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HENRY FORD

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(A) Col. Lindbergh.

(B) Ex-Sgt. Rush Holt.

(C) Rep. Hamilton Fish.

(D) Charles Chapman Rayson.

(E) Henry Ford.

SUBJECT

HENRY FORD

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
ENCLOSURE COVER SHEET

SUBJECT: Henry Ford

FILE: 9-176

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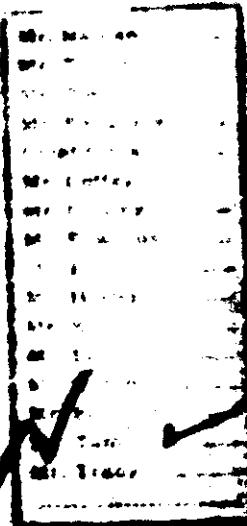
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~~Address of Suspect~~

~~U.S. Post Office of Suspect~~

~~Washington, D.C.~~

~~November 24, 1934.~~



~~John [unclear] comes to [unclear] Detroit. He claimed [unclear] Harry [unclear] from [unclear] Harry called his [unclear] [unclear] letter today~~

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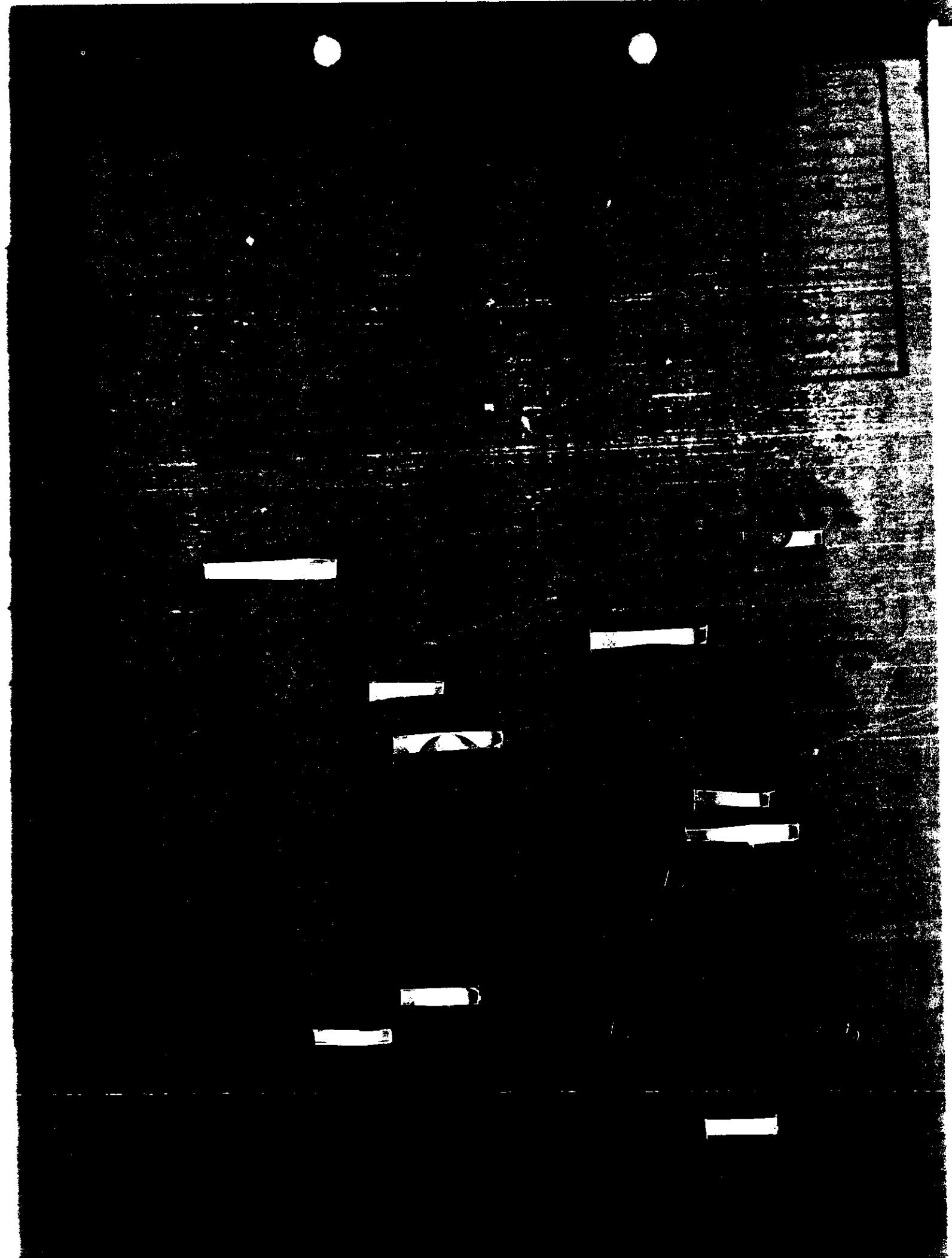
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Chairman
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Mr. Kuhn
Mr. Lovell
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Schaeffer
Mr. Tabor
Mr. Gandy

Mr. Brown telephoned and asked whether the certificate
had been presented to the above man and been returned to him as he
had advised that the original
certificate be re-issued.

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To the end [unclear] you personally transmit same to Mr. Bennett. He very confidentially informed me that Mr. Ford is contemplating leaving Detroit within the near future for Mexico where he is going to visit with President Roosevelt, and Mr. Bennett is anxious of knowing the results of the talk with him. You early as possible so that he can furnish Mr. Ford the information before he departs from the city. b7c

In view of the fact that Mr. Bennett is personally acquainted with Mr. Ryan, he suggested Mr. Ryan's name with regard to contacting [unclear] in Washington. b7c

Mr. Bennett further stated that he desires to have this letter returned to him after it has served its purpose. It is, therefore, respectfully requested that the letter be returned to me and I will see that it gets back into Mr. Bennett's hands.

Respectfully yours,

John Lanson
John Lanson,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

**Washington Field Office, Room 8745,
Washington, D. C.**

November 16, 1936.

**Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.**

~~PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL~~

To:

**Mrs. EDWARD FORD - VICTIM,
REINTERVIEW.**

Dear Sir:

In compliance with verbal instructions received from Mr. E. A. Tamm of the Division, Special Agents proceeded to U. S., on the evening of November 15, 1936 and requested in having and his son, voluntarily accompany these agents to this office. b7c

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Agents not having the original letter at hand nor being fully informed as to the contents thereof, could not obtain from [REDACTED] the exact phrasing of the letter which he claimed not to need. He stated, however, that it was his intention, being a newspaper man, to write a story based on the facts allegedly in his possession concerning the affairs of the Ford family. b7c

Attached hereto are the original and three copies of a statement furnished by [REDACTED] which is self-explanatory; also, a specimen of his handwriting is set as follows: b7c

Mrs. Harry Ford
Baltimore
Md.
State House, D.C.

b7c

[REDACTED]

A slight lead of the above statement is being passed in the name of the Washington Field Office.

[REDACTED] has fully advised concerning the subject matter of the letter. He avers that all the facts contained were made known to him. He further avers that he did not know who sent the letter or to whom it was addressed. He is unable to state if his name was mentioned in the letter. He further avers that he did not know if the letter was written by [REDACTED]. The letter was written in ink and he does not know if it was written by [REDACTED].

b7c

b7c

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Original record

Persons ever having been arrested.

Relatives

b7c

Two additional copies of this letter are being forwarded to the Division in the event the Division desires to furnish the Interrogation Officer with same, together with two copies of the statement.

