

cases the handwriting furnished by them had been written sometime previous to the interview at a time when they had no reason to believe it would be compared with the handwriting of any extortion letter. b2/b7D

Confidential National Defense Informant [redacted] was re-interviewed in connection with this investigation and at that time furnished three cards printed on the back of the Golco Sanitary System price list referred to in reference report, each marked "The Jews are ruining us all". These were apparently printed on the identical printing press which printed the same statement on similar cards as reported in reference report. One of the cards was marked in red pencil with a swastika which reporting Agent observed to be running to the left whereas the Nazi swastika runs to the right. The other two cards were marked in red pencil with a swastika, half completed, left-handed and very similar to a capital "Z".

Inasmuch as the Technical Laboratory already has a plentiful supply of this type of card, these three are being retained in the files of the Los Angeles Field Division.

Informant also furnished a small torn scrap of paper on which was printed the following: "Gentiles Act Kick Jews Out". Examination of this slip of paper disclosed that it was printed by a press using letters very similar to the printed letters on the cards above referred to. This slip is being forwarded to the Technical Laboratory for comparison with previously submitted samples. Informant advised that he had just recently run across these items among a mass of miscellaneous material which he had received in 1939. They were contained in an envelope addressed to [redacted] from [redacted]

[redacted] and postmarked March 27, 1939.

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At the same time, Informant gave Agent a handbill put out by the Caroline Cleaners, 7306 Melrose Avenue, advertising the cleaning and pressing done by the firm and containing the statement "All work done by, and under capable, Gentile, management". Informant thought that this might be significant for the reason that the Caroline Cleaners is in the same neighborhood in which the anti-Semitic cards had been distributed in 1939. Informant stated that this handbill had been found in his miscellaneous material received in 1939 and believed that it had probably been received by him during that year.

Upon subsequent interview, Informant gave Agent a small card on which was handwritten in English "Kill all Jews and there will be no more war". This card was in a small envelope addressed to the Jewish Welfare League, Los Angeles, California, and was postmarked January 3, 1943. The

handwriting was observed to be the same as that of the person who wrote the extortion letter, who is the subject of this investigation. This card and its envelope are being forwarded to the Technical Laboratory for comparison with previously submitted samples.

Extensive investigation was conducted at the Los Angeles, Fairfax and Hollywood High Schools with negative results. The principals of the various high schools furnished Agent with handwriting specimens of all students whom they considered as being of the type who might possibly be involved in the distribution of anti-Semitic literature similar to that involved in instant case and Agent observed that all of the handwriting was entirely different than the handwriting of subject of instant case.

At [redacted] it was ascertained that [redacted] b7C
did not live there or operate a business there, nor had any individual by that name been there for the past several years. Pursuant to telephonic request, Confidential National Defense Informant [redacted] obtained b2/b7D
[redacted] present address, [redacted]

[redacted] telephone [redacted] At that address [redacted] was interviewed concerning his receipt of cards previously referred to and he stated that it is now his best recollection that he received them during the early part of 1939 when he was in business at 7306 Malrose Avenue. He stated that he arrived at the office one morning sometime between eight and nine a.m. and upon unlocking and opening the door, he found the cards on the floor of the store, obviously having been pushed under the door. [redacted] had no idea as to who could have done this.

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A check of the various Los Angeles City directories was made and it was found that no shop was listed under the name "Caroline Cleaners" during 1939, 1940 or 1941. However, the 1942 directory listed the Caroline Cleaners, 7306 Malrose Avenue, as being operated by [redacted]. The 1942 directory also listed both of these persons as residing at Van Nuys, California, and the 1939 directory gave [redacted] address as [redacted] Los Angeles.

A check was made at the Van Nuys Police Station and Post Office but it was impossible to locate any record of either [redacted]

At the Los Angeles Municipal Bureau of Licenses it was ascertained that there was a license issued for the operation of a cleaning establishment under the name of Caroline Cleaners, 7306 Malrose Avenue, and had been filed by [redacted]. It was observed that her handwriting on the application in no way resembled the handwriting of the writer of the extortion letter.

A check of the indices of the Los Angeles Field Division disclosed no record for [redacted] or the Caroline Cleaners.

Accompanied by Special Agent [redacted] the writer called at [redacted] and interviewed [redacted] who stated that she is a widow residing at [redacted]

[redacted] stated that the license was issued in the name of [redacted] for the reason that [redacted] already had a cleaning shop and it was, therefore, easier for her to obtain both licenses at once instead of making it necessary for each of them to go to the license bureau.

[redacted] was questioned concerning all of her employees and associates in the cleaning shop and she stated that she had operated the business alone, never having had any employees or other assistants. She stated she had been born [redacted] and had resided in Los Angeles for the past fourteen years. Agent exhibited the handbill above mentioned to [redacted] and she stated that she had worded the handbill and had arranged to have it printed. She was questioned concerning her reason for advertising Gentile management and she stated that she had thought it would help her obtain the trade of the non-Jewish residents in the neighborhood. She stated she had no intention of criticizing the Jews by so advertising. She stated that she noticed that the Jews advertised Kosher products extensively and could see no reason why a Gentile could not advertise Gentile products. However, she stated that she had so many complaints from her Jewish customers immediately after the handbill appeared that she ceased its distribution and never again advertised her shop as being under Gentile management.

[redacted] stated that she presently has very many Jewish customers and that she has nothing whatsoever against the Jews and has never spoken against them or distributed any literature criticizing them. She gladly gave Agent specimens of her handwriting which were observed to be in no way similar to the writing on the extortion letter. However, specimens of her handwriting are being forwarded to the Technical Laboratory for comparison with previously submitted specimens. She was questioned concerning her relatives and she advised [redacted] is presently a Second Lieutenant in the [redacted] Upon request, she [redacted] extensive samples of his handwriting which Agents observed to be similar in many respects to the handwriting on the extortion letter and samples are, therefore, being forwarded to the Technical Laboratory for [redacted]. It was noted that the envelopes that in March of 1941 [redacted] his present address can be obtained from his mother in the event it is deemed advisable.

P E N D I N G

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

THE LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

* Will locate [redacted] who is believed to be operating a printing shop in Los Angeles, and interview him concerning the owners of home printing presses at the John Burroughs Junior High School in 1939.

* Will maintain contact with [redacted] Wilcox Building, Second and Spring Streets, and consider the possibility of having him circulate a petition for the release of [redacted] in order that a large number of signatures may be obtained.

* Will leave photostatic copies of the unknown subject's letter at the Los Angeles Police Department with Captain [redacted] in order that they may be compared with the handwriting specimens on file there.

* Will locate [redacted] of the National Patriots, and interview him as a suspect.

* Will locate and interview as suspects [redacted] in the National Patriots movement.

* Will locate and interview [redacted] former customer at the Deutsches Haus, who previously lived at the home of [redacted]

* Will locate and interview [redacted] of the youth at the Deutsches Haus.

* Will interview [redacted] as suspects, and take handwriting specimens.

* Will consider all the persons who visited [redacted] the County Jail as possible suspects and treat them accordingly.

