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LA COSA NOSTRA, BUFFALO DIVISION, AR.

BASED ON INFORMATION FURNISHED BY BU THREE FIVE SIX DASH C. ROCHESTER, NY PD ON OCTOBER SEVEN LAST CONDUCTED RAID ON PREMISES OF PARAGON NOVELTY SHOP. OPERATED BY IRA SOLOMON. AKA MUGGSY. WHO IS ALLEGE TO BE PAYING OFF TO SAMUEL RUSSOTTI. REPUTED LIEUTENANT AND ENFORCER FOR FRANK VALENTI. LCN CAPO AT ROCHESTER.

POLICE OBSERVED A RUNNER FOR SOLOMON PICKING UP BETS AT THE NOVELTY SHOP AND DEPOSITING THEM IN A MAILBOX IN A NEARBY APARTMENT HOUSE. BEING NOTED THE POLICE. FOR SEVERAL MONTHS. HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO LOCATE BETTING SLIPS ON PERIODIC CHECKS AT THE NOVELTY SHOP. A QUANTITY OF BETTING SLIPS ON WORLD SERIES AND HORSE RACES WERE SEIZED AT THE NOVELTY SHOP AND APARTMENT HOUSE. IN ADDITION TO SOLOMON. FOUR OTHERS WERE ARRESTED FOR BOOKMAKING AND INMATES OF A GAMBLING PLACE. DAILY HANE ESTIMATED AT TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS.

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