H. R. O'Neil
H. R. O'Neil
Special Agent in Charge
FBI - Boston

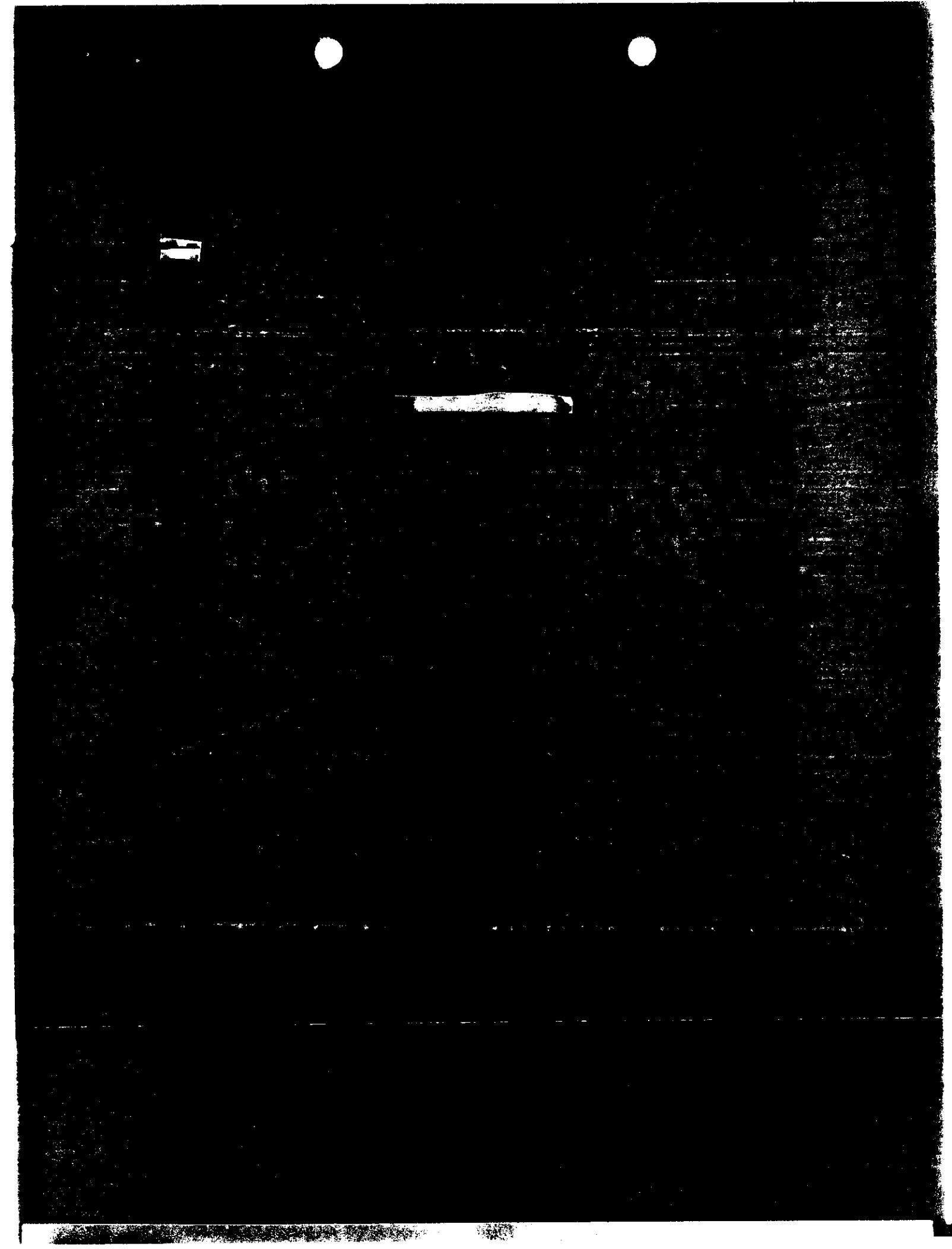
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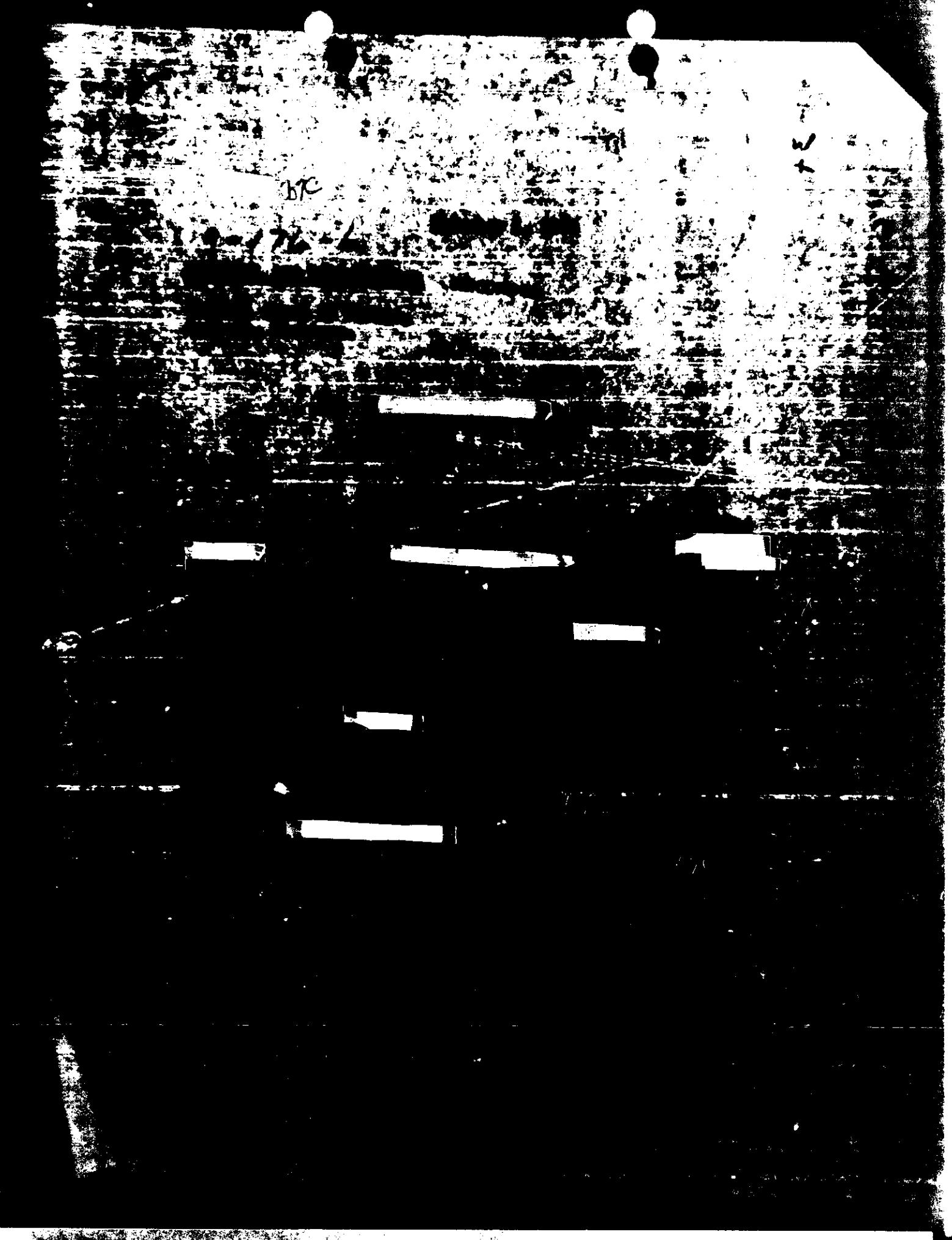
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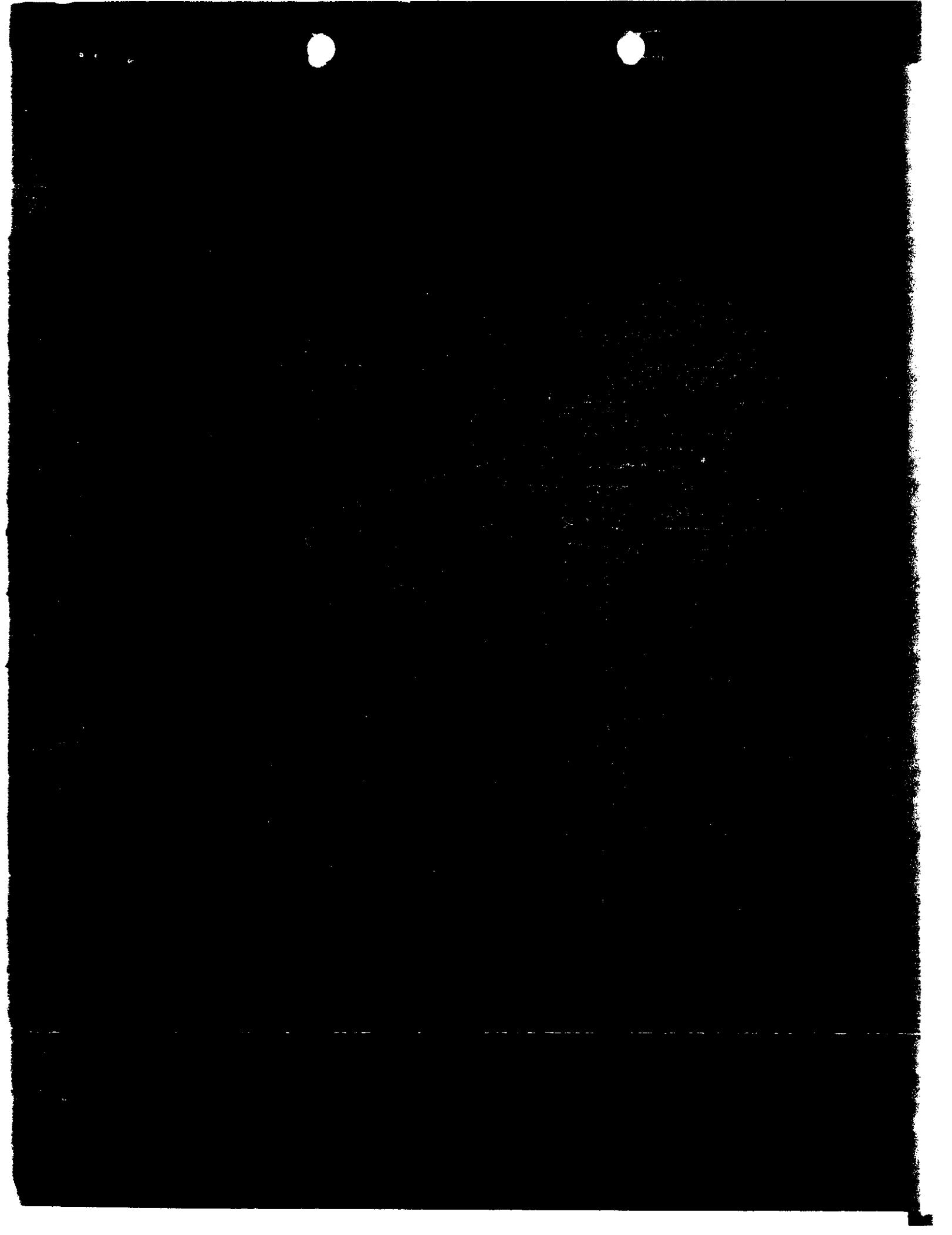
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Mrs. Henry Ford
Dearborn
Michigan
Fox River, Fla.

