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fired him several weeks ago when WILLS showed up drunk at the club. WILLS has stated he is going to Reno, Nevada, after January 1, 1968, to work for TOM MOORE at the Holiday Hotel, Reno.

ROSS BARNES made a few payoffs for GEORGE BARNES to winning bettors, but VANSCOY described ROSS BARNES as a mental case, stating on one occasion ROSS had trouble locating the address of a customer and had to call back to the club four different times to get the address correct. ROSS BARNES is no longer associated with the bookmaking operation.

The police dogs used to guard the Penn Club belong to VANSCOY and are kept on a chain; however, the chain is short enough that a person can enter the club through the front door without the dogs getting to him if he is careful. There are no windows in the club and those inside have no view out except through the front door. It has a front and side door, both re-enforced with 1/4" steel plate. Two phones are in the club, GR 8-1577 and GR 8-0102. Both VANSCOY and BARNES answer the phones and accept bets for each other when one of them is not there. The club is no longer open to the public in the evenings.

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BARNES is in bad financial shape and is financially backed by KENV FLANERY and E. C. "JÜNK" JOHNSTON. In spite of the fact that the club grosses an average of \$100,000 weekly from bettors, BARNES has lost between \$20,000 and \$30,000 this year. VANSCOY gets the "line" from DALE HINES in Tulsa and lays off bets to HINES. FLANERY gets line information from R. D. NATTHEWS in Dallas, Texas, and from unknown individuals in Kansas and New Orleans, Louisiana. FLANERY has also accepted some bets and phoned the information in to the Penn Club. One of these bets was from a man in Okmulgee, Oklahoma.

BARNES lives at various motels trying to elude the Oklahoma City Police Department. He currently is registered under a fictitious name in Room 121 at the 89er Inn, Oklahoma City. He has been there about 3 weeks and formerly

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