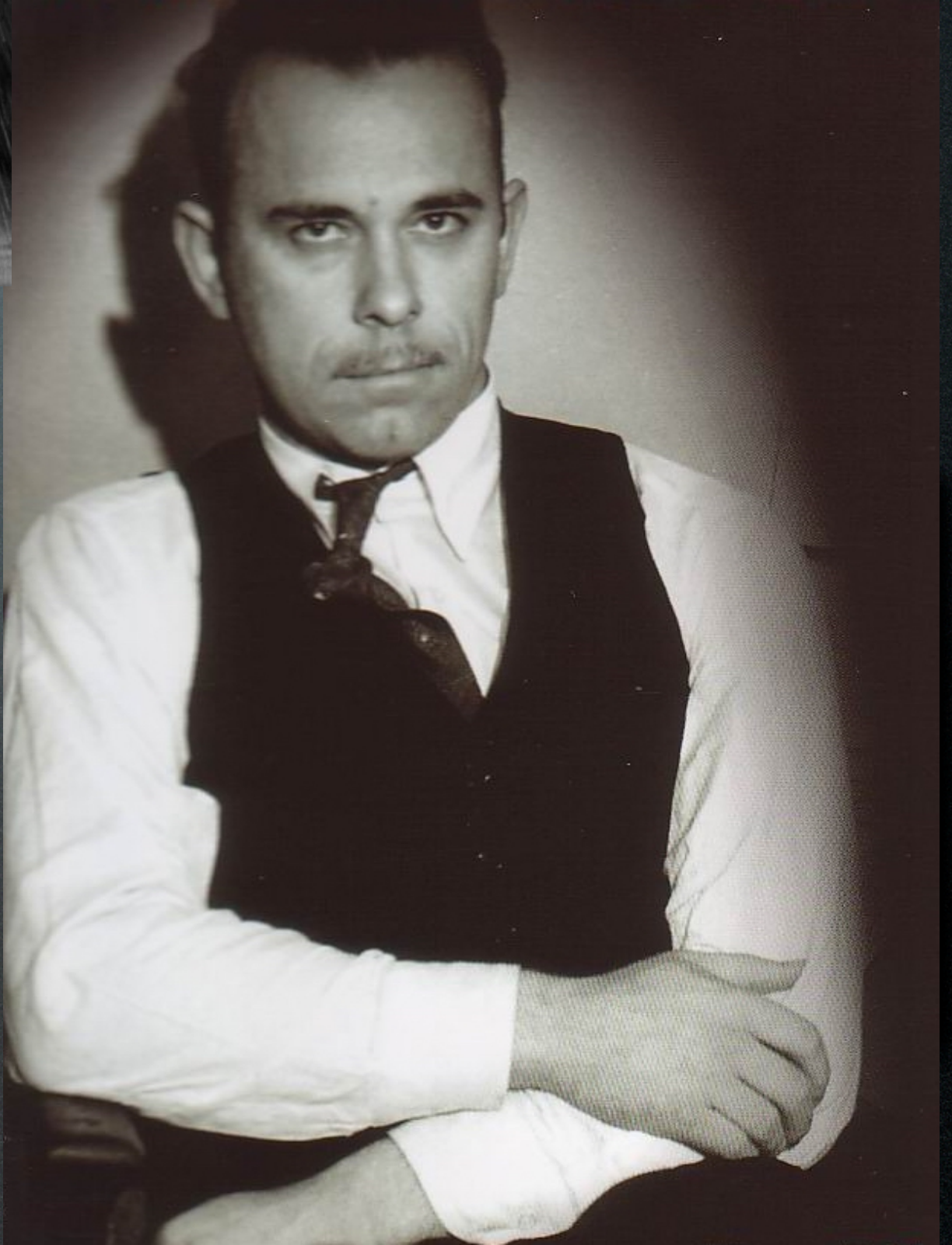


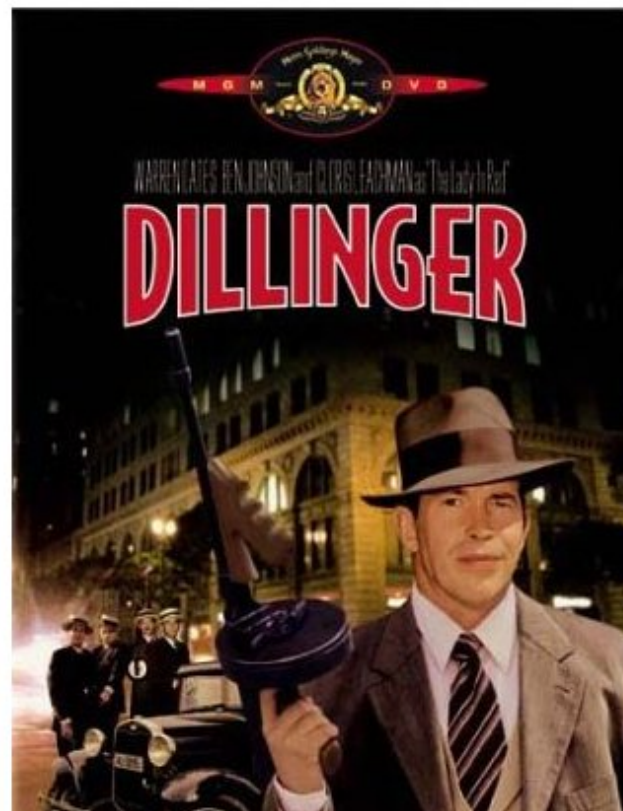
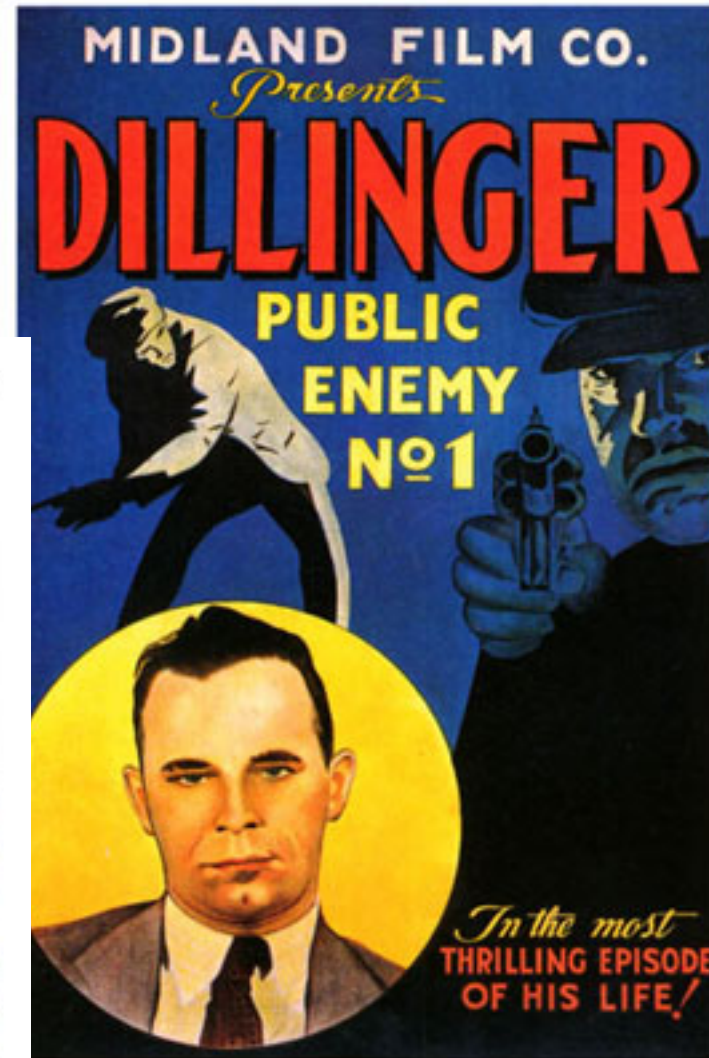
DILLINGER

John Dillinger (1901-1934) died only a month after his thirty-first birthday, but his brief crime spree in 1933-1934 has fascinated the world for generations. He is probably the most famous Hoosier in history, though all he did was rob banks. Part of his appeal is connected to his legend as a daring outlaw—another Jesse James—and part is due to his reputation for sharing money with ordinary people, making him a modern Robin Hood in the eyes of some.

He has been romanticized for his relationships with women, his love of fast cars, his personal charm, and his dramatic escapes from danger. He came out of prison in 1933 as a very angry young man who thought the world had mistreated him, and he was determined to strike back at the powers of society by attacking the banks and running away with as much money as he could grab.

He took advantage of weak links in the criminal justice system, and his early success helped to create the modern FBI, which was given great powers to stop criminals like him. Dillinger's story is also the story of J. Edgar Hoover's effort to destroy Dillinger in order to establish the FBI as the biggest and best law enforcement agency in America.





Hollywood Poster Boy

Dillinger has always been a popular subject with movie producers. Since the 1930s there have been at least half a dozen major films that focus on Dillinger's life.



Johnny Depp as Dillinger
in "Public Enemies,"
released in July 2009



The Real
Dillinger



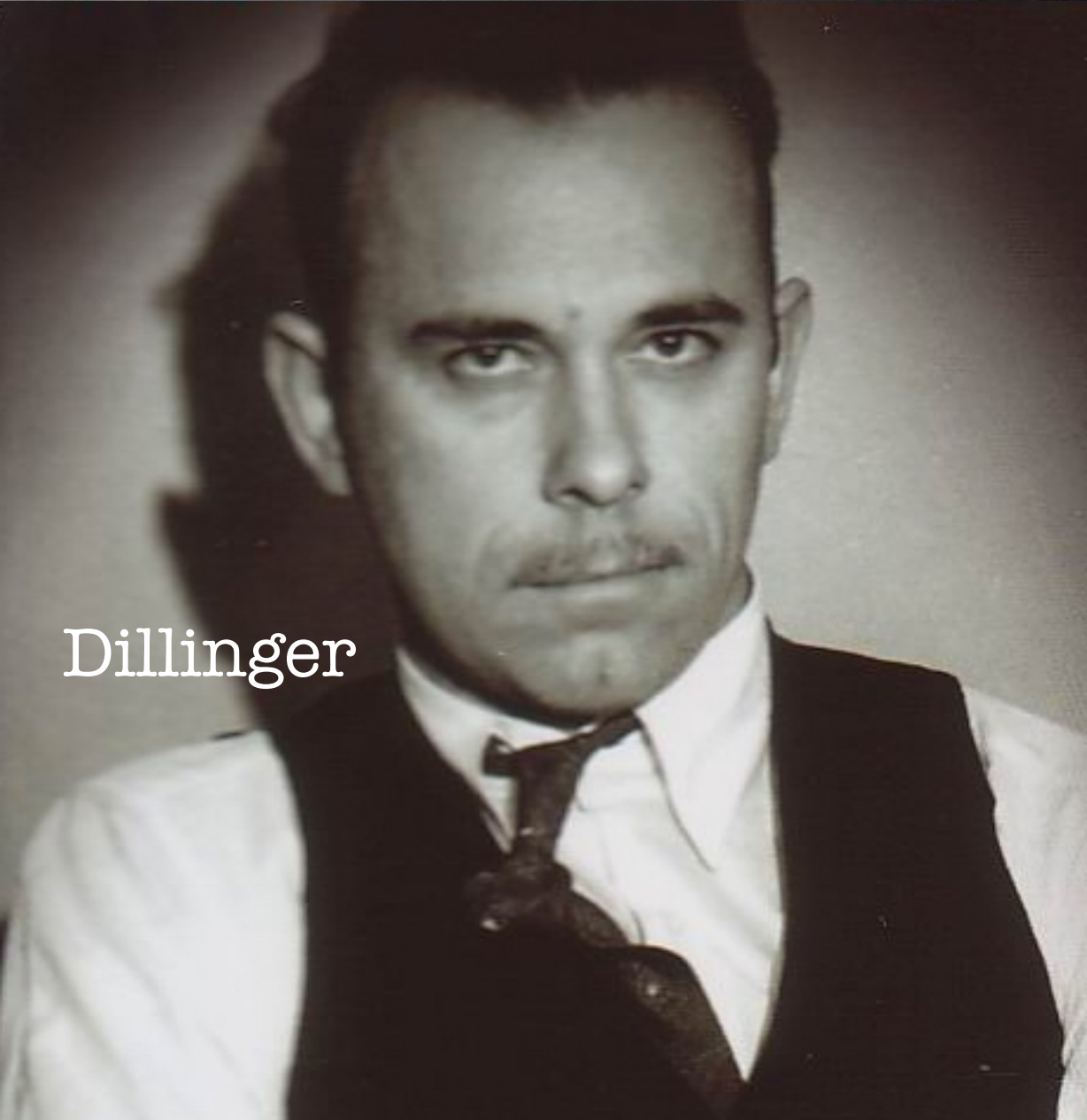
Humphrey Bogart used Dillinger as a model for the characters he played in two films: The Petrified Forest (1936) and High Sierra (1941)

THE LOOK

A black and white close-up portrait of Humphrey Bogart. He is looking slightly to the right with a serious, intense expression. His hair is dark and slicked back. He is wearing a dark suit jacket over a light-colored shirt and a dark tie.

