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BS T-2 - BS-776-C, contacted by SA JOHN T. DELANEY on 1-22-59.

BS T-3 - BS-639-C, contacted by SA RONALD J. WEAVER, 1-17-59.

BS T-4 - BS-688-C, contacted by SA RONALD J. WEAVER, 1-15-59.

BS T-5 - PCI CHARLES POLCARI, contacted by SA LEONARD M. FRISOLI on 2-4-59. POLCARI operates restaurant frequented by local and visiting hoodlums.

BS T-6 - BS-758-C, contacted by SA RONALD J. WEAVER on 2-4-59.

BS T-7 - PCI MIKE COHEN, contacted by SA JOHN T. DELANEY, 1-21-59. (COHEN is a former Boston Top Hoodlum).

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Title: CHARLES TOURINE, was

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Subject reported to have had financial interest in dice games in Boston, Mass., 15 years ago, and to have brought WILLIAM VITIELLO to Boston from New Jersey in connection with these games. VITIELLO still active in dice games in Boston. Subject not believed to have any interest in Boston illegal gambling rackets for many years. Subject reported to have been well acquainted with Boston Top Hoodlums and others in illegal gambling field. ANTHONY WILLIAMS, brother of Top Hoodlum JOHN WILLIAMS, presently reported to be running gambling casino, Hotel Capri, Havana, Cuba, which enterprise is said to be controlled by Subject. Present activities and background information concerning Boston individuals known to Subject set forth. Reliable sources advise Subject does not have any interests in the Boston area at the present time.

SUBJECT CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:

When Subject was interviewed by agents of the New York office concerning ROBINK on April 10, 1950 he had no information to furnish and was eliminated as a suspect as he was confined to Federal Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, at the time of the robbery. At this time Subject indicated he had visited Boston socially with girl friends and knew very few men in the Boston area. He indicated he knew only two individuals from Boston by name, TONY SANTANIELLO and JOE BEANS, aka "Little Beans". TONY SANTANIELLO is a Top Hoodlum of the Boston office and BEANS is believed identical with JOSEPH PALLADINO, aka "Joe Beans", "Little Beans". Information regarding PALLADINO and SANTANIELLO is set forth elsewhere in this report.

When BARNETT FEINTUCK was interviewed by agents of the Buffalo office at Oakville, Ontario, in February 1950 he identified the Subject as a friend of the following four individuals from Boston:

JOHN WILLIAMS
PHIL BUCCOLA
WILLIAM VITIELLO, aka "Willie Coops"
CANADIAN SANDRELLI)ANTHONY SANDRELLI)

WILLIAMS is a Top Hoodlum of the Boston office currently under investigation.

BUCCOLA is a former Boston Top Hoodlum who is now in Italy.

VITIELLO and SANDRELLI are well known small-time members of the Boston underworld. Information regarding these four individuals is set forth elsewhere in this report.

A review of the files of the Boston office indicates many references to the Subject, especially during ROBINK.

WILLIAM VITIELLO, aka "Willie Coops" advised an Agent of the Boston Office on August 9, 1945 that he had no connection with the TOURINE gang in the New York area. However, records of the Hudson County Jail, Jersey City, New Jersey, indicated VITIELLO frequently visited the Subject while he was incarcerated there in 1944 and 1945. At this time TOURINE allegedly had a dice game operating in the Boston area.

BS T-1 advised on February 7, 1952 that VITIELLO came from New Jersey ten years ago, to Boston, for the purpose of setting up a dice game and was associated with an elderly man known as CHARLIE WHITE. Although BS T-1 describes WHITE as "an elderly man" it is believed he is possibly identical with the Subject TOURINE.

During LADAN, investigation by the Miami office resulted in advice from that office that Subject TOURINE was engaged in illegal gambling activities at Miami Beach. TOURINE furnished an alibi for LADAN which checked out and he was eliminated as a suspect.

BARNETT FEINTUCK, FBI No. 666343 advised SA GEORGE W. FALLON at Boston, Massachusetts, in April 1950, that JOSEPH PALLADINO, ANTHONY SANDRELLI and JOHN WILLIAMS, among others, control the rackets in the Boston area. FEINTUCK also stated that Subject TOURINE was extremely capable in connection with large holdups and was a friend of WILLIAM VITIELLO and JOHN WILLIAMS. He stated that WILLIAMS and VITIELLO then operated a dice game in Boston for PHIL BUCCOLA. He also stated that SANDRELLA was associated with TOURINE at one time.

