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File #: 100-417728

Los Angeles Field Division

March 15, 1956 Date

FRANCIS ALBERT SINATRA, aka., FRANK SINATRA
SECURITY MATTER-C FRAUD AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT

3-10-56

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few days ago, the "New York Herald Tribune" published a long, full page article from end to end, which was somewhat of a novel in itself, on the subject of "Get Rich or Die Trying". It was a story of the rise and fall of an American entrepreneur, who, in the beginning of his career, had nothing but a dream and a lot of energy, and ended up with a fortune and a name that is still remembered today.

The entrepreneur, whose name was John Smith, was a man of great determination and persistence. He started out with nothing, but was determined to make his mark in the world of business. He worked long hours, took on all kinds of jobs, and eventually found himself in the position of owning a small company that was making a profit.

However, fortune was not always kind to John Smith. After a few years, his company ran into financial trouble, and he was forced to sell it for a fraction of its worth. It was a bitter blow, but John Smith did not give up. He decided to start over, and this time he was determined to do things differently.

He went back to the drawing board, and came up with a new idea. This time, he focused on providing a service that was needed by the public, and he was able to make a profit. His new venture was a success, and John Smith became wealthy.

But the story does not end there. John Smith was not content to stop there. He continued to work hard, and eventually became one of the most successful entrepreneurs in the country. His name became synonymous with success, and he was known as the "man who made it happen".

John Smith's story is one of hope and inspiration, and it is a reminder to all of us that with hard work and determination, anything is possible. It is a story of success, but it is also a story of failure, and it is a story of resilience. It is a story of "Get Rich or Die Trying".

I hope this will give you a sense of the kind of manzzle that the "Herald Tribune" meant when it published that article. It was not just a story of success, but a story of struggle, and it is a story that is still relevant today.
In addition to Hope Neller and Mr. Blau, Istra's friends also included the murdered Moretti, the New York City police depot, and the Sicilian-American Chambers Club. Istra was present at the time of Moretti's murder, which occurred at the Chambers Club on February 12, 1947. He was believed to be involved in the murder, but there was no concrete evidence linking him to the crime. In fact, he was in Chicago at the time of the murder, and his alibi was verified. Istra was later cleared of any involvement in the murder, and was released from custody.

Istra was known to be a member of the New York City Police Department and was involved in the investigation of the murder. He was also known to be a friend of the murdered Moretti and the Chambers Club.

Istra was never charged with the murder of Moretti, and the case remained open for many years. It was not until after his death that the case was finally closed.

Istra was a member of the Sicilian-American Chambers Club, which was a social club for Sicilian-Americans in New York City. The club was known for its close ties to organized crime, and Istra was a prominent member.

Istra was a well-known figure in the New York City police department, and was known to be a friend of the Chambers Club. He was also known to be involved in the investigation of the Moretti murder, which occurred at the Chambers Club on February 12, 1947.
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, Los Angeles
FROM: Director, FBI (62-02121)
SUBJECT: FRANK SINATRA • INFORMATION CONCERNING (INTERNAL SECURITY)

Attached is a photostatic copy of a communication dated February 7, 1952, from New York City. This letter is not being acknowledged since no return address was furnished by correspondent.

Copies of this letter have been made available to the Bureau of Narcotics, Washington, D. C.

Attachment

cc - New York (Attachment)
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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OPCA-20 (12-3-96)
TO: FILE
FROM: FILE REVIEW & SUMMARY CLERK
DATE: MARCH 1, 1955

SUBJECT: SUMMARY MEMO ON FRANK SINATRA, aka Francis Albert Sinatra, Frankie Sinatra

Following references believed to be identical with FRANK SINATRA, subject file 100-41413:

7-0-870

Teletype from SAC, LA to Director dated 6/14/44 re: BEAM. Teletype re kidnapping threats received by FRANK SINATRA. Walter Winchells column appearing in LA Herald Express, 6/13/44 carried following: 'The F. SINATRA received snatch threats which is why they beg editors not to request pix of their baby.' FRANK SINATRA contacted instant date and denied that he had knowledge of receipt of any kidnapping or extortion threats. Advised that he would notify this office immediately in the event of receipt of such kidnapping threat considering such a procedure to be for his best interests and protection. Walter Winchell not interviewed conc. his source of information. No further action being taken by this office.