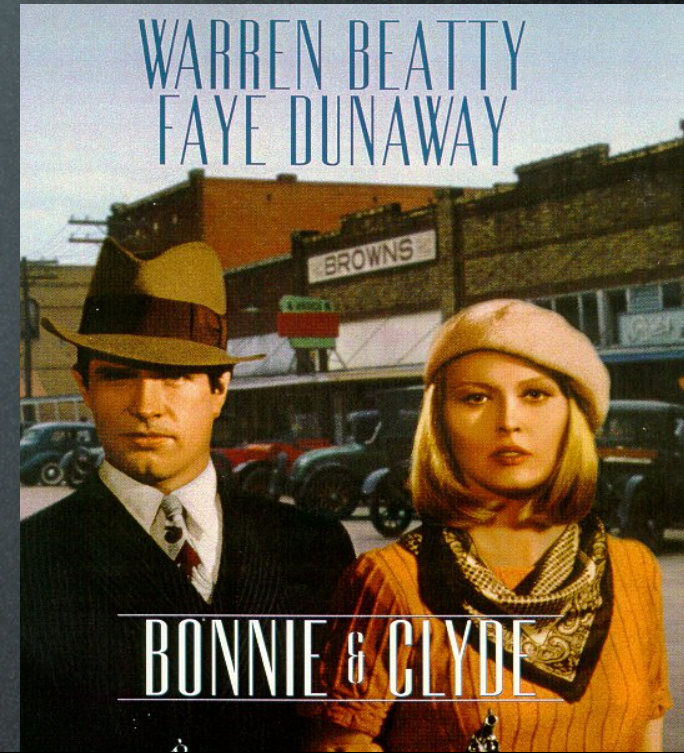
Bogart

Bogart studied films and photos of Dillinger to create a look for his film career that made him one of the most popular “tough guys” in the movies of the 1930s and 1940s.

A black and white portrait of John Dillinger. He is looking directly at the camera with a serious expression. He has a mustache and slicked-back hair. He is wearing a white dress shirt, a dark vest, and a dark tie.

Dillinger

Dillinger was the leading figure in a 1930s crime wave that included other colorful characters, most of whom ended up dead like him:



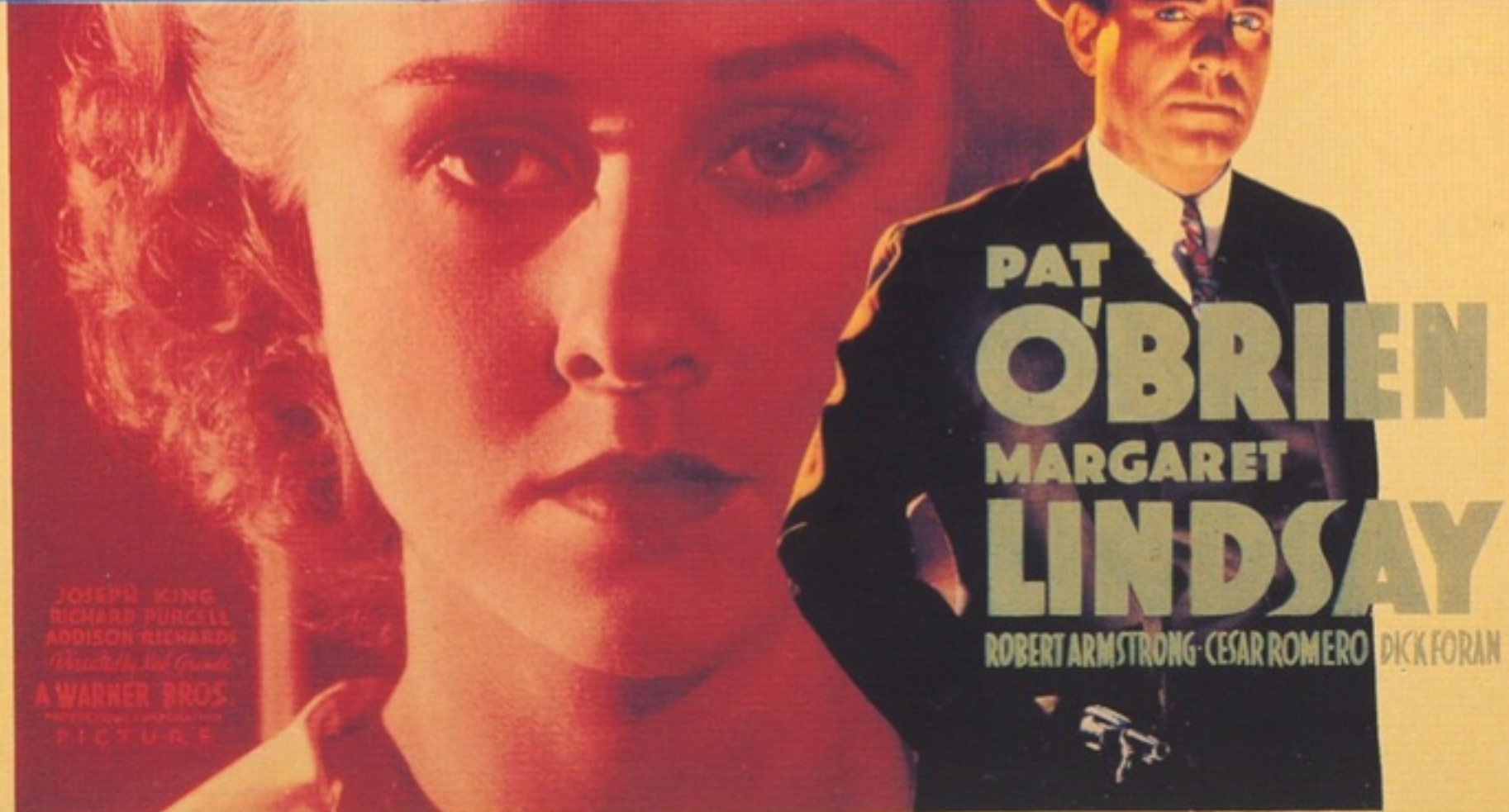
The First Criminal Named by the FBI as “Public Enemy Number One”

The crime wave of the early 1930s felt like a wartime invasion to many Americans. Some saw it as a war between the haves and the have-nots, with the sons of poor families rising up to attack the banks and the police. Dillinger and his gang armed themselves like soldiers, breaking into police departments in northern Indiana and stealing bullet-proof vests and high-powered guns like the Thompson submachine gun and the Browning Automatic Rifle. With their fast cars and personal arsenal, they swept into small towns like an invading army, looting the local banks in broad daylight.

In this undeclared war the local police and the FBI considered Dillinger a “public enemy” and offered large rewards in the currency of the times to anyone who could help them eliminate the threat. Dillinger was seen not merely as a bank robber, but as a rebel soldier upsetting the established order of society.

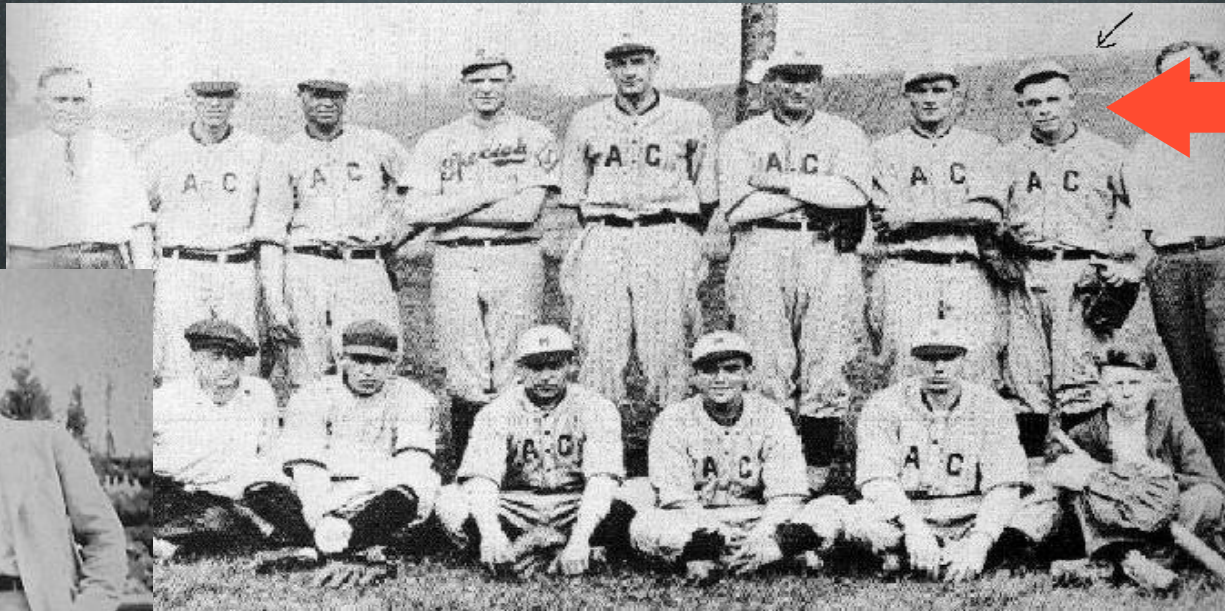


PUBLIC ENEMY'S WIFE



Hollywood Sells the Legend of Public Enemy No. 1

In his hometown of Mooresville, Indiana, Dillinger was a tough but well-liked kid who played for the local baseball team before going off to join the Navy.



John



He married a local woman, but the relationship didn't last.

John



He lasted only five months in the Navy.



Morgan's Grocery

At twenty-one Dillinger was charged with his first big crime, attacking and attempting to rob a local grocer in Mooresville while the man walked down the street. In 1926 Dillinger was sentenced to ten-to-twenty years in prison.

Young Dillinger was sent to the reformatory at Pendleton, and then was transferred at his own request to the Indiana State Prison at Michigan City, where he wanted convicts to teach him how to rob banks.

Curiosity
Leads
John
to the
Big House,
which
becomes
his college
of crime



Indiana State Prison

This is still Indiana's most secure jail. It's located in the far northern part of the state, near the dunes of Lake Michigan.

Dillinger and His Gang

May 22, 1933: Dillinger left the Indiana State Prison at Michigan City after serving 8 years of his 10-20 year sentence.

He was released on parole to be with his dying stepmother, but she died before he could get back home to Mooresville.

Summer 1933: In Ohio Dillinger began robbing banks only weeks after being released from prison. After he arranged for guns to be smuggled to his gang back in the Michigan City prison, they escaped in September and went to Ohio to join him, only to find that he was now in a Lima, Ohio, jail. The gang then set Dillinger free, killing the local sheriff in the escape.



Greencastle \$75,000

The Dillinger gang robbed this bank in Greencastle, Indiana, less than two weeks after the gang helped Dillinger escape from the Lima, Ohio, jail. The bank is no longer in business, but once occupied the corner of this building.





This is a view of the old bank building in Greencastle from the courthouse across the street, where the sheriff had his office.

Greencastle Alarm

Though the bank no longer exists, its old alarm box is still on the side of the building. Some reports say that the alarm was triggered when the Dillinger gang robbed the bank.





Fast Cars

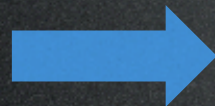
1933 Hudson V-8



Dillinger liked this model in basic black. What he admired was its big engine. The V-8 was a recent innovation in America.

