H. Siak to San Antonio; of the situation with reference to the two United States Attorneys down there.

Mr. Hoover said that he plans to go down into the Keys and the Everglades in the morning in a dirigible, and in case of emergency, can be reached by radio.

E. A. TAMM.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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

February 21, 1936

Time: 10:30 A.M.

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MEMORANDUM

Conversation of Mr. Quinn with Director.

Mr. Quinn advised the Director of the telegram received from Mr. McKean who stated that Billy Keefe unexpectedly took a turn for the worse and died this morning at 2:00 o'clock in Boston. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Quinn to prepare a wire to be sent out over the Director's name and to see that flowers are ordered.

With regard to the letter, Mr. Quinn stated that Mr. Suydam drafted the letter himself. Mr. Quinn inquired if it should be prepared in the regular form and forwarded to him, Mr. Hoover, and Mr. Hoover stated that this would be all right.

Mr. Quinn advised of a memorandum directed to him by Mr. Suydam stating that the Attorney General would like to have Mr. Denoyer, an American correspondent for a Paris paper, go through on a special tour at 11:15 A.M. Mr. Hoover approved this.

Mr. Quinn advised of a letter from Mr. Sheldon of the National Crime Prevention Institute of New York stating that he would like to have the Director speak there on March 11, 1936. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Quinn to advise Mr. Sheldon that his commitments will not permit him to accept and not to offer a substitute. Mr. Quinn advised further of a letter from Mr. Hamby of the Kiwanis Club of Wilmington stating they are very anxious to have the Director and have instructed the Chairman of the Committee to hold open the last two Wednesdays in June and the entire month of July. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Quinn to advise them that he appreciates their action, but he cannot commit himself this far ahead.

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Mr. Quinn advised of the telegram received from Joseph H. McCoy stating that the Kiwanis Club of New York City desires to have the Director address their luncheon meeting on March 11, 1936. Mr. Hoover instructed Mr. Quinn to advise Mr. McCoy that his commitments would not permit his acceptance.

Mr. Quinn advised that a letter had been received from Police School, Eaton, Pennsylvania, requesting two lecturers, one on April 21 and one on April 23, to talk on fingerprinting. Mr. Hoover approved sending the lecturers requested.

Mr. Quinn advised that a letter had been received from Congressman Williams who stated that he understood the Director had been indirectly invited to talk some Sunday morning in the near future at the National Polynomic Forum, which meets every other Sunday morning at the University Club. Mr. Hoover requested Mr. Quinn to write Congressman Williams and express his regrets but that his commitments will not permit him to accept this invitation.

Mr. Quinn advised that a letter had been received from the president of the Old Town Manufacturers Association, Baltimore, who are holding their fifty-third annual banquet on March 25 and wish to have Director speak. Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Quinn to decline the invitation and not send a substitute.

Mr. Quinn advised that a letter had been received addressed to the Attorney General by the Yankee Division of Veterans Association, Hartford, Conn. who request that the Director speak at a mass meeting at which they hope to raise funds for the erection of a memorial. Mr. Hoover requested Mr. Quinn to send a memorandum to the Attorney General stating that Mr. Hoover believes it undesirable to accept this invitation.

Mr. Quinn advised that Mr. Clegg had a release available on the crime scene room. Mr. Hoover requested that this be held until he could examine it.

Mr. Hoover inquired about the D. A. R. invitation to speak and Mr. Quinn advised that no report had been received back from the Attorney General's office. Mr. Hoover requested that no action be taken to spur a reply from the Attorney General's office; that if Mrs. Creyke calls to inform her that the matter is before the Attorney General.

Mr. Quinn inquired if Agent Sebben who is being transferred to Florida should stop at Washington. Mr. Hoover instructed that he be advised to stop at Washington and talk with Mr. Quinn and Mr. Tamm so that he could be informed as to the situation in Florida.

*Director Quinn  
Police School  
Eaton Penn  
March 23*



JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 19, 1936.

Time - 9:05 A.M.