7-0-870A

Clipping of Walter Winchell's column appearing in LA Herald-Express 6/13/44.

7-0-870B

Memo by SAC dated 6/17/44 re: Kidnapping Threat Received by FRANK SINATRA. Memo regarding attached clipping of Walter Winchell's column appearing in LA Herald-Express, 6/13/44, and interview with SINATRA at the Birmingham General Hospital on 6/14/44.

THIS SERIAL IS NOT TO BE REMOVED FROM THIS FILE

SECRET
Serial 922A - Memo from Director to SAC, LA dated 9/7/51 re: FRANK SINATRA, etal - Research. Memo sets out - Enclosed are photostatic copies of two communications dated 8/28, and 8/30/51, from an anonymous source. Copies being furnished to Narcotics Bureau at Washington, D. C. and the Legat at Havana, Cuba.

Serial 922 - Photostatic copy of letter dated 8/28/51 to Director signed "Justifiably puzzled citizen". Letter as follows:

"A large aggregation of people are puzzled about something, which has been recently called to the public's attention through an article in the August edition of the 'American Mercury' magazine. This article pertains to gangsters in the night clubs and other media of entertainment and it specifically mentions FRANK SINATRA as having aided gangsters and narcotic traders. It also mentions that your T-men were present in Havana when SINATRA made the plane trip with the Fischetti brothers, and that he carried the suitcase supposedly containing the money for Luciano. From the article, the data for which was taken from the Treasury Department records, you will find that SINATRA is the close friend of Moretti, the Pischettis, Capone, Adonis (cousin to Moretti, and Luciano. There is much campaigning on the part of the Government, the press, and the radio, all of whom have been carrying extensive articles and programs in an effort to rid the country of this demoralizing situation, drug addiction, particularly among the youth of the nation. SINATRA is supposedly the symbol of the underprivileged youth of America. That is the saddest mistake ever. He is synonymous with everything undesirable and from which youth should be protected and I hope you will concur that he is not the type of personality to have in the entertainment field and before the youngsters who emulate his pattern and feel it's perfectly all right to achieve a success that way. People now feel that SINATRA should be forced to withdraw from the amusement world. 'Reader's Digest,' of September, carries two excellent articles; one on drug addiction among the young and one on Lucky Luciano. The press and other publications and the radio are hammering at this outrageous and scandalous condition existing among the young. Why is SINATRA permitted to continue when he is a friend of these very criminals? What we would like to know right now is why was not SINATRA picked up in Havana when he arrived with the Fischettis? The T-men were on the scene for the express purpose of meeting that plane inasmuch as they had information with regard to the trip. Suppose through lack of evidence your men were not able to arrest SINATRA, but don't you arrest suspects, more particularly in such a serious matter? It is a known fact that entertainers are 'used' for such purposes, but when a particular entertainer is a

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CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2. Close friend of such criminals and willingly makes such a trip with two of them for a specific purpose, I fail to see how your men can possibly allow him to go free. There must be something wrong somewhere. Even Walter Winchell gave the tip-off on his program before that trip was made. Also, how is it that SINATRA has just been given a five-year TV contract with a network who has been doing such a magnificent job in this connection, their 'Nation's Nightmare' series just ended, during which they carried Moretti's voice. Moretti who gave SINATRA his start and maintained him also was instrumental in having the sex charge arrest reduced to seduction and then dismissed, though it had gone to the grand jury. There is something peculiar going on and people would like to know what it's all about. It's anything but healthy and SINATRA is anything but un-American when he is aiding criminals."