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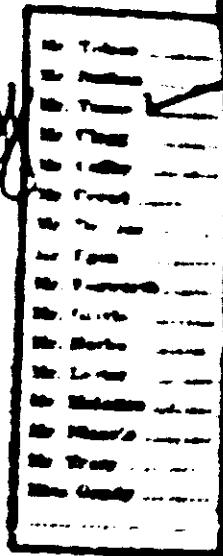
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US DEPT OF JUSTICE

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[REDACTED] VICTIMS EXTORTION.

INQUIRY OF APPROPRIATE FORD REPRESENTATIVE FAILS TO LOCATE LETTER
MAILED OCTOBER FIRST NINETEEN THIRTY SEVEN IN FILES. FURTHER
SEARCH BEING MADE AND YOU WILL BE ADVISED RESULTS. SEATTLE
ADVISED

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
P. O. BOX 2000
Seattle, Washington
July 8, 1938

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith the fingerprints of [REDACTED] arrested by the Seattle, Washington Police Department July 6, 1938 as a possible abortion violater. b7c

It is requested that these fingerprints be searched through the general file and the criminal record, if any, of this individual be forwarded the Seattle Office immediately.

It is also requested that a copy of the criminal record be furnished to the Seattle Police Department.

Very truly yours,

R. D. Burns
R. D. Burns
Special Agent in Charge

b7c
Enclosed
All mail
should be sent to:
FBI - Seattle

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Seattle, Washington
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FBI SEATTLE 7-4-38 9-30 AM KD

DIRECTOR

✓ SACS NEW YORK, PHILADELPHIA, DETROIT

ARRESTED SEATTLE PD FOURTH INSTANT IN POSSESSION
REGISTERED LETTER RECEIPTS DATED SPOKANE, WASHINGTON OCTOBER SIXTH,
NINETEEN THIRTY SEVEN, ADDRESSED TO [REDACTED] NEW YORK
CITY, NEW YORK, RECEIPT DATED SPOKANE, WASHINGTON [REDACTED] FIRST,
NINETEEN THIRTY SEVEN ADDRESSED TO HENRY FORD, DETROIT, MICHIGAN,
RECEIPT DATED SEATTLE, WASHINGTON JUNE EIGHTEENTH, NINETEEN THIRTY
EIGHT, ADDRESSED TO [REDACTED] WILMINGTON, DELAWARE.
[REDACTED] ADMITS WRITING FOR MONEY, DENIES LETTERS CONTAINED THREATS.

[REDACTED] ALSO HAD IN POSSESSION TYPEWRITTEN LETTER DATED KANSAS
CITY- MISSOURI, POST OFFICE 508

SEVEN THREE FIVE, JUNE NINTH,
NINETEEN THIRTY EIGHT, ADDRESSED TO HENRY FORD, DEARBORN, MICHIGAN
SIGNED FREDERICK JAMES NELSON, DEMANDING THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND
BODILY HARM, THREATENED ON REFUSAL OF PAYMENT. [REDACTED] DISCLAIMS
AUTHORSHP THIS LETTER. NEW YORK, PHILADELPHIA, AND DETROIT FIELD
DIVISIONS WILL CONDUCT INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE WHETHER REFERENCE
TO [REDACTED] RECEIVED LETTERS CONSTITUTING EXTORTION VIOLATIONS.

ADVISE IMMEDIATELY, all b7c

END

PLS ACK

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Opposite page 100. - The first complete edition of the "New York Times," July 6, 1851.

holotype from Philadelphia series dated July 18
1922.

The first report on possible global warming

Report of Radical Action Committee
City, April 14, 1968

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185 From Shoshone Creek to the West

~~The following will be given and to practice
the various as the individual ability
and time will allow the same.~~

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1996年1月1日，中国加入世界贸易组织。

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10. The following table gives the number of hours per week spent by students in various activities.

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Investigation in this case is predicated upon telephonic information received at the Seattle Field Office on July 4, 1938 from [REDACTED] member of the Seattle Police Department, who advised that officers of his department were holding a man who had been picked up the street and was being held who had been booked on suspicion because the fact that he had in his possession threatening letters addressed to [REDACTED] and MERRY ROSE. [REDACTED] advised that if

arresting officers had [REDACTED] and that the person in custody had given his name as [REDACTED] b7C

Reporting Agent, accompanied by Special Agent [REDACTED] proceeded to the Seattle Police Department and there contacted [REDACTED] and informed Agents that at approximately one o'clock P.M. on July 4, 1938 [REDACTED] with officer [REDACTED] had picked up an individual at 811½ and Harvard Streets in Seattle whom he picked up a woman who had advised the officers that subject had complained over that she had been given \$250 in a restaurant for which he had made no payment. [REDACTED] further stated that this case had been assigned to Detective [REDACTED] and that after subject had been arrested certain letters were found on his person, together with [REDACTED] indicating that he had been writing threatening letters to [REDACTED] MERRY ROSE and [REDACTED] b7C

[REDACTED] advised from [REDACTED] that at the time subject was arrested he had given his name as [REDACTED] claimed to be unemployed, and stated that he residing at the Livingston Hotel, 1931 1st Avenue, Seattle, Washington. [REDACTED] further stated that subject, whom claimed, had in his possession a stamped typewritten letter signed by [REDACTED] and addressed to MERRY ROSE, Dearborn, Michigan, dated June 3, 1938, threatening M. Rose with kidnapping and bodily harm to the event he failed to send \$50,000.00 to the said PERSONAL FRIEND. [REDACTED] indicated that [REDACTED] appears to be a mental case and had completed in a restaurant where he was buying food because the restaurant operator had failed to furnish him dessert b7C

[REDACTED] was brought into the DeLoach's Office, where he was interviewed by Agents. Subject admitted having in his possession a letter dated June 3, 1938, R. O. Box 128, Kansas City, Missouri, addressed to M. MERRY ROSE, Dearborn, Michigan, and written with a typewriter reading \$50,000.00. At this time [REDACTED] disclosed his authorship of this letter, stating that he had found the same while walking on 45th Street. Various postoffice receipts found by police officers in possession of subject had in the back thereof, in typewritten language of MERRY ROSE. [REDACTED] also stated that these writings represented threatening letters mailed to victims in this case. He further disclosed having written letters in which he attempted to obtain money under threat of [REDACTED] b7C

It was apparent to Agents that subject is mentally deranged or has converted completely to religion.

of philanthropy. He admitted that ████████ was the named victim. Some had been the subjects of letters written by him in which he boasted of large sums of money. [REDACTED] advised that he has fled after the robbery, staying in cheap hotels and rooming houses [REDACTED] cities, both on the East and on the West Coast. He claimed to be [REDACTED] number by occupation and mentioned ownership of a small portable typewriter which was found by police officers in his room at the [REDACTED] Hotel. [REDACTED] admitted using this typewriter for the purpose writing letters to men of responsibility in all walks of life requesting assistance. b7C

Two stamped postal receipts were found in possession of [REDACTED] and were admitted by him to be letters received from [REDACTED] in Seattle and Spokane for letters mailed by him to victims in this case. b7C

Postcard receipt dated at Spokane, Washington, October 5, 1933, New York City (on the back of which, written in typewriter, appeared the name [REDACTED]) b7C

Postcard receipt dated at Spokane, Washington October 1, 1933, addressed to Detroit, Michigan (on the back of which appeared in typewriter letters the name [REDACTED]) b7C

Postal receipt dated at Seattle, Washington June 18, 1933, addressed to Wilmington, Delaware (on the back of which in typewriter letters appeared the name [REDACTED]) b7C

In addition to the above postal receipts the following stamped typewritten letter was found in the possession of subject.

Op. B. Box 725
Kansas City, Missouri
June 9, 1933

Mr. George Smith
The Auto Emporium
Dearborn, Michigan

Dear Sirs:

You are worth many millions, yes, you are more than a millionaire. You may cannot you spare us some of your change?

I am in very much need of MONEY. They say that MONEY is everything in the United States. And believe me I believe this.

If you do not send us \$30,000.00 within three days from the time you receive this letter, I am going

will, or sufficient legal remedy of your damages. You shall be
so soon as you find better be fully satisfied. Because
now I do not know what I have done to you,
and I am very sorry for it. I will do my best to make up for it.
I will do my best to make up for it. I will
do my best to make up for it. I will
do my best to make up for it.

and the subject matter of this letter appears to have been
that of a formal communication, and it appears to have been
written by the author, and that the date given has been so slight as to give only
the month, year, but was represented by the figure hundred and eight
and four years.

