
Agency Information

AGENCY : FBI
RECORD NUMBER : 124-10211-10280
RECORD SERIES : HQ
AGENCY FILE NUMBER : 92-3267-10, 11

Document Information

ORIGINATOR : FBI
FROM : DODGE, HAROLD F.
TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

TITLE :

DATE : 03/28/1958
PAGES : 90

SUBJECTS :
JRO, ASSOC, REL, ACT, TRA, BKG, CRIMINAL ACT,
FINANCES, LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

DOCUMENT TYPE : PAPER, TEXTUAL DOCUMENT
CLASSIFICATION : Unclassified
RESTRICTIONS : 4
CURRENT STATUS : Redact
DATE OF LAST REVIEW : 04/16/1998

OPENING CRITERIA : INDEFINITE

COMMENTS : RPT, TABLE OF CONTENTS PAGES 1b,1c, INDEX PAGES 75-77, INC MEMO, 2 ADMIN
PAGES

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :

DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE:

3/28/58

FROM :

SAC, LOS ANGELES (92-113)

SUBJECT:

JOHN ROSELLI, Was.
ANTI-RACKETEERING

OO: LOS ANGELES

Attached hereto for the Bureau are two copies of the report of SA HAROLD F. DODGE dated as above at Los Angeles, California.

The records of Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. in Los Angeles, set out in this report, were obtained by IC JOHN E. SANTOS.

The records of the Retail Merchants Credit Association of Los Angeles were obtained by SE JAMES L. MAHAN.

The records of the Los Angeles Police Department and Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office were obtained by SE LLOYD H. DUDLEY.

Records of the Illinois State Bureau of Vital Statistics, Chicago, Illinois, were checked by IC FRANCIS G. KAHL on 1/6/58.

The identities of the Special Agents who conducted physical surveillances on ROSELLI in Los Angeles on 2/17; 3/5,6/58, are located in the 1A Section of this file.

Mrs. DILLARD WILLIAMS, ROSELLI's maid, will not be recontacted in view of her expressed loyalty to ROSELLI.

ROSELLI SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS, BECAUSE HE HAS CARRIED A GUN IN THE PAST.

2-Bureau (Encls.2)
2-Chicago (92-399)(Encls.2)
2-Cincinnati (92-140)(Encls.2)
2-Indianapolis (92-152)(Encls.2)
2-New York (92-721)(Encls.2)
2-Salt Lake City (94-252)(Encls.2)
3-Los Angeles (2 - 92-113)(1 - 94-250)
HFD:DLR
(15)

COPIES DESTROYED

893 MAY 1972

76 APR 24 1958

EX-128

REC-13

92-3267-11

12 APR 4 1958

EX-128

LA 92-113

LOS ANGELES OFFICE

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

(1) Will maintain contact with the California Bank, Santa Monica - Highland Branch, for the purpose of monitoring ROSELLI's bank account.

(2) Will maintain contact with the Bank of America, Sunset - Wetherly Branch, for the purpose of monitoring the account of Nevada Concessions, Inc.

(3) Will maintain contact with the Bank of America, Wilshire - Vermont Branch, for the purpose of monitoring the account of Monte Proser Productions.

(4) Will maintain contact with [REDACTED] PCI, telephone BR 2-6828, for information concerning ROSELLI's activity.

(5) Will maintain contact with Mrs. RALPH GORMAN, Manager, Crescent Heights Apartments, 1251 North Crescent Heights Boulevard, for information concerning ROSELLI's activities.

OTHER 4

(6) Will maintain contact with [REDACTED], c/o Family Theater, 7201 Sunset Boulevard, for information concerning ROSELLI's activity.

(7) Will interview JUNE LANG, 7927 $\frac{1}{2}$ Norton Avenue, Los Angeles, California, telephone OL 6-4874, former wife of ROSELLI, to determine if she can furnish any pertinent information concerning ROSELLI's activities.

(8) Will interview ISADORE A. RUMAN, insurance broker, 3222 West 6th Street, Los Angeles, who has known ROSELLI for many years concerning ROSELLI's activities.

(9) Will consider interviewing HERMAN SPITZEL, 6211 Olympic Boulevard, a real estate broker, a long-time acquaintance of ROSELLI, for information he might furnish concerning ROSELLI's current activity.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

| | | | |
|---|--|--|---|
| REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES | OFFICE OF ORIGIN LOS ANGELES | DATE 3/28/58 | INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 1/28-30; 2/3-7, 10-14, 17-21, 24-28; 3/3-7, 10-14, 17-21/58. |
| CHARACTER OF CASE CHANGED: JOHN ROSELLI, was. John Rosselli, John Rasselli, John Russell, John F. Stewart, Rand Field, Giovanni Roselli | | REPORT MADE BY HAROLD F. DODGE | TYPED BY pac |
| CHARACTER OF CASE ANTI-RACKETEERING | | | |