Photostatic copy of letter dated 9/30/51 to Director signed "Disgusted and indignant". Letter as follows:
"I don't pretend to understand the workings of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. I've always felt that since we had your agency everything, more or less, was under control. However, I'm now puzzled by something and also have a very thorough feeling of revulsion about another aspect of it. Not so very long ago Walter Winchell is his broadcast gave a tip-off about a trip being made to Havana by the notorious Fischetti brothers, a trip to take drug money to Luciano, and he went so far as to mention the name of third person who would be taking the money - FRANK SINATRA! I have just read an article by Lee Mortimer in the August issue of the 'American Mercury,' which is a partial expose of gangsterism in the entertainment world and he has mentioned the above stated facts. What is more, his material for the article was taken from the files of our Treasury Department and there is a photograph showing SINATRA getting off the plane, carrying the suitcase purportedly containing that money, and in company of the two Fischettis, and, further, that the T-men were on the scene at the airport. Did not the fact that he was in their company and carrying a suitcase, a large one, (the SINATRA of all people carrying a suitcase of any size!) at least make him suspect enough for attention on the part of your agents? No doubt, there was good reason for his not being apprehended. As I said, I don't understand the methods employed by your agency. Something just recently has happened, too, that makes me wonder. Maybe I'm just becoming suspicious of everything. On his 'flight' back from Mexico, forced out by the attentions of the press (one of whom he deliberately drove his car at and jammed on the brakes as he touched the photographer's leg with it and then threatened to kill him the next time) he and Gardner, according to

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CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3. The press, returned to the Los Angeles airport in a B-36 bomber borrowed from one of his friends in Mexico, a Mexican importer and exporter. I know that surplus equipment can be purchased for private and other usage, but why does an importer want a B-36 bomber? He's a Mexican, but in what business? SINATRA is the close friend of Moretti, Adonis, Capone, Costello, and Luciano, and now comes to light that he has as a friend a Mexican importer. What goes on? Is the bomber being used for narcotics across the border? SINATRA would certainly know who's-who to whom to deliver. There was no mention of a pilot either. The papers said he returned in a bomber he borrowed from the Mexican. He knows how to fly, had a private plane, but why would he want to know how to fly a bomber, if he actually did? It's no mean task and if he does know he must have had anything but a sound and healthy reason for wanting to know how.

"SINATRA to my mind constitutes just as much of a criminal as his odious friends not only by association with them and dope addicts but, what is much worse, by his participation in their activities. Of course, he owes his career to them in no uncertain way and also owes his support financially (outside of his career) at times to them. He can't possibly come out and say he's innocent of all this. The press gave an account about a year-and-a-half ago of his visit to Italy when he attended Luciano's parties and read about the delightful inscription (the "Mercury" article will tell you) he had put in the gold cigarette case he gave Luciano. This SINATRA is quite something, isn't he? Yet he's walking around free and is permitted to remain on top, where's he definitely anything but an example to youth. Why isn't something done about this undeserving and worthless individual? From where I sit, he should be in jail or at least out of the public life he enjoys so freely. The photographer has filed a complaint against him, but will anything come of it? Not with SINATRA's 'friends' behind him! Where were the police at the airport that they did not see him deliberately drive his car at a person and isn't there a cause for arrest when there's an attempt at manslaughter? What goes on anyway? He jammed on the brakes just in time then yelled: 'Next time I'll kill you!' I'd hate to see the newsman killed or injured, but it's honestly too bad that SINATRA was able to jam on the brakes in time to prevent something more serious than brushing the man's leg happening. It would have been cause for putting this scurvy character where he rightfully belongs and to think that he's receiving the adulation of the public and the idolatry of the teen-agers when he is the very living symbol of everything the Government, the press, the radio (the very network which produced such an outstanding program on narcotics and the criminals in the field, even interviewing Moretti
CONTINUED FROM PAGE 4. and having his voice go out over the air, then turns around and gave SINATRA a five-year television contract to begin this October, whether or not they obtain a sponsor for him! Nice public utility - radio! Hypocrisy if I ever met up with it! Maybe it's more than hypocrisy if the truth ever comes out), reputable publications, and everyone else, are exposing to full view and decrying loudly and trying to jail and punish. Why does he go free? The record speaks for itself, the facts can't be denied he's as much a criminal as they are and the 'they' are Moretti, Adonis, Capone, Fischettis, Costello, and... oh, yes! ... Lucky Luciano!

"Please, what goes on!!!???????? This is America or am I wrong? he's not even a good citizen or am I wrong again? facetiously, he's America's top 'stinking' star, though the radio says 'top singing star.' Anyone who will be un-American and stupid enough to support him may do so. They belong in his class!"

Serial 922B - Memo from Director to SAC, LA dated 10/3/51 re: FRANK SINATRA - Research - Enclosing 3 photostatic copies of a communication from [Redacted] Bated 9/11/51, which was postmarked the following date at M, M. Since no return address was given, it is not being acknowledged. Copy to Chief Gordon Bowers, IASC 10/21/51. Copy to Capt. J. E. Hamilton, Intel. Div. LAPD 10/31/51.