Big Banks

First National Bank, East
Chicago, Indiana

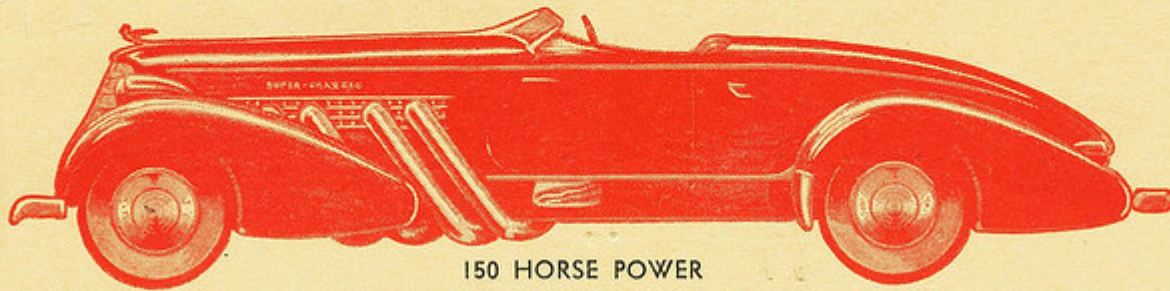


**Dillinger's gang robbed
this bank on Jan. 15,
1934, killing a policeman.**



NOW! COMPLETE SHOWING SUPER-CHARGED AUBURNS

ALL MODELS



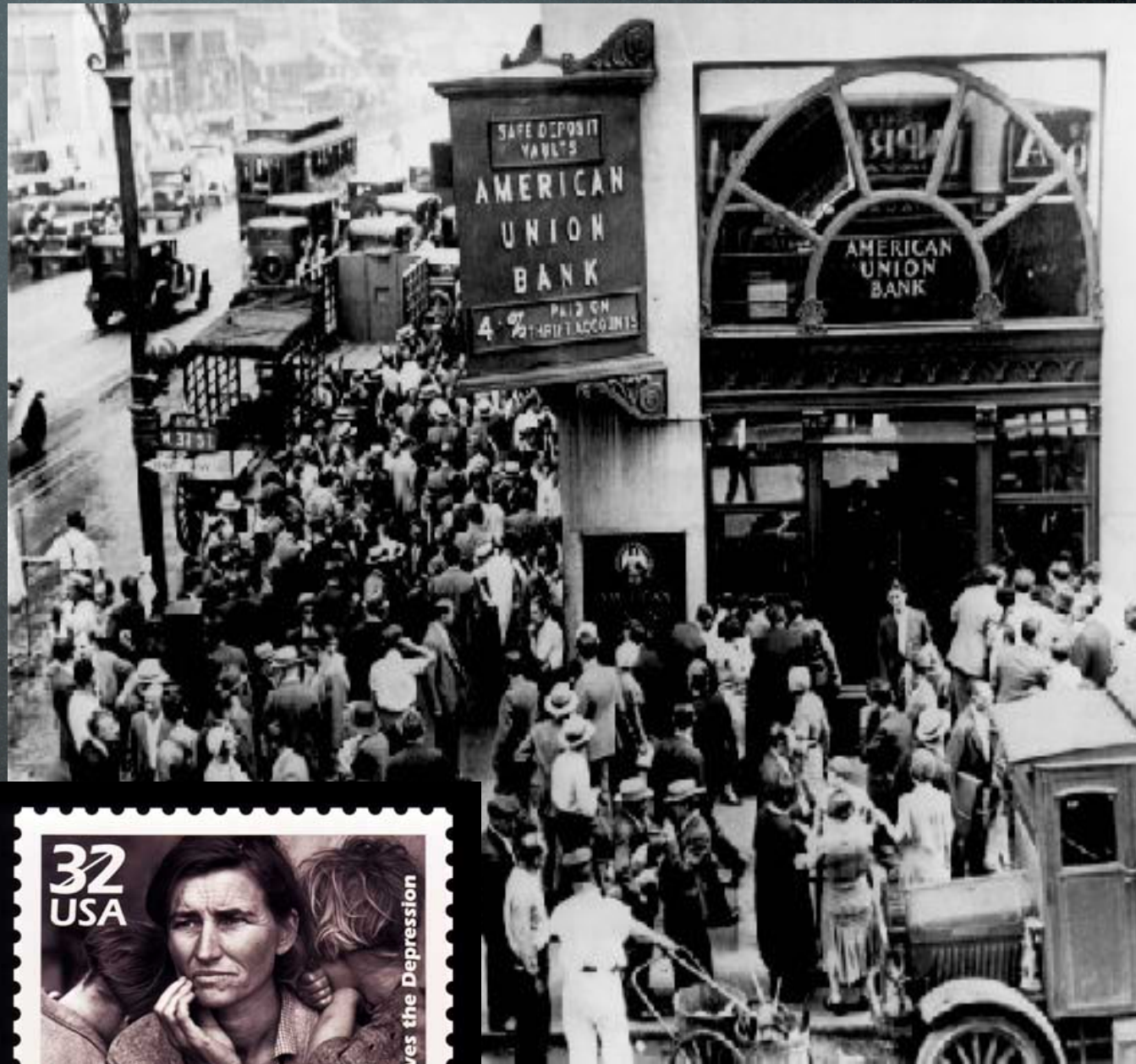
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100 MILES PER HOUR OR MORE CERTIFIED

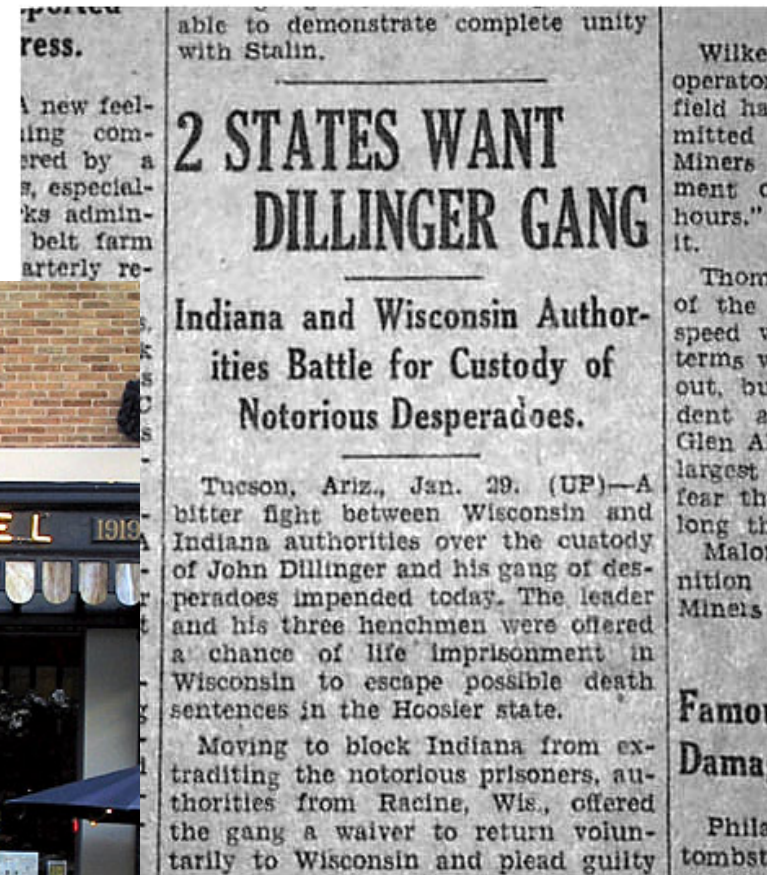
In America during the 1930s, Indiana was second only to Michigan in auto production and was the home of the finest luxury cars of the era—the Auburn and the Duesenberg, both manufactured in Auburn, Indiana. They were some of the fastest cars in production. There is no evidence that Dillinger ever used cars as big and fast as these, but he was living in a time and place where powerful new cars were suddenly available in growing varieties.



- In the Great Depression, many banks failed, closing their doors overnight and leaving their customers without a cent.
- As a result, there was widespread distrust and anger toward the banking industry, which helped to generate some sympathy for Dillinger as a “little guy” teaching the big banks a lesson.
- Some Hoosiers believed Dillinger was a modern Robin Hood who gave away a lot of his money to poor friends and relatives.



Ten days after robbing the bank in East Chicago, the Dillinger gang was captured 2000 miles away in Tucson, Arizona, when firemen responding to a fire at the gang's hotel found some weapons in the rooms and contacted police. Dillinger was extradited to Indiana.





The Dillinger gang's road trip. They never made it to Mexico.



- Captain Matt Leach of the Indiana State Police tried unsuccessfully to stop Dillinger's crime wave.
- Dillinger liked to make life difficult for Leach, telephoning him to dare him to find the gang. Once he called him "a stuttering bastard." He also sent him postcards saying, "Wish you were here."
- Established in 1933, the State Police lacked the manpower and the firepower to stop Dillinger. It had only 42 men.
- Indiana's country roads made quick getaways difficult to chase.
- Though Dillinger robbed banks as far away as Iowa and South Dakota, his crime wave was centered in his home state. He made his biggest haul from the bank in Greencastle.



- **Using a fake gun carved from wood (or some say soap), Dillinger escaped from the Crown Point jail and drove off to Chicago in Sheriff Lillian Holley's car. But crossing a state line in a stolen car was a big mistake, bringing the FBI after him.**

John, Back
Home in
Indiana



Sheriff Holley treats
Her prisoner like a
Visiting celebrity



Lake County Jail, Crown Point

Sheriff Holley's house is on the right, and the jail is at the back. The courtrooms were in the building on the left.





CHIEF HOLLEY HITS BACK

Trace Dillinger to Chicago; Manhunt Is Started

POLICE GET CAR THAT OUTLAW FLED IN

Sheriff Holley's 32 Calibre Revolver Is Found In Car Pocket

BULLETIN
VALPARAISO, Ind., March 6.—(U.P.)—Remains of 3400 north of gravel road hands to replace those stolen by alleged John Dillinger gangster in robbery of the Central National bank of Greenfield four months ago, was announced today by Porter county officials.

(By United Press)
CHICAGO, March 6.—Plain clothes men in bullet-proof vests massed in Chicago's north side today in an intensive search for John Dillinger, desperate Indiana outlaw, who was traced here after he escaped from the Crown Point, Ind., jail, Saturday.

The hunt began yesterday after police found the automobile of Sheriff Lillian Holley, in which Dillinger fled, in a garage at Ellettsville, Ky. Detective Lorin Hyde reported that he had pursued the automobile Saturday unsuccessfully.

THE WEATHER

Generally fair, somewhat colder in north portion tonight; Wednesday unsettled, followed by rain or snow in north portion. Sunrise, 6:17 a. m.; sunset, 5:44 p. m.; moonset, 12:01 a. m. tomorrow.

TEMPERATURE FOR REGION

Temperature in Hammond today was 32 degrees above zero at 7:30 a. m.—33 degrees above zero at noon. Weather fair at noon.

FLASHES

WASHINGTON, March 6.—(U. P.)—A ten per cent limitation of profits on warship construction was voted by the House today.

NEWCASTLE, Cebu, March 6.—(U. S.)—The airplane "American Clipper," bearing Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, wife of the president of the United States, arrived here from Miami at 12:05 o'clock this afternoon.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 6.—(U. S.)—Charles Pierce, 75, shot and killed himself at his farm home near here today. Pierce left a note saying that illness forced him to end his life.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—(U. P.)—The post office department today named Edward McFaragher, Mrs. Carrie B. Troutman and James H. Morley eligible applicants for postmaster at Peru, Ind.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., March 6.—(U. S.)—The Illinois state return from Chicago of William Fox to Greenfield, Ind., who was held by Gov. Henry Horner today. Fox is an escaped prisoner from the state farm at Greencastle.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—(U. P.)—The proposed Indianapolis housing project has been officially dropped due to inability of the city to meet its share of the cost, Public Works Administrator Harold L. Leake said today.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 6.—(U. P.)—The Times said today that John Dillinger, notorious bank robber and gunman, has threatened to come back here to "work" as Indianapolis news which withheld \$150,000 entrusted to him by the bank.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—(U. P.)—Senator Frederick A. Nease, democrat, Indiana, today filed with the senate a minority report on the Judiciary committee, declaring that the proposed municipal bankruptcy bill be unnecessary and contrary to public policy.

Hammond's Low Water Rate Is Compared

Out of Eight Principal Indiana Cities Hammond Rate Is the Second Lowest

Hammond has the second lowest water rate of eight principal cities in Indiana. Percy T. Smith, chairman of the water board, announced today.

The compilation which he has tabulated from records of the state Public Service commission follows:

City	Filtered	Average Rate Per 1,000 Gals.
Port Wayne	No	16.75
Hammond	No	11.50
Evansville	No	12.50
South Bend	No	13.50
Ellettsville	No	14.50
South Chicago	Yes	14.71
Terre Haute	Yes	20.98
Indianapolis	Yes	22.16

SOCIALIST ORGANIZER AT HESSVILLE

Rheta Davis, youngest woman organizer of the socialist movement in the United States, will be the principal speaker at a meeting of the Hammond socialist party tomorrow night in Hessville theater.

NO COLLUSION FOUND; PLENTY OF NEGLIGENCE

(SPECIAL TO THE TIMES)
CROWN POINT, Ind., March 6.—No evidence of collusion has been found so far in the investigation which Edward Barce, representing Attorney General Phillip Lutz, has been making into the escape of John Dillinger. But Mr. Barce does find considerable evidence of negligence on the part of these in-

WYNEKOOP CASE GOES TO JURY BY NIGHTFALL

Final Arguments By the Defense Are Made This Morning

HAS PLAN TO CAPTURE KILLER

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 6.—(U. S.)—A Lake county man submitted what he termed a "wonderful" plan of recapturing John Dillinger to State Safety Director Al Peasey here today.

The L. C. M. wrote that he had made a map of the Lake county roads and had marked all filling stations thereon.

"Dillinger and Mark Dillinger is going to drive over one of these roads and he'll have to stop eventually to buy gas."

"My plan is to post a man at every filling station on the Dunes highway to scan the faces of all motorists."

"I am a good scanner and since I thought this up I want the first job on this."

Peasey chuckled.

"I agree it's a wonderful plan—for the Lake county man."

BANDITS RAID S. DAKOTA BANK; SHOOT OFFICER

Policeman Is Shot When He Scooped Up Cash

BULLETIN

MOQU FALLS, S. D., March 6.—(U. S.)—Virtually holding the entire city at bay, seven heavily armed bandits, believed to have been led by John Dillinger, broke through Indian law enforcement and escaped with several thousand dollars.

SIoux FALLS, S. D., March 6.—(U. P.)—Six bandits, armed with three machine guns, opened fire in the lobby of the Security National bank today, shot a policeman and escaped with an undetermined amount of currency.

Policeman Hale Keith was shot when he surprised the bandits as they were scooping up the cash on the counter.

Physicians at the hospital where the policeman was taken said he was critically wounded.

The robbers escaped in a large sedan bearing Minnesota license plates. They headed for Iowa, police said.

The raid, police announced, was carried out with the precision that has characterized the work of the Dillinger gang in numerous bank holdups attributed to the Indiana desperadoes, under the leadership of America's public enemy No. 1.

Two bandits remained in the car outside the bank while five entered, carrying machine guns and sawed-off shotguns. Twenty employees of the bank and customers were cowed while two of the bandits went back to the cashier's counter and scooped up the cash.

Authorities were unable to immediately disclose the amount taken from the bank and customers. It was pointed out by police that Dillinger could easily have driven here from Chicago, where the automobile in which he escaped the Lake county jail at Crown Point, Ind., was found. The distance here from Chicago is 450 miles. Dillinger, authorities said, may have departed from Chicago late Saturday night.

P. L. Clark, president of the victimized bank, said he was confident one of the bandits was Dillinger. He said:

Partial Results of Dillinger Inquiry

Barce Gathers Information For Attorney General Phillip Lutz

(By United Press)
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 6.—Partial results of the investigation into John Dillinger's escape from the Lake county jail were made public here today by Attorney General Phillip Lutz, Jr.