2. The following is what I have written to you relative to the
business and the fact that you will receive letters from me
from time to time. You will note that the first letter is dated
July 11, 1914 and the last one made up to date is dated July 1,
1915. There is no record of any letter between the two dates.
I have written to you at various times and on various occasions
and have received your answers to my letters. I have
not written to you since July 1, 1915.

~~He has been a good boy and I hope he will stay here~~

invited that he had at no time ever written and mailed letter to anyone.

During the interrogation of subject it was noted that he remembers definitely his family history or details of his during the past few years.

In conclusion would state subject has an interest in his special, causing him to constantly talk carrying on ordinary conversation.

Although subject claims to be at least 40 years of age, he admitted facts that he is thirty years old and was born October 1, 1906.

In connection with the German Typewriter found in the possession of subject, Agent interviewed the same ERNEST J. HALL, German Typewriter. It was determined that ERNEST J. HALL, San., 13 and Avenue, Seattle, Washington, holds the title of Cognac typewriter. Agent further advised that he searched his records and found subject bought German Typewriter #6000, the number of the machine for the examination of subject, that was sold by ██████████ on July 1935. At the time of this sale ██████████ had given his address as 13 and Avenue, Seattle, Washington. The records further reflected that to subject had been paid in full for payment which had been made by the purchaser. b7C, b7D

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[REDACTED] b7C, b7D

The photograph and fingerprints of subject were obtained, the former being retained in the Seattle file, while the finger im-
pressions of [REDACTED] were forwarded to the Bureau with the request that
the Seattle Field Office be furnished with any criminal record that
this individual might have. b7C

On July 11, 1938, the following criminal record was received from
the Bureau, subject number being [REDACTED] b7C

[REDACTED]

b7C

A description of subject, as observed by Agent, is as follows:

Name	[REDACTED] b7C
Age	50
Born	October 1, 1908 (Appears to be approximately 45 years of age)
Height	5' 7"
Weight	132
Hair	Light brown; gray streak
Eyes	Gray
Complexion	Ruddy
Nose	Prominent
Build	Sleender
Speech	Stutters when talking
Teeth	Regular
Marks and scars	1 mole left cheek
Marital status	Claims to be married but separated from wife
Occupation	stenographer
Relatives	[REDACTED]
Mother	[REDACTED]
Sisters	[REDACTED]

Brothers

b7C

Mr. Tolson
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gandy
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Nease
Mr. Glavin

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SALT LAKE CITY UTAH JUL 3 1104A

DIRECTOR FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

US DEPT OF JUSTICE WASHDC

[REDACTED] PROVO, UTAH PD NUMBER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHOSE FINGERPRINTS WERE FORWARDED APRIL 2 JUNE
TWENTY NINTH LAST, BEING RELEASED THREE PM PST TODAY.

WIRE WHETHER WANTED b7C

NEWMAN.

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Transmit the following message to: SAC SAIT LAKE CITY

RETRIEVED [REDACTED] PROVO UTAH [REDACTED] NOT WANTED ACCORDING
OUR FILES. RECORD MAILED YESTERDAY INDICATES SUBJECT POSSIBLY INSANE AS
HE WAS COMMITTED STATE HOSPITAL FORT STANHOPE WASHINGTON JULY NINETEEN
THIRTY EIGHT. RECORD ALSO INDICATES HAS WRITTEN THREATENING LETTERS TO
PROMINENT NEWSP. b7C

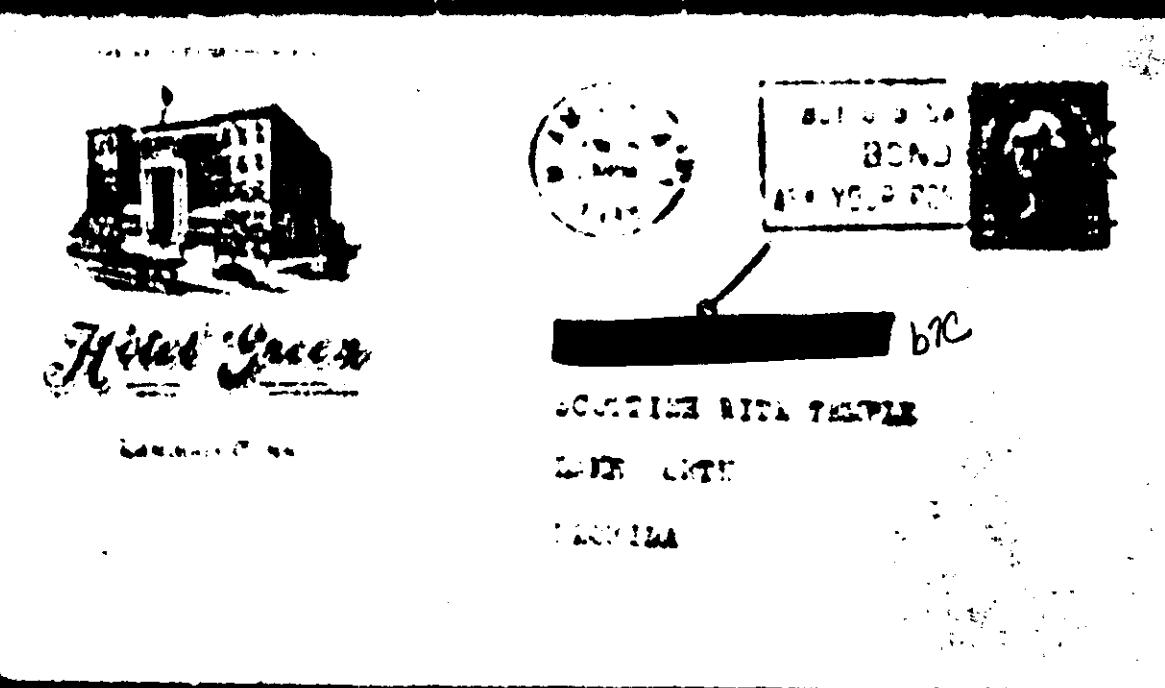
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LAKE ERIE
FLORIDA

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Cards

WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA FOR YOU STAY IN YOUR HOME
COURTESY

P.S.



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United States Department of Justice

Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
July 19, 1938

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

After a recent contact with MR. HARRY BENNETT, Head of the Service Department, FORD MOTOR COMPANY, Dearborn, Michigan, on another matter, MR. BENNETT sent to me at this office, by one of his representatives, [REDACTED] a letter, written in pencil, which reads as follows: b7C

Mr. Ford

"I'm on account of people like you that we have such hard times today. I am unemployed at present. But it's not my fault. I am willing to work if I can find some work. If you don't start something in the line of work, there is a lot of people that are going to find it pretty hard to get along. I was refused at your plant at one time because my eyes are pretty bad. But I can't help it if I am physically handicapped. So I say you better start some work pretty soon before you get a bullet in your head and I am just the guy to do it. You can have me arrested if you wish but that won't help you. There is a lot of people that hate your guts and I am one of them - and I would go as far as [REDACTED] will you [REDACTED] save the rest of them from suffering."

(no signature) ✓

The envelope in which letter was addressed to MR. HARRY FORD was not turned over to me.

The letter was in the possession of MR. BENNETT for a considerable time before he sent it to me, inasmuch as he regarded it a crank letter, baseless, and the kind similar to which literally hundreds are received monthly by HARRY FORD.

MR. BENNETT did not report any investigation in the matter and, in fact, intimated that if he had anything to say about it, no investigation would be undertaken.

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[REDACTED] July 29, 1938.

Special Agent in Charge,

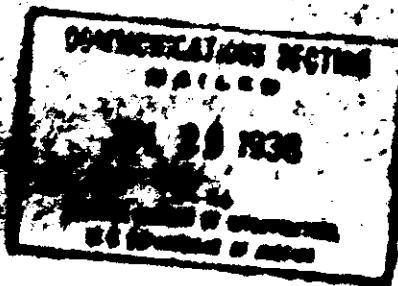
Washington, D. C.

To: Director, Bureau
Mr. Harry F. Tamm, Acting
Directing Bureau.

Dear Sir:

With reference to Laboratory Report #~~3000~~, in connection with the above entitled case, there are transmitted herewith photographic copies of the following specimens which your office submitted for examination:

[REDACTED]



Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Laboratory Report

July 26, 1958.

Case:

9-3903-2

Case:

Unknown Signature
Mr. Harry F. Golding
Manufacturing Bureau

Specimen:

9-3903-2 Letter beginning "We can account of people like you
but we know".

Examination requested by:

Unknown

Date received:

July 22, 1958

Examination requested:

Unknown

Report of examination:

Examination by:

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The handwriting on the submitted letter was compared with the
storage section of the composite letter file without eliciting an identification.

The submitted evidence is being retained in the Laboratory.

A photographic copy of the evidence submitted will be forwarded
to your office within the next several days.

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JULY 26, 1938.

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Special Agent in Charge

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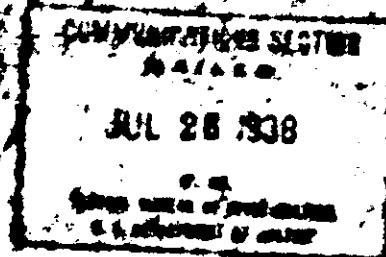
Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specified materials by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Bureau, JULY 26, 1938.