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- Mr. Nathan
- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Berghman
- Chief Clerk
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Edwards
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Foxworth
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Joseph
- Mr. Keith
- Mr. Lester
- Mr. Quinn
- Mr. Schilder
- Mr. Tamm
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Carson
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Gurnea
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Quinn
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

MEMORANDUM

Conversation of Mr. Hoover with Mr. Quinn, by telephone from Miami, Florida

Mr. Quinn stated that Mr. Schilder states he is submitting a memorandum containing a request from Dr. Allen, Director of the Franklin Institute of Philadelphia for the Director to speak over the radio on March 6 during the evening. Mr. Hoover stated to send his regrets; that he would be unable to accept this invitation.

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Mr. Quinn stated he had taken [redacted] off of the switchboard last night when he was discovered asleep on duty and assigned him to the Mechanical Section and put him on probation for 30 days. Mr. Hoover stated to reduce [redacted] in salary to \$1260 in grade Caf 1, and to tell him he would be dismissed if this happened again.

Mr. Quinn stated he had received a letter from Rex Collier who is mailing the sample cartoon strips and would like to have them forwarded in case the Director does not return before long. Mr. Hoover stated this would have to wait until his return.

Mr. Quinn stated that Frank Yates is being considered for McCarran job; that the papers and the radio have announced that the Secret Service has seized \$300,000 in gold. Mr. Hoover mentioned the fact that the Bureau was handling gold hoarding cases. Mr. Quinn stated the column "The Greatest Show on Earth" mentioned the tour of the Congressional Sub-Committee.

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Time - 12:45 P.M.

Mr. Quinn stated that Mr. Suydam had telephoned with regard to Mr. Hoover's recent talk with Mr. Wilkinson regarding the "Gang Buster's" radio program that Mr. Suydam thinks the FBI is making an introduction to a pamphlet would be dangerous as it is purely commercial but he would leave it Mr. Hoover's judgment. Mr. Hoover told Mr. Quinn to tell Mr. Suydam that Mr. Wilkinson wanted him, Mr. Hoover.

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to speak on the radio and to write the introduction; that Mr. Hoover had told Mr. Wilkinson the Department would probably not approve the speech and that he was not in any position to say yes or no to the introduction. Mr. Hoover told Mr. Quinn to tell Mr. Suydam that he thought personally that both requests should be refused. Mr. Quinn stated Mr. Suydam advised Mr. Wilkinson also wished photos of the Lab and I.O.'s; Mr. Hoover told Mr. Quinn to tell Mr. Suydam that he, Mr. Hoover would do whatever Mr. Suydam said in such matters. Mr. Quinn stated Mr. Suydam advised Mr. Rex Collier had asked him about Mr. Hoover writing a letter merely to be shown to the publishers; that he Mr. Suydam had no objection. Mr. Hoover told Mr. Quinn to tell Mr. Suydam that the matter would be handled according to his, Mr. Suydam's judgment.

Mr. Quinn stated that Col. Biddle had called this morning on the telephone and stated that newspaper men had questioned him and wished to obtain approval before talking about the Bureau; Mr. Quinn stated the Colonel made requests to use a photograph taken in the Director's office and to praise the Bureau in general and the Director in particular and inquired about mentioning the Lindbergh case. Mr. Hoover told Mr. Quinn to call Colonel Biddle and tell him the Director states it is all right for him to go ahead with his requests but that it would be better not mention the Lindbergh case; that the Director would be glad to talk to him on the telephone if he so desires and that the Director would be proud to have him make any statement he wished.

Mr. Quinn stated he had talked to Mr. Nathan about the car at Miami and he knows nothing about it. Mr. Quinn stated he had talked to Mrs. Cummings who is the reporter who is going to write the story for the Washington Post; that she has been given releases and is going on a tour.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 21, 1936

Time: 3:45 P. M.

Mr. Nathan	.....
Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. E. A. Tamm	.....
Chief Clerk	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Edwards	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Foxworth	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Joseph	.....
Mr. Keith	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Nease	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

## MEMORANDUM

Conversation of Mr. Tamm with Director.

Mr. Tamm advised the Director that Mr. Stein in a tele-  
sation advised that Mr. Hamm is in Honolulu and is not expected  
some time in April; that he, Mr. Tamm, will talk to Mr. Connelley  
he believes an immediate interview with Mr. Hamm is necessary.

Mr. Tamm stated he had written a memorandum to Judge Holtzoff con-  
cerning the proposed legislation to extend the jurisdiction of the Coast Guard.  
Mr. Hoover approved this memorandum.