Among the information gathered by Edward J. Barce, deputy attorney general, who is conducting the investigation, were the following facts:

Trustees acted as turnkeys, doorkeepers and telephone operators. Trustees had keys to strategic parts of the jail.

Sam Cahoon, a trusty employed as turnkey, had served two terms for intoxication.

Trustees were permitted to leave the jail to make purchases for themselves and fellow prisoners and to return to their cells without first being searched.

Law enforcement officials were given the wrong license number for the car owned by Sheriff Lillian Holley, which Dillinger stole to make his getaway.

Lutz pointed out that failure to give the right license number might have been an important factor in Dillinger's escape. Police of-

DILLINGER SUPPLIED WITH FUNDS

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 6.—(U. S.)—That John Dillinger has been supplied with ample funds in his present hideout was the belief expressed here today by Indiana state police.

Mobs led by the notorious Dillinger perpetrated no less than 24 bank robberies in less than 12 months that they occupied the center of the American crime stage. The loot from these robberies was conservatively estimated at \$250,000, by the state police.

OFFICIAL DECLARES SHE WAS MISQUOTED

Commissioners in Session Yesterday Take Sides In Controversy

BULLETIN

CROWN POINT, Ind., March 6.—Ernest Blank, expert witness of the county jail, who was quoted by Dillinger as not a chauffeur in the latter's escape from the prison, was arrested this afternoon on the charge of aiding Dillinger's escape.

Sam Cahoon, 66-year-old trusty whose Dillinger threatened to kill, also was arrested for the same charge.

The affidavits were signed by Roy M. Hallert, chief investigator for Attorney General Phillip Lutz, Jr. Blank and Cahoon were taken in custody by Sheriff Hiram A. DeWitt of the state police.

Blank was not at \$150,000. The affidavits specifically charge Blank and Cahoon with withholding and leaving open "certain doors in the jail corridors" and thereby permitting Dillinger to leave the jail.

The arrests are considered the first move in Governor Winnett's plan to pin responsibility for Dillinger's escape on jail guards.

FEDERAL C. W. A. ENGINEER VISITS HAMMOND

Uncle Sam Will Tackle Hammond's Auto Accident Problem

Uncle Sam will step into Hammond in a week or two to help local authorities solve the distressing automobile accident problem of the city under the auspices of the Hammond Safety council, a division of the Chamber of Commerce.

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Johnny Depp was filmed in the same Crown Point, Indiana, courtroom where Dillinger once sat.





Dillinger in Crown Point awaiting trial,
but secretly planning his escape



WANTED



JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER

On June 17, 1934, UNITED S. CRIMINAL, Attorney General of the United States, under the authority vested in him by an act of Congress approved June 8, 1934, offered a reward of

\$10,000.00

For the capture of John Herbert Dillinger as a result of

\$5,000.00

For information leading to the arrest of John Herbert Dillinger.

DESCRIPTION

Age, 30 years; height, 5 feet 7-1/2 inches; weight, 175 pounds; build, medium; hair, brown; eyes, blue; nose, straight; mouth, thin; ears, small; teeth, good; complexion, fair; scars, none; marks, none; tattoos, none; other, none.

Get along to any of the following rewards and all questions and inquiries that may arise as to the validity of the following rewards shall be passed upon by the Attorney General and his assistants shall be paid and disbursed. The state is reserved to revoke and withhold payment of any of such rewards as to whom, several amounts, no part of the reward amount shall be paid to any official or employee of the Department of Justice.

If you are in possession of any information regarding the whereabouts of John Herbert Dillinger, immediately telegraph or telephone collect to the nearest office of the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, the exact address of which are set forth in the reverse side of this notice.

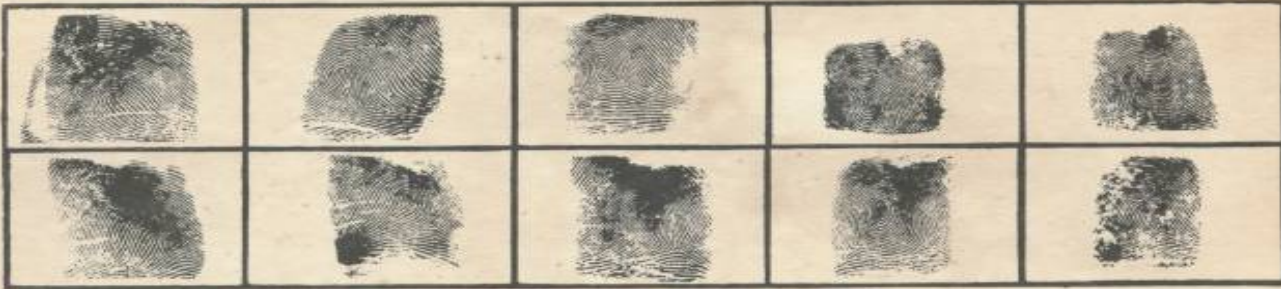
JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER,
DEPARTMENT OF INVESTIGATION,
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 17, 1934.

A modern outlaw, Dillinger became the most wanted man in America, hunted by police in several states and by the FBI nationwide. The pistol in his hand is the fake gun he used to escape from the Crown Point jail.

Wanted for Vehicle Theft.

By stealing Sheriff Holley's car and driving it to Chicago after his escape from her jail, Dillinger crossed the state line between Indiana and Illinois, and therefore broke federal law, causing J. Edgar Hoover's FBI to issue this charge of interstate vehicle theft against Dillinger. From March 1934 until his death in July, Dillinger was relentlessly pursued by Hoover and his agents on federal charges.

IDENTIFICATION ORDER NO. 1217 March 12, 1934.	DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WASHINGTON, D. C.	Fingerprint Classification 12 9 R 0 14 U 00 9
WANTED JOHN DILLINGER, with alias, FRANK SULLIVAN		NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT
		
DESCRIPTION Age, 31 years Height, 5 feet 7-1/8 inches Weight, 153 pounds Build, medium Hair, medium chestnut Eyes, grey Complexion, medium Occupation, machinist Marks and scars, 1/2 inch scar back left hand; scar middle upper lip; brown mole between eyebrows Mustache	Photograph taken January 25, 1934  <i>John Dillinger</i>	CRIMINAL RECORD As John Dillinger, #14395, received State Reformatory, Pendleton, Indiana, September 16, 1924; crime, assault and battery with intent to rob and con- spiracy to commit a felony; sentences, 2 to 14 years and 10 to 20 years re- spectively; As John Dillinger, #13225, received State Prison, Michigan City, Indiana, July 16, 1929; transferred from Indiana State Reformatory; paroled under Re- formatory jurisdiction, May 10, 1933; parole revoked by Governor - considered as delinquent parolee; As John Dillinger, #10587, arrested Police Department, Dayton, Ohio, Sep- tember 22, 1933; charge, fugitive; turned over to Allen County, Ohio, authorities; As John Dillinger, received County Jail, Lima, Ohio, September 28, 1933; charge, bank robbery; escaped October 12, 1933; As Frank Sullivan, arrested Police Department, Tucson, Arizona, January 25, 1934; charge, fugitive; turned over to Lake County, Indiana, authorities; As John Dillinger, #14487, arrested Sheriff's Office, Crown Point, Indiana, January 30, 1934; charge, murder - bank robbery; escaped March 3, 1934.
The United States Marshal, Chicago, Illinois, holds warrant of arrest charging John Dillinger with feloniously and knowingly transporting Ford V-8 four door sedan, motor number 256447, property of Lillian Holley, Sheriff, Lake County, Indiana, from Crown Point, Indiana to Chicago, Illinois, on or about March 3, 1934. Law enforcement agencies kindly transmit any additional information or criminal record to the nearest office of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice. If apprehended, please notify the Director, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., or the Special Agent in Charge of the Office of the Division of Investigation listed on the back hereof which is nearest your city (over) Issued by: J. EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR.		

The Big House: Alcatraz, San Francisco Bay

If the federal authorities had captured him alive, Dillinger might have been imprisoned for life here, where an escape was all but impossible.

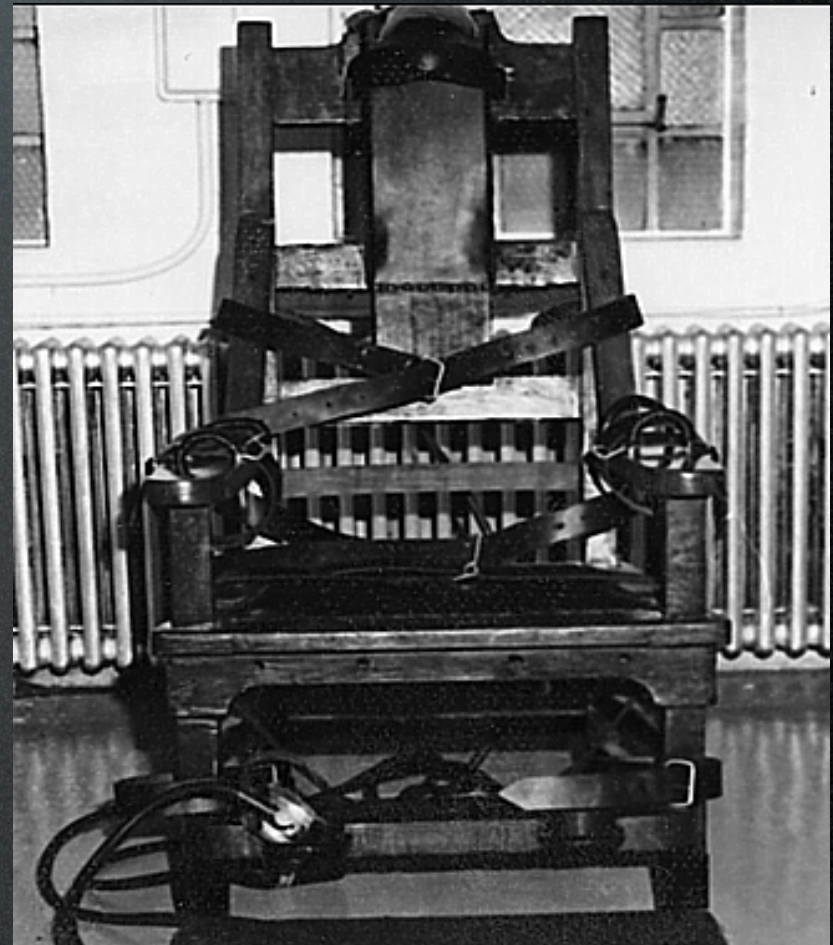


Or it is more likely that Dillinger would have been sentenced to die in the electric chair at the Indiana State Prison for killing the policeman in East Chicago. His pal Harry Pierpont was executed in Ohio, despite being paralyzed from gunshot wounds. Guards had to carry Pierpont to the chair.

Harry



Indiana's Electric Chair:
"Old Sparky"





Mrs. Anna Sage (left), said to have provided the information to her close friend, Sergt. Martin Zarkovich (right) of the East Chicago police, which led to the killing of John Dillinger. Snapshots of the pair were found in Mrs. Sage's flat here following her hasty departure after the Dillinger killing.

Dillinger's fatal mistake was his weakness for prostitutes. Anna Sage ran one of the most notorious brothels in the area of Gary, Indiana, and East Chicago, Indiana. Her constant protector from police interference was an East Chicago cop named Martin Zarkovich. By 1934 Anna was keeping a low profile in Chicago, Illinois, because the federal government was threatening to deport her for being in the country without legal permission. She was trying to continue her brothel business in a small way without drawing attention from the Illinois authorities or the federal govt.