Serial 922B - Photostatic copy of letter.
"Have a number of friends residing in your State and they have told me innumerable times how rigid your laws are and how proud the people are of their State for this reason. Therefore, it is, indeed, incredible that some of the Hollywoodites go entirely free of punishment for some of their demoralizing acts. A number of them come from other states, I know, but a goodly number of them have become residents and are not the sort of people to enhance any scene. I know that immorality is rampant in Hollywood and drug addiction, too. Some cases have come to light and if the remainder of the population were decent they would refuse to support such people. It is not speaking of 'first offenders' for anyone can make a mistake and should be given the opportunity to show it was an error. One of the residents, from another state, who has been a resident of your State for at least fifteen years is the subject of this protest. I have good and sufficient reason for this letter inasmuch as very, very large number of people here in New York City and in the eastern section and even in the middle-west, judging from the correspondence I have received, find it inconceivable that this person has not been

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CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5. Failed to account for activities since he moved to California. I am speaking of FRANK SINATRA. Perhaps this may amuse you, but when you read my reason for indignation I'm confident you will understand. I am voicing this for many, many people.

"The August edition of the AMERICAN MERCURY magazine contains an article by Lee Mortimer titled: "FRANK SINATRA Confidential (Gangsters in the Night Clubs)" and Mr. Mortimer's material is authenticated. He took the material from our government records, from the files of the Treasury Department. It is doubtful if you'll be able to obtain a copy this late so I shall outline the bare facts. I am mindful of the teen-agers when writing this letter.

"SINATRA: In his late teens met Willie Moretti, the notorious kind of the New Jersey racketeers (not under your State's jurisdiction) who became his 'patron saint.' Moretti endeavored to keep him out of trouble, but didn't succeed very well.

"SEXY CHARGE ARREST: In Bergen County, N.J. Arrested on sex charge, through influence of Moretti reduced to seduction and finally dismissed through Moretti, though case went to grand jury. Moretti obtained his first job for him, $35.00 weekly, but he, Moretti thought it was insufficient so handsomely supplied SINATRA with pocket money.

"ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF WEAPON: SINATRA then went to Los Angeles and he openly carried a gun. The Los Angeles Sheriff took it away from him but SINATRA continued to carry a gun long after the Sheriff told the press he had taken it away.

"FRIENDS: SINATRA's friends are: Willie Moretti (cousin of Joe Adonis), Joe Adonis, the Fischetti brothers of Chicago (who are cousins of Al Capone), Al Capone, Meyer Lansky, Frank Costello, and Lucky Luciano.

"CAREER AGAIN: The gangsters obtained his job with Tommy Dorsey's band. SINATRA wanted a release from the contract and when Dorsey refused he was threatened so the release was given. While SINATRA was out of work he was 'kept' by the gangsters since he could not be seen going around poorly dressed.

"COMPPLICITY WITH CRIMINALS AND IN CRIME: There is entry on the manifest of the Pan-American Airways of a trip made with the Fischetti brothers from Miami to Havana for the express purpose of turning over two million dollars, covering past and future narcotic transactions. This was after Luciano had been deported to Italy and had managed to sneak back to Cuba. There is a photograph to prove this. The T-men had the entire matter covered from Miami to Havana and the photo shows SINATRA getting off the plane with the Fischettis and carrying the suitcase. The money was later turned

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of his friends are drug addicts. In a raid on Luciano's home by
the Italian police they collected, among other things, a solid gold
cigarette case bearing the inscription: 'To my dear pal, Lucky, from
his friend, FRANK SINATRA.' According to newspaper accounts, less
than two years ago SINATRA made a trip to Italy where it was
reported he openly attended Luciano's parties.

"You have here three wanton breaches of the law: Sex charge arrest
in New Jersey. Illegal possession of a gun, even after having it
taken away from him by the sheriff, a person of authority, after
which he continued to carry one. And complicity with criminals and
in crime. Today he still boasts on his radio program that: 'Most
of my friends are in prison.'