Very truly yours,

C. E. Anderson
John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure:



you can have me arrested if you wish but that won't help you there is a lot of people that hate your guts and I am one of them and I would go as far as to kill you to save the rest of them from suffering

9-3901-3

Mr Ford



Its on account of people like you that we have such hard times today. I am unemployed at the present. But its not my fault. I am willing to work if I can find work.

If you don't start 3 I can't help it if I
soothing in the line am physically bad
of work. there is a scappd. So I say
lot of people that you better start
are going to find some work pretty
it pretty hard to soon before you
get along. I was get a bullet in
refused at your your head and
plant at one time I am just the
because my eyes are guy to do it -
pretty bad. But I

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
ENCLOSURE COVER SHEET

SUBJECT: Henry Ford

FILE: 9-11506

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

Denver 2, Colorado
February 22, 1944

AIR MAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY

Director, FBI

To:

[REDACTED] b7C
HENRY FORD - VICTIM,
EXCERPTION.

Dear Sir:

On February 21, 1944

[REDACTED] Denver Branch, Ford Motor Company, Denver, Colorado, advised this office that they had been instructed by letter from Mr. J. S. HOGAS of the Ford Motor Company in Detroit, Michigan, to turn over certain photostatic copies and one original of letter, mailed from a period of March 24, 1941 to January 10, 1944 to the Ford Motor Company, Dearborn, Michigan, attention Mr. HENRY FORD. b7C

[REDACTED] advised that from April 5, 1938 to January 3, 1939 [REDACTED] the apparent writer of these letters, had a Ford Motor Agency at [REDACTED] Colorado. He terminated his agency because he was financially unable to continue business. These men stated that there were no financial transactions directly with the Ford Motor Company. But that, as they understood it, some of the cars held by [REDACTED] had been repossessed by the Universal Credit Corporation company. b7C

These men stated that according to the letter from Mr. HOGAS there was a direct violation of the Federal Extortion Statutes contained in these letters and, therefore, this matter should be brought to the attention of the Denver Field Office of this Bureau for appropriate action.

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] which are being forwarded to the Denver Field Division, indicates that the Ford Motor Company owes him some money which was collected by him through his association with [REDACTED] [REDACTED] immediately brought to the attention of Mr. WALTER J. MURPHY, United States Attorney, Denver, Colorado, who advised that he would decline prosecution inasmuch as the amount of money did not appear to be sufficient to establish a violation of the Extortion Statute, and further that from the tone of the letters, [REDACTED] appeared to be mentally unbalanced. J.W.M. b7C



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Rever to Director

Re: ██████████ HENRY FORD - VICTIM; EXTRADITION

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suggested, however, that he felt these letters should also be brought to the attention of the United States Attorney in Portland, Oregon.

By separate letter ██████████ are being advised of the opinion of the United States Attorney here, and of the fact that this matter is being referred to the Portland Field Office for presentation to the United States Attorney in that district. A photostatic copy, as well as the one original copy received from them, is being returned. b7C

Unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau, this office will take no further action in this matter.

Very truly yours,


G. A. NICHOLSON

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cc - Detroit (encls.)
Portland (encls.)

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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PAYMENT OF POSTAGE. \$200

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ENCLOSURES TO BUREAU: 2 copies each of 4 letters
written to Henry Ford Co.
by [REDACTED]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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PORLAND, OREGON

FILE NO. 9-151

REPORT MADE BY PORTLAND, OREGON	SUPERVISOR SIGNATURE 3/6/44	REPORT MADE BY 2/28/44	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] b7C
CHARACTER OF CASE [REDACTED]	EXTRACTION		

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SUBJ POSS - VICTIM.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: USA, Portland, declines prosecution.
Subject called at Portland Field Office
on 4/12/41 at which time appeared mentally unbalanced.

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REFERENCE: Letter from Denver Field Division dated 2/22/44.

DETAILS:

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PROTECTIVE EVIDENCE

The facts of this case as disclosed by copies of letters from subject to victim as enclosed for the Portland Office with the report of reference, were discussed with Assistant U. S. Attorney WILLIAM D. LAWLEY, who thereafter advised that he declined prosecution in this matter, inasmuch as the substance of the complained of letters are not sufficient to establish a violation of the extortion statute, and further that it appears that subject [REDACTED] is mentally unbalanced.

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The Indians of the Portland Office disclosed that on December 19, 1940 subject from his home at [REDACTED] Oregon wrote a letter to Attorney General ROBERT A. JACKSON, in which he called to the Attorney General's attention the fact that the Port Water Company is the "present, most notorious bunch of dagoes, thieves and misrepresenting guys that ever operated in this nation and I believe the world". The file also disclosed that on April 12, 1941, subject appeared at the Portland Field Division, at which time he related to reporting agent that for several years prior to 1940 subject had resided at [REDACTED] Colorado, where he had been engaged in the general business of bootlegging. He advised that he had passed [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

JOHN FORD, VICTIM,
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about \$100,000, and the Ford dealer, as a result of failing to lose his business at least at that time could give a copy of any Federal law or law in the opinion of representing a Ford dealer. A copy of this law health provision for its information, please receive additional threatening letter.

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PORTLAND,

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ENCLOSURE COVER SHEET

SUBJECT: Henry Ford

FILE: 58-187

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**Department of Justice,
Bureau of Investigation.
Post Office Box 551
Detroit Michigan**

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April 2nd, 1927.

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

Attention: Director 1 APR 4 1927

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Yesterday morning Federal Judge [redacted] of the U.S. District Court, a visiting Judge sitting in the District as Judge in the Civil Suit of Jayiro vs. Ford, called me into conference at 12:30 in his chambers and advised me that certain incidents had happened in connection with the present trial and certain reports had been made to him and he personally requested that I make an investigation. The occurrences and incidents are as outlined herewith:

This trial has naturally attracted a great deal of attention. The corridors of this building about the court room are jammed and crowded every day with thousands of persons, the greater percentage of whom are sightseers. The report has been frequently circulated about the building that Mr. Ford was to appear as a witness on various and sundry occasions. However, he has not appeared as a witness to date. On March the 29th, 1927, Mr. [redacted] a Deputy United States Marshal and two of his friends by the names of [redacted] were seen to lunch together during the noon recess at the restaurant of [redacted] Lachmanor.

The room record _____ Lockmanor
Lockmanor V. "_____,
the village being a suburb of Detroit. These men
were old friends of the Deputy Marshal, and they went out
at the Kite Garage at 11:45 A. M. It so appears that
they bear a striking resemblance to Harry Ford. These
three gentlemen returned to the building at 1:45 P. M. Court
was not in session, but the usual crowd was hanging around the
corridors and the court door, attempting to gain admission.
_____, asked the Deputy if there was any way that he might
get into the court room as he was very desirous of seeing
Senator Reed in action as an Attorney. _____ said they b7C

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would drop at the Secretary and see if there was a chance for
[redacted] to get the Deputy Marshal by the name
of [redacted] in the Deputy in charge of the courtroom at
this trial. When the three above mentioned men came to the
door of the courtroom, they stopped and [redacted] the Deputy
on duty, turned up, took hold of [redacted] and called him
Mr. Ford, and attempted to show him great courtesy, invited him
into the courtroom and provided him a seat which would be
directly back of Senator Reed and at the council table. Mr.
[redacted] did not know what it was all about, neither did Mr.
[redacted] the other Deputy, so [redacted] motioned to [redacted]
[redacted] come back out in the hall and [redacted] said this at
once. [redacted] told [redacted] that he was not Henry Ford
and [redacted] was young that it was found that [redacted] had
brought upon himself a rather capital joke. [redacted] [redacted]
so peculiar about it and he left the building and did not return
to it again, i to see Mr. [redacted]. There was no court in session
at this time. [redacted] who apparently cannot take a joke,
reported the matter to Judge Raymond and urged Judge Raymond
to demand an investigation to the end that none of the Deputy
Marshals who appeared to laugh at the occurrence should be dis-
graced or their positions. For your information, allow me to
state that I have not instigated an investigation of this matter,
simply gathered together the above facts so that I might trans-
mit them to you. I will not institute any investigation of this
matter unless directed to do so by you. b7C

Concerning the Deputy Marshal [redacted] for your confidential information, I beg to advise you that he is one who bears the same high rank as yourself but good starting with the F-1000 Rating [redacted]. He is extremely efficient and has been very popular in the Federal Building and also among the leading citizens and his acquaintances of various individuals. As a Deputy Marshal, three prisoners have escaped from him, one of whom has been since apprehended. b7C

From all I know of this occasion and every other
that transpired in connection therewith, it appears to me
as nearly as a just subject [REDACTED] brought upon him. If
and does not appear to be any provocation or any desire to
show that my purpose was attempting to make the Federal Court or
Judge become the tool of any party.

Especially selected for your instruction.

Very Respectfully,

P. L. Miller

~~CONFIDENTIAL FOR MR. BIRMINGHAM.~~

I am transmitting, enclosed hereto, copy of a communication from the Agent in Charge of the Bureau's Detroit Office, dated April 24., relative to an incident occurring at the trial in the case of 24720 vs 24800, at Detroit, which apparently raised some question or criticism of a Deputy Marshal.

I assume that there is no occasion for investigation in this matter and am transmitting the letter to you for your information and for your consideration as you may see fit.