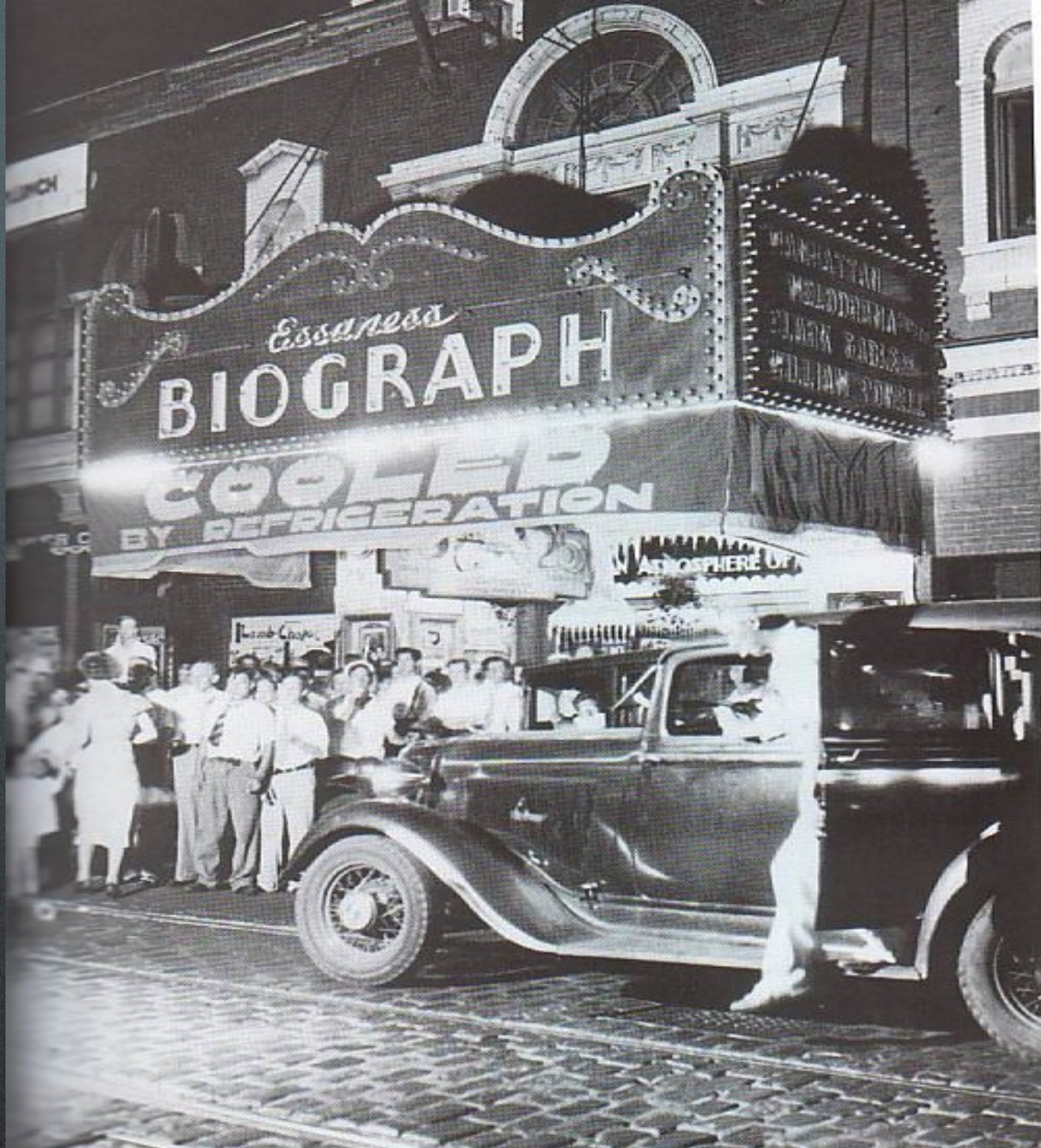
Photograph indicating close friendship between Mrs. Anna Sage, who was with Dillinger the night he was killed here, and Sergt. Martin Zarkovich of East Chicago police, despite his assertion he had not seen her since 1928. At left is Steve Chiolak, son of Mrs. Sage, with Sergt. Zarkovich.

When Dillinger began going out with Polly Hamilton in Chicago, where she worked for Anna Sage, he appears not to have known about Anna Sage's connection to Sergeant Zarkovich of the East Chicago Police. Dillinger was wanted for the murder of a police officer in East Chicago, so Zarkovich had every reason to be watching for any sign of Dillinger in the area after the convict's escape from Sheriff Holley's jail in Crown Point. Whether Zarkovich set a trap for Dillinger to become involved with Polly, or whether Anna simply contacted her police friend after John began dating Polly, no one can determine today. Either way, Zarkovich was the one who encouraged Anna Sage to contact the FBI, and to help the federal agents set an ambush for Dillinger in Chicago. Anna wanted the FBI to help her remain in America, and supposedly she received a promise to that effect in exchange for informing on Dillinger.

Killed at the movies in
Chicago. The FBI
ambushed Dillinger
here.

Now Playing: Manhattan
Melodrama,
Starring Clark Gable

Dillinger gunned down
at the air-conditioned
Biograph on a hot
night in July 1934



← Anna Sage: "The Lady in Red"



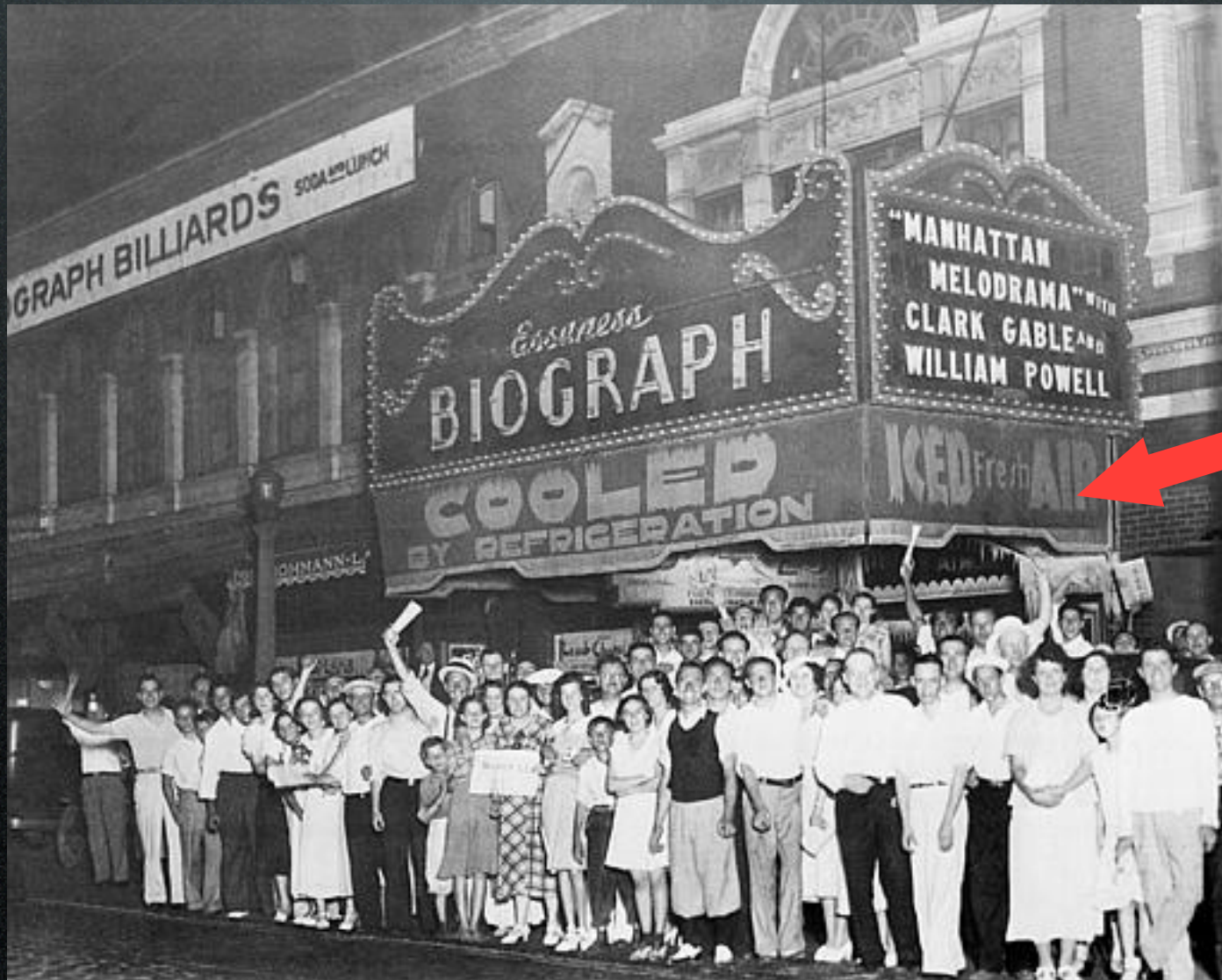
**Polly
Hamilton,
John's Last
Date**

A Night at the Movies

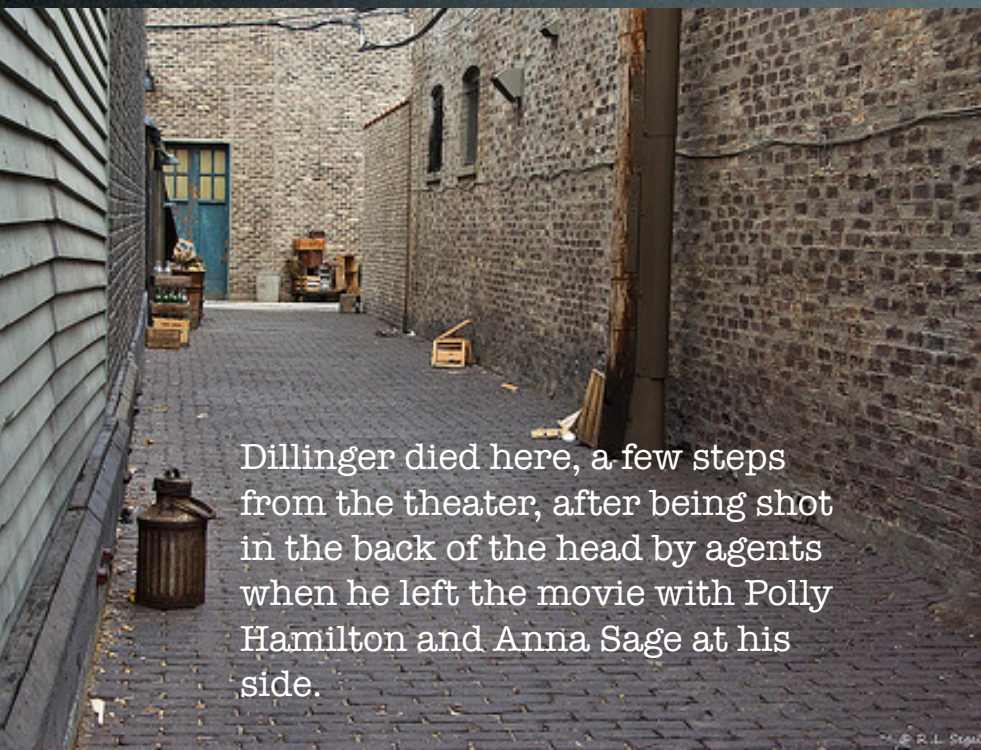
Facing the electric chair, Blackie Gallagher (Clark Gable) says: "Die the way you lived, all of a sudden. That's the way to go. Don't drag it out." These were some of the last words Dillinger heard before he left the theater.

In this second view of the Biograph, it's clear that beating the heat with air conditioning was almost more important than watching the movie.

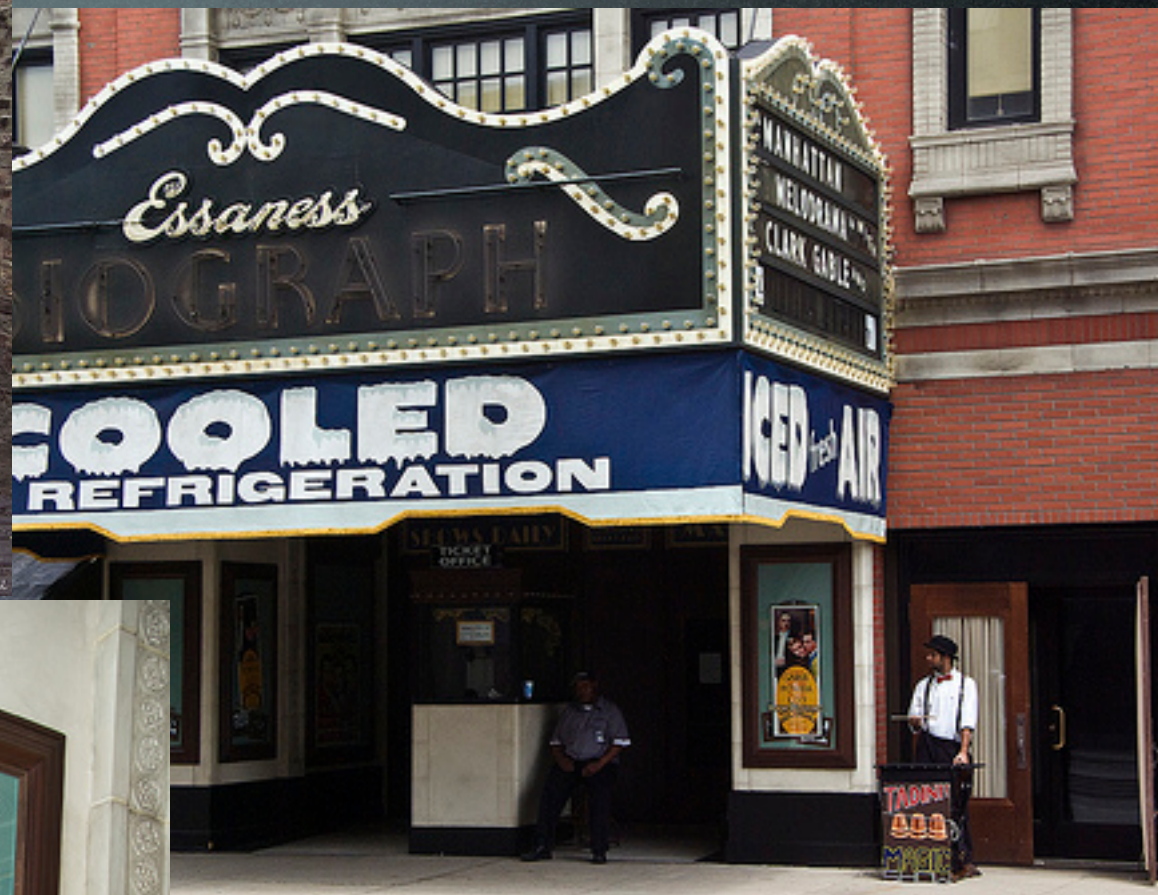
Anna Sage wore an orange dress so that the FBI could recognize her when she left the theater with Dillinger, but the lights outside made her dress seem red, and so the press called her "The Lady in Red."



"Iced
Fresh
Air"



Dillinger died here, a few steps from the theater, after being shot in the back of the head by agents when he left the movie with Polly Hamilton and Anna Sage at his side.