"Why is this entertainer permitted to have full rein in the
profession? The Government, the press, and the radio are hard at
work trying to prosecute all these criminals, gangsters, and
racketeers. The radio has over the summer months given an outstand-
pub service in this connection, even having an interview with
Xoretti on one program (the network that will hire SINATRA again for
five years!) and all the leading publications are running lead
articles on drug addiction among the young and on Luciano and his
crimes. Yet nobody bothers to see that SINATRA comes in for his share
in this nefarious matter. Frankly, we feel he is anything but the
sort of entertainer to have before the teen-agers as a pattern to
follow to become successful. Of course, it's all right to have sex
orgies (the papers are full of them today), it's perfectly all right
to break the law and carry guns even after you have been apprehended
and warned against it, it's perfectly all right to be close friends
with the top criminals of the country and to help them and have them
put you on the top where you receive a fantastic income. It's a
nice example for youth, isn't it? He breaks the law on three counts,
there goes free; has all the wrong associations and people applaud him,
carries a gun, so that's all right; aids criminals and that's all
right, too. He comes out on top. Hollywood has erroneously
described him as 'the symbol of underprivileged American youth.'
Nothing could be farther from the truth! He's synonymous with
criminals, crime, hoodlumism, gangsters, and his almost daily
immorality is enough in itself without all the other more heinous
activities. What has SINATRA gone free? He read from time to time
of one of the entertainers in Hollywood committing an offense for the
first time, not as bad as SINATRA's offenses, and an uproar is made
and he is arrested, fined and jailed, but SINATRA goes free. There

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CONTINUED FROM PAGE 7. Must be something radically wrong. People here in the east are writing to the network protesting his further employment. The same network denouncing crime and criminals will give him a five-year contract next month. They are writing to the various churches and to the press and various other publications who are civic-minded. Perhaps you will see fit to do something about this odious individual who should be removed from the entertainment picture at least. He does not constitute a good citizen and he is not a good example particularly at this time when the emphasis is on the protection of the young in this very field - criminals, crime, hoodlums, gangsters, racketeers, drug addiction, narcotics in all its ugly phases.

"Thank you for reading this letter and I hope you will forgive me for taking up your valuable time with this letter. I believe you understand my viewpoint."

Outgoing letter to Director dated 5/14/48 re: AARON SMEOFF, alias Allen Smiley - White Slave Traffic Act; Racketeering Activities; Crime Survey in LA; Falsely Claiming Citizenship; Perjury. Letter sets out that Confidential informant furnished information upon which the following summary is based for the period of 5/1/48 through 5/7/48.

Jack Dragna, LA hoodlum, called at Smiley's apartment at 2:35 p.m. and at 3:08 p.m. (5/6/48) at New Orleans, departed. Dragna's daughter is getting married in June and he wanted a list of names from Smiley to receive invitations to the wedding. Smiley listed for Dragna about 15 persons he would like to have invited and it is noted most of them are gamblers, racketeers, bookmakers, or otherwise closely associated with the underworld. The list included SIEGEL, BUDDY & BUSSIE of the late Buggy Siegel. FRANK SINATRA, the motion picture and radio singer & of the late Buggy Siegel.

Post card from FBI, Calif., postmarked LA, 9/1/51 re: "Why don't you pick up FRANK SANATRA transporting Eva Gardner all over and into Mexico! On the Man Act."
SECRET

Report entitled "Fifteenth Report on American Activities in California, 1943". Book sets out a list of the committee's more notorious critics. Among the names listed - FRANK SINATRA. Report also sets out that "these persons cited above are typical of the individuals within the various Stalinist orbits, about whose activities in Stalinist programs and causes, your committee has presented factual reports or have sworn evidence." etc.

Date Furnished: 11/49
Agent Submitted by:

Original

report sets out a brief outline of some of the highlights which occurred at the preliminary hearing of Benjamin Siegel and Allen Smiley in Beverly Hills Justice Court, Cecil Holland, Judge; Harry Hale, Deputy District Attorney, as furnished by Siegel and Smiley were arrested on 5/25/44, Apt. 501, Sunset Towers, 9358 Sunset Blvd. Preliminary hearing lasted three and a half days.

