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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Through efforts T-1 subject BRADING located Vancouver, British Columbia. T-2 advised PEREIRA reserved suite at Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, 8/21 to 8/24/53. Royal Canadian Mounted Police advised Seattle subject BRADING arrested by Canadian Immigration Authorities, Vancouver, B.C., on or about 8/19/53. RCMP advised Vancouver businessmen lost \$700 in poker game and \$8,000 in dice game with subject BRADING and GERALD D. ALLEN. Dun and Bradstreet, Los Angeles, advised American Vending Machine Association, Los Angeles, operated by CLARENCE V. ROADES that GERALD D. ALLEN formerly connected with Brade Enterprises, Los Angeles, and that Dundee Limited, Los Angeles, operated by subject PEREIRA is member of American Vending Machine Association. Background ROADES and ALLEN set out. T-1 advised ARTHUR LEWIS CLARK, Sr., living in Beverly Wilshire Hotel, Los Angeles. T-1 advised CLARK and PEREIRA would leave for Denver and Chicago to attend Vending Machine Convention. CLARK and PEREIRA observed leaving International Airport, Los Angeles, for Denver 8/20/53. Denver advised CLARK and PEREIRA arrived Denver same date, departed Chicago 8/21/53. Denver advised ERNIE B. WOODARD, Kansas City gambler, accompanied by T-3 left Denver for Chicago 8/22/53. Chicago advised CLARK and PEREIRA arrived Chicago 8/22/53. T-1 advised CLARK and PEREIRA returned Los Angeles 8/24/53. T-2 advised PEREIRA received \$1,989 from C. SMALDONE, Denver, Colorado, 8/26/53. T-1 advised BRADING arrived Los Angeles 8/28/53 and that PEREIRA moved to Bel Air District, Los Angeles. T-1 advised CLARK left Los Angeles for Denver 9/9/53 and unable to identify CLARK's female companion in Denver, Colorado. T-4 advised would report

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unusual activities of PEREIRA. Contacts with T-5 set out. Identification record of ALLEN and ROADES set out. No record Los Angeles Police Department and Los Angeles Sheriff's Office on MARTIN TELLER.

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DETAILS:

At Los Angeles, California:

T-1, of known reliability, advised she attended a wedding anniversary party given by the subject, PEREIRA, and his wife at their apartment, 442 South Roxbury Drive, Beverly Hills, California, on the night of August 7, 1953. While there, T-1 heard Mrs. PEREIRA remark to a guest that "JIM" had sent her some lovely flowers. ARTHUR L. CLARK, JR., then advised T-1 that JIM (subject BRADING) was somewhere in Canada about to make a touch and that PEREIRA was leaving Los Angeles in about ten days possibly to meet BRADING and conclude a confidence scheme on an unknown victim.

T-1 later furnished an envelope which came with the aforementioned flowers and bore the name "Darling's Florist Shop, Los Angeles, California."

DON BROWN, Manager, Darling's Florist Shop, 650 South Olive Street, Los Angeles, advised that his shop delivered some flowers to Mr. and Mrs. VIC PEREIRA, 442 South Roxbury Drive, Beverly Hills, California, on August 7, 1953. BROWN stated the

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flowers were requested to be sent by Western Union Telegram and exhibited the following described telegram: Vancouver, British Columbia, dated August 7, 1953, 12:04 p.m., addressed to Mr. and Mrs. VIC PEREIRA and bore the following message "Congratulations and many more happy years," signed "JIM."

BROWN stated the flowers were sent from Elliott's Flower Shop, 937 West Georgia Street, telephone Tatlow 2020, Vancouver, British Columbia.

T-2, of known reliability, advised that PEREIRA had reserved a suite in the Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, from August 21 to August 24, 1953.

T-1 advised that CLARK, Jr., stated BRADING was in jail in Canada but would be out in a few days and would return to Los Angeles.