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DESCRIPTION

CASE & FILE NO.	REF.	DETAILS OF ORIGIN	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FOOTMARK	
9-3171	1	Unknown Subject; alias Pro-ditler; Addie Cantor, Vikar	Los Angeles	10/29/37	Postcard	Los Angeles, Oct. 27, 1937
	2	Unknown Subject; alias Pro-ditler; Addie Cantor, Vikar	Los Angeles	3/16/39	Envelope	Los Angeles, 3/8/39 5:30 P.M.
	3	Unknown Subject; alias Pro-ditler; Addie Cantor, Vikar	Los Angeles	3/16/39	Sheet of Paper	Los Angeles, 3/8/39 5:30 P.M.
9-9752	1	Unknown Subject; Judge Ralph E. Jenny, Vikar	Los Angeles	5/22/42	Small envelope	Los Angeles, Calif., 301
	2	Unknown Subject; Judge Ralph E. Jenny, Vikar	Los Angeles	5/22/42	Slip of paper	Los Angeles, Calif., 301
	3	Unknown Subject; Judge Ralph E. Jenny, Vikar	Los Angeles	12/9/42	7 cards and 1 slip of paper	Los Angeles, Calif., 301
10-10225	1	[REDACTED] [REDACTED] et al. 1. [REDACTED] Unknown Subjects; Ralph E. Jenny, Vikar	Los Angeles	12/15/41	Envelope	Los Angeles, 12/13/41 9:30 P.M.
	2	[REDACTED] [REDACTED] et al. 1. 2. [REDACTED] Unknown Subjects; Ralph E. Jenny, Vikar	Los Angeles	12/18/41	1st page letter	Los Angeles, 12/13/41 7:30 P.M.
	3	[REDACTED] [REDACTED] et al. 1. 2. 3. [REDACTED] Unknown Subjects; Ralph E. Jenny, Vikar	Los Angeles	12/18/41	2nd page letter	Los Angeles, 12/13/41 9:30 P.M.
	4	[REDACTED] [REDACTED] et al. 1. 2. 3. [REDACTED] Unknown Subjects; Ralph E. Jenny, Vikar	Los Angeles	2/14/42	Envelope	Los Angeles, 7/21/41 3 P.M.
	5	[REDACTED] [REDACTED] et al. 1. 2. 3. [REDACTED] Unknown Subjects; Ralph E. Jenny, Vikar	Los Angeles	3/14/42	Sheet paper	Los Angeles, 7/21/41 3 P.M.

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Laboratory Report

March 11, 1943

44-1742

File # ~~100-15077~~

Lab. # 9774

Re: Unknown Subject;
(Frederick L. McVey, Informant)
Internal Security - Sedition

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 10/17/97 BY SP7CJ/SEM
390419

Examination requested by: Birmingham

Reference: Letter 2-26-43

Examination requested: Documents - Fingerprint

specimens:

- 1 Small envelope postmarked Los Angeles, California, January 3, 1943, 1:30 A.M., addressed to Chief of Police, Mobile, Alabama.
- 2 Accompanying card bearing handwritten message "Kill all Jews and there will be no more war".

Also submitted: Fingerprint cards of [redacted] for elimination purposes.

Result of Examination: [redacted]

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As the result of a recent search in the [redacted] and the file of writings pertaining to National Security, it has been concluded that specimens 1 and 2 of this case were written by the same person who wrote the following listed specimens:

- 1 and 2 Contained in the case entitled "Unknown Subject, alias 'Pro-Soviet'; alias 'Victory Writings'; alias 'Victory Writings'; Bureau file # 100-1171;
 - 1 Contained in the case entitled "Unknown Subject; alias 'Pro-Soviet'; alias 'Victory Writings'; Bureau file # 100-1171;
 - 1 through 5 Contained in the case entitled [redacted] with aliases, et al; Internal Security - C, Bureau file # 100-1171;
 - 1 Contained in the case entitled "Unknown Subject; alias 'Pro-Soviet'; alias 'Victory Writings'; Bureau file # 100-1171;
 - 1 Contained in the case entitled "Anonymous Communications, [redacted] complaints; threats against the [redacted]"; Bureau file # 100-1171;
- 9-9774-11
- Miss Gandy, Laboratory (10-2171, Bureau, 100-1171, 100-175267, 95-606)

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dent", Bureau file #95-6046.

Attached hereto is a description of the various specimens contained in the above-entitled files setting forth the origin, date, post-mark, etc. and also a photographic composite of representative specimens.

Specimens Q1 and Q2 were chemically treated for the development of latent fingerprints but none of value was developed.

Specimens Q1 and Q2 are being retained in the files of the Laboratory.

DESCRIPTION

Case & File No.	No.	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	DESCRIPTION	POSTMARK	
7-1271	1	Unknown Subject; alias pro-nittler; Eddie Cantor, Vindex	Los Angeles	12/27/37	Postcard	Los Angeles, Cal. 27, 1937
	2	Unknown Subject; alias pro-nittler; Eddie Cantor, Vindex	Los Angeles	3/16/39	Envelope	Los Angeles, 3/16/39 5:30 P.M.
	3	Unknown Subject; alias pro-nittler; Eddie Cantor, Vindex	Los Angeles	3/16/39	Sheet of paper	Los Angeles, 3/16/39 5:30 P.M.
7-9712	1	Unknown Subject; Judge Ralph E. Jenny, Vindex	Los Angeles	9/22/42	Small envelope	Los Angeles, Calif., 301
	2	Unknown Subject; Judge Ralph E. Jenny, Vindex	Los Angeles	9/22/42	Slip of paper	Los Angeles, Calif., 301
	3	Unknown Subject; Judge Ralph E. Jenny, Vindex	Los Angeles	12/9/42	7 cards and 1 slip of paper	Los Angeles, Calif., 301
100-16225	1	[REDACTED] was., et al. I. S. U. Unknown Subject; Ralph E. Jenny, Vindex	Los Angeles	12/18/41	Envelope	Los Angeles, 12/13/41 9:30 P.M.
	2	[REDACTED] was., et al. I. S. U. Unknown Subject; Ralph E. Jenny, Vindex	Los Angeles	12/18/41	1st page letter	Los Angeles, 12/13/41 9:30 P.M.
	3	[REDACTED] was., et al. I. S. U. Unknown Subject; Ralph E. Jenny, Vindex	Los Angeles	12/18/41	2nd page letter	Los Angeles, 12/13/41 9:30 P.M.
	4	[REDACTED] was., et al. I. S. U. Unknown Subject; Ralph E. Jenny, Vindex	Los Angeles	8/14/42	Envelope	Los Angeles, 7/21/42; 3 P.M. 9
	5	[REDACTED] was., et al. I. S. U. Unknown Subject; Ralph E. Jenny, Vindex	Los Angeles	8/14/42	Sheet paper	Los Angeles, 7/21/42; 3 P.M. 9

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Description:

Case & File No.	Serial	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FOUR
100-46275	46	Los Angeles	9/1/42	Photostat envelope	Los Angeles, 4/28/41, 7 A.M.
	47	Los Angeles	6/1/42	Photostat 1 letter	Los Angeles, 4/23/41, 7 A.M.
	48	Los Angeles	9/1/42	Photostat 2nd page letter	Los Angeles, 4/28/41, 7 A.M.
95-601E	1	Seattle	1/17/41	Envelope	Los Angeles, 1/8/41, 6 P. M.
	2	Seattle	1/17/41	Slip of Paper	Los Angeles, 1/8/41, 6 P.M.
100-17527	41	Savannah	1/14/43	Small envelope	Los Angeles, 1/13/43, 11:30 A.M.
	42	Savannah	1/14/43	Small card	Los Angeles, 1/13/43, 11:30 A.M.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

9-9702

Laboratory Report

March 22, 1943

KLD:VLS

File # ~~100-20000~~

Re: Unknown Subject;
(Bradley K. McAdams, Informant)
Internal Security - Sedition

Lab. # 98714

Examination requested by: Birmingham

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 10/17/87 BY SP7/SJM
390969

Reference: Letter 2-23-43

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Specimens:

- 1 Small envelope postmarked Los Angeles, California, January 3, 1943, 1:30 A.M., addressed to Chief of Police, Mobile, Alabama.
- 2 Accompanying card bearing handwritten message "All all Japs and there will be no more war".