The real Chicago location restored by the movie producers of "Public Enemies"

Young Polly Hamilton



Five years younger than Dillinger, Polly came from a broken home in Fargo, North Dakota. She had been married and divorced to a policeman in Gary, Indiana, and when Dillinger met her in Chicago just weeks before his death, she was working for Anna Sage as an occasional prostitute and escort. In a 1934 interview with the Chicago Herald and Examiner, Polly described Dillinger as a shy, Indiana farm boy who liked biscuits and gravy, and who idolized her as his "Countess." He lavished money and gifts on her and took her out every night, going to clubs, movies, and amusement halls.

After Dillinger's death, she tried to keep out of the spotlight and soon married an ordinary salesman in Chicago. They led a quiet life, and she died a forgotten woman of the Dillinger story in 1969. Hamilton was the name of Polly's family in Fargo, but she was also known as Edythe Keele, and Edythe Black. (Roy Keele was her first husband, and William Black her second.)

R.I.P. Crown Hill Cemetery, Indianapolis.
Dillinger was only 31 when he died.



Melvin Purvis

This is the FBI agent who led the team that caught Dillinger. When the press tried to give all the credit to Purvis, he fell out of favor with FBI chief J. Edgar Hoover. He resigned a year later, realizing that his boss resented his success.



Top Cop: J. Edgar Hoover, FBI

The man who took credit for catching Dillinger was in charge of the FBI for almost 50 years



Hoover usually worked at the FBI headquarters in Washington, but he liked for the public to think that he was racing from one end of the country to the other as the nation's top crime fighter.



He didn't waste any time getting his picture taken with Melvin Purvis. He wanted to remind the world that he was Melvin's boss.

M.H. PURVIS MANHUNTER RESIGNS HIS POSITION

Man Who Tracked Down John
Dillinger and Other Noted
Criminals Retires

(By United Press)
CHICAGO, July 12.—Melvin H. Purvis, the man who got John Dillinger, resigned today as America's No. 1 crime-fighter.

Purvis laid aside the mantle of office without ceremony, leaving behind him a record unapproached in modern law enforcement history. He gave up his position as special agent in charge of the Chicago office of the department of justice bureau of investigation to "settle down in Chicago."

"I'm going to get a pipe and sit on someone's front porch," Purvis said in his formal announcement of resignation which he said had been accepted by J. Edgar Hoover in Washington Wednesday to be effective today.

Farther than that his plans are indefinite, Purvis said, but there were reports he planned to enter the law business.

He will be succeeded in Chicago by Daniel M. Ladd, who has run the local bureau intermittently while Purvis was working outside the office.

Formal Announcement
The way little 127-pound Purvis arrived at his office on the 20th floor of the Loop Bankers' building this morning dressed in a white linen suit, blue cravat and white shoes.

He went immediately to his private office, where he framed his formal announcement of resignation. In that office the new school of educated crime-fighters—most of them young lawyers trained in the art of crime detection—have planned their battle against such beasts as that of Dillinger.

A thick rug covers the floor. The paneled walls and mahogany furniture give the suggestion of police duty. No guns are in sight and the top of Purvis' big desk on which his telephone sits is immaculate. Around the room there are dictaphones to pick up the conversation of every visitor, but they are cleverly hidden.

Purvis, since he took over his perilous job in 1932, has disposed of Dillinger, Roger Touhy, Verne Sawyer, George (Bugs) Flannery, Charles Arthur (Pretty Boy) Floyd and dozens of other lesser

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- Agent Purvis leaves the FBI in July 1935.

- He says he wants a quiet life in Chicago, but that isn't the real reason.

- He is angry with Hoover for not honoring the deal made with Anna Sage and is convinced that Hoover wants him out of the spotlight.

- Only five-foot-seven and 127 pounds, he was once so famous that thousands of youngsters sent in boxtops to get badges and join the "Melvin Purvis Junior G-Men Club."

Dillinger Trigger Man Presented Mild Facade

FLORENCE, S.C. — (UPI) — John Dillinger, the notorious bank robber who eluded numerous traps set by law-enforcement agencies in the early 1930's, never had a chance to come face-to-face with the man responsible for his one-way ticket to the morgue.

If Dillinger had, he probably would have been shocked. The FBI agent credited with setting the trap that resulted in Dillinger's death, was a 5-foot-7-inch, 127-pound attorney by the name of Melvin Purvis.

Purvis, who had become agent-in-charge at Chicago in 1932, disclaimed credit for ending the infamous career of America's Public Enemy No. 1 near a Chicago movie house on the night of July 22, 1934. Dillinger was shot to death as he tried to escape from FBI agents.

But the wiry, unsmiling attorney became a national hero overnight. Most youngsters who grew up during the lawless years recall joining the "Melvin Purvis Junior G-Men" and sending in cereal box tops for badges and membership cards.

Purvis, who was once described by a fellow G-man "as fearless as any man with good sense had a right to be," finally ran into an adversary who was apparently too tough for him to handle.

The 55-year-old former FBI hero took his 45 caliber Colt automatic pistol and killed him yesterday in the upstairs hallway of his home. His body was found by his wife, Rebecca, who heard the shot from the yard.

Purvis' doctor said he was "independent and depressed." Friends and associates "who knew the wiry attorney found it hard to believe that Purvis—the strange of gangsters—had lost the will to live and fight even innumerable odds.

The former G-man personally was credited with the capture of Vern Sawyer, wanted in a Denver kidnapping and in the Haskell Robbery, but in St. Paul, Sawyer stopped in Chicago and Purvis asked him while the outlaw sat in a barber's chair. Sawyer later confessed suicide while in jail.

Later still, Purvis tracked



MELVIN PURVIS
... No. 1 G-man.



JOHN DILLINGER
... No. 1 criminal.

down "Pretty Boy" Floyd, bank robber and killer, near Wells, Minn. Like Dillinger, Floyd tried to shoot and run when he was cornered in a farm lot, and was shot to death by agents and police officers who closed in with Purvis.

Purvis was born in the little South Carolina town of Timmonsville, just 11 miles from where he died. He was graduated from the University of South Carolina law school in 1925 and joined the FBI two years later.

Since 1933, Purvis had worked part time in Washington as chief counsel to the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on the federal judicial system. He is survived by his wife, three sons, one brother and five sisters.

Three May Have Got Dose of Radiation

EUREKA, Calif. — Police think a thief who broke into the office of Dr. J. D. Henderson, a radiologist, may have received a dangerous dose of radiation.

The thief took \$35 from a cash box in a desk drawer.

Police said he may have opened a lead-shielded steel vault where radium was stored for use on cancer victims.

Victims Balk Prayer Edict, Free Gunman

HARTON, Pa. — (UPI) — Dorothy Kaufman was a free man today because two teenagers refused to keep up daily prayer meetings with him at Northampton County prison.

When Judge Carlton T. Woodring sentenced Kaufman, 37, to a year in jail last month for firing a shotgun at the teenagers during a Halloween prank he stipulated the defendant would be eligible for parole if his associates failed to pray with him in his cell daily.

The two, Robert Thompson, 19, and Karen Monrope, 17, went to the prison the first day but refused to pray with Kaufman. Instead, they gave him letters begging his forgiveness for annoying him.

Yesterday, after Kaufman had served 13 days of his sentence, Woodring ordered his release but said he must receive psychiatric treatment during a three-year probation.

THE TRAIL OF THE GUN-RUNNERS

AN INSIDE STORY OF MELVIN PURVIS AMERICA'S NO.1 G-MAN



MELVIN PURVIS, the young lawyer who became America's ace G-Man, who directed the capture of Dillinger, "Pretty Boy" Floyd, "Baby Face" Nelson, and many other public enemies. Mr. Purvis reveals here methods used in capturing criminals. Names have, of course, been changed. This inside story is published as proof that CRIME DOES NOT PAY!



I WAS DETAILED TO HUNT FOR SOME GUN-RUNNERS WHO WERE SUPPOSED TO BE SENDING ARMS FROM THE COAST OF LOUISIANA TO A CENTRAL AMERICAN REPUBLIC. WE FOUND NO TRACE OF THEM UNTIL ONE DAY WE CAME UPON A LITTLE-USED PATH LEADING TO A BAYOU. THERE HAD BEEN A HEAVY RAIN THE DAY BEFORE...



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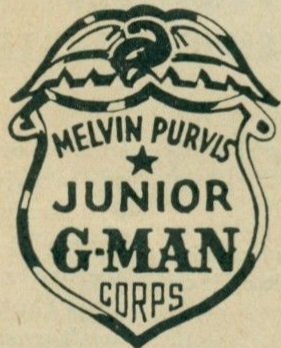


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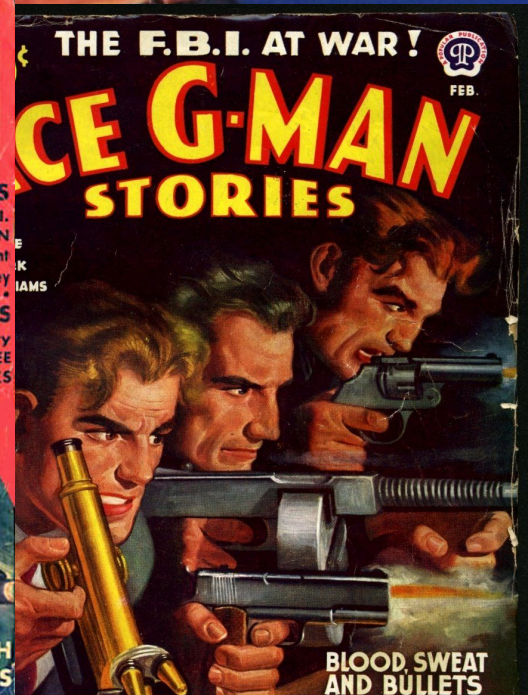
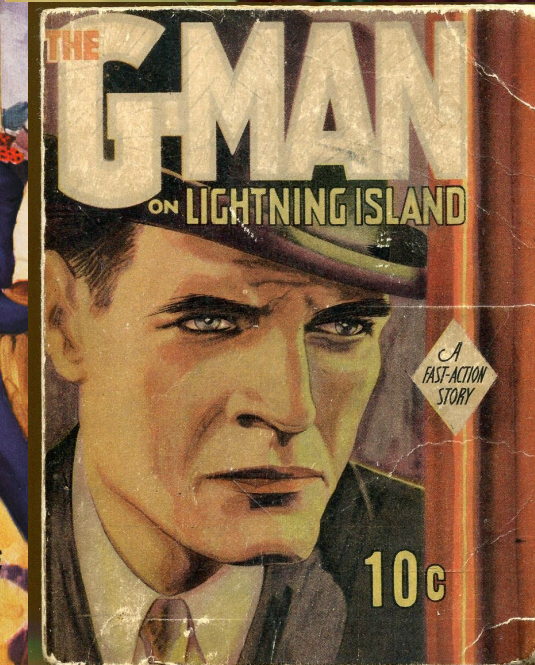
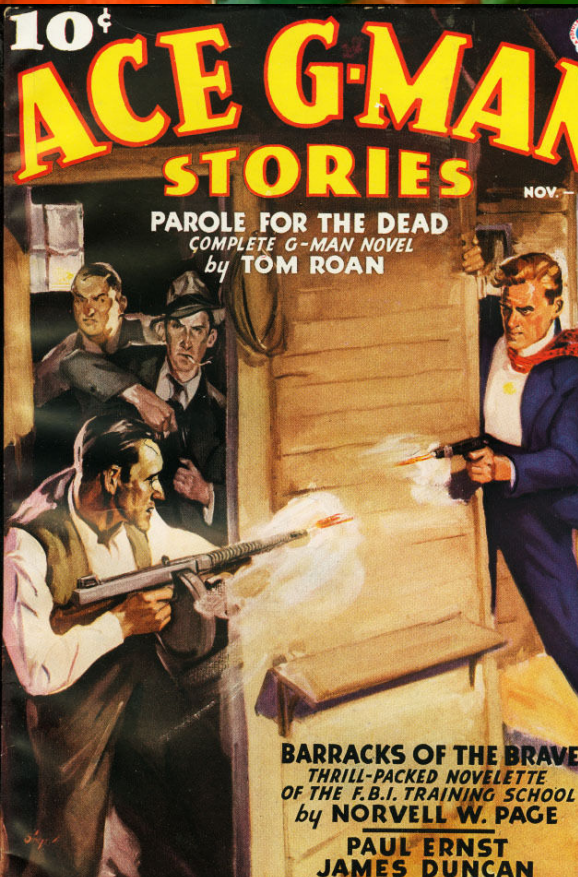
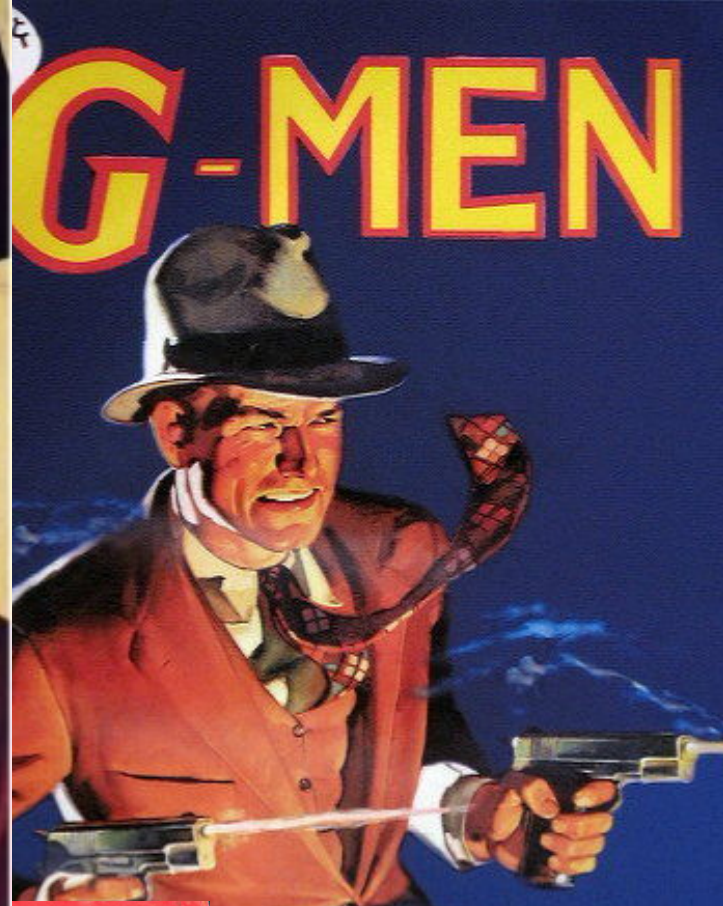
TO ALL OPERATIVES

**HEADQUARTERS, JUNIOR G-MAN CORPS
BATTLE CREEK, MICHIGAN**



Purvis helped to popularize the term G-Man as a description for government agents from the FBI. In the 1930s the term became so famous that it inspired Hollywood to make several movies with G-Man in the title, and soon there were dozens of pulp magazines featuring tales of crime and adventure with G-Men featured as heroes. It's no wonder that Purvis was once considered among the most famous men in America.