Mr. Tamm advised the Director of Mr. Egan's memorandum concerning  
the Aluminum Case and a conference between Mr. Wattawa and Mr. McFarland;  
that Mr. Wattawa fears he may be called in by the Attorney General to dis-  
cuss the case without the assistance of the Special Agents assigned to this  
case. In response to the Director's inquiry Mr. Tamm stated there was no  
indication as to when Mr. Wattawa may be called. Mr. Hoover requested Mr.  
Tamm to keep in touch with the matter and that upon his return he  
could see the Attorney General.

Mr. Tamm stated that Frank Cochran, one of the defendants at Reno,  
has paid his fine and bought back his garage, supposedly paying \$30,000.00  
for the garage.

Mr. Tamm informed the Director of a copy of a memorandum sent to  
Mr. Keenan by Judge Holtzoff concerning investigations of violations of  
banking statutes, in which the Judge states it is clear that investigative  
jurisdiction in this subject remains with the F.B.I. Mr. Hoover advised Mr.  
Tamm to hold the matter until the first part of the week and then ask Judge  
Holtzoff if the matter has been disposed of. Mr. Hoover stated it was his  
intention to send a letter to all SAC's enclosing a copy of the Judge's opinion  
in order that they may insist on covering all violations in this matter and  
not permit any other governmental agency to take jurisdiction.

Mr. Tamm stated that he had talked with Mr. Connelley who is going  
to send a letter to all banking institutions on West Coast requesting a  
check of currency on hand and received daily and to treat the matter confi-  
dential. Mr. Hoover approved this. Mr. Tamm stated that Mr. Connelley had  
not yet talked to the newspaper official but was planning to do so this after-  
noon. Mr. Hoover requested to be advised as to the outcome of this matter.  
In reply to Mr. Hoover's inquiry Mr. Tamm stated that the information on the  
Walter Winchell matter had not yet come in.

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Mr. Tamm advised that he was checking the Lindbergh files for  
all reports and references concerning Condon; that Mr. Whitley is handling  
the matter in Birmingham.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 28, 1936

Time: 5:50 P.M.

MEMORANDUM

Conversation of Mr. Tamm with the Director.

Mr. Tamm advised that Patricia Cherrington was sentenced to five months on charges of harboring Dillinger. Mr. Tamm advised of a news story in the Indianapolis Times concerning an investigation there for some Lindbergh ransom money supposed to be hidden there. Mr. Tamm advised of a story appearing in the Washington Daily News today concerning an "eaves dropping" machine being studied by Department of Justice; that Mr. Hixon had called at the Bureau with an instrument he had devised but that the Laboratory had not been interested. Mr. Tamm advised of the robbery at the Ocean Front Hotel at Miami, Florida.

Mr. Tamm stated that a fugitive on whom an identification order had been issued had been apprehended. Mr. Hoover stated to release the story locally. Mr. Tamm advised of the article in the Washington Daily News by John T. Flinn relative to the Government's attitude towards anti-trust enforcement. Mr. Tamm stated that the memorandum on Heller was not sent down as a very complete memorandum of facts had been submitted to the Criminal Division last October; that he had called Mr. McMahon's attention to this memorandum. Mr. Hoover stated this was all right. Mr. Tamm advised that he had authorized taking Byron Bolton out of jail for a short time as he could be taken out to White Bear Lake to point house out where Karpis had lived.

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Mr. Tamm stated that this morning a deputy United States Marshal had called at his office and served on him a summons addressed to appear in Dallas, Texas, on May 4, 1936, in connection with a suit entered against the Director. Mr. Hoover questioned the effectiveness of the service and instructed Mr. Tamm to turn the matter over to the United States Attorney. Mr. Tamm stated that he would prepare a memorandum of the facts shown by the Bureau files and send the original subpoena to the Department with the facts and suggest that the United States Attorney be instructed appropriately for handling the matter and that arrangements be made to avoid the necessity of the Director appearing in Dallas. Mr. Hoover stated this was all right.