Also submitted: Fingerprint cards of [redacted] for elimination, per [redacted].

Result of Examination:

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9-9700-11

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As the result of a recent search in the [redacted] files and the file of writings pertaining to National Security, it has been concluded that specimens 1 and 2 of this case were written by the same person who wrote the following listed specimens:

- 1 and 2 Contained in the case entitled "William [redacted], alias [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted]; Victim: [redacted], Bureau File # [redacted].
- 3 Contained in the case entitled "William [redacted], alias [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted]; Victim: [redacted], Bureau File # [redacted].
- 4 Contained in the case entitled "William [redacted], alias [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted]; Victim: [redacted], Bureau File # [redacted].
- 5 and 6 Contained in the case entitled "William [redacted], alias [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted]; Victim: [redacted], Bureau File # [redacted].
- 7 Contained in the case entitled "William [redacted], alias [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted]; Victim: [redacted], Bureau File # [redacted].
- 8 Contained in the case entitled "William [redacted], alias [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted]; Victim: [redacted], Bureau File # [redacted].
- 9 Contained in the case entitled "William [redacted], alias [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted]; Victim: [redacted], Bureau File # [redacted].
- 10 Contained in the case entitled "William [redacted], alias [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted]; Victim: [redacted], Bureau File # [redacted].
- 11 Contained in the case entitled "William [redacted], alias [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted]; Victim: [redacted], Bureau File # [redacted].
- 12 Contained in the case entitled "William [redacted], alias [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted]; Victim: [redacted], Bureau File # [redacted].
- 13 Contained in the case entitled "William [redacted], alias [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted]; Victim: [redacted], Bureau File # [redacted].
- 14 Contained in the case entitled "William [redacted], alias [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted]; Victim: [redacted], Bureau File # [redacted].
- 15 Contained in the case entitled "William [redacted], alias [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted]; Victim: [redacted], Bureau File # [redacted].
- 16 Contained in the case entitled "William [redacted], alias [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted]; Victim: [redacted], Bureau File # [redacted].
- 17 Contained in the case entitled "William [redacted], alias [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted]; Victim: [redacted], Bureau File # [redacted].
- 18 Contained in the case entitled "William [redacted], alias [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted]; Victim: [redacted], Bureau File # [redacted].
- 19 Contained in the case entitled "William [redacted], alias [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted]; Victim: [redacted], Bureau File # [redacted].
- 20 Contained in the case entitled "William [redacted], alias [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted]; Victim: [redacted], Bureau File # [redacted].

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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dent., Bureau file #75-8014.

Attached hereto is a description of the various specimens contained in the above-mentioned files setting forth the origin, date, post-mark, etc. and also a photographic composite of representative specimens.

Specimens #1 and #2 were chemically treated for the development of latent fingerprints but none of value was developed.

Specimens #1 and #2 are being retained in the files of the Laboratory.

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LETTER

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NO. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **LOS ANGELES**

FILE NO **9-648**

REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 5/27/43	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/25/43; 4/26/43; 5/20, 21/43.	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, Judge RALPH E. JENNEY, Victim. (Extortion letter dated July 21, 1942).			CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS.

Anonymous letter and post card signed [REDACTED] obtained from LAPD. Handwriting is very similar to handwriting in instant case. Letter and card forwarded to Technical Laboratory. Technical Laboratory reports cards addressed to Jewish Welfare League, Los Angeles; Chief of Police, Mobile, Alabama; Chief of Police, Savannah, Georgia, are not same handwriting as extortion letter in instant case.

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 10/17/97 BY SP4CJ/SJ
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REFERENCE: Bureau File # 9-9702.
Report of Special Agent [REDACTED]
Los Angeles, 3/9/43.

DETAILS: AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

At the Los Angeles Police Department, Captain [REDACTED] Head of the Homicide Squad, advised that the Los Angeles Police Department maintains no centralized file of extortion letters and other suspected writings; however, he suggested that Agent might obtain some information from Officer [REDACTED] on the Forgery Squad. Officer [REDACTED] also stated that the Police Department maintained no centralized file of suspected writings, but that each extortion or other threatening letter was kept with the papers in the particular case, and it would be impossible to locate all of them; however, he stated that he had a small file of anonymous and "nut" letters which he made available to Agent. The handwriting on only two communications in this file was in any way similar to the handwriting in the extortion letters of this case. Both of these specimens were given to Agent by Officer [REDACTED].

APPROVED AND FORWARDED [Signature]	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES
COPIES OF THIS REPORT: 1-Bureau 1-USA, Los Angeles 2-Pittsburgh (Encls) 2-Los Angeles 1- [REDACTED]	970

and are being forwarded to the Technical Laboratory for appropriate examination and comparison.

One of these is a penny post card postmarked Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, August 28, 1938, and addressed to the Hollywood Chief of Police. This card is signed by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] It deals inconerently with the writer's claim to ownership of K.G.M. STUDIOS and other motion picture problems. The card begins, "I am in Pittsburgh pertaining to other affairs." This might indicate that the writer was then a resident of Los Angeles or Hollywood, and was in Pittsburgh on a business trip; however, a search of the indices of the Los Angeles Field Division, the appropriate City Directories, and the Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters, failed to reveal anyone by the name of [REDACTED]

The second communication is an anonymous threatening letter addressed to former Los Angeles Chief of Police, J.E. DAVIS, and signed "CITIZENS VIGILANTE COMMITTEE." This letter is being forwarded to the Technical Laboratory for appropriate examination and comparison.

Photographs of both of these communications are being retained in the files of the Los Angeles Field Division.

Confidential National Defense Informant [REDACTED] stated he had never heard of [REDACTED] but that he would attempt to obtain any information he could concerning his activities in Los Angeles.

Appropriate Los Angeles City Directories were checked in an attempt to locate [REDACTED] believed to be operating a printing shop in Los Angeles. The only two printing shops listed under the name [REDACTED] were [REDACTED] where it was ascertained that no [REDACTED] was connected with the shop, and [REDACTED] where it was reported that [REDACTED] PRINTING SHOP had closed some months ago, after being in business at that address for the past five or more years. This would eliminate the possibility that it is [REDACTED] printing shop, inasmuch as he was [REDACTED] in 1939.