More than 25 years after his men killed Dillinger, Purvis died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound. Some say it was suicide, while others think it was an accident.

Melvin Purvis Dies Of Wound by Pistol

Melvin Purvis Dies at Home At Age of 56

Famed G-Man Slays Himself

From Observer Wire Reports

FLORENCE, S. C. — Mild-mannered Melvin Purvis, whose FBI teams shot down John Dillinger and Pretty Boy Floyd in bloody gangster cleanups of the 1930s, died by his own hand Monday.

GANGBUSTER

Purvis, Dillinger's Nemesis, Kills Self

FLORENCE (Special) — Melvin Purvis, the mild-mannered South Carolinian who spearheaded the blood-FBI gangster cleanups of the 1930's, died by his own hand Monday at his home.

It was Purvis' FBI teams that shot down John Dillinger and Pretty Boy Floyd, two of the nation's former top "public enemies."

Suicide of Agent Rolls Back Years to 1934 FBI Trap

Memo to J. Edgar Hoover: Purvis is Dead



Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Director, FBI

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Reference is made to Savannah teletype dated 2/29/60 advising that MELVIN HORACE PURVIS committed suicide that date.

Attached is an article which appeared in the Florence Morning News, March 1, 1960, as well as an article which appeared in The State, a daily Columbia, S. C. newspaper, dated March 1, 1960. Nothing further is known regarding the suicide by the resident agents assigned to Florence, S. C.



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Whatever happened to the Lady in Red? The FBI didn't help Anna Sage fight deportation as an illegal immigrant, and she was sent back to her native Romania.



Here she gives a rather affectionate goodbye kiss to her son, Steve, as she leaves America on April 25, 1936.

WAR IS BEGUN IN ETHIOPIA

United States Is Going to Mind Own Business

U.S. ALOOF PROMISE MADE BY ROOSEVELT

No Matter What Happens in Europe, United States to Stay Out of It

By GEORGE R. HOLMES
(Special Correspondent, U. S. Service)
SAN DIEGO, Cal., Oct. 3.—President Roosevelt headed into the blue Pacific today, leaving behind him the satisfying reassurance that no matter what happens in Europe this country proposes to stay out of European quarrels and Europe's wars.

Mussonian Roman legions may march into Ethiopia; Britain and France may attempt to discipline Italy—thereby inviting a general European conflagration—but, whatever happens, the United States is going to mind its own business and stand clear.

Roosevelt made this promise to the American people just before departing upon a peaceful cruise of three weeks, which climaxed his journey across the continent. An hour later, he was reviewing the greatest American naval maneuvers in history, maneuvers that brought into play 129 surface ships and 440 naval airplanes, besides submarines. It was the greatest display of naval force in American history, carried out without a hitch or an untoward event, and with remarkable precision and efficiency.

The airplanes laid down smoke screens in the peaceful Pacific; the submarines "battled" the cruiser Houston on whose bridge he stood; the battleships and cruisers maneuvered and fired; airplanes after airplane was launched from carriers with theoretical bombs; while the destroyer greynobles harassed an imaginary enemy. At conclusion of this tremendous show of the might of the navy—and its preparedness—he sent a laconic message to the fleet: "Well done." The fleet turned and steamed to the

THE WEATHER

Generally fair tonight and Friday except light rain extreme north tonight; much colder tonight with freezing temperature north; light to heavy frost south; colder south Friday. Sunrise, 5:49 a. m. Sunset, 5:19 p. m. Moonset, 5:14 p. m. today.

TEMPERATURE FOR REGION
Temperature today in Hammond was 16 degrees above zero at 7:30 a. m.—25 degrees above zero at noon. Weather fair at noon.

FLASHES

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 3.—(U. P.)—William Holler, 49, a truck driver, shot and killed his two daughters, critically wounded his wife and son, and then killed himself here today.

LONDON, Oct. 3.—(U. S.)—The Italian garrison at Addis Ababa may be detained as hostages by Ethiopian officials, a Reuters dispatch from the Ethiopian capital stated today.

LONDON, Oct. 3.—(U. S.)—The greater part of the British fleet in Mediterranean waters has put in sea and is "patrolling the horizon," a Reuters dispatch from Alexandria stated today.

CHICAGO, Oct. 3.—(U. P.)—Government efforts to deport Mrs. Anna Sage, the "Woman in Red" of the Dillinger case, were delayed today when Federal Judge John P. Barnes granted her a continuance until October 16.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 3.—(U. P.)—The provisions of the agricultural adjustment act were unconstitutional prior to their amendment by congress, August 24 last, but are now constitutional as amended, Judge Merrill E. Otis held in federal district court today.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Oct. 3.—(U. P.)—The ominous threat of a bloody, devastating strike hung over Alabama's coal fields today following failure of local operators to grant miners wage increases identical with those given Appalachian workers last week.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—(U. P.)—Republicans and Democratic members of congress formed a coalition in the corridors of the agriculture department today to fight Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace when they accused of "multiplying the laws of the United States" by refusing to enforce the potato control act.

2 SAILORS INJURED IN HEGEWISCH N. P. CRASH

Train Demolishes Automobile at Crossing—Victims Have Chance to Recover

Two Lake Michigan seamen were in a serious condition at St. Margaret's hospital this afternoon as a result of injuries received at 7:10 o'clock this morning when their automobile was struck by a speeding Chicago-bound Nickel Plate passenger train at 130th street and Torrence avenue in Hegewisch.

The injured men are: Albert Collins, 33, 32 East 92nd street, and Henry Stevens, 48, 308 East 130th street, both of Chicago. Stevens, driver of the car, suffered a severe scalp laceration and possible skull fracture. Collins sustained a possible skull fracture, severe laceration of the scalp, compound fracture of the right arm, crushed ribs and a possible puncture of the right lung.

The car in which they were riding was demolished, police of the Chicago accident prevention bureau reported. The entire right end of the machine was torn off and parts of the car were strewn about the right-of-way as far as 250 feet from the scene of the collision.

Police said the automobile, which was headed east on 130th street, apparently had been driven into the path of the locomotive. The officers stated that the crashing, which is just south of the Ford plant, is entirely unexpected. There are no flashing lights or other warning signals, the only indication of the railroad right-of-way being the old wooden cross arm.

John Toebe, 317 145th street, East Chicago, who was on his way to work, extricated the injured men from the wreckage of their car and with the help of several companions removed them to the hospital.

H. HUNTER HAS BEEN REMOVED FROM OFFICE

State Bureau on Complaint of Hammond Board Takes Action

Hollis Hunter, city sealer since 1921 and a republican appointee, has been ousted from his office by the state department of weights and measures on complaint of the Hammond Board of Public Works and Safety.

This was revealed today in city hall circles and was confirmed by both Hunter and Mayor Frank R. Martin. The ouster order signed by Martin Lang, commissioner of weights and measures, simply stated that the board concurred in the action of the Hammond Board of Public Works and Safety.

Lutz, democratic appointee of Governor Paul V. McNutt, took exactly the opposite course as he did when a republican administration at South Bend sought to oust a democratic appointee. Mayor Martin said this morning that he did not contemplate recommending.

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COCHRANES BEAT CUBS IN SECOND GAME, 8-3

Bridges Hold Bruins in Check; Root Falls to Retire Single Tiger Hitter

The box score:
CHICAGO—AB R B O E
Gahin, R. . . . 4 0 0 8 1 0
Hersman, Th. . . . 1 0 1 2 6 0
Lindstrom, C. . . . 3 0 0 1 0 0

'35 HOUSE PERMITS IN HAMMOND FAR AHEAD

Increase of 848 Per Cent Is Shown in First 9 Months of the Year

Building permits issued in Hammond for the first nine months of the year have increased 848 per cent in value over the same period in 1934. The figure rose from \$134,404 in 1934 to \$1,244,406 in 1935.

Each month in 1935 has shown a marked increase over the corresponding month in 1934, making the quarterly increases run as follows:

Quarter	1934	1935	Pct.
First	\$33,780	\$112,868	267%
Second	47,841	212,179	450%
Third	52,778	279,359	528%

The significant part of the statistics, according to Building Commissioner Joseph P. Gay, is that half or more of the building in Hammond, whether new or repair work, has been privately financed. He credits the increased activity to greater confidence and the possession of money by property owners. In many cases repairs had been delayed to a point where they had to be taken care of.

Figures By Month
Comparative nine months statistics follow:

Month	1934	1935
January	\$ 6,120	\$ 18,678
February	11,290	32,250
March	32,335	68,143
April	14,793	57,413
May	21,738	62,694
June	9,730	42,672
July	11,309	71,120
August	39,383	73,207
September	10,785	61,273
Totals	\$134,404	\$1,244,406

The number of permits issued during the comparative nine months periods shows an increase of 410 per cent for 1935 over 1934, as follows:
Mo. '34 '35 Mo. '34 '35
Jan. 34 39 Mo. 74 75

'WOMAN IN RED' SAYS PURVIS QUIT SERVICE OVER DEAL



Left, Purvis, top, and Cowley; Anna Sage; Dillinger

Declaring it was for the privilege of continuing to live in the United States that she led John Dillinger much-sought outline, right, to his death in Chicago last summer, Mrs. Anna Sage, "the woman in red," center, carried on her fight against deportation. Her attorneys charge that Marvin Purvis, upper left, who helped kill Dillinger, as chief of the federal agents in Chicago, resigned from the service because the government reneged on its promise to cancel deportation proceedings against Mrs. Sage. The "woman in red" received, as part of her reward for "putting the finger" on Dillinger for the G-men, \$3,000 from Samuel P. Cowley, left, below, federal agent who later was slain in a gun battle with "Baby Face" Nelson. Mrs. Sage, whose home is in Gary, Ind., has appealed to Governor Paul McNutt of Indiana to save her from being sent to Romania.

WASHINGTON CONSIDERS SITUATION

By ROBERT C. MONTEE
(United Press Staff Correspondent)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 3.—Action by the American government toward declaration of an arms embargo against Italy and Ethiopia must await clarification of the situation and receipt of of-

COMPANY UNIONS TO BE FOUGHT A.F.L. SAYS

LATEST WAR DEVELOPMENTS

ADDIS ABABA, Oct. 3.—(U. P.)—Ancient Ethiopia today stood herself for war to the death to preserve its independence.

Emperor Haile Selassie I, departing at last of peace, ordered general mobilization.

LONDON, Oct. 3.—(U. S.)—War broke loose today in Ethiopia as Italian forces started their grand offensives from two directions. Reuters agency re-

BOMBERS STARTED ITALIAN ADVANCE

Italian Troops Invade Ethiopia Shortly Before Sunrise Today

BULLETIN
LONDON, Oct. 3.—(U. S.)—Fierce fighting was reported in Tigres province in a Reuters dispatch received from Addis Ababa late today. The dispatch claimed the Italians were streaming, covered by airplanes.

By WEBB MILLER
(United Press Staff Correspondent)
GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, ITALIAN ARMIES, IN THE FIELD (Via Asmara)—The Italian advance into Ethiopia was started this morning. The initial objective was Adduwa, to the south of the main Italian concentration area, for Adduwa was where an Italian army was ripped to pieces 39 years ago.

The Italians crossed the March river frontier at Adduwa; captured

First American Casualty

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ADDIS ABABA, Oct. 3.—A news cameraman, a Capt. Art Varges, was the first American casualty of the Italo-Ethiopian war.

Capt. Varges, employed by Hearst-Motoren Newsreel and a photographer with a world reputation, was killed by Ethiopian tribesmen today as they made a mad rush for whites assembled on the palace steps to hear the emperor's mobilization proclamation.

Capt. Varges suffered a seriously sprained knee. He was X-rayed and treated at the hospital, and then proceeded to continue his work against the advice of the physician who attended him.

points, all converging in heavy columns toward Adduwa. The zero hour was 6:30 a. m.

A Newspaper from 1947 reports the death of Anna Sage

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ALBUQUERQUE JOURNAL

April 29, 1947

Dillinger's 'Woman In Red' Is Dead

Led Criminal Into Trap 13 Years Ago

BUCHAREST, Roumania, April 28 (AP)—"The Woman in Red," who led John Dillinger into an FBI trap that resulted in the killing of America's Public Enemy No. 1 in Chicago 13 years ago, died last Friday in a quiet town in Southwestern Roumania, the Timisara newspaper Vestful said today.