In February 1950, a ROBINK suspect, ISADORE MOROH, in commenting on a large criminal syndicate operating in the United States, indicated that CHARLES "the Blade" TOURINE, was a member of this syndicate.

BS T-2, the best source of information concerning Boston Top Hoodlum JOHN WILLIAMS, on January 22, 1959 advised that ANTHONY WILLIAMS (JOHN's brother) was running the gambling casino at Hotel Capri, Havana, Cuba, and that movie actor GEORGE RAFT is acting as "front man" for this Casino. He stated that a year ago WILLIAMS was interested in investing a large sum of money in a gambling casino at Hotel Capri. Later, BS T-2 learned from WILLIAMS that the Subject CHARLES TOURINE, aka Charlie White, "the Blade" had invested \$100,000 in this enterprise and had the controlling interest in the gambling casino at Hotel Capri, Havana, Cuba. He also stated that many years ago the Subject backed the big dice game in Massachusetts and was closely connected with the Boston hoodlum element. This subject reportedly made a lot of money on this investment but is not believed to have any present control over illegal gambling operations in the Boston area.

BS T-3, T-4 and T-5 and T-6 who have furnished reliable information in the past regarding racketeering and illegal

gambling activities in the Boston area and who presently furnish good information on Boston Top Hoodlums, advised as follows: The Subject presently is not believed to have any financial interest in illegal gambling operations in Massachusetts, although years ago (as far back as fifteen to twenty years) he did have an interest in large scale dice games in Boston. The Subject was, at that time, associated with Top Hoodlums JOSEPH LOMBARDO and ANTHONY SANTANIELLO, as well as PHIL BUCCOLA (since retired to Italy).

BS T-7 advised that he has not seen the Subject in many years but that years ago he brought WILLIAM VITIELLO, aka "Willie Coops" to Boston from New Jersey in connection with Subject's interest in Boston dice games. VITIELLO is still in Boston and has an interest in dice games. Subject now has no interests of any kind in Boston and VITIELLO operates dice games for himself or as an agent for JOHN WILLIAMS.

PHILIP BUCCOLO, aka Buccola, Bucola,
Filippo Buccolo

He is 72 years of age, having been born August 6, 1886 at Palermo, Italy. For many years in Boston he was engaged as a fight manager, owner of race horses, illegal gambling activities and was a close associate with Boston underworld characters. He at one time owned a large portion of the Wonderland Dog Race Track in Revere, Massachusetts. In 1951 he acquired an interest in a large olive oil business in Italy and in 1954 went to Italy with his wife to live permanently. He has no children and no close relatives in Boston except one nephew. For over twenty years prior to 1954 he was one of the leaders in Boston illegal gambling rackets. He was closely associated with all Top Hoodlums in the Boston area. JOSEPH PALLADINO was one of his lieutenants for many years before BUCCOLO left for Italy. ANTHONY SANDRELLI likewise was closely associated with him. BUCCOLO never served time in prison and has only one conviction where he paid a fine for carrying a loaded revolver, in 1923. However, he was constantly believed by reliable sources to be a powerful underworld figure. It is generally believed he still has a financial interest in Boston gambling rackets and that his interests are handled in his absence by Top Hoodlum JOHN WILLIAMS. Some sources genuinely feel he retired to Italy to get out of the rackets. Although 72 years of age, he is reported to be in excellent physical condition.

JOHN HARRY WILLIAMS, aka
John Gugliemo, Giovanni Antonio Williams

JOHN WILLIAMS was born February 9, 1913, at Revere, Massachusetts, resides at 38 Circuit Road, Winthrop, Massachusetts, and is FBI No. 739891. He is a major Top Hoodlum of the Boston office. He is the youngest and perhaps the most active of all Top Hoodlums in Boston. He is presently reported to have a large financial interest in gambling activities in Havana, Cuba. In the recent past he has had dealings with Detroit top hoodlum PETE LICAVOLI in Arizona. Since 1956, WILLIAMS has operated juke box machines in the Boston area and has placed his machines in prominent night clubs, cafes and other places of amusement. WILLIAMS does not have an extensive criminal record although he served eighteen months at U. S. Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, for passing counterfeit money, after conviction February 12, 1934 at Boston; and subsequently on January 24, 1941 sentenced to five years, Massachusetts Reformatory, on charge of Assault with Intent to Rob, by Suffolk County Superior Court, Boston.