Mr. Tamm advised of the letter from Mr. Urschel relative to his request that Gus Jones be made available to testify in a civil suit. Mr. Hoover stated to verify if Mr. Jones knows anything about the matter in which his testimony is requested and if he knows nothing to advise Mr. Urschel that Mr. Jones is not informed of any of the details and if Mr. Jones does know something about it to advise Mr. Urschel that Mr. Jones' official commitments will not permit him to attend the trial. Mr. Tamm advised that Mr. McIntire had not yet returned with the other bank robbery suspect. Mr. Tamm advised that SAC Sackett had advised of the apprehension of a parole violator and that SAC Hanson has apprehended a subject in an extortion case. Mr. Hoover stated to have both matters given out locally.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

February 23, 1936

Time: 5:05 P. M.

MEMORANDUM

Conversation of Mr. Quinn with Director.

Mr. Quinn informed the Director that Mr. Bennett, head of the Bureau of Prisons wishes to receive crime reports; that Mr. Sanford Bates had already been placed on the mailing list; Mr. Hoover instructed that Mr. Lead be placed on the mailing list to receive crime reports.

Mr. Quinn informed the Director that all matters in connection with the funeral of former Agent William Keefe had been taken care of including flowers for the Director. Mr. Quinn related the cause of Agent Keefe's death.

Mr. Quinn advised of the receipt of a letter from A. J. Drexel Biddle who sends Mrs. Biddle's greetings and expresses thanks for being included as a professor in the training school.

Mr. Quinn advised of the publication in the Kansas City Journal Post of an article by John Coontz; that Coontz had submitted the article to the Bureau which was not approved on the grounds that it furnished information to the criminal element on how to mutilate fingerprints; that several photographs were included, the source of which is unknown; the photographs including one of Mr. Clegg, one of the training school on the roof, one of the laboratory, and one of Melvin Purvis with an ultra violet light. Mr. Hoover stated that so long as the article has been published nothing can be done about it. Mr. Quinn stated the article would be shown to the Director.

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Concerning the information that an attempt had been alleged to have been made on the life of Al Capone, the Director stated he had read about it in the Florida newspapers. Mr. Quinn stated that Francis Connor had telephoned and explained that Mr. Bates had denied the story and he, Mr. Connor, had been instructed to contact Mr. Hoover on the story. Mr. Quinn stated that the statement to Mr. Connor was that the Bureau had nothing on the matter. Mr. Hoover

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requested that Mr. Quinn explain to Mr. Connor that any information would have to come from Mr. Bates; that the Bureau cannot become involved in this matter.

The Lindberghs

Mr. Quinn stated that a suspect by the name of Whitten had been arrested by the Sheriff's Office at Santa Ana, California, as a suspect in the Lindbergh case; that in an article appearing in the Washington Post on this subject the statement was made that the Department of Justice was maintaining its attitude of no comment on the Lindbergh case relative to this arrest. Mr. Hoover stated that this attitude would not be changed and requested Mr. Quinn to impress upon Mr. Snyder or anyone else who might call in on this matter that no matter what happens we ought to take the position of "no comment"; that if anyone questions this attitude have him get in touch with Mr. Hoover by long distance.

Mr. Quinn stated that in reference to the invitation extended to the Director to speak before the National Identification Association at Philadelphia in August, Mr. Schilder advises that the organization is all right but has a membership of only 30 or 40. Mr. Hoover stated to decline the invitation and offer Mr. Schilder as a substitute.

Mr. Quinn stated that the letter relative to the resignation of Miss Peiton was ready to go out. Mr. Hoover instructed that the letter be sent out.

Mr. Hoover informed Mr. Quinn that he had talked with Mr. William Stanley today and that Mr. Stanley had advised him that the Attorney General desired the Director to make the address at the B. A. N. Convention. Mr. Hoover requested Mr. Quinn to get in touch with Mrs. Greyka and inform her that the Director has received the approval from the Attorney General to make the address and request her to advise the Director of the time, place, etc. of the speech. Mr. Quinn stated that he would handle the matter tomorrow (February 24).

Mr. Quinn advised that Mr. Whitley had arrived in Washington. Mr. Hoover requested that Mr. Tamm be instructed to have a report on the matter in which Mr. Whitley has been active prepared tomorrow morning (February 24).

