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The following information is included on the administrative pages because PH 614-C-TE is involved in the matter in a manner which it is not possible to conceal. The information was obtained from him by SA JOSEPH A. VERICA, 3/17/62.

At a time, which source was unable to remember exactly but when the Maggio Cheese Company was in its old location at Ninth and Montrose Streets, informant was called there to see MARIO MAGGIO and ANGELO BRUNO. He was told that a cousin of MARIO's, named MONTALBANO, a druggist in the vicinity of 54th Street and City Line Avenue, Philadelphia, had been arrested by Captain CLARENCE J. FERGUSON, Philadelphia Police Department, on a narcotics charge and had been held for court by Magistrate BENJAMIN SEGAL.

MARIO MAGGIO asked the source to make some kind of contact with Captain FERGUSON and get the case "washed."

Through a cousin, NAT FRANK, who writes a column, "Frankly Speaking," in a local newspaper, "The Observer," and who has numerous political connections at City Hall, the source met Captain FERGUSON at the Venice Grill on 12th Street and discussed the MONTALBANO case.

FERGUSON was agreeable to an arrangement, but said he must have \$7,500, \$2,500 of which was to go to the attorney who would defend MONTALBANO, and FERGUSON said that would have to be JOSEPH ALESSANDRONI.

This was agreeable to MAGGIO, but the trial resulted in MONTALBANO being placed on probation. MAGGIO felt that FERGUSON had not lived up to his agreement, and it was finally agreed that he would accept \$5,000 instead of the original \$7,500. This money was obtained by the source from MARIO MAGGIO and delivered in a paper bag to FERGUSON at the Venice Grill shortly after the trial. FERGUSON took the bag to the basement, where he presumably counted it, returned, and said everything was all right.

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PH 614-CTE on March 15, 1962, obtained possession of a metal box containing 3x5 index cards, which cards bore notations set out verbatim below:

1. "Politi Peter 56 Buick WA 2-1572. Not in  
Jan. \$12.00  
Feb. \$15.00"
2. "BERNARD NOWAK 15774D  
2418 So. 10th St. (59 Red Dodge Sedan)  
HO 7-9842 - work BA 3-0671  
Jan \$13.00 PD."
3. "BERCHE WM 376 Haverford Ave. Not in  
Jan \$22.00"
4. "OLIVERIRCH, MANUEL HO 5-2732, not in  
2420 So. Alder St '51' Chev.  
Jan \$10.00  
Feb. \$12.00"
5. AMADA "58" Old (Reverse side: "Abrams Elmer  
2553 Sartain St. "57" Int. K. 922 McPherson  
Jan \$12.00 (12.00) CH 8-1175, Storage Jan.  
Feb 15 \$25.00 Pd.")
6. RUSSELL BENIGNO 1959 ded Live (not in)  
Jan \$15.00
7. JAMES CONTE HO 8-7564, not in  
2512 So Alder St  
Jan \$12.00  
Feb 15.00
8. DORAZIO, GUS Int. & K (not in)  
1326 So. 13th St.  
Jan \$40.00
9. ELMER 922 N. Person 25.00  
(Reverse Side: Jennie-G.-Yeses  
2409-Se.-12th  
(crossed out) Jan-\$12.00-Pd.

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The informant did not know the significance of the notations on these cards, nor the identity of the collector as it appears a sum of money is collected each month to defray a loan, a debt, or to repay a service.

Philadelphia Office will trace ownership of a representative number of identified vehicles listed above to determine if all were purchased from the same source and if BRUNO has proprietary interest in that source.

Source believes that FRANK IANNARELLA is the collector who made the notations and is active in collecting that reflected above.

It is to be noted on May 8, 1962, PH 614-C made available the check book of Penn Jersey Vending, Inc., showing all transactions from January to May 18, 1962. Same has been photostated and is an exhibit in this file.

Also available at this office is a list of all BRUNO's cigarette vending machine stops in Philadelphia. For brevity the same is not reflected in this report, however, where it is apparent dual capacity serves BRUNO at these locations, i.e., gambling, horse betting, and cigarette vending, same will be established by investigation.

By separate communication each office receiving a copy of this report will in the near future be furnished specific leads as well as an index.

Present investigation indicates that several investigative leads will be set forth in those offices which are receiving only one copy of the above report.