On August 19, 1953, Seattle advised that Sergeant MC DONALD, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, telephonically advised that subject BRADING was now in custody of the Canadian Immigration and Naturalization Service since he was in Canada illegally; that BRADING had been keeping company with another man who might possibly be subject PEREIRA but who is suffering from arthritis in the neck and shoulders and it was not possible to make a positive identification of him even with the photographs.

According to Sergeant MC DONALD, BRADING states that he was in Victoria, British Columbia, on about July 29 and 30, 1953, from where he went to Qualicum Beach, located on Vancouver Island, staying at the Qualicum Beach Hotel for a couple of days. BRADING states he then moved to the Kattle Crest Lodge, which is an exclusive lodge, where he met another American, GERALD D. ALLEN, who was there with his wife and three year old child. GERALD D. ALLEN then left, according to BRADING, returning to the United States, while he himself came to Vancouver stopping at the Hotel Vancouver. He was at the Hotel Vancouver from August 3 to 7, 1953, and GERALD D. ALLEN and his wife were likewise at the hotel, they having apparently returned to Vancouver from the United States.

BRADING checked out of the Vancouver Hotel on August 7, 1953, and went up to the rather exclusive Jasper Park Resort, staying at the Jasper Park Lodge, and he was apparently at Jasper

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Park Lodge from about August 8th until about two or three days before August 19th. He states that he became friendly with the ALLENS and that the ALLENS' reservations at the Hotel Vancouver had been arranged for by a Mr. MC LEAN, a prominent Vancouver businessman and automobile dealer. The ALLENS had also gone to Jasper Park and had also returned to the Hotel Vancouver.

Sergeant MC DONALD states that when inquiry was made by the Vancouver Police Department at the Vancouver Hotel, the management advised that the name BRADING was familiar to them and that he had checked out on August 7, 1953, but had been very friendly with the ALLENS who were located on the seventh floor. In checking with Mr. MC LEAN he stated he did not know too much about BRADING but that he was a friendly sort of individual who liked to play golf, spent money freely and usually picked up the check. It was then learned from Mr. MC LEAN that BRADING was back in Vancouver and was in the ALLENS' suite which is where the police found him. BRADING explained that upon his return to Vancouver he had found no accommodations and in mentioning it to the ALLENS they had suggested that he stay with them in their suite.

After BRADING was taken into custody the ALLENS packed up and stated that they were going back to the United States. They furnished an address of 250 South Beverly Hills Drive, Beverly Hills, California; however, MC LEAN states he had occasion to correspond with ALLEN at this address and the letter had been returned to him undelivered.

ALLEN is driving a 1953 Cadillac, model 75, with California license 1W44371, Serial number 03946. He is believed by MC LEAN to have another Cadillac and a Lincoln.

Upon the second interview MC LEAN admitted that in a poker game with BRADING and ALLEN he had lost \$700 which he had paid and that in a dice game he had lost \$8,000; however, he has not made a settlement on the \$8,000 loss inasmuch as he was fixing to give them \$10,000 in stock which they could negotiate and return him the balance due. Since the detention of BRADING, and it having come to MC LEAN's attention regarding the fact that BRADING has been convicted on a confidence scheme, and the fact that his associate ALLEN may be of similar caliber, Sergeant MC DONALD indicated that there may not be a settlement on the \$8,000 loss.

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The Royal Canadian Mounted Police described ALLEN as being 42 years of age, about 5'9" but stated it is hard to tell his exact height because he is somewhat slouched over due to the arthritis in his shoulders and neck. He weight 170 pounds, has a fresh, reddish complexion, brown hair, dark, parted on the left side, and wears dark green sunglasses. He enjoys golf. He states he has not been working lately since he has been troubles with arthritis. The woman accompanying him is allegedly his second wife, who is very blond, wears her hair tight, straight back, is attractive, about 32 or 33 years old, with a small girl, also blonde, three years old.