Anna Cumpanas, known in the United States as Mrs. Anna Sage, was 58 years old at the time of her death.

Deported by the United States government in 1936, Mrs. Cumpanas returned to her native Roumania where she made her home at Timisara, leading the life of a well-to-do citizen.

Despite her relative opulence, the newspaper said, Mrs. Cumpanas maintained to the end of her life that U. S. Federal authorities had "cheated" her out of the \$50,000 reward for which she contended, she had agreed to "put the finger" on Dillinger, whom she described as a former business associate. Her deportation was based on a conviction in Gary, Ind., of running a disorderly house.

Mrs. Louis B. Mayer Wins Divorce and \$3,250,000

LOS ANGELES, April 28 (AP)—Mrs. Louis B. Mayer, charging her millionaire husband deserted her after 43 years of marriage, today won a divorce and a \$3,250,000 settlement.

Mayer, who as production head of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studio is one of the nation's highest salaried men, according to Mrs. Mayer's deposition came to her May 29, 1944, and said, "Well, I'm leaving." Then he got up and left. There was no provocation whatsoever and he left without my consent.

The Mayers were married in Boston in 1904. They have two daughters, Mrs. Irene Schnick, separated but not divorced from Producer David O. Selznick, and Mrs. Edith Goetz, wife of Producer William Goetz.

Robert A. Lovett To Succeed Acheson

WASHINGTON, April 28 (INS)—President Truman soon will name Robert A. Lovett, former assistant secretary of state,

Poor Cow Milker Kills Boss Who Criticized

MILWAUKEE, April 28 (AP)—A 14-year-old farm youth has admitted the fatal shooting of his employer, Detective Lt. Charles Nowakowski said today, because "he yelled at me because I couldn't milk the cows right." The youth, driving the automobile of the victim, Alvin B. Wittenberger, 45, a Milwaukee insurance broker, was arrested here last night after he was involved in a minor auto accident. Wittenberger was killed by a .22 caliber rifle bullet late Friday night at his Ozaukee county farm home.

Tars Find Scots Tight

LONDON, April 28 (AP)—The Sunday Express reported today that a penchant for collecting souvenirs had resulted in the temporary detention of 64 sailors from the American cruiser Wilkes-Barre at Callender, Scotland. The trouble developed, the paper said, when several hotel and tavern keepers discovered various articles such as crested silverware and ashtrays missing.

Clovis Air Base to Go On Caretaker Status

CLOVIS, April 28 (AP)—Military personnel at the Clovis army air field will be reduced to six officers and 12 enlisted men by May 1, at which time the base goes on caretaker status, it was announced today.

Civilian personnel strength will be increased to about 100 with departure of the troops.

THOREZ ACCUSED BLUM

PARIS, April 28 (AP)—Communist Vice Premier Maurice Thorez today accused Leon Blum, Socialist elder statesman, with "distorting" figures on Soviet and American wheat shipments to France so as to favor the United States and the "western bloc."

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- Leach and his wife died in a car accident on the Pennsylvania Turnpike in 1955 when another car cut in front of him.

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Jap Cadea, INS bureau chief, when Paul V. McNutt, former governor, died, said: "It breaks my heart to see these colorful Hoosier figures slipping away."

Matt Leach, another of the colorful figures of an era in Indiana, and his wife, Mary, died on the Pennsylvania turnpike, along with two other persons. There was a day when Leach's name repeatedly was in the headline of every paper in Indiana.

What happened to Leach, former executive officer of the Indiana State Police when bank bandit John Dillinger was running loose, could happen to you or me. On the turnpike, where a speed of 70 miles is permissible, another car in making an exit, turned in front of Leach.

LEACH WAS NEMESIS OF JOHN DILLINGER

Leach will remain in my book as the most nearly movie version of a "cop". He stood six feet tall, sometimes wore white flannel pants and blue serge coat, was slender, swarthy, and had the most penetrating brown eyes that I have seen.

He was shrewd, relentless in pursuit of criminals, and most responsible for the Woman In Red trap that was the undoing of John Dillinger. Before he was six months old, Leach, born in the Balkan station, had crossed the ocean, entrusted to the ship captain's care.

His folks followed, settled in Gary, and Leach was captain of police in the melting pot of the great steel center.

DILLINGER SHADOWED THROUGHOUT BY COP

Leach lined up in an American Legion meeting and defended McNutt, and McNutt appointed him the state police executive officer, a tempestuous post he held four years.

He objected to FBI agents roaming Indiana in groups in cars using license plates that had not been issued officially. Leach was afraid the FBI slouches would be massacred when mistaken as Dillinger bandits. He clashed so strongly with J. Edgar Hoover that Hoover demanded Leach's dismissal or the FBI would sever all connections with Indiana State Police. A hearing was held in the state senate chamber and Leach lost and McNutt dismissed him.



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July 24, 1934.

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Dear Sir:

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Homer Van Meter, aliases, I. O. 1222;
John Hamilton, alias, I. O. 1220;
Lester M. Gillis, aliases, I. O. 1223;**

FBI files on Dillinger

(note that Hoover's organization was not yet officially the FBI,
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Marie Marion Comforti, aliases, FUGITIVE;
Mrs. Helen Gillis, aliases, FUGITIVE; et al.
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OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE
HARBORING FUGITIVES

For your information there are incorporated below pertinent details relating to the killing of JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER by Special Agents of the Division at Chicago, Illinois, on July 22, 1934.

On the afternoon of July 21, 1934, Sergeant Martin Zapovich and Captain Timothy O'Neil, of the East Chicago Indiana Police Department, contacted Special Agent in Charge, M. H. Purvis, and myself and advised that a confidential informant, the name of whom has been furnished to the Division, had attended theatres in Chicago with her girl friend and John Herbert Dillinger. The girl friend of the informant was alleged to be keeping company with Dillinger. It was stated that usually Dillinger attended the Marbro Theatre.

About five thirty P. M., on July 22, 1934, the informant telephoned stating that she had received word from her girl friend, with whom Dillinger had been keeping company, that Dillinger and friend would call for the informant about eight o'clock that night and that they contemplated attending either the Marbro or Biograph Theatres in Chicago.

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At seven thirty o'clock on the night of July 22, 1934, Special Agent in Charge, M. H. Purvis, and Special Agent R. D. Brown proceeded to a point near the Biograph Theatre, 2433 Lincoln Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. At the same time Sergeant Zarkovich, of the East Chicago Indiana Police Department, and Special Agent C. B. Winstead proceeded to a point near the Marbro Theatre. With exception of the Agents mentioned above, all Agents remained in the Chicago Office awaiting telephonic advice concerning the identity of the Theatre which Dillinger actually entered.

At eight fifty P. M. Dillinger and two women companions were observed entering the Biograph Theatre, 2433 Lincoln Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, by Special Agent in Charge, M. H. Purvis, and Agent Brown. This information was telephoned to the Chicago Office. Instructions were immediately issued to the Agents in the Office to proceed to the vicinity of the Biograph Theatre and cover the place in accordance with instructions previously issued. Both Theatres had been visited earlier in the evening and detailed information was obtained concerning the various exits and possible avenues of escape from the Marbro and Biograph Theatres.

Special Agents C. O. Hurt and H. E. Hollis were assigned together with Officers Sopsic and Stretch of the East Chicago Indiana Police Department to seize Dillinger as he was leaving the Theatre. Special Agents J. P. McCarthy and R. G. Gillespie were to close in towards Dillinger from the north while Agents J. R. Welles and A. E. Lockerman were to close in towards Dillinger from the south. Special Agents E. L. Richmond, C. G. Campbell, J. J. Metcalfe and Val C. Zimmer were stationed on the opposite side of the street. Special Agents T. J. Connor, M. F. Glynn and R. C. Suran covered the exits in the alley at the southeast corner of the Biograph Theatre. Agents J. T. McLaughlin, W. C. Ryan, Wolts and D. P. Sullivan covered the emergency exits in the alley on the north side of the Theatre. Agent Brown remained in a car near the Theatre while Special Agent in Charge, M. H. Purvis, was stationed near the Biograph Theatre.

Within a short period of time after receiving information that Dillinger was attending the Biograph Theatre, Agent Winstead and Sergeant Martin Zarkovich were advised by telephone of that fact and they immediately proceeded to that place. Winstead took a position with Agents Hurt and Hollis.

Immediately upon receiving word that Dillinger was attending the Biograph, I proceeded to that place. Captain Timothy O'Neil and Sergeant Conroy of the East Chicago, Indiana Police Department accompanied me. I maintained a roving position and kept in touch with all Agents in order to see that all points were being covered properly.

About ten-thirty o'clock on the night of July 22, 1934, Dillinger, accompanied by two women companions, was observed emerging from the Biograph Theatre. They walked south on Lincoln Avenue from the theatre. Special Agent in Charge M. H. Purvis gave the pre-arranged signal of lighting a cigar. Agents immediately began to close in slowly toward Dillinger from all sides. Dillinger apparently became apprehensive. He glanced over his shoulder at Agents and started to run, grabbing for his gun simultaneously. Agent C. B. Winstead fired one shot. This was immediately followed by one shot each by Agent Winstead, Agent C. O. Hurt and Agent H. E. Hollis. Another shot was fired by Agent Winstead. Dillinger fell face downward near an alley. A .380 calibre automatic pistol was in his hand when he fell. No shots were fired from Dillinger's pistol. An extra clip for his pistol was found in his pocket.

Dillinger was removed to the Alexian Brothers Hospital, at which place he arrived at 10:55 P. M., where he was pronounced dead. Subsequent thereto the body of Dillinger was taken to the County Morgue.

An examination of the body disclosed two fresh wounds on his chest, one of which was located just below his heart. A fresh bullet wound also appeared to have been caused by a bullet entering the rear of the skull and emerging from the lower portion of the right eye above the cheek-bone. Complete details

concerning the location of the bullet wounds are being obtained from Frank J. Walsh, Coroner, Cook County, Chicago, Illinois, and same will be forwarded to the Division at the earliest possible date.

At the time of his death Dillinger was wearing the following clothes:

- 1 pair - white buckskin Munnbush shoes, size 9 D, manufacturer's number 389...105721.
- 1 pair - black socks; no manufacturer's name.
- 1 pair - red Paris garters.
- 1 pair - shorts (Hanes), white in color, with blue stripes, size 34, bearing manufacturer's identifying number 186A-350SE-34.
- 1 pair - gray pants containing laundry mark in pocket, No. 355 (40).
- 1 - black belt with silver buckle - no monogram.
- 1 - white broadcloth shirt, Kenilworth brand.
- 1 - red printed necktie, bearing tag of Paul Boldt & Sons, 2724 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois.

In addition to the clothing which he was wearing Dillinger was in possession of the following:

- 1 - gold ring with ruby set, containing the following inscription on the inside of the ring: "With all my love, Polly."
- 1 - yellow gold 17-jewel Hamilton watch, works No. 344347, case No. 0658384. In the rear of the case of this watch there was a picture of a young woman, which

has been identified as that of the girl friend who attended the Biograph Theatre with him on July 22, 1934. The name of this girl is Polly Hamilton.

- 2 - keys, one of which was manufactured by the Independent Lock Company; the other key appeared to be for a door.
- 1 - automatic pistol, .380 calibre.
- 1 - extra loaded automatic clip of .380 calibre. This clip was filled with Remington U.M.C. cartridges.
- 1 - white handkerchief with a brown border.

In addition to the fresh wounds which have been previously described, an examination of the body disclosed an old gunshot wound above the left knee. It was noted that small scars appeared in the dimple of Dillinger's chin. Scars also were noticed approximately $1\frac{1}{2}$ " below the left and right temples. A scar was also observed between the eyebrows. The eyebrows apparently had been dyed. The hair of Dillinger also had been dyed dark brown in color. Dillinger was wearing a long narrow dark-colored mustache.

At the County Morgue, Special Agent M. Chaffetz took two sets of fingerprints from the body. It was discovered that the ridge formations on the fingers had been tampered with and by an examination of the corpse, there were found what appeared to be small scars caused by acid burns near the core of the large formations on each finger. A copy of the fingerprints of Dillinger was forwarded to the Division, air mail, special delivery, on the night of July 22, 1934.

An inquest was held at the Cook County Morgue by Coroner Frank J. Walsh at 11:30 A.M. on July 23, 1934. A verdict of justifiable homicide was rendered. The jury took occasion to commend the work of the Division, and words of commendation were also expressed by the coroner. Special Agent E. L. Richmond testified as to the fingerprint identification, and I testified as to general facts.

Theresa Paulus, 2920 Commonwealth Avenue, received a slight flesh wound in the hip and was taken to the Grant Hospital where she remained several hours. The hospital bill was stated to be only \$5.00.

Mrs. Eta Natalsky, 2429 Lincoln Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, also received a bullet wound between the knee and the thigh. She was removed to the Columbus Hospital. The injury which she received is said to be inconsequential.

Special Agents of the Chicago Office have offered every possible assistance to the injured ladies, as well as to the families of these individuals. Both Theresa Paulus and Mrs. Eta Natalsky appeared to appreciate the attitude exhibited by the Chicago Office with reference to the injuries which they received at the time Dillinger was shot.

Photostatic copies of the coroner's report are being obtained and same will be transmitted to the Division at the earliest possible date.

Very truly yours,

S. P. Conley
S. P. CONLEY,
Special Agent.

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