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Informants

Multiple "T" symbols were used to afford greater coverage in the case of PH 623-C\* (PH T-1, T-3, and T-5), PH 591-C\* (PH T-2 and T-4), and PH 614-CTE (PH T-6, T-8, and T-21). T symbols have been used in the report only where necessary.

PH T-1	PH 623-C*
PH T-2	PH 591-C*
PH T-3	PH 623-C*
PH T-4	PH 591-C*
PH T-5	PH 623-C*
PH T-6	PH 614-CTE, to SA JOSEPH A. VERICA
PH T-7	PH 523-C
PH T-8	PH 614-CTE, to SA JOSEPH A. VERICA
PH T-9	PH 514-C
PH T-10	PH 269-C
PH T-11	HERMAN TAYLOR, By Request, to SA EDWARD D. HEGARTY
PH T-12	ALBERT COPELAND, By Request, to SA JOHN C. MURRAY
PH T-13	ALFONSO FRIO, By Request
PH T-14	NK 2251-C*
PH T-15	NICHOLAS SIVIER, By Request
PH T-16	PH 540-C
PH T-17	LEONARD RUTLIGIANO, By Request

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PH T-18 PH 599-C, to SA DAVID E. WALKER  
PH T-19 BEN MILLER, to SA ROBERT W. HOLMES  
PH T-20 Miami PCI [ ] to SA JOSEPH I. GREALY  
PH T-21 PH 614-CTE, to SA JOSEPH A. VERICA JFK Act 6 (4)  
PH T-22 BU 82-C\*  
PH T-23 Dun and Bradstreet  
PH T-24 [ ] to SA JOSEPH A. VERICA 6/27/62.  
PH T-25 WILLIAM LYNN, Philadelphia Internal Revenue Service  
Agent, 10/25/61, to SA J. ROBERT PEARCE.  
PH T-26 Miami PSI [ ] contacted by  
SA PAUL J. NEUMANN, 2/20/62.  
PH T-27 Legal Attache, London  
PH T-28 Legal Attache, Panama  
PH T-29 Former PH 535-C (Deceased)  
PH T-30 LA 4350-C (Bureau letter to San Juan 11/17/61).  
PH T-31 WILLIAM MC FADYEN, Real Estate Department, American  
Stores Company, By Request, to SA JOSEPH A. VERICA.

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PH T-6 on June 16, 1962, stated MASSI told him SINATRA would remain in the United States for a period of three or four months on a visitor's visa.

The New York Office advised on June 16, 1962, that BRUNO and PAUL GAMBINO, the latter of New York City, met SINATRA on his arrival in New York on June 16, 1962.

On June 17, 1962, PETER MAGGIO was observed by SA JOSEPH A. VERICA driving CALOGERO SINATRA and ANGELO BRUNO with BRUNO's wife SUE as passenger in Philadelphia.

PH T-8 on June 19, 1962, said PETER MAGGIO on that date drove CALOGERO SINATRA from PETER MAGGIO's residence to Trenton, N.J., that evening.

PH T-8 had reported on June 18, 1962, that SINATRA was seen leaving the side door of Penn Jersey Vending with RALPH MARANCA on that date, who drove SINATRA to BRUNO's residence.

It is to be noted that SA's EDWARD D. HEGARTY, DAVID W. BREEN, and JOSEPH A. VERICA on June 26, 1962, saw PETER MAGGIO arrive at the Immigration and Naturalization Service Office in Philadelphia with SINATRA for the purpose of having SINATRA interviewed by Immigration and Naturalization Service Agents that date. Photographs of SINATRA and PETER MAGGIO, walking together, were obtained by SA HEGARTY on this date.

PH T-5 identified SINATRA as an "amico nostro," which is known to this source as a name applying to members of the organized Italian underworld.

It is to be noted that ANGELO BRUNO and PAUL GAMBINO along with others met SINATRA on his arrival at Idlewild Airport, New York, on June 16, 1962, as observed by Agents of the FBI. Further, PAUL GAMBINO is the brother of CARLO GAMBINO, previously identified as a member of "the organization."

Agents participating in this surveillance on June 16, 1962, were SA's ROBERT W. KENNEDY, SALVATORE J. FERRARA, RICHARD J. ANDERSON, and CHARLES G. DONNELLY.

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### ANGELO BRUNO's Military Service

T-1 advised that BRUNO claimed to him during April 1962 that BRUNO was a citizen of the United States since 1927, and that he had been in the Army and had papers in his home to prove it.