BRADING had only sixty cents in his possession when he was detained. He tried to put in a call to a man he said was PEREIRA in Los Angeles, requesting PEREIRA to send him \$100. He gave PEREIRA's address as 8255 Beverly Boulevard, Dundee, Ltd., telephone Webster 35574. He telephoned this number but got no answer. He then stated that PEREIRA was probably out to lunch and he tried to call him collect at the Tail of the Cock or Tail of the Cat Restaurant; however, the cafe would not accept the call, and when advised that the customer, Mr. PEREIRA would accept the charges, they determined that there was no PEREIRA there.

Sergeant MC DONALD did not know just when BRADING would be returned to the United States.

According to Sergeant MC DONALD, the ALLENS left Vancouver about 3:00 p.m. on the afternoon of August 18, 1953.

The State of California, Department of Motor Vehicles, Los Angeles, advised that California license 1W44371 is listed to a 1953 Cadillac sedan, motor number 537503946 and is registered to Brade Enterprises, Inc., 250 South Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills, California.

ROBERT R. RAYCE, Dun and Bradstreet, Los Angeles, advised that CLARENCE V. ROADES operates the American Vending Machine Association which is made up of the following seven companies:

- 1) National Distributing Company, Kansas City, Missouri;
- 2) National Industries, Denver, Colorado;
- 3) Brade Enterprises, 250 South Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills, California;
- 4) Rocky Mountain Enterprises, Denver, Colorado;

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- 5) Interstate Manufacturing and Processing Company, Los Angeles, California;
- 6) Security Enterprises, Denver, Colorado;
- 7) Dundee, Ltd., 8255 Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles (operated by subject PEREIRA and ARTHUR L. CLARK, JR.)

RAYCE said that GERALD D. ALLEN was formerly associated with ROADES in the Brade Enterprises Company but according to his information had left Los Angeles. RAYCE stated that ROADES owned ninety per cent of the stock in these companies and that these companies distributed vending machines which dispensed cosmetics for men and assorted candies.

RAYCE advised that ROADES has now moved into the office occupied by Leet, Inc., 233 South Beverly Drive, Los Angeles, and that he had entered a partnership with CHARLES J. CORLEY who operates this company.

RAYCE advised that ROADES is in a poor financial condition at present and that his bank account is in a low four figure.

RAYCE furnished the following description of ALLEN and ROADES:

Name	GERALD D. ALLEN
Race	White
Age	55 years
Height	Approx. 5'6"
Weight	160 lbs.
Peculiarities	He is a semi-hunchback due to arthritis; is continually claiming to be in pain.
Name	CLARENCE V. ROADES
Race	White
Age	35-38 years
Height	5'5"
Weight	160 lbs.
Hair	Dark brown.

The files of the Los Angeles Police Department and Los Angeles Sheriff's Office reflected no record of ALLEN or ROADES.

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The files of the Los Angeles Retail Merchants Credit Association were checked by SE B. FRANK CROSS and reflected no record of GERALD D. ALLEN.

The files of the Los Angeles Retail Merchants Credit Association as checked by SE B. FRANK CROSS reflected the following information concerning ROADES.

Address given as 723 North Linden Drive, Beverly Hills, California; former addresses 10744 Chalon Road, Bel Air, California; 252 West 52nd Street, Kansas City, Missouri. Employer shown as Brade Enterprises, 250 South Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills, California; states that he is president of National Distributing Company, Kansas City, Missouri (vending machine company). Wife's name given as ZORA ROADES; shows wife and six children dependents.

Denver advised that GERALD D. ALLEN for several years up to the summer of 1952 was known as a professional gambler and close associate of the gambling element in Kansas City, Missouri, and Denver, Colorado.

T-1 advised that ARTHUR L. CLARK, SR., was presently staying at the Beverly Wilshire Hotel, Room 535, Beverly Hills, California.