He is now regarded as one of the leaders among the Boston Italian criminal element. WILLIAMS reportedly carried on PHILIP BUCCOLO's gambling interests when BUCCOLO left for Italy in 1954. When WILLIAMS was coming into prominence among the underworld he was considered as a "strong arm" man for other hoodlums.

ANTHONY SANTANIELLO, aka
Antonio Santenelli, Anthony
Santanello, Anthony Santinello,
Tony Santaniello

SANTANIELLO (FBI No. 1467139) is a major Top Hoodlum of the Boston office. He was born June 9, 1903 at Boston, Massachusetts, residence 245 Tappan Street, Brookline, Massachusetts. He is married and has one adopted child. For many years he has owned and operated the Paddock Cafe, 255 Tremont Street, Boston. He is a member of the Boston Italian group that controls the lay-offs in the Boston numbers business. He is alleged to have an interest in promoting professional boxing, in association with FRANK CARBO of New York, and RAYMOND PATRIARCA of Providence, Rhode Island, and other lesser hoodlums. He is closely associated with all Boston Top Hoodlums. He is believed to have a large degree of control over illegal gambling activities and many money lending activities. However he suffered a heart attack and paralytic stroke, November 12, 1958, and was hospitalized for several

weeks. Due to his present physical incapacity his activities are handled by his close associate, LAWRENCE BAIONA.

BAIONA is a small time racketeer who has gained considerable stature among the hoodlum element in the past few years. SANTANIELLO has a minor criminal record for traffic and assault and battery, where he paid small fines. He was found not guilty on a Narcotics charge, February 21, 1938. He is very friendly with Boston Top Hoodlum FRANK CUCCHIARRA who attended the Appalachian meeting. He was closely associated with the more prominent ROBINK Subjects who were co-defendants with him when he was acquitted of Narcotics charges in 1938. SANTANIELLO was acquitted because evidence against him obtained by a wire tap was excluded.

WILLIAM EMILIO VITIELLO, aka
"Willie Coops" "Billy Coops"
William Vitale

VITIELLO, FBI No. 501381, is presently engaged in illegal gambling activities, mostly in the operation of dice games. He is closely associated with the Italian criminal element especially with Boston Top Hoodlums JOSEPH LOMBARDO and ANTHONY SANTANIELLO. He is not regarded as a controlling factor in illegal gambling operations and has been reported to actually represent Top Hoodlum JOHN WILLIAMS. He received investigative attention by this office as a ROBINK suspect in 1952 at which time he was operating dice games at the Bostonian Hotel, Boston. As far back as 1947 he was a suspect of this office in the \$100,000 robbery of the Sturtevant Company, Hyde Park, (Boston) Massachusetts. He is reported to have been brought to Boston from Newark, New Jersey about twenty years ago by CHARLES TOURINE, the Subject of this investigation.

VITIELLO was interviewed January 30, 1950 at which time he furnished an alibi for ROBINK and admitted he was then engaged in gambling activities and closely associated with JOHN WILLIAMS. He admitted his last employment was 1937 - 1939 at Westinghouse Electric Co., Newark, New Jersey, at which time he was on parole. He served time in New Jersey State Prison for a rape charge. Since 1939, he admitted, he has been solely occupied as a gambler in Newark, New Jersey and Boston, Massachusetts.

He furnished no information regarding gambling activities in the Boston area. He was born May 22, 1911 at Newark, New Jersey and is single. His parents and brothers and sisters all reside in Newark, New Jersey. He has a long criminal record for Breaking and Entering, Receiving, Rape, and gambling charges.

ANTHONY SANDRELLI, aka "Canadian"

SANDRELLI, FBI No. 368466, is actively engaged in illegal gambling activities in the Boston area and has been so engaged for over twenty years. One of his close associates through the years has been JOSEPH PALLADINO. He is also closely associated with JOSEPH LOMBARDO and the Italian criminal element in Boston. He is usually picked up for questioning by Boston police, in any local killing. Several years ago he was considered as a "muscle man" for bookmakers. He is still considered capable of "strong arm" methods. He has only a minor criminal record.

JOSEPH PALLADINO, aka "Joe Beans"

PALLADINO has been closely associated with the Boston Italian criminal element for many years. He has been reported to be in the "numbers" business on a large scale. During the racing season he is daily at the various race tracks in this area. He allegedly organized the numbers lay-off in Boston. His brother, ROCCO PALLADINO, aka "Rocky" is a well known North End (Boston) hoodlum and racketeer as well as the owner and operator of a cafe, (MOAKLEY'S), Tremont Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

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