A report dated March 11, 1943, entitled UNKNOWN SUBJECT; [REDACTED] INFORMANT: INTERNAL SECURITY, SEDITION (Bureau File #100-15593) was received from the Technical Laboratory indicating that anonymous communication to the Chief of Police, Mobile, Alabama, and the Chief of Police, Savannah, Georgia, had been identified as being in the handwriting of the writer of the extortion letters in instant case. These communications were postmarked January 3, 1943.

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A report dated March 27, 1943, was received from the Technical Laboratory which stated that the card addressed to the Jewish Welfare League, Los Angeles, California, mentioned in referenced report was written by the same person who wrote the extortion letters in this case. The report also stated that the handwriting of [REDACTED] was not identical with the questioned writing in this case; however, certain similarities were noted between the suspected hand-writing and the handwriting of [REDACTED] presently in the Army.

The laboratory report also indicated that the rubber stamp printing on the slip of paper "Gentiles act. Kick Jewr out," mentioned in referenced report appeared to have been prepared with a rubber stamp outfit manufactured by the same concern that manufactured the rubber stamp printing set used to print other specimens contained in this case and related cases; however, a definite conclusion could not be reached as to whether it was the same set due to the fact that the selections are very short and the operator would have a choice of sixty-eight blocks for each letter, both of which factors tend to decrease the possibility of comparing the various items of printings.

ENCLOSURE: TO THE PITTSBURGH FIELD DIVISION

3 Photostatic samples of handwriting
of subject of instant case.

- P E N D I N G -

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE PITTSBURGH FIELD DIVISION,

At Oakland, Pennsylvania, will attempt to ascertain the present whereabouts of [REDACTED] who resided at [REDACTED] August 28, 1938.

Will, if [REDACTED] is located in the Pittsburgh Field Division, take specimens of handwriting for submission to the Technical Laboratory to be compared with the handwriting of subject of instant case.

THE LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION,

At Los Angeles, California, will re-contact [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] for the purpose of obtaining the present address of [REDACTED] presently in the Army, and will then make arrangements to obtain further specimens of his handwriting to be submitted to the Technical Laboratory.

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*** Will maintain contact with [REDACTED] Wilcox Building, Second and Spring Streets, and consider the possibility of having him circulate a petition for the release of [REDACTED] in order that a large number of signatures may be obtained.

*** Will locate [REDACTED] of the National Patriots, and interview him as a suspect.

*** Will locate and interview as suspects [REDACTED] in the National Patriots movement.

*** Will locate and interview [REDACTED] former customer at the Deutsches Haus, who previously lived at the home of [REDACTED]

*** Will locate and interview [REDACTED] of the youth at the Deutsches Haus.

*** Will interview [REDACTED] as suspects, and take handwriting specimens.

*** Will consider all the persons who visited [REDACTED] at the County Jail as possible suspects and treat them accordingly.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Los Angeles, California.
May 20, 1943.

4-2759

Director, FBI

Attention: TECHNICAL LABORATORY

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT
JUDGE RALPH E. JENNEY, Victim.
(Extortion letter dated 7/21/42.)
EXTORTION.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letters dated August 11; September 1, 22 and December 9, 1942, and March 9, 1943, from the Los Angeles Field Office to the Bureau, regarding the above captioned case, and to Laboratory Reports dated September 21, 1942 (Lab. #89738, file #100-46225), October 9, 1942 (Lab. #91008, file #9-9702-1), September 8, 1942 (Lab. #88765, file #100-46225-237), January 8, 1943 (Lab. #95629, file #9-9702-7), March 11, 1943 (Lab. #99974, file #100-185693-1), and March 27, 1943 (Lab. #100978, file #9-9702-5).

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Enclosed herewith please find one post card addressed to Hollywood Chief of Police, postmarked Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, August 20, 1938, signed by [redacted] and one anonymous letter and its envelope addressed to Mr. J.E. DAVIS, postmarked Los Angeles, California, January 29, 1938, signed "Citizens Vigilante Committee."

It is requested that these specimens be compared with specimens previously submitted to the Bureau in connection with this case. These specimens may be retained in the Bureau files until needed in the event of prosecution.

Very truly yours,

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 10/17/97 BY 5071 w/san
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S.S. [redacted]
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100-46225-237
MAY 20 1943
FBI - LOS ANGELES

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Report

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June 8, 1943
File # 9-9702
Lab # D2759

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT,
JUDGE RALPH E. JENNEY, Victim
EXTORTION

Examination requested by: Los Angeles (9-648)

Reference: Letter 6-24-43

Examination requested: Document

Specimens:

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 10/17/97 BY 304 w/sam
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- Q7 Postal card postmarked Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, August 28, 1939 addressed to "Hollywood Chief of Police, 302 Calver St., Hollywood, California".
- Q8 Envelope postmarked Los Angeles, California, January 29, 1939 addressed to "Mr. J. E. Davis, 736 Micheltorana, Los Angeles, Cal.".
- Q9 Accompanying handwritten note beginning "Listen you....."

RESULT OF EXAMINATION:

It has been concluded that specimens Q8 and Q9 were written by the individual who wrote Q1, Q5 and Q6 in this case and other handwritten specimens contained in related cases. A summary of these specimens was attached to the Laboratory report #9974 dated March 11, 1943 in connection with the case entitled "Unknown Subject; (Informant) Internal Security - Sedition", Bureau File #100-185693. A copy of this report was transmitted to your office.

- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
- Mr. Clegg _____
- Mr. Coffey _____
- Mr. Glavin _____
- Mr. Ladd _____
- Mr. Nichols _____
- Mr. Rosen _____
- Mr. Tracy _____
- Mr. Carson _____
- Mr. Harbo _____
- Mr. Hendon _____
- Mr. McGuire _____
- Mr. Mumford _____
- Mr. Piper _____
- Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
- Mr. Nease _____
- Miss Gandy _____

A definite conclusion was not reached as to whether the postal card designated as Q7 was written by this individual because certain variations were noted which could not be accounted for by a comparison with the available questioned material.

Specimens Q7 through Q9 are being retained for the files

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Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Subject:

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
JAMES HENRY G. JENNEY, VICTIM
(Extortion letter dated July 21, 1942)
ATTENTION

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Reference is made to the report of the Technical Laboratory dated June 5, 1943, in which it was stated that no conclusion was reached as to whether the writer of the postal card signed [redacted] was identical with the individual responsible for the extortion letter in the instant case.

The Bureau desires that additional specimens be obtained from this individual at the earliest available opportunity. In the event this individual's present whereabouts is unknown or in the event considerable investigation will be necessitated in order to procure these specimens, the Bureau should be so advised by letter.

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- Mr. Clegg _____
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

Los Angeles 13, California
July 12, 1943

Director, FBI

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
JUDGE RALPH E. JENNEY - VICTIM
(Extortion letter dated July 21, 1942)
EXTORTION

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated June 16, 1943
(Bureau File No. 9-9702), and to the report of Special Agent
[REDACTED], at Los Angeles, May 27, 1943.

Referenced letter requested that additional handwriting
specimens be obtained from [REDACTED] and that the Bureau
be advised in the event considerable investigation would be
necessitated in order to procure these specimens.

Referenced report set out a lead for the Pittsburgh
Field Division to ascertain the present whereabouts of [REDACTED]
and to obtain specimens of his handwriting for submission to
the Technical Laboratory.