T-1 advised that PEREIRA and CLARK, Sr., were leaving for Denver and Chicago in the next few days and would attend a vending machine convention in Chicago. T-1 stated they were actually attending this convention in Chicago to gamble with suckers.

PEREIRA and CLARK, Sr., were observed by the writer to leave the Los Angeles International Airport on United Airline Flight 706 at 11:55 a.m., August 20, 1953. This flight was due to arrive Denver, Colorado, at 3:20 p.m., Pacific Daylight Time.

Denver advised that PEREIRA and CLARK, Sr., arrived Denver at 3:30 p.m., August 20, 1953, and that they had reservations on United Airline Flight 648 leaving Denver at 7:00 a.m., August 21, 1953, to arrive Chicago 12:30 p.m. same date. Denver also advised that T-3, of known reliability, accompanied by ERNIE B. WOODARD, with alias "BIG EARS" WOODARD, Kansas City gambler, had reservations on same flight to arrive Chicago

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August 22, 1953. T-3 advised he had heard BRADING was in Canada and that he would attempt to ascertain from PEREIRA the exact location and nature of BRADING's activities.

Chicago advised that CLARK, Sr., and PEREIRA checked in the Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, at 4:16 a.m., August 22, 1953, and that while there CLARK received a collect call from POLLY THOMPSON, telephone number Florida 5590, Denver, Colorado.

T-1 advised that PEREIRA and CLARK, Sr., returned from Chicago to Los Angeles on August 24, 1953.

T-2, of known reliability, advised that PEREIRA received a \$1,989 money order from C. SMALDONE, Denver, Colorado, on August 26, 1953, with the following message: "Have CHICK call EUGENE at GR 7936, 8:00 Denver time." Denver advised that Grand 7936 is listed to the residence of EUGENE SMALDONE, with alias CHECKERS SMALDONE, 3314 37th Avenue, Denver, Colorado, and that his brother, CLYDE SMALDONE, with alias FLIP FLOP SMALDONE, resides at 3042 West 41st Avenue, Denver, Colorado, and that he has telephone number Glendale 6217. Denver further advised that the SMALDONES are well known Denver mobsters and gamblers and that their headquarters are Gaetanos Restaurant, 3760 Tejon Street, Denver, Colorado, telephone number Glendale 9852.

T-1 advised that the subject BRADING arrived in Los Angeles on August 28, 1953, and was staying with ARTHUR LEWIS CLARK, Sr., at the Beverly Wilshire Hotel, Los Angeles. T-1 advised that BRADING had purchased a new home in the Bel Air District, Beverly Hills, California, and that they had moved into this home at 1514 Bel Air Road, Beverly Hills, California, on August 29, 1953. (1514 Bel Air Road actually is located in the city limits of Los Angeles.)

T-1 advised that subject BRADING on September 2, 1953, moved to his apartment which is located at 9649 West Olympic Boulevard, Beverly Hills, California. In a telephone conversation subject BRADING advised T-1 that CLARK, Sr., left for Denver on September 9, 1953, and that CLARK, Jr., was in Texas.

T-1 advised that she was unable to ascertain the identity of the 38 year old blond woman who was a companion of ARTHUR LEWIS CLARK in Denver, Colorado. T-1 advised that CLARK, Jr.,

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had returned to Los Angeles and that he was now living with the PEREIRAS at 1514 Bel Air Drive, Los Angeles, California.

T-1 advised that she had dinner with CLARK, Jr., BRADING and FRANKIE HARDWELL at HARDWELL's apartment, 312 South Reeves Drive, Beverly Hills, California, on the night of September 22, 1953. T-1 stated that during dinner CLARK, Jr., said that he and BRADING were making a little side money playing golf with suckers at the various clubs in Beverly Hills, California.

On October 7, 1953, T-1 advised that she had not seen subject BRADING for the past few days.

T-4, of unknown reliability, advised that she would inform the writer of any unusual activities of PEREIRA.

T-5, of known reliability, advised that the following contacts were made with PEREIRA at telephone Webster 35574 from August 10, 1953, to September 1, 1953:

<u>Date</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
8/10/53	Webster 35574	BRADING at Jasper, Alberta, Canada
8/14/53	Webster 35574	Chicago, Illinois Wabash 24400
8/17/53	Collect from Mr. HANRAHAN, Denver, Colorado, CH 6170	Denver, Colorado Keystone 8516, D. N. CAREY
8/17/53	Webster 35574	ARTHUR CLARK, Tacoma, Washington, Broadway 2141 (Call placed from Bradshaw 23697 and billed to Webster 33574.
8/18/53	Collect from Seattle Washington, Logan 9759	Webster 35574

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<u>Date</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
8/18/53	Webster 35574	Chicago, Illinois Wabash 24400
8/19/52	Webster 35574	Denver, Keystone 8516, D. N. CARREY
8/20/53	Webster 35574	Miami Beach 54546, ALLEN SETLAND
8/20/53	Webster 35574	Wabash 24400, Chicago, Illinois
8/21/53	Webster 35574	ARTHUR CLARK, Main 2181, Denver, Colorado
8/24/53	Chicago, LD 1081, Room 719	Webster 35574
8/25/53	Webster 35574	Head of Police, Vancouver, B.C., telephone 12
8/26/53	Webster 35574	R. L. BAUMAN, Riverside 9097, Dallas, Texas
8/26/53	Webster 35574	GL 9852, Denver
8/26/53	SMALDONK, GL 9859, Denver	Webster 35574 and to ARTHUR CLARK
8/28/53	Webster 35574	Miami 825411
8/31/53	Webster 35574	GL 6217
9/15/53	Webster 35574	GL 9852, Denver
9/15/53	Webster 35574	GL 6217, Denver.

T-5, of known reliability, advised that Bradshaw 23697 is listed to Leet, Inc., 233 South Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills, California, and that the numbers Crestview 53697 and

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Crestview 52761 were also listed at this address. T-5 further advised that this company had two out of state telephones, namely Acoma 7741, Denver, Colorado, and 9-968, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

The following is an identification record of CLARENCE V. ROADES as set out under FBI number 3449918.

Contributor of Fingerprints	Name and Number	Arrested or Recd.	Charge	Disposition
PD, San Francisco, Calif.	Clarence Budd Rhoads #70868	4/24/43	enrt. USM (STSA)- Enrt Oakland, Calif.	
PD, Oakland, Calif.	Clarence B. Rhoads #41338	5/21/43	forgery & hold	6/17/43, guilty by plea, 4 yrs. prob. restitution \$536. @ \$25 per mo.
SO, Oakland, Calif.	Clarence Rhoads #35448	5/22/43	forgery	6/17/43 4 yrs. prob. *
SOS War Dept.	Clarence Budd Rhoads #56-MOD	2/9/43 (prt. rec. 8/6/43)	sheetmetal helper	
Dept.	Rhoads #109-HMW			
SO, Oakland, Calif.	Clarence Budd Rhoads #App.Special	7/25/44	special deputy	

* Clarence Rhoads #35448 SO Oakland Calif 5/22/43 forg 6/17/43 4 yrs prob 6/26/47 prob terminated def allowed to withdraw plea of G & pleads NO said info is dism by the Crt and the defend rel fr all penalties and disabilities resulting fr the crime of which he had been convicted.

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Contributor of Fingerprints	Name and Number	Arrested or Recd.	Charge	Disposition
PMG, War Dept.	Clarence Budd Rhoads #109-SEP-13	Truck Driver 11/14/44		
DCGO, 12th Naval Dist., San Francisco, Calif.	Clarence Budd Rhoads #012-1/12283102	Ident Card 1/31/45		
PD, Denver, Colorado	Clarence Victor Rhodes #764184	7/17/52	DK. Dist. & Resistance	

DESCRIPTION

Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	5'10 1/2"
Weight	196 lbs.
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
Build	Stocky
Complexion	Ruddy
Birth	6/27/17, Detroit, Michigan
Residence	Kansas City, Missouri, in 1952
Citizenship	Native born
Company	Hurley Marine Works (as on prt #109-SEP-13)
Occupation	Assistant Manager
Alias	C. V. RHOADS

The following is an identification record of GERALD D. ALLEN as set out under FBI number 442347.

Contributor of Fingerprints	Name and Number	Arrested or Recd.	Charge	Disposition
PD, Fargo, N.D.	Edmex D. Allen #862	6/15/32	embezzle- ment	dism. and TOT PD Mpls., Minn.
SC, Fargo, N.D.	E. D. Allen #209	6/28/32	embezzle- ment	dism.

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Contributor of Fingerprints	Name and Number	Arrested or Recd.	Charge	Disposition
FD, Minneapolis Minn.	Edner D. Allen #24556-I-2-	7/27/32	O.G.U.F.P.	
PD, Ft. Smith, Ark.	Gerald Allen #979	applicant for position 10/2/41		
SOS War Dept.	Gerald Allen #101-OML-1	Prod. man radio 9/18/42		
SOS, War Dept.	Gerald Allen #107 VEC	purchasing Dept. 6/24/43		
FD, Kansas City, Mo.	Gerald D. Allen #56064	8/11/46	inv. GL	9/3/46 disch
SO, Kansas City, Mo.	Gerald Dunbar Allen #16087	8/12/46	GL	9/3/46 case dism at req of comp witness

DESCRIPTION

Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	5'7"
Weight	163 lbs.
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Hazel
Complexion	Fair
Build	Medium
Birth	9/22/13, Salem, Illinois
Residence	315 E. Armour, Kansas City, Missouri, in 1946
Citizenship	American
Company	The Veredo Co. (as on prt #107 VEC).

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The files of the Los Angeles Police Department and
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A photostatic copy of the Los Angeles Retail Merchants Credit Association report is being placed in the Los Angeles file.

Photos of ALLEN and ROADES were obtained from the Identification Bureau and are being placed in the Los Angeles file.

It is noted that GERALD D. ALLEN is the subject of Los Angeles file 87-803.

Not shown
T-1 advised that CLARK, Jr., stated the two attorney friends of his father that he had referred to previously were SID HARRIS and CHARLES SYLVESTER. (SYLVESTER is a law partner of SID HARRIS with offices at 50 Madison Avenue, New York City, New York. These attorneys are representing BRADING and PEREIRA in instant case.) CLARK, Jr., said that SYLVESTER was soon to be appointed a Federal Judge and that he was going to fix things so PEREIRA and BRADING would never serve time.

T-1 advised that CHARLES SYLVESTER met CLARK, Sr., and PEREIRA in Denver, Colorado, on or about August 22, 1953, and then came on to Los Angeles where he is presently registered in the Beverly Wilshire Hotel, Beverly Hills, California.

T-1 advised that CLARK, Sr., PEREIRA and SYLVESTER held an all day conference in PEREIRA's office located at 8255 Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles, on August 25, 1953. T-1 advised CLARK, Jr., stated that after another conference held by CLARK, Sr., BRADING, PEREIRA and CHARLES SYLVESTER on August 29, 1953, it was decided that SYLVESTER was to take \$35,000, return to New York City, then proceed to El Paso, Texas, where he would attempt to distribute this money to "the District Attorney" and other officials who might have influence regarding BRADING and PEREIRA's case. CLARK, Jr., also stated that SYLVESTER received a \$35,000 fee from PEREIRA and BRADING.

T-1 advised that she had dinner with SYLVESTER, BRADING, Mr. and Mrs. PEREIRA and CLARK, Jr., on the night of August 30,

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