Very truly yours,

Dear Sir:

The person is in receipt of
your communication of April 2nd., concerning
an incident occurring at the trial in the
case of Shaw vs. P.W.D., which apparently
raised some question of criticism of a
Deputy Marshal.

It will not be necessary for you
to take any further action in this case
in this regard.

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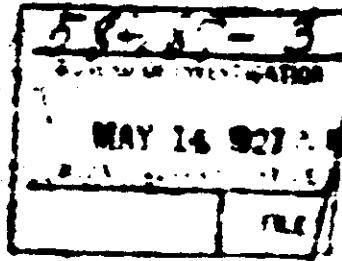
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ENCLOSURE YOUR TELEGRAM APRIL 25TH REFERRED & READING MR P D G
CASE ALSO REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION FOR INVESTIGATION STOP
ADVISE IMMEDIATELY ANY REPORT CONCERNING AUTHORIZED INVESTIGATION
SAC NOT MAKE THIS STOP FORWARD SAME AT ONCE

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May 26, 1937.

MEMORANDUM FOR M. WILSON.

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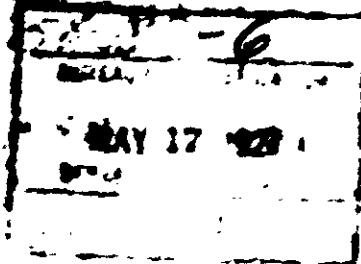
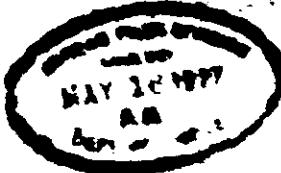
A few days ago [redacted]

[redacted] called at my office relative to
alleged tampering with the jury in the recent case of
Aaron Sapiro against Henry Ford and Dearborn Publishing
Company, at Detroit, Michigan. I informed [redacted]
that this Bureau had not made an investigation as to this
matter and that the only connection that the Bureau had
with the case was in connection with the contempt pro-
ceedings over which the Federal Judge presided. I told
[redacted] that if he would forward to me such affidavits
and papers as related to the matter, I would submit them
to the Criminal Division for ruling as to whether or not an
investigation should be made by this Bureau. b7C, b7D

I am to receive this morning of the affidavits
from [redacted] and am sending them to you for instructions.

b7C, b7D

Very truly yours,



[REDACTED] b7C, b7D

DATROIT

May 14, 1927.

Personal.

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover,
Director of Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

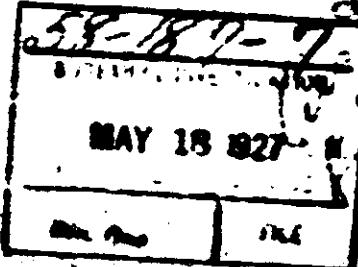
Dear Mr. Hoover:

I am enclosing herewith copy of action and affidavit
I spoke to you about while in Washington. I understand additional
information has now been procured and when your agent arrives here
I shall be glad to have same submitted to him.

Sincerely yours,

[REDACTED] b7C, b7D

MAY 19 1927 [REDACTED] X



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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES
Eastern District of Michigan
Southern division.

AARON RAPISO,

Plaintiff,

versus

BERRY FORD and
SHARROW PUBLISHING COMPANY,
a Michigan corporation,
Defendants

No. 7822

NOTICE

To WILLIAM J. SCHAFER, Esq.,

Attorney for Plaintiff.

Please take notice that the attached motion will be brought on the hearing before the Honorable Fred H. Neumann at the court room in the city of Detroit, Thursday, April 21, 1927, at the opening of court or as early, or as soon thereafter as counsel may be heard.

Signed at Detroit, Michigan
this 20th day of April, A. D. 1927.

CLIFFORD S. LONGFELLOW

WILLIAM H. CHOATE

STUART BARLOW

JAMES A. REED

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES
Eastern District of Michigan,
Birmingham Division.

PLAINTIFF,

MINISTER,

No. 7022

WENY FORD, and
SHADOWER PUBLISHING COMPANY,
a Michigan Corporation,

Defendants.

Now come the above-named defendants, by undersigned as their attorney, and move that the jury heretofore empaneled in said cause be discharged and a new trial be declared for the following reasons:

1. Cora Hoffman, one of the jurors empaneled in the said cause, falsely testified in her voir dire examination to the effect that her husband William Hoffman was engaged only in the plumbing and the heating business, whereas, his principal business is the operator of a public saloon commonly known as a "blind pig" in the residence occupied by the said Cora Hoffman, and her said husband at 5126 Fourteenth Avenue in the city of Detroit. That said saloon is licensed, intermixing liquors, to wit, beer and whiskey, and in violation of the laws of the United States and the State of Michigan. The said wife also contradicted the said Cora Hoffman falsely and perjuredly when she stated to the pending cause, testifying that she had no knowledge of her husband's business, when in fact, prior to said empanelment of jury, she knew full well what he did, and knew she would be called for jury service in said cause, and if she were it would be to her benefit for defendant Ford, as the said Cora Hoffman made no mention of anything about him.

2. Cora Hoffman, in violation of her instructions as a juror, did during the trial of said cause discuss the facts and issues with

some person unknown to Defendants or their attorneys, the substance of which conversation and opinion appearing in the Detroit Times, a daily newspaper published in the city of Detroit, on the 20th day of April, 1937.

The said Clara Hoffman, in violation of the instructions of the court, from time to time, held conversations with a certain person known as Ed Miller, who was in frequent attendance at the trial of said cause, and who, in the presence of said Clara Hoffman, engaged in conversation with and was apparently on friendly terms with the plaintiff Aaron Sapiro.

This motion is based upon the files and records of said cause and upon the affidavits hereto attached.

CLIFFORD B. LONGLEY

WARD H. CHAGAS

STEWART RANLEY

JAMES A. REED

Attorneys for defendants.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF WAYNE

J. G. BRUCE, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

Attached hereto is a copy of a publication appearing in
the Detroit Times, April 19, 1927.

J. G. BRUCE

Subscribed and sworn to before me
in this city of Detroit, Michigan,
this 20th day of April, A.D. 1927.

Marie L. Cobb
Notary Public.

My commission expires Feb. 1, 1931.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF WAYNE

JOHN MAY of the city of Detroit, county of Wayne and state of Michigan, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

That on the 14th day of April, 1927, he was present at 5160 - 14th Avenue, Detroit, Michigan, the residence and place of business of William Hoffman and Corn Hoffman, his wife; that a saloon is operated at that address.

Deponent further says that while he was present at such address the said William Hoffman became involved in a controversy with his brother Roy Hoffman, which finally led to blows; that Corn Hoffman, wife of said William Hoffman, entered said bar during such controversy and quarrel, and attempted to separate the two brothers which she was unable to do.

Further deponent saith not.

JOHN MAY

Subscribed and sworn to before me
in the city of Detroit, Michigan,
this 20th day of April, A.D., 1927.

JOHN L. COOK
Notary Public

My Commission expires July 1, 1931.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF WAYNE

ARNOLD J. MILLER being duly sworn, deposes and says:

That he is a resident of the city of Detroit, is an investigator in the employ of the Ford Motor Company and is a Deputy Sheriff for Wayne County.

Deponent says that he was informed a short time prior to April 18, 1937, that there was a saloon or blind pig in operation at 5158 Fourteenth Avenue in the city of Detroit, and that said place was the residence of William Hoffman and his wife Core Hoffman, who, this deponent was informed was a member of the jury in the trial of the cause of Aaron Sapiro v. Henry Ford and the Dearborn Publishing Company in the United States District Court in the city of Detroit before Honorable Fred M. Raymon, District Judge.

Deponent found at said location, a combined place of business and residence. On entering the premises the deponent passed into a bar which was in operation, and there he purchased one pint of whiskey, for which he paid the sum of three dollars and fifty cents.

This deponent says that the said William Hoffman was at that time in the bar room and passed freely in and about the place of business, behind the bar and elsewhere.

Further deponent saith not.

ARNOLD J. MILLER.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
in the city of Detroit, Michigan, this 20th day of April, A.D. 1937.

Wm. H. Miller, Notary Public.

Commission expires Nov. 1, 1938

STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF WAYNE

EDWARD BARTON being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is a resident of the city of Detroit.

Deponent states that he is familiar with the premises at number 5155 Fourteenth Avenue in the city of Detroit. Said premises consisting of a combination store and dwelling. The said store building has a sign on the exterior relative to plumbing but the interior is a public saloon, commonly known as a blind pig, where beer and whiskey and other intoxicating drinks are sold. There is a bar in this building approximately twenty feet long over which the drinks are served. The residence portion of the building is in the rear of the bar room and on the second floor.

Deponent states that on April 12th, 1927, having received instructions so to do, he went to this place of business at 5155 Fourteenth Avenue and purchased some beer.

The following day, to wit, April 13th, 1927, between one and one-thirty P.M., in company with Arnold J. Miller, he entered this bar room and purchased over the bar three glasses of whiskey and two glasses of beer for which he paid the sum of Two Dollars and Twenty-five (2.25) cents, and being served by the bartender.