The Pittsburg office should, therefore, advise the
Bureau of the progress made in locating [REDACTED]

Very truly yours,

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R. B. HOOD
Special Agent in Charge

c.c. Pittsburgh

cc: [REDACTED]

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REPLY

Date: 9-9702
July 23, 1943
To: SAC, Los Angeles

From: J. Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: UNKNOWN SUBJECT; JUDGE RALPH E. JENKINS, VICTIM
(Extortion letter dated July 21, 1943)
EXTORTION RECORDED

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Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm Your attention is directed to Bureau letters dated January 16, 1943, instructing that [redacted] be considered a suspect in the instant case and appropriate specimens obtained from him for elimination purposes. The Bureau wishes to be advised at this time whether any identifying specimens have been obtained and in addition wishes to be advised as to the estimated length of time necessary for your office to complete the undeveloped leads appearing in the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated May 27, 1943, at Los Angeles, California.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **LOS ANGELES, CALIF.**

FILE NO. **9-412**

REPORT MADE AT PITTSBURGH, PA.	DATE WHEN MADE 7-19-43	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 6-26-43	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] (A)
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT Judge RALPH E. JENNEY, Victim. (Extortion letter dated July 21, 1942)			CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[REDACTED] believed to be in institution in Shickahinny, Pa. Parents, living [REDACTED] will know exact whereabouts of Suspect.

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REFERENCE:

Report of SA [REDACTED] Los Angeles, dated 5-27-43.

DETAILS:

AT PITTSBURGH, PA.

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[REDACTED] cousin of the suspect, advised that to the best of her knowledge [REDACTED] was committed to an institution in Shickahinny, Pa. in 1938. She could not remember the name of the institution but further advised that his parents, [REDACTED] would know the name of the institution and probably his present whereabouts if he was no longer in the institution. She also stated that he had a brother, [REDACTED] living at [REDACTED]

For the information of the Philadelphia Field Division a search of the files of the Los Angeles Police Department revealed two communications similar to the handwriting in the extortion letters in this case. One of these is a penny postcard postmarked Pittsburgh, Pa., August 28, 1933, and addressed to the Hollywood Chief of Police. This card is signed by [REDACTED]. It deals incoherently with the writer's claim to ownership of MGM Studios and other motion picture problems. A search of the indices of the Los Angeles Field Division, the appropriate city directories, and

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the Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters, failed to reveal anyone by the name
of [REDACTED]

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ENCLOSURE: To the Philadelphia Field Division

8 Photostatic samples of handwriting of Subject of instant case.

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- UNDEVELOPED LEADS -

THE PHILADELPHIA FIELD DIVISION

AT WEST WYOMING, PA.

b7c Will interview [REDACTED] and ascertain the present whereabouts of [REDACTED]

Will, if [REDACTED] is located in the Philadelphia Field Division, take specimens of handwriting for submission to the Technical Laboratory to be compared with the handwriting of Subject of instant case.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **LOS ANGELES**

FILE NO. **9-618**

REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 8/5/43	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 7/5, 8/43	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] KFM
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, Judge RALPH E. JENNEY, Victim (Extortion Letter Dated July 21, 1942).			CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Laboratory reports anonymous letter to DAVIS, former chief of LAPD, was written by subject. Postcard signed by [REDACTED] did not contain enough handwriting for laboratory to reach conclusion. [REDACTED] is presently a Lieutenant in the army on active duty in North Africa.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau File 9-9702.
Report of Special Agent [REDACTED]
Los Angeles, May 27, 1943.

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DETAILS:

By report dated June 5, 1943, the Laboratory advised that an envelope postmarked, Los Angeles, California, January 29, 1939, addressed to Mr. J. E. DAVIS, 735 Michaltorosa, Los Angeles, California, and the accompanying handwritten note beginning, "Listen, you" were written by the same individual who wrote the extortion letter in instant case.

The same report advised that the postal card postmarked Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, August 23, 1939, addressed to the Hollywood Chief of Police, 302 Calver Street, Hollywood, California, and signed [REDACTED] did not contain enough handwriting to permit the Laboratory to make a definite decision as to whether it was written by the same individual who wrote the extortion letter to Judge JENNEY.

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was reinterviewed, and she stated that her son had completed Officers' Candidate School and had been awarded a commission as a Second Lieutenant and is presently on active duty in North Africa. However, she stated that he definitely had not been in Los Angeles at any time during December, 1942 or January, 1943, due to the fact that he was then in Officers' Candidate School.

Inasmuch as certain communications in the handwriting of the person who wrote the extortion letter in instant case were postmarked Los Angeles, January 3, 1943, it is believed impossible that these communications could have emanated from [REDACTED]. Therefore, no further attempt is being made to obtain specimens of his handwriting.

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS

THE PITTSBURGH FIELD DIVISION

* At Oakland, Pennsylvania, will attempt to ascertain the present whereabouts of [redacted] who resided at [redacted] August 28, 1936.

* Will, if [redacted] is located in the Pittsburgh Field Division, take specimens of handwriting for submission to the Technical Laboratory to be compared with the handwriting of subject of instant case.

THE LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION

* At Los Angeles, California, will maintain contact with [redacted] Wilcox Building, Second and Spring Streets, and consider the possibility of having him circulate a petition for the release of [redacted] in order that a large number of signatures may be obtained.

* Will locate [redacted] of the National Patriots, and interview him as a suspect.

* Will locate and interview as suspects, [redacted] in the National Patriots movement.

* Will locate and interview [redacted] former customer at the Deutsches Haus, who previously lived at the home of [redacted]

* Will locate and interview [redacted] of the youth at the Deutsches Haus.

* Will interview [redacted] as suspects, and take handwriting specimens.

* Will consider all the persons who visited [redacted] at the County Jail as possible suspects and treat them accordingly.

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New Milford, Conn.
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Supreme Court of the United States
Washington, D.C.

Members of
Justice Felix Frankfurter

My dear Mr. Hoover

Ordinarily I throw communications like the enclosed into the waste-basket, but I just recalled that your office asked me not to do that but to pass them on to you. So here it is.

Yours very sincerely.

/s/ Felix Frankfurter

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The enclosure is a 5x2 slip on which is written in red crayon "Kill all Jews and capitalists."

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New M. Davis

Department of the United States
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My dear Mr. Hoover

Ordinarily?

Throw some communications
like the enclosed into
the waste basket, but
I just recalled that
your office asked me
not to do that until
you see them
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Yours very truly

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Honorable Felix Frankfurter
Associate Justice
Supreme Court of the United States
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Justice:

I was indeed pleased to receive your letter of August 8, 1943, with which you enclosed a communication recently forwarded to you from Los Angeles, California.

You may be assured, of course, that the content of your communication and enclosure has been noted with care and is receiving appropriate attention by this Bureau.

I shall look forward to receiving from you any information you may obtain and believe to be of interest to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

With expressions of my highest esteem and best regards,

Sincerely yours,

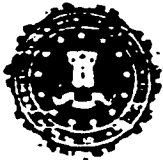
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
 United States Department of Justice
 Los Angeles 13, California
 August 12, 1943

Director, FBI

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
 Judge RALPH E. JENNEY, Victim,
 (Extortion Letter Dated July 21, 1942.)
EXTORTION.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated July 23, 1943.