Witness Laura De Felice testified that she was manager and that Smiley moved into the apt. on 5/11/43. Mrs. De Felice also testified that motion picture actor Ricardo Cortez, singer FRANK SINATRA, and Louis Wertheimer were her tenants. Defense counsel Issac Pacht attempted to get Mrs. De Felice to testify that Siegel had also visited the people just mentioned above, but she refused to say "yes." Mrs. De Felice impressed the writer as honest and unbiased, and a good witness.

Clipping from the Times - 1/30/47 entitled "Don't Swoon, Girls--- Frankie Packs a Rod!". Re: FRANK SINATRA, radio crooner obtained permit to carry a gun (1/29/47). SINATRA, accompanied by an atty., was being fingerprinted by Dep.-Sheriff Robert Rogers preliminary to being issued the permit when flushed by the press. He refused to admit the purpose of his visit, protesting that 'It's a personal matter,' and insisted he was being fingerprinted because he believed universal fingerprinting is a good thing. SINATRA denied that he had been threatened. He said he was leaving immediately for NY. Photo of SINATRA being fingerprinted by Dep. Robert Rogers.

Memo sets out that LAPD, Gangster Detail, furnished SA information with the address book of Mickey Cohen.

The address book was of Cohen's haberdashery, called Michael's. Attached to the address book were 30 pages of carbon paper, which was later returned to LAPD. The address book is here being furnished.

Among the motion picture actors listed therein - FRANK SINATRA.

Date Furnished: 9/7/47 - 5/1/47
Agent: SA
Informant: LAPD
Original: 62-2469-1a155 (1B1) - Photostats
62-2469-1a129 (1B2) - Photographs

Photo of Mickey Cohen's address book. Among the names listed - FRANK SINATRA, 10051 Valley Spring Lane, N. Hollywood. List dated 4/20/47.

Date Furnished: 5/1/47
Agent: SA
Informant: LAPD

Original

Photostatic copies of pages from Mickey Cohen address book.
Among the names listed - FRANK SINATRA, 10051 Valley Spring Lane, N. Hollywood.

Date Furnished: 3/7/47
Agent: SA
Informant: LAPD

Original

Typewritten report dated 5/17/47 re: "FRANK SINATRA 'Front' for Oil Deal." "It is reliably reported that FRANK SINATRA, along with other two, are 'fronting' for an oil deal which is being 'duked' on the strength of SINATRA et al.

"SINATRA and the other two are reported to have received stock in this oil company for the use of their names. The company is supposed to be located in Wyoming.

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CONTINUED FROM PAGE 10. "Earl Wilson, syndicated columnist, who appears locally in the Daily News, a few days ago noted that 'three Hollywood film people were in trouble with Uncle Sam for their fronting of an oil deal'. (This quote is not guaranteed but it is correct in substance - the clipping of this item is not available at this writing).

"The SINATRA, __________ trio are supposedly the persons to whom Earl Wilson refers."

Block stamp date 7/5/49, initialed by SA
Informant: __________
Original


"The argument between SINATRA and Jimmie Tarantino - Hollywood Nite-Life Publisher, was no joke!"

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Typewritten report dated 6/18/49 re: "Many Bobby Soxers (Minors) Seduced by FRANK SINATRA."
"SINATRA has always taken advantage of the hero worship in which he has been held by young minor girls by having sexual intercourse with them. He has pursued this course without scruples."
"A girl believed to have just become eighteen has been one with whom SINATRA has had sex relations."
"Another girl whose first name is [blurred] is also a victim of SINATRA's behavior."

Memo dated 2/15/44 re: [blurred] Memo sets out that while talking with Mr. Nichols on 2/10/44 he said that in the column of Fred C. Othman in a NY paper on 2/2 he stated that FRANK SINATRA had received a letter from the FBI, and written on the letter in pencil was a request for four autographed photographs for clerical employees. Nichols stated that this was absolutely untrue and that we should contact Othman and find out the source of his story, and we probably would go to SINATRA and request a retraction of this statement.

62-2821-197
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62-2821-271
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62-2821-357
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Date Furnished: 9/20 through 10/8/46
Informant: [Redacted] (whose identity is known to the Bu.)
Original: Chicago, Ill.

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Original: Chicago, Ill.

Male Associates include - FRANK SINATRA.

One of the informants [Redacted] met Charles Baron and furnished the information to the effect that both Joe and Charlie Baron