It is to be noted that BRUNO may have been a member of the National Guard even though no proof of this has developed. He was not a member of the Armed Services during World War II, and his Identification Record shows no current service.

### BRUNO's Physical Condition

During May 1962, T-3 advised that BRUNO told him on two occasions that he has an ulcer. Late in May 1962, BRUNO told T-3 that BRUNO did not properly take care of his ulcer.

T-3, in March 1962, said that BRUNO claimed to him that he had had a "sinus" operation, and did not agree with a doctor's opinion that he should not fly. BRUNO told T-3 that he, BRUNO, will "hemorrhage" at the drop of a hat.

### ANGELO BRUNO's Alleged Girl Friend, KAY CALAMARO

KAY CALAMARO is married to VICTOR "BOBBY" CALAMARO, and resides 1736 Ritner Street, Philadelphia. "BOBBY" CALAMARO as the result of a stroke cannot speak and is an invalid, but was formerly a close friend of ANGELO BRUNO as previously reported.

Philadelphia Confidential Informant T-7 advised that on May 19, 1962, ANGELO BRUNO went to CALAMARO's home at approximately 5 p.m. T-7 stated that KAY CALAMARO had never claimed to be ANGELO BRUNO's girl friend, but it was the informant's impression that KAY CALAMARO was BRUNO's girl friend based on KAY CALAMARO's reactions in BRUNO's presence.

### Travel

PH T-6 advised on February 2, 1962, that BRUNO contemplates a trip to Miami between February 7 to 12, 1962. On February 9, 1962, informant advised that a trip to Miami was planned for February 15 or

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16. On February 22, 1962, this informant advised that BRUNO was in Miami, and on February 27, 1962, advised that BRUNO had returned.

T-6 advised that on March 8, 1962, that BRUNO had contemplated flying to Miami March 10, 1962. Informant advised March 17, 1962, that BRUNO was in Miami to buy or sell an interest in a car rental agency. On March 18, 1962, informant said that BRUNO could not make the trip to Miami; that BRUNO was called out-of-town. On March 20 and 21, 1962, informant advised BRUNO was in Miami. On March 23, 1962, informant advised that BRUNO returned.

Informant on February 13, 1962, advised that ANGELO BRUNO was in Atlantic City, N.J., that date, to visit a JAMES DENATLE, Mays Landing, N.J., telephone number 5081 or 55081.

On April 30, 1962, informant advised that BRUNO was in New Jersey all day.

On May 16, 1962, informant advised that BRUNO, accompanied by PHILIP TESTA, was in Atlantic City, having left Philadelphia midnight May 15, 1962, and returning 7:30 a.m., May 16, 1962.

T-1 advised that on March 13, 1962, he was told that BRUNO had told him that he was going to Florida the following week, probably a Thursday.

T-3 stated that on February 10, 1962, BRUNO arranged to travel to New Jersey and was to meet unknown individuals at the Bo Bet Motel, owned by FELIX BOCCHICCO (Mount Ephraim, N.J.).

On September 20, 1961, PAUL LUSH, Eastern Airlines Representative, International Airport, Philadelphia, Pa., advised Special Agent JOSEPH A. VERICA that he had ascertained that SUE and MADELINE COSTELLO departed Philadelphia, 11:30 p.m., September 19, 1961, Eastern Airlines Flight 841. From prior investigation it is known that this is the usual means of reservation utilized by Mrs. CHARLES I. COSTELLO and SUE BRUNO.

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FRANK ALENO (Phonetic)  
aka Big Frank  
Operator Fruit Store  
1901 Moore Street  
Philadelphia, Pa.

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T-6 on May 11, 1962, reported that PHILIP TESTA and ANGELO BRUNO held a meeting on this date at the "Fruit Store." The party they saw was contacted by "LU LU" ESPOSITO who arranged to have this party present. BRUNO would not make the contact directly to arrange the meeting.

T-8 said "Big Frank" is a former bootlegger who did four to six months in a Federal Penitentiary for this offense. In 1957 or 1958 he operated a still which was financed by PHILIP TESTA.

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ROCCO AULETTO, aka  
Rocco Latters, Roxy Allen  
Philadelphia Police Department #90180

PH T-8 on April 11, 1962, reported that he observed ANGELO BRUNO in the company of ROXY ALLEN, Camden, N.J., at 7 p.m. on April 10, 1962. The purpose of their meeting was not known to the source. Source also recalled that PHILIP TESTA and ANGELO BRUNO at the same time were to visit a friend in the University Hospital. It was not known if ALLEN accompanied them or visited BRUNO for this purpose.