Deponent states that on April 13th, 1927, he met William Hoffman in the said barroom and conversed with him, and was informed by said man William Hoffman that the bartender's wife was serving on the Ford Jury and the said bartender and his wife were in agreement as to whether the wife

should remain

said bartender and his wife to serve in this house
as of April 13th, 1927, in the city of Detroit.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, County Public

Administrator, Detroit, Michigan, on the 1st day of May, 1931.

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF WAYNE

VERLIE R. BOEKER being duly sworn deposes and says:
That he is a resident of the city of Detroit, is an investigator
in the employ of the Ford Motor Company and is a Deputy Sheriff for
Wayne County.

Deposent states that on Monday, March 31, 1937, he was delegated to the duty of attending the trial of Aaron Empire vs Henry Ford of the Dearborn Independent at the United States District Court in the city of Detroit.

Deponent states that on the 23rd day of March, 1927, a certain short, thick-set person, whom this deponent has since been informed and believes the fact to be, is known as J. Miller or "Kid" Miller, was pointed out to him by Albert P. Bates. Deponent says that the said Miller on said day, during the morning recess, left the rear of the court room where he had been seated going into the corridor and came into the court room through the doorway adjacent to the jury box. The said Miller walked up to the counsel table and there greeted Aaron Sapiro and the two held a brief conversation. Thereupon they parted and Miller left the court room.

Further Iepoent sayeth not.

VERLIE R. DOORNAAR

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
the city of Detroit, Michigan, on
the 20th day of April, A. D. 1827.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF WAYNE

JOSEPH C. CLARKMAN, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is a resident of the city of Dearborn, is an investigator in the employ of the Ford Motor Company and is Deputy Sheriff for Wayne County.

Deponent states that on March 21, or 22, 1927, he was delegated to duty at the trial of the cause of Aaron Sapiro versus Henry Ford and The Dearborn Publishing Company at the United States District Court in the city of Detroit and that shortly after he went on duty there were pointed out to him by Albert P. Bates one Mrs. William Hoffman, also known as Cora or Clara Hoffman, a member of the jury in said cause, and also a certain man about 5 feet 7 inches in height weighing about 195 pounds, with square jaw and a bald head. This deponent has since learned that said person last described is known as "Kid" Miller.

On the morning of March 23, 1927, deponent saw this man now known to him as Miller conversing with plaintiff Aaron Sapiro in the corridor adjacent to the court room.

On the same day, about 11 A.M. he saw the said Miller and Mrs. Hoffman shaking hands.

Deponent states that on the 24th day of March, 1927, during the afternoon recess he saw said Miller engage in conversation with said Aaron Sapiro in the corridor and almost immediately thereafter he saw said Miller shake hands with and hold another conversation with the said Mrs. Hoffman.

Further deponent sayeth not.

JOSEPH C. CLARKMAN

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
16th day of April, 1927,

Wm. H. Jones,
Deputy Sheriff
Wayne County Sheriff Feb. 1, 1927.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF WAYNE

HILTON JOHNSON, being duly sworn deponent and says that he is a resident of the city of Detroit, Michigan, is an investigator in the employ of the Ford Motor Company and is a Deputy Sheriff for Wayne County.

Deponent states that on March 22 or 23, 1927, he was delegated to attend the trial of the cause of Aaron Sapiro versus the Dearborn Publishing Company and Harry Ford in the United States District Court room in the Post Office Building in the city of Detroit before the Honorable Fred H. Vinson.

Deponent shortly after upon entering into said duties became well acquainted by sight with the plaintiff, Aaron Sapiro, and with the jurors in the cause; among others, Mrs. Cora Hoffman.

While on the said duty on March 24, 1927, at about the hour of 10:30 A.M., he observed a certain man who previously had been pointed out to him by Albert P. Bates and whom he has since been informed and believes the fact to be is known as "Kid" Miller, stop and address the said Aaron Sapiro as the latter came out of the court room. The said Miller put his arm about the waist of said Sapiro and they talked together very earnestly for a few minutes and then walked down the corridor together toward the elevator.

The said person known to this deponent as Miller was about 5 foot 7 inches tall, weighed about 200 pounds, had a sallow complexion and a heavy jaw.

On the 25th day of March, 1927, following the adjournment of court on said day, deponent saw this same man now known to the deponent as Miller, stop the said Cora Hoffman in the corridor, shake hands with her and they conversed together for several minutes, but this deponent was not able to hear the conversation.

Further deponent sayeth not.

HILTON JOHNSON

Subscribed and sworn to before me
in the city of Detroit, Michigan,
this 20th day of April, 1927.

JOHN J. WOOD

Notary Public

My commission expires Oct. 3, 1928

STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF WAYNE

JOHN SICKLAR, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is a resident of the city of Detroit, Michigan, is employed by the Ford Motor Company as an investigator and is a Deputy Sheriff for Wayne County.

On Monday, March 21, 1927, he was delegated to the duty of attending the trial of the cause between Aaron Sapiro against Henry Ford and the Dearborn Publishing Company in the United States District Court room in the city of Detroit before the Honorable Fred M. Vinson.

Deponent became acquainted by sight shortly after his going upon said duty with the said Aaron Sapiro, plaintiff, and with a certain juror in said cause known as Mrs. Cora Hoffman.

On Wednesday, March 23, 1927, when the noon recess in the trial of said cause was taken, deponent observed three men of Jewish caste of countenance talking together and when the jurors left the court room one of these men, whom deponent has since been informed and believes the fact to be is known as "Kid" Miller, left his companions and approached the said Cora Hoffman and walked past deponent; deponent heard Miller ask Mrs. Hoffman to go to dinner with him. Mrs. Hoffman appeared to draw away from Miller, saying that a man was following her. Miller said to her, "It will be worth thousands of dollars to you if you will do that." The said Cora Hoffman did not go with said Miller but returned to the jury room. The said Miller then joined his companions and left the corridor.

The said Miller appeared to be about 45 to 50 years of age, weight about 180 to 190 pounds, and about five feet seven inches in height.

Further deponent sayeth not.

JOHN SICKLAR

Subscribed and sworn to before me
in the city of Detroit, Michigan,
this 24th day of April, A. D. 1927.

John Sicklar, Notary Public

STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF WAYNE

Carl Brooks being duly sworn deposes and says that he is a resident of the city of Detroit, is an investigator in the employ of the Ford Motor Company and is a Deputy Sheriff for the county of Wayne.

Deponent states that Monday, March 21, 1927, he was delegated to duty to attend at the trial of the cause of Aaron Sapiro vs Henry Ford and the Dearborn Publishing Company in the United States District Court in the city of Detroit before the Honorable Fred L. Raymond, District Judge.

Deponent immediately became familiar by sight with the members of the jury empaneled in said cause including Mrs. Cora Hoffmann.

On the 23rd day of March, 1927 the attention of this deponent was called by Albert F. Bates to a certain man apparently from 47 to 50 years of age, weighing about 175 to 185 pounds and being about 5'-7 $\frac{1}{2}$ " to 5' tall, who this deponent is now informed and believes the fact to be is known as Eli Miller.

Deponent observed the said Miller in conversation with the said Cora Hoffmann in the corridor adjacent to said court room, and heard said Miller ask her to go to lunch with him. The said Cora Hoffmann replied "I haven't got time" and the said Miller then stated to her, "If you will go to lunch with me we can talk it will be worth thousands of dollars to you." Said Cora Hoffmann again replied to go with him saying she did not have time but would see him again.

The said Miller then followed the said Cora Hoffmann out of the Federal Building to Ford Field and went to Ford Project No. 1 Cafeteria in the basement of the Ford Field building and there saw the said Cora Hoffmann and two other women, one of whom was Mrs. Ford, have lunch there.

Thereupon deponent left the place.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 25th day of April, 1927, in the
city of Detroit.

Wm. J. O'Neil, Justice of the Peace

STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF WAYNE

CHARLES GRISWOLD, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is a resident of the city of Detroit and is a special investigator in the employ of the Ford Motor Company and is a Deputy Sheriff for Wayne County.

Deposent states that in the course of his duties he was on March 24, 1927, in attendance at the trial of the cause of Aaron Sapiro, plaintiff, versus Henry Ford and the Dearborn Publishing Company, defendants, at the United States District Court room in the city of Detroit before the Honorable Fred N. Raymond, District Judge, and became well acquainted by sight with the said Aaron Sapiro.

On March 22 or 23, 1927, while this deposent was in attendance at said trial, a certain man, of Jewish cast of countenance, of about middle age, medium height, heavily set, was pointed out to this deposent by Albert F. Bates with instructions to closely observe and follow this man and learn as much about him as he could. This deposent at that time did not know the name of said person but has since been informed and believes the fact to be that he is known as "Kid" Miller.

On March 24, 1927, when the morning recess was taken in the trial of said cause, this deposent observed the said Aaron Sapiro as he was leaving the court room meet the said Miller; they greeted each other in a cordial manner and putting their arms about each other, the said Miller and the said Sapiro walked down the corridor together, conversing, and at the end of the hallway adjacent to the court room they shook hands with each other and parted.

In the afternoon of said day the said Miller was again in attendance at the trial of said cause and this deposent saw him shake hands and converse in conversation with Carl Hoffman, one of the jurors sitting in said cause who at that time was well known by sight to this deposent. This deposent did not hear the conversation between them.