(Bureau File 9-9702.)

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The handwriting of [redacted] has been examined and shows no similarity whatsoever to the handwriting of subject in instant case. This information will be included in the next report.

Every effort will be made to complete coverage of the undeveloped leads appearing in the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated August 5, 1943, at Los Angeles, California, within the next month.

Very truly yours,

R. B. HOOD, [redacted]
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
August 12, 1942

Director, FBI

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT
Judge RALPH E. JENNEY, Victim
(Extortion Letter dated 7-21-42)
EXTORTION

Dear Sir:

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There are being enclosed to the Philadelphia Field Division by a copy of this letter, two copies of the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated at Los Angeles, California, August 5, 1942, pertaining to the above styled case.

Inasmuch as investigation is to be conducted in the territory covered by the Philadelphia Field Division, these are being forwarded to Philadelphia for appropriate attention.

Very truly yours,

H. K. Johnson

H. K. JOHNSON,
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cc - Philadelphia (2 - enclosures)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Report

September 1, 1943
File # ~~62-100000~~

Lab # 18619

RE: ~~AMERICAN SUBJECT~~
ARTIL-SZMITIC LEAGUE

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Examination requested by: Bureau (Answer to Newark)

Reference: Letter (no date)

Examination requested: Document

Specimens:

1 Slip of paper bearing printing "Learn with The Jews Join The Anti-Semitic League".

REPORT OF EXAMINATION:

Specimen 1 was examined through the anonymous letter file and was found to be similar in make-up and content to specimens submitted in other Bureau cases. Of these, the files containing specimens prepared with rubber stamp impressions are as follows:

6-3171, entitled "Unknown subject; alias 'Pro-Hitler';
Fodie Carter, Victim; Extortion"
Office of origin - Los Angeles.

6-3702, entitled "Unknown subject; Judge Elph. G. Conroy;
Victim; Extortion"
Office of origin - Los Angeles

6-6046, entitled "Anonymous communications - William H. Sears,
Complainant; Threats against the President"
Office of origin - Seattle

Attached hereto for the Bureau are the original and a copy of the specimens contained in the files pertaining to this subject. This summary sets forth the origin, date, post-mark, etc., and is accompanied by a graphic composite of representative specimens. The interested field offices received this information with a laboratory report dated March 31, 1943. Although none of this material is identical, the material appears to be of the same anti-Semitic nature as the specimens of the rubber stamp specimens.

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- Mr. Glavin _____
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- Mr. Nichols _____
- Mr. Rosen _____
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- Mr. Hendon _____
- Mr. Mumford _____
- Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
- Miss Gandy _____

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Upon a comparison of Q1, which has been printed with a rubber stamp set, with the actual style of the rubber stamp impressions contained in the above-mentioned files, the conclusion was reached that Q1 was not printed with the same rubber stamp sets used in preparing previously received specimens.

Q1 was prepared with a Gothic style of rubber stamp type which is sold by a number of rubber stamp manufacturers.

The original evidence is being retained in the files of the Laboratory. A photographic copy for the Newark field division is attached hereto.

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Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

FILE NO. **9-597 IVG**

REPORT MADE AT PHILADELPHIA, PA.	DATE WHEN MADE 10-28-43	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 10-11-43	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT Judge RALPH E. GANNBY, Victim, (Extortion letter dated July 21, 1942)			CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: [REDACTED] taken into custody at Pittsburgh, Pa. on 2-24-39, for mental condition. Was transferred to Retreat Mental Hospital, Luzerne County, Pa., 4-7-39, and has been in custody there since that time. Known handwriting specimens of [REDACTED] obtained from his parents and from hospital authorities, forwarded to FBI Laboratory for comparison with that of Subject. Unable to intelligently interview [REDACTED] due to his mental condition.

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REFERENCE: Bureau File Number 9-9702.
Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] (A), dated at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, July 15, 1943.
Report of Special Agent [REDACTED], dated at Los Angeles, California, August 6, 1943.

DETAILS: [REDACTED] sister of [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] has been mentally ill for several years. About six or eight years ago, his uncle, [REDACTED] who resides at an unknown address in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, took [REDACTED] to Pittsburgh with him. While there, [REDACTED] obtained a job [REDACTED] but in 1939 became mentally unbalanced and created a dis-

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turbance by declaring that he was the owner of several moving-picture theatres in the city of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Because of this claim, and due to his mental condition, he was taken into custody by the Pittsburgh authorities and was subsequently transferred to the Retreat Mental Hospital at Retreat, Pennsylvania, which is located in Luzerne County, Pennsylvania. She advised that [redacted] began having hallucinations in about 1934, at which time he believed that he owned moving-picture producing companies. Since that time he has written many letters to MARY PICKFORD and DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS and claims that these two individuals are employed by him.

[redacted] furnished substantially the same information concerning her son, [redacted] as did [redacted]. [redacted] furnished handwriting specimens of her son, [redacted]. She furnished a white envelope bearing the postmark Retreat, Pennsylvania, September 13, 1943, and addressed to [redacted].

In this envelope was contained a letter dated September 12, 1943, at Retreat, Pennsylvania, and starting "Dear Brother: Just a few lines to let you know" and ending "Your brother, [redacted]". This letter and envelope will be designated as K-1 and K-2, respectively, for the purpose of laboratory examination.

b7C [redacted] also furnished a postal card written by her son and postmarked Retreat, Pennsylvania, October 9, 1943. This postal card was also addressed [redacted].

On the other side of this post card was written the message "Dear Brother: Just a line to let you know I am well" and ending "Good-bye, Your brother, [redacted]". This post card is being designated as K-3.

[redacted] Retreat Mental Hospital, Retreat, Pennsylvania, furnished the file of [redacted] at that institution which reflects that he was originally taken into custody at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on February 24, 1939. At that time he was placed in the Pittsburgh City Home, at Mayview, Pennsylvania, and detained there because of his mental condition. On April 7, 1939, [redacted] was transferred from the Pittsburgh City Home to the Retreat Mental Hospital, at Retreat, Pennsylvania. He has remained in custody at the latter institution continuously since this date. [redacted] advised that [redacted] is subject to possessive illusions, and that [redacted] is continually informing people that he is the sole owner of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Moving Picture Producing Company, and that he also owns several moving-picture stars such as NELSON EDDY, MARY PICKFORD, and DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS, Jr. [redacted] is a prolific letter writer, and since his admission to the Retreat Mental Hospital has written letters to NELSON EDDY and to

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various other individuals connected with the moving-picture industry [redacted] stated, however, that these letters have been censored and, as far as he knows, none of them have been mailed from the institution. He advised, however, that it would be possible for [redacted] to furnish the letters and stamps to an attendant at the hospital or to friends who visit him and have them mailed outside of the institution, without the authorities having knowledge of the mailing.

[redacted] furnished the author of this report five miscellaneous letters which were written by [redacted] and which had been retained in [redacted] file at the institution. [redacted] stated that, to the best of his knowledge, all of these letters were in the handwriting of [redacted]. All of these letters are being forwarded with the above mentioned letter, envelope, and postal card to the FBI Laboratory with a request that the handwriting of [redacted] be compared with that of the Subject in this case. The specimens of [redacted] handwriting furnished by [redacted] are being designated as known specimens K-4 to K-11, inclusive.