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SALVATORE AVENA, aka Sam,  
Attorney, 425 West Market Street,  
Camden, N.J.; #2 Devon Road,  
Cinnaminson Township, N.J.  
Phone: Talmadge 9-0019

T-8 on March 2, 1962, reported that BRUNO was awaiting the return of SAM AVENA from Miami, Fla., or Puerto Rico, to have AVENA make necessary transfer of officers of Garden State Vending Company. AVENA had gone to Miami or Puerto Rico the preceding week in the company of MARIO MAGGIO.

This same source reported on April 2, 1962, that in addition to AVENA and MARIO MAGGIO, "CHINZEY" (JAMES M. SALVATORE, 116 Merion Road, Colwick, N.J.), the son-in-law of MARCO REGINELLI (deceased) also had accompanied AVENA and MAGGIO to Puerto Rico. "CHINZEY" presently owns a liquor store in Camden, N.J.

PH T-6 on April 10, 1962, reported that AVENA will handle the legal aspects of the business for Garden State Vending. Further, BRUNO continues to exercise control of the operations of Garden State Vending.

PH T-8 on May 11, 1962, reported that BRUNO obtained the services of SALVATORE AVENA, attorney, 425 West Market Street, Camden, N.J., to contact SONNY LISTON at LISTON's training camp during this week. The purpose of AVENA's contact with LISTON was not known to the source; however, the source did state he believes BRUNO has a proprietary interest in SONNY LISTON's contract.

PH T-8 on May 17 and 18, 1962, stated AVENA made several attempts to contact BRUNO at Penn Jersey Vending, Inc., on each date but failed to find BRUNO in at the time he called.

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PH T-8 on June 21, 1962, stated that SALVATORE AVENA attended a meeting with ANGELO BRUNO in the vicinity of 8th and Christian Streets, on this date. PAT MASSI was also present at this meeting; however, MASSI departed for private conference with BRUNO, then AVENA did the same. The purpose of each meeting was not known to the source, nor was the topic discussed known to the source.

PH T-6 on June 27, 1962, reported AVENA again contacted BRUNO at approximately 1 p.m. on this date at Penn Jersey Vending, Inc., but, in BRUNO's absence, AVENA departed.

PH T-3 on June 21, 1962, reported that SAM AVENA contacted BRUNO on this date for the purpose of reporting the progress he made with the principals who are handling the PATTERSON-SONNY LISTON bout in Chicago on September 25, 1962.

The source stated it appeared BRUNO exercises considerable control over these negotiations being handled by AVENA.

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GABRIEL BERK, Attorney  
Offices: 1420 Walnut Street,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
Office Telephone No. PE 5-2144  
Residence: 616 Webb Road,  
Elkins Park, Pa.  
Home Telephone No. MELrose 5-5310

T-8 on May 21, 1962, reported that ANGELO BRUNO is presently using the services of Attorney GABRIEL BERK, Penn Square Building, 1420 Walnut Street, Philadelphia. On May 21, 1962, Attorney BERK and his assistant, (FNU) RUSKOFF and DAN BUCCERONI, also known as Don Battles, appeared at Penn Jersey Vending and conferred with BRUNO. It is to be noted that this source reported that DON BATTLES the day before had lunch with BRUNO and it was at this time this meeting was set. This source reported on May 31, 1962, that BERK again conferred with BRUNO at BRUNO's offices.

T-6 on June 5, 1962, said that GABRIEL BERK made BRUNO aware that an organization, not identified, desired to sell cigarette vending machines and the entire business for \$200,000. No additional details were known by this source.

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MARTIN BERNSTEIN,  
Bartender, Open Door Cafe,  
12th and Locust Streets,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

T-8 on March 29, 1962, reported that MARTIN BERNSTEIN is the bartender at the Open Door Cafe, which was opened March 26, 1962. He works for its owners, MAX WEISBERG, SAMUEL HOFFMAN, SOLLY GLEANER, and JOSEPH KANEFSKY.

BERNSTEIN is repaying \$60.00 weekly to ANGELO BRUNO's vending machine serviceman to defray the \$5,000 loan BRUNO and LOU LALLI made to the Open Door Cafe.