Further deposent saith not.

CHARLES GRISWOLD

Subscribed and sworn to before me
in the city of Detroit, Michigan,
this 20th day of April, A.D., 1927.

JOHN L. COOK

Notary Public

My commission expires Feb. 1, 1931.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF WAYNE

A. G. Gardner, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is a resident of the city of Detroit, is an investigator in the employ of the Ford Motor Company and is a Deputy Sheriff for Wayne County.

Deposent states that he was delegated to the duty of attending the trial of Aaron Empire versus Henry Ford and the Dearborn Publishing Company in the United States District Court in the city of Detroit, before Honorable Fred H. Raymond, District Judge.

That on the 7th day of April, 1927, while deponent was on duty at afternoon, when the noon recess was taken, this deponent saw a certain man who had theretofore been pointed out to him as a man to watch and whom this deponent is now informed and believes the fact to be is known as "Kid" Miller, greet the plaintiff, Aaron Empire, and they talked together in the court room about a minute.

The said Miller then left the said Empire and passed out of the court room and followed Cora Hoffman, one of the jurors in said cause, down the corridor and finally joined her and held a conversation with her in a rapid and low tone of voice which this deponent was unable to understand. During the said conversation, the said Miller had his hand on the arm of the said Cora Hoffman and they continued to talk until the court deputy approached, when she left the said Miller.

This deponent then followed, in company with Joseph Oldani, the said Miller to the Lafayette Building, where Miller took an elevator and deponent entered said elevator car with Miller; Miller left the car at the eleventh floor, and, being followed by this deponent, went to Room 1113 where he remained about five or ten minutes and deponent remained in the hall. When Miller left the office, he re-entered the elevator, going down accompanied by deponent; when the elevator stopped at the fifth floor, the said Miller quickly left the car before deponent was able to leave the car. Deponent left the car at the fourth floor and walked up to the fifth floor but was unable to locate the said Miller.

Further deponent saith not.

A. G. GARDNER

Subscribed and sworn to before me
in the city of Detroit, Michigan,
on the 20th day of April, A. D. 1927.

JOHN L. COOK
Judge of Probate
My commission expires Feb. 1, 1931.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

SUPERIOR COURT

JAMES L. GRIFFIN, witness duly sworn, deposes and says that he is a resident of the city of Detroit, that he is a law student at the University of Detroit, and in the latter part of March was engaged by Mr. Harry Bennett to attend during the afternoon the trial of the cause of Aaron Sapiro versus Harry Perl and the Detroit Publishing Company in the United States District Court Room in the city of Detroit before Honorable Fred H. Raymond.

During the early part of his engagement, this deponent was directed by Albert F. Bates to watch carefully a certain middle aged, thick set man, of Jewish caste of countenance, who, this deponent is now informed and believes the fact to be, is known as "Big" Miller.

On the 7th day of April, 1937, while this deponent was in attendance at said trial, he saw the said Miller, whom no recess had been taken, engage in conversation with the plaintiff, Aaron Sapiro, for about a minute; the said Miller at that time being back of the rail and Sapiro in front of the rail. This deponent could not hear the conversation, but when it was finished the said Miller came before the rail and left the court room. As he was leaving the court room, he looked toward the left, and, observing Mrs. Cora Hoffman, who was known to this deponent as one of the jurors sitting in said cause, followed her to the intersection of the corridor that leads toward the United States Marshal's office, and in a relatively secluded and obscure spot, engaged the said Mrs. Hoffman in conversation. This deponent was unable to hear the conversation sufficiently well to understand the same; and it continued until Deputy United States Marshal George Beamer approached said Miller and the said Mrs. Hoffman, when they separated.

Deponent together with A. G. Chandler followed said Miller to the Lafayette Building where Miller went up in the elevator accompanied by Chandler while deponent remained in the hallway. In about five or ten minutes Miller came down alone and deponent followed him to the Majestic Building which Miller entered at the Woodward Avenue entrance and took an elevator in the battery of elevators located in the middle of the building and accompanied by deponent went to the eighth floor where both left the car. Miller then went to the battery of elevators located on the western side of the building and took a car going up, while deponent went down and remained in the hallway where he again met Miller when the latter left the car in about ten or twelve minutes. Deponent then left the Majestic Building in the neighborhood of the Woodward Avenue entrance to the J. L. Hudson store following the said Miller where the said Miller walked beside a standing lamp until all the crowd had dispersed and then he quickly entered and left

the building, remaining outside.

WITNESS DEPOSED

Subscribed and sworn to before me
in the city of Detroit, Michigan,
on the 20th day of April, 1937, at 11:30 a.m.

ALICE G. GRIFFIN

Notary Public

My commission expires Apr. 1, 1938.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF WAYNE

ALBERT E. HORN, police duly sworn, deposes and says that he resides in the city of Detroit, Michigan; that he is a special investigator in the employ of the Ford Motor Company and is a Deputy Sheriff for Wayne County.

Dponent states that from March 21, 1927, to April 19, 1927, he was in the course of his duties in daily attendance at the post Office Building in the city of Detroit at the trial of the cause of Aaron Segal versus Henry Ford and the Dearborn Publishing Company, defendants.

Dponent states that on Tuesday, March 22, 1927, he observed Mrs. Cora Hoffmire, a member of the jury impaneled in said cause, nod and speak on two occasions to three men who were of Jewish cast of countenance, the first of said conversations taking place about 11 A. M. during a recess period and the second about 12:30 P. M. when the noon recess was taken; one of these men, whose name at that time was not known to dponent but whom dponent is informed and believes is known as "Kid" Miller, was a man appearing to be from 45 to 50 years of age, about 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighing in the neighborhood of 140 pounds, was bald headed, and was wearing a dark grey overcoat and a dark green hat. On this occasion dponent pointed out this man and called him to the attention of Carl Brooks, John Molnar, Joseph Deegan and Joseph Glazman, and were awaiting under the authority of dponent.

On Wednesday, March 23, 1927, however, he personally observed said Miller, and those same three men above referred to loitering about the corridors of the trial room and the public gallery in the vicinity of the court room where the trial was being tried, from 10 A. M. until 12:30 P. M. This same afternoon for the same reason, of the same McDonald, in the corridor adjoining to the court room, the said "Kid" Miller approached the said Carl Brooks, lifted his left hand to his chin and spoke words with him; when these words to hold a conversation and the said Miller requested the said Carl Brooks to go to the library with him. He declined and by replying, "You can take

STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF WAYNE

FRANK E. GERVAIS, of the city of Detroit, Michigan, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

That on the 19th day of April, 1927, he was instructed to see and talk with one William Hoffman, the husband of Mrs. William Hoffman serving upon the jury in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Southern Division, in the case of Warren Empire, plaintiff, against Harry Ford, et. al.

Deponent says that he met said Hoffman who upon shaking hands with him opened the conversation by stating, "You fellows are getting me in a hell of a mess". Deponent replied, "Why, what are you worrying about? The defense?" The conversation continued and deponent stated that he knew all about the creation of money made by one "Kid" Miller to Mrs. Hoffman, the wife of the said William Hoffman. Hoffman then stated, "Yes, I know all about that; they told me about it that night, and I said 'If you can get two thousand, you can get fifteen,' but I've got that all fixed; that if we say it's a real estate deal, or mortgage? I can fix that up. Just give my racket; they haven't got a thing on me."

Further deponent saith not.

FRANK E. GERVAIS

Subscribed and sworn to before me in
the city of Detroit, Michigan, this 20th
day of April, A. D., 1927.

ERWIN L. COOK.

My commission expires Feb. 1, 1931.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF DETROIT

KNIGHT ORTH, being duly sworn, depogeth and sayeth that he is a resident of the village of Dearborn, Michigan.

On Sunday evening, February 27th, 1927, said deponent in company with his wife Susan A. Orth, was visiting at the home of his son Mr. Elizabeth Hoffman, at Bryant and Graham Streets in the city of Detroit. At said time, William Hoffman, with his wife Cora Hoffman and Maine Hoffman, sister of William Hoffman, were also in said house. During the evening a conversation took place between Cora Hoffman, wife of William Hoffman, and Maine Hoffman, during which the subject of her services upon the Jury in the Federal District Court became a topic of conversation. During the course of this conversation the said Cora Hoffman, said in substance and part that she hoped she would be chosen for service in the Ford case and if she was, that it could not be very healthy for "old man Ford" as she had no knowledge or anything about him.

There were present in the same room with the said Cora Hoffman and Maine Hoffman during this conversation, Susan A. Orth, wife of the deponent; deponent and Mrs. Elizabeth Hoffman were in an adjoining room where he heard the conversation and to the best of the memory and belief of the deponent the said William Hoffman, husband of Cora Hoffman, during this conversation was in the kitchen of said house.

Further, deponent sayeth not.

HENRY ORTH.

Subscribed and sworn to before me in
the city of Detroit, Michigan, this
20th day of April, A.D., 1927.

LEWIS L. COOK,

Notary Public.

My commission expires Feb. 1, 1931.

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May 24, 1967.

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Detroit, Michigan.

Dear [REDACTED]

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I received your communication of the 14th instant, with enclosure, and am submitting the same to the Criminal Division for its consideration and instructions.

Very sincerely yours,