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The writer and Special Agent [redacted] called on [redacted] at the Retreat Mental Hospital, at Retreat, Pennsylvania, and attempted to interview him regarding his knowledge of any facts which might connect him with the Subject of this case, or which might indicate that he was the writer of the extortion letter dated July 21, 1942. This interview was unsuccessful because of [redacted] mental condition.

The following description of [redacted] was obtained by observation and from his file at the Retreat Mental Institution.

Name	[redacted]
Age	30 yrs.
Date of birth	[redacted]
Place of birth	[redacted]
Height	5' 6"
Weight	165 lbs.
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown
Complexion	Fair
Occupation	[redacted]
Mother	[redacted]
Criminal record	None known
Confined to mental institution	Since February, 1939.

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The above mentioned handwriting specimens of [REDACTED] b7C
are being forwarded to the FBI Laboratory for comparison with the hand-
writing of the Subject in this case, and a request is being made that
the Laboratory furnish the Los Angeles Field Division with the results
of this examination.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

November 27, 1943

Laboratory Report

File # 9-9702

Lab. # D-7429

Re: Anonymous Communication
Addressed to "Edgar Hoover".

Examination requested by: Los Angeles

Reference: (no letter)

Examination requested: Document

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- 1. Envelope bearing handwritten address to "Edgar Hoover, Chief of F. B. I., Wash., D. C."
- 2. Envelope bearing handwritten address in red beginning "Will all"

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Result of examination:

It has been concluded that specimens Q10 and Q11 were written by the individual who wrote specimens Q1, Q5, Q6, Q8 and Q9 in the case entitled "Unknown Subject, Jesse Ralph E. Jenney, Victim Extortion" and other handwritten specimens contained in related cases. A summary of these specimens was attached to the Laboratory report #99974 dated March 11, 1943 in connection with the case entitled "Unknown Subject, (Informant) Internal Security-Sedition", Bureau File #100-185493. A copy of this report was transmitted to your office. This related material is contained in Los Angeles Field Office File #9-648.

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As a result of the recent search in the Laboratory's File of Writings pertaining to National Security, it was concluded that specimens Q153 and Q154 contained in the #100-0-19033 file and which were forwarded to the Bureau by Honorable Felix Frankfurter under date of August 5, 1943, were also written by the writer of the material referred to above. This envelope was addressed to Felix Frankfurter, U. S. Supreme Court, Washington, D. C., marked (personal) and was postmarked at Los Angeles, California, July 26, 1943, 11:00 am. Photographic copies of Q153 and Q154, Q10 and Q11 are attached hereto for the revelation of the file.

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Los Angeles, Nov 27 1943 P.M.
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All of the above mentioned material which has been attributed to this individual has been consolidated in Bureau file 99-9702 and any future submissions in connection with the Unknown Subject should bear this file number as a reference.

Specimens Q1 and Q2 are being retained in the files of the Laboratory for comparison with any material submitted in the future.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

500 Widener Building
Philadelphia 5, Pennsylvania

D 8376

October 23, 1943

Director, FBI.

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS.
Judge RALPH E. JENNEY - VICTIM.
EXTORTION.
Bureau File 9-9702

Dear Sir:

Transmitted, herewith, are handwriting specimens of [redacted] who is a patient at the mental hospital at Retreat, Luzerne County, Pa.

The following specimens were written by [redacted] to his brother, [redacted]. They were turned over to Special Agent [redacted] by [redacted] mother, [redacted] also of [redacted].

- 21 A white envelope bearing a cancelled three-cent stamp, also bearing a postmark "Retreat, Pa., September 11, 1943 PM" and the address [redacted].
- 22 A letter contained in 21 and dated at Retreat, Pa., Sept. 12, 1943. This letter begins "Dear Brother. Just a few lines to let you know" and ends "...a good job building ships. Good bye. Your Brother [redacted]".
- 23 A one-cent post card postmarked "Retreat, Pa., Oct. 9, 1943, 2PM" and addressed [redacted].

The following handwriting specimens were furnished to Special Agent [redacted] by [redacted] at Retreat Mental Hospital, Retreat, Pa., and advised that to the best of his knowledge, they were all the handwriting of [redacted] a patient at the institution.

- 24 White envelope addressed "Judge R. E. Jenney, Luzerne County Court House, Wilkes-Barre, Pa."

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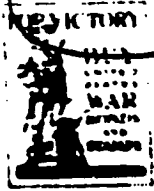
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October 26, 1943

Letter to the Director

Letter contained in #1 and headed: "Retreat, Pa., August 1, 1943".
This letter reads "Dear Mr. J. Edgar..." and ends "...if he is not
try to..."

Note envelope addressed "Lawyer Witt, 1114 Liberty St., San Diego,
California". Upper left hand corner, a notation "11/14/43-11-15-43"

Letter contained in #2 and written on white, lined paper. Letter reads
"Dear Mr. J. Edgar, I am where you are going -- Use the name to learn where
the rest are at and what they do".

Note envelope addressed "Wilson City, 72 Industrial St., San Diego,
California". Upper right hand corner a notation [redacted]
April 14-15 1943".

Letter contained in #3 and written on white, lined paper. Letter
reads [redacted] As I have written you....See [redacted] and help him
produce [redacted] owned by me. Yours Truly [redacted]

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#10 Letter written on white, unlined paper. Letter reads "Nov. 14, 1943
Retreat, Pa; Judge Krell, Nanticoke, Pa. Dear Judge -- I bought
Governor Martin the year 1942. Sincerely yours, [redacted]"

#11 Note written on white, lined paper. Note reads [redacted] I
am owner of everything -- I own high spool San Pisco. [redacted]"

It is requested that the above specimens be compared with the handwriting
previously submitted by the Los Angeles Office in this matter and that an
effort be made to determine if [redacted] is identical with the subject.

It should be pointed out that all the specimens submitted herewith,
were written by [redacted] at his leisure. Due to his present mental condition,
it is not possible to obtain handwriting from him under any other conditions.

It is not necessary to return the original specimens of [redacted]
handwriting to the Philadelphia Office and they may be disposed of by the
Laboratory.

The Laboratory report covering this examination should be forwarded
to the Los Angeles office along with photographs of the original
specimens.

Very truly yours,
J. F. Sears
J. F. SEARS, SAC

cc - [redacted]
Los Angeles

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

December 2, 1943

Laboratory Report

File # 9-9702

Lab # 2-8376

EXAMINEE: JAMES J. JENNEY - VICTIM.