Mr. Hoover inquired about the matter of the "G-Man Magazine". Mr. Quinn stated that he had communicated with Mr. Keith who was to see the publisher either today or tomorrow and make it clear that absolutely nothing further of this nature is to be published in the magazine without express authorization from Mr. Hoover. Mr. Hoover stated that he had seen a copy of the magazine and thought the matter was very bad; that on stopping at a news stand last night

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the dealer recognized him, Mr. Hoover, and told him that there was a magazine on the stand to which he, Mr. Hoover, had contributed. Mr. Quinn stated that the article had not been authorized by the Bureau and that the speech as quoted was misrepresenting as only excerpts and portions of sentences were used. Mr. Quinn stated that he had requested Mr. Keith to immediately advise the Bureau by wire upon conclusion of the interview with the publisher. Mr. Hoover requested that the matter be followed up tomorrow (February 24).

Mr. Hoover stated that if the weather was not bad he would be fishing tomorrow morning and would not call in until about noon or later, unless he came ashore earlier because of good luck.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 28, 1936.

Time - 10:30 A. M.

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



MEMORANDUM

Conversation of Mr. Tamm with Director.

Mr. Tamm advised in regard to the Ballston Bank matter that the Bureau has one of the McDaniel brothers in custody but that he won't talk as he is trying to protect his younger brother for whom Agent McIntire is looking on the West Virginia border; that the brother in custody will not be shown to Bank witnesses until the younger brother is also apprehended; that there is a third brother who is assisting the Agents in West Virginia. Mr. Hoover stated to hold the older brother entirely incommunicado until the younger brother is apprehended.

Mr. Tamm advised of the newspaper stories on the Lindbergh case; and the investigation of the sale of Army guns predicated on the statement of the Attorney General.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 24, 1936

Time: 2:20 P.M.

- Mr. Nathan .....
- Mr. Tolson .....
- Mr. Baughman .....
- Chief Clerk .....
- Mr. Clegg .....
- Mr. Coffey .....
- Mr. Edwards .....
- Mr. Egan .....
- Mr. Forworth .....
- Mr. Harbo .....
- Mr. Joseph .....
- Mr. Keith .....
- Mr. Lester .....
- Mr. Quinn .....
- Mr. Schilder .....
- Mr. Tamm .....
- Miss Gandy .....

## MEMORANDUM

Conversation of Mr. Quinn with Director.

Mr. Quinn advised that SAC Richmond was checking on the Hotel Association and that a report would be available in one or two days.

Mr. Quinn stated that Mr. Keith has an appointment at 3 o'clock this afternoon to see the publisher of the "G-Man Magazine" and that Mr. Keith will report on the interview later.

Mr. Quinn stated that the resignation of Agent Austin had been forwarded by the Attorney General to whom the resignation had been addressed.

Mr. Quinn stated that he had received a telephone call from Congressman Rabaut who stated that a man from Detroit by the name of Fred J. O'Keefe has been hanging around his office in a mysterious manner and has apparently been taking specimens of typewriters; that Congressman Rabaut indicated he thought O'Keefe might be a Bureau Agent; that Mr. Quinn assured the Congressman that the man was not an Agent of this Bureau; that the Congressman desired to have an Agent come to see him. Mr. Hoover advised Mr. Quinn to call the Congressman and inform him that he, Mr. Quinn, had talked with the Director and that the Director stated we had no one investigating him and that we would be very glad to have an Agent come to see him and if he wishes us to have this man investigated or questioned we will be glad to do so. Mr. Hoover stated that Agent Loebel should be sent.

Mr. Quinn stated that Jack Stanford had called concerning the testimony of the Director before the Appropriations Committee.

Mr. Quinn stated that he had communicated with Mrs. Creyke relative to the time that the Director was to speak at the D.A.R. Convention; that the address will be at Constitution Hall, April 23, 1936, the function to begin at 8:30 P. M. with the Director's address scheduled for 9 P.M., the speech to be about 30 minutes in duration.

Mr. Quinn advised the Director that the Manual of Instructions had been sent out.

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Mr. Quinn stated that an article appeared in the New York Evening Journal relative to Mr. Sanford Bates' hope to draw college men into the prison service; that an article appeared in the Washington Herald announcing that the forthcoming convention of dentists would visit the FBI; that an article appeared by George Riley condemning the Ramspeck Bill for retirement provisions for Agents. Mr. Hoover suggested that Mr. Tamm contact

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