T-6 on April 11, 1962, said that he was told by BRUNO and several other people that KANEFSKY and HOFFMAN visit the Open Door Cafe practically daily.

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UNSUB, aka "Blond Babe,"  
Operator of a store at  
11th and Wharton Streets,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

T-8 on April 12, 1962, stated that "Blond Babe," who operates a store at 11th and Wharton Streets, whose identity is unknown to him, attended a meeting in the back room of ALFONSO MAIORIELLA's barbershop, 902 South 8th Street, on this date. IGNATIUS DENARO and ALFRED IEZZI were present. BRUNO, at the same time, held a meeting across the street at 907 South 8th Street, SONNY RICCOBENE's luncheonette, with several unknown individuals. A courier was moving between both meetings.

T-24 on June 24, 1962, stated "Blond Babe" is a numbers writer known to him for many years taking numbers action at 11th and Wharton Streets, Philadelphia. He has never been known to T-24 by any other name.

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BARNEY BROOKS  
1900 Pennsylvania Boulevard  
LO7-5709  
Employed as a clerk,  
Philadelphia County Courts

T-21 on March 7, 1962, said BRUNO, MITCHEL COHEN, ABE SEROT, and BARNEY BROOKS held a meeting, this date, at GIARDINO del TORINO's Restaurant, 826 South Eighth Street, concerning the action desired by BRUNO on the part of BROOKS and COHEN in behalf of RALPH MARANCA's and DOMINIC COLOZZI's local court cases. COLOZZI was to be tried March 14, 1962, for A and B on a Philadelphia Police officer. On March 8, 1962, informant said BRUNO told COLOZZI he had contacted MITCHELL COHEN to bring about favorable action in COLOZZI's case. Further, he contacted BROOKS to do the same for RALPH MARANCA.

T-8 said BARNEY BROOKS is a good political contact man and court fixer.

He "hangs out" at LEW TENDLER's, Broad and Locust Streets, and at Fourth and Gaskill Streets, where FRANK MATTEO, number writer, has a bar. The "Jewish hang out" is at Fourth and Gaskill according to informant.

BARNEY BROOKS is a clerk in Philadelphia Courts and is assigned to handle hotel and travel accommodations, etc., for visiting judges within the state who sit to hear cases in Philadelphia county when needed to supplement the courts. (per ADA F. EMMETT FITZPATRICK to HOLMES)

T-1 on April 4, 1962, said BARNEY BROOKS is a court clerk fixer who has been used by BRUNO in this capacity.

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DAN M. BUCCERONI  
aka DON BATTLES  
Fairmount Manor Apartments  
IV2-2426  
Maitre d', RDA Club  
249 North Juniper Street (L03-5843)  
Philadelphia, Pa.

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T-8 reported BRUNO met with DON BATTLES, Maitre d', RDA Club, and two unknown men at the Italian Restaurant, Tenth and Catherine Streets on May 15, 1962.

On May 21, 1962, this source observed BUCCERONI, accompanied by Attorney GABRIEL BERK, 1420 Walnut Street, PE5-2144, and BERK's assistant RUSSKOFF visit ANGELO BRUNO at Penn Jersey Vending on this date. The business discussed was not known.

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RUSSELL BUFALINO (LCN)(T-4)  
304 East Dorrance Street  
Kingston, Pa.

T-6 on February 8, 1962, said RUSSELL BUFALINO and MAX "WILLIE" WEISBERG visited ANGELO BRUNO at Penn Jersey Vending, Inc , on February 8, 1962. BUFALINO was driving a car bearing Pennsylvania license V80-957. It is noted this license is registered to RUSSELL A. BUFALINO, 304 East Dorrance Street, Kingston, Pa.

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LEWIS CAMPBELL, aka  
Lew Campbell  
936 Randolph Street  
Camden, New Jersey  
Phone EMerald 5-3912  
Philadelphia PD No. 37790

T-8 on May 28, 1962, advised that ANGELO BRUNO, through a second party, contacted LEW CAMPBELL, desiring to meet him in Philadelphia that date. They agreed to meet at Dante's Restaurant, Tenth and Catharine Streets, that date. BRUNO then had in his presence SAM CARIOLA, labor organizer for the hotel and restaurant workers union from Buffalo, New York. CAMPBELL was to meet them in Philadelphia at approximately 3:15 p.m. that date. CARIOLA was making efforts to leave his organization and become affiliated with the AFL-CIO.

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