Requested by: Philadelphia (9-597)

Letter - 12-28-43

Requested: Document

Specimens:

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- 10 Postal card bearing penciled handwritten address to [redacted] by the known handwriting of [redacted]
- 11 Sheet of lined paper bearing handwritten letter beginning "I am owner of everything....", signed [redacted] in the known handwriting of [redacted]
- 12 Sheet of white unlined paper bearing handwritten letter dated "Nov 14, 1942, Retreat Pa", addressed to "Judge Farrell, Easton Pa", beginning "Dear Judge I am owner of everything by mind....", signed "Sincerely yours [redacted] in his known handwriting.
- 13 Envelope with handwritten address to "Malson Eddy, 32 Fremont St., Santiago, California", accompanying sheet of folded lined paper bearing letter in the penciled known handwriting of [redacted] beginning "Dear Malson, is I have....", signed "Yours truly James Eddy".
- 14 Envelope with handwritten address to "Lawyer Dewitt, 11 Malberry St., Santiago, California", accompanying sheet of folded lined paper bearing letter in the penciled known handwriting of [redacted] beginning "Dear Lawyer I see where you are doing pretty....", signed [redacted]
- 15 Envelope postmarked Sep 13, 1943, with penciled handwritten address to [redacted] accompanying sheet of white paper bearing the penciled known handwriting of [redacted] beginning "Dear Brother. Just a few....", signed "Your promise [redacted]"

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Handwritten: E.H. V.S. P.H.

17 envelope with handwritten address to "Judge John J. Applegate, Los Angeles County Court House, 215 West 7th St.", a companying sheet of lined paper bearing letter in the same handwriting of [redacted] dated "Retreat 7a, August 9, 1940", beginning: "Dear Judge, I am in Luzern.....", signed "Yours truly [redacted]"

Result of examination:

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It has been concluded that [redacted] whose known handwriting is designated above as K3 through K9 wrote specimen Q7 a postcard signed by [redacted] and addressed to Hollywood Chief of Police, 302 Calver Street, Hollywood, California which was submitted by the Los Angeles Office with a letter dated May 24, 1943.

It was further concluded that [redacted] K3 through K9, did not write other specimens contained in this case and specimens contained in related cases which have been identified with this Unknown Subject.

A photographic copy of specimens 49-9702 Q7 is being transmitted to the Los Angeles Office for the completion of their file. Specimens K3 through K9 are being retained in the files of the Laboratory.

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January 14, 1944

SAC, Los Angeles

INTERNAL SECURITY
JEROME RALPH R. JEROME, VICTIM
(See this letter dated July 21, 1943)
RE: JEROME

The most recent report submitted in this case by your office reflected investigation conducted prior to July 9, 1943.

An additional report reflecting the results of your activity in this case in the interim should be furnished to the Bureau within ten days subsequent to the receipt of this letter.

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Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **LOS ANGELES**

FILE NO **9-848**

REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY
LOS ANGELES	1-31-44	1-26, 27-44	[REDACTED]
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT; Judge RALPH E. JENNEY, Victim (Extortion letter dated July 21, 1942)			CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

FBI Laboratory advised that [REDACTED] did not write instant letter. Anonymous letter received by Director, postmarked Los Angeles, identified as having been written by unknown subject. Examination of handwriting of following individuals discloses no similarity to handwriting of Subjects in instant case:

[REDACTED] Likewise the following individuals who visited [REDACTED] in the Los Angeles County Jail are eliminated:

[REDACTED] Investigation to examine handwriting of remaining [REDACTED] visitors, pending. [REDACTED] has not lived in Los Angeles since early 1942. [REDACTED] and associate, [REDACTED] returned to Germany, December, 1940. Captain HERBERT L. THAKES died October 18, 1940. Handwriting sample of [REDACTED] somewhat similar to handwriting of unknown subject, photographic copy being forwarded to FBI Laboratory.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau File # **9-848**
Report of Special Agent [REDACTED], Los Angeles, California, August 8, 1943.

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DETAILS: FBI Laboratory report dated December 1, 1943, disclosed that known specimens of the handwriting of [redacted] suspect, were not identical with the handwriting of the unknown subject in this case.

By report dated November 27, 1943, the Laboratory advised that a recent anonymous communication had been addressed to EDGAR HOOVER, Chief of the FBI, Washington, D. C., consisting of a small card bearing messages written in red beginning "Kill all Jews."

An additional communication was forwarded to the Bureau by the Honorable Felix Frankfurter, under date of August 5, 1943.

The handwriting appearing in the above letters was found to be identical with that of the unknown subject in this case.

As previously advised by letter dated August 17, 1943, Special Agent [redacted] of this office, examined the handwriting of [redacted] samples of which are in the Los Angeles Field Division, and his examination revealed no similarity to the handwriting of Subject in instant case.

The files of Naval Draft Board 258, 1044 West Jefferson, Los Angeles, as produced by Clerk [redacted] disclosed that [redacted] and his brother [redacted] were released from San Quentin Prison, California, December 7, 1943, and where they were incarcerated during pertinent periods of this investigation. Examination of their handwriting discloses no similarity to the handwriting of unknown subject in instant case.

The handwriting of [redacted] another brother, who is presently residing [redacted] was examined. It is somewhat similar in many instances with the exception of the letter "r" which is consistently different from the "r" used by unknown subject. Photographic sample of this handwriting, however, was secured and will be forwarded to the FBI Laboratory under separate cover for a definite decision. It should be noted that [redacted] has resided in Los Angeles during pertinent periods when unknown subject forwarded questioned communications from Los Angeles.

An examination of the handwriting of [redacted] as well as of the following individuals who visited [redacted] at the Los Angeles County Jail during period of his incarceration.

was examined at the Registrar of Voters, Los Angeles County, there being not enough similarity to warrant submitting samples to the FBI Laboratory.

[REDACTED]

The handwriting of [REDACTED] also [REDACTED] visitor, was examined at War Relocation Board Number 02.6.50, 848 South Hill Street, Los Angeles, with negative results.

A letter received from the Bureau dated May 25, 1942, in connection with another matter, reflected that [REDACTED] of the National Patriots, and suspect in this case, had moved from Los Angeles to San Francisco. There is no further evidence that he has returned to Los Angeles to date. In view of this fact, no further attempt will be made to locate him.

Captain HERBERT L. TIARKS, former associate of [REDACTED] referred to in preceding paragraphs, died on October 18, 1940. This fact was verified by [REDACTED] of MEADE & MEADE, Morticians, 939 West Washington Boulevard, Los Angeles.

During an investigation conducted by this office in connection with [REDACTED] during 1942, it was determined from CHDI [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] a brother of [REDACTED] of the German American Bund, resided [REDACTED] and frequented the Deutsches Haus. It was further disclosed that [REDACTED] also at one time resided at [REDACTED] and likewise frequented the Deutsches Haus. It was further disclosed that [REDACTED] returned to Germany in 1940 and the records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service at Terminal Island, San Pedro, California, which were checked by Special Agent [REDACTED] of this office on February 7, 1943, in connection with another matter, disclosed that [REDACTED] also departed for Germany.

Further investigation is being conducted to obtain samples of handwriting of each of the remaining individuals who visited [REDACTED] at the time of his incarceration at the Los Angeles County Jail.

In view of the lapse of time it is not deemed advisable to consider the possibility of having [REDACTED] Silk Building, Second and Spring Streets, Los Angeles, former attorney of [REDACTED] circulate a petition

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for the release of [redacted] and followers in order that a large number of signatures might be obtained.

The results of any other logical leads developed will be furnished in subsequent report.

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS

THE LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION

At Los Angeles, California, will attempt to locate and interview or otherwise obtain handwriting specimens of the following individuals:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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Upon receipt of reports from FBI Laboratory will report outcome of examination conducted of handwriting of [REDACTED]

Will attempt to locate and obtain handwriting specimens of [REDACTED] of the Youth Movement of the Deutsche Haus.