Mrs. HELEN WOODS JOHNS, 436½ West Fifth, Dayton, Ohio, an authorized correspondent of ROSELLI in 1944 and described as his sister, not located. HELEN WOODS JONES, a Negro, resided at this address in 1944. She denied knowing ROSELLI. ROSELLI continues to spend most of time in Las Vegas, Nevada. He visited Los Angeles, California, 2/13-17/58, and attended a Catholic retreat from 2/13/58 through 2/16/58. He also visited Los Angeles from 3/3/58 to 3/6/58, when he was endeavoring to obtain contract for Monte Proser Productions, Inc. to put on floor show at Beverly Hilton Hotel, Beverly Hills, California. ROSELLI receives weekly salary of just under \$300.00 from both Nevada Concessions, Inc. and Monte Proser Productions, Inc. Informant T-1 stated ROSELLI was individual who obtained contract with Tropicana Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, for Nevada Concessions to act as its reservation agent and also for Monte Proser Productions, Inc. to put on its floor shows. ALEXANDER PERINO stated ROSELLI made arrangements in 1957 for PERINO to manage restaurants in Tropicana Hotel at salary of \$3,000.00 per month. ROSELLI has been promised a commission of several thousand dollars by Ajax West Coast Corporation if he can get

| | |
|---|---|
| APPROVED <i>[Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW |
| COPIES MADE: 2 Bureau 2 - Chicago (92-399) 2 - Cincinnati (92-140) 2 - Ind St. Louis (92-152) 2 - New York (92-721) 2 - Salt Lake City (94-252) 3 - Los Angeles (2 - 92-113) (1 - 94-250) | <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">92-3267-10</div> <div style="text-align: center;">12 APR 4 1958</div> <div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold;">MCT - 24</div> <div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold;">REC- 13</div> <div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; transform: rotate(-15deg);">EX-128</div> |

1cc returned to Mr. [unclear] 3-11-58
76 APR 24 1958

STAT. SECT.

PROPERTY OF FBI.—This report is loaned to you by the FBI, and neither it nor its contents are to be distributed outside the agency to which loaned.

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 16-60637-4

LA 92-113

It is noted that HARRY COHN has denied that ROSELLI was ever employed by him.

MUIR stated that BRYAN FOY (a movie producer) was ROSELLI'S sponsor when he came out of the penitentiary, and FOY and ROSELLI produced several pictures together and made quite a bit of money.

She added that ROSELLI is no longer in the picture business and now has several concessions at Las Vegas casinos. She said he has had to give these concessions up since the shake up of the Tropicana Hotel following the finding of a casino "take" on a slip of paper on FRANK COSTELLO when he was shot. MUIR could furnish no information as to why ROSELLI could lose these concessions. She said ROSELLI used to be mixed up in a lot of things but had "gone straight" since his release from prison.

Informant T-1 advised on February 26, 1958 that he first met ROSELLI in the office of WILLIE SHEAN at Twentieth Century-Fox Studios in about 1932; that he was impressed at the time because ROSELLI then had the reputation for being a gangster and it was the informant's first impression of meeting a gangster. He knew nothing about ROSELLI'S activities at that time and knew him only very casually until after the war, when he met ROSELLI again at Eagle Lion Studios where informant, who was a writer, worked on some films in which ROSELLI had an interest.

Informant said that ROSELLI has frequently mentioned what a terrible thing it was to have to be incarcerated in a prison and has stated that he never wants to go to prison again.

Informant stated that in his opinion, ROSELLI is "sex crazy", that women play a very important part in his life, and he is "always looking for women".

Informant said that he honestly believes that ROSELLI has reformed in recent years; that he, informant, knows nothing wrong concerning ROSELLI'S activities at the present time. He has never heard any information which would indicate to him that ROSELLI is engaged in gambling or bookmaking activities in the Los Angeles area. He said

LA 92-113
HFD:pas

INFORMANTS

Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed, and T-symbols were utilized in this report only in those instances where the identity of the source must be concealed.

| <u>Identity of Source</u> | <u>Agent to whom Furnished</u> | <u>File Number where Located</u> |
|--|--|--|
| T-1: [REDACTED] 5953 Lubao Avenue, Woodland Hills, Calif. | HAROLD F. DODGE | This report |
| T-2: [REDACTED] PCI, care of Ajax West Coast Corpora- tion, 9453 Santa Monica Blvd., Beverly Hills, Calif. | " " " | " " |
| T-3: ROBERT WESLEY, Assistant Operations Officer, Main Branch, Bank of America, Beverly Hills, Calif. | HAROLD F. DODGE | This report |
| T-4: O. G. MAMPELL, Operations Officer, Bank of America, Sunset-Wetherly Branch, Los Angeles, Calif. | " " " | " " |
| T-5: Mr. J. ECKLES, Clerk, U. S. Post Office, Terminal Annex, Los Angeles, Calif. | HAROLD F. DODGE | This report |

OTHER 4

LA 92-113
HFD:pas

CRIMINAL INFORMANT COVERAGE

INFORMANTS UTILIZED TO DATE

LA 4004-C
LA 3445-C

OTHER 4

POTENTIAL CRIMINAL INFORMANTS USED

[REDACTED]

CONTEMPLATED ADDITIONAL INFORMANT COVERAGE

[REDACTED] - who has known ROSELLI for many years and is presently associated with ROSELLI in two firms, namely, Nevada Concessions, Inc. and Monte Proser Productions. Contact with [REDACTED] will be continued to obtain information regarding ROSELLI'S activities. Efforts will be made to develop him into a PCI.

Mrs. RALPH GORMAN - manager of the Crescent Park Apartments, 1251-61 North Crescent Heights Boulevard, Los Angeles, where ROSELLI maintains an apartment.

Contact with [REDACTED] will be maintained. He is personally acquainted with ROSELLI and also has knowledge of business dealings between JOHN ROSELLI, representing Nevada Concessions, Inc. and Ajax West Coast Corporation. The latter firm sell ice-making and beverage-cooling machines.]

PAT N. LACKEY - named as Secretary in the articles of incorporation of Nevada Concessions, Inc. and now a legal secretary in the law firm of Cantillon and Cantillon, who reportedly represent the Tropicana Hotel. The CANTILLONS are friends of ROSELLI. It has been recently learned that LACKEY is personally acquainted with an agent of the Los Angeles Office and has expressed a willingness to assist the Bureau. It is hoped that she may be able to furnish information of value concerning ROSELLI and the activities of Nevada Concessions, Inc.