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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>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</p>			
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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 Kettle 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 weighs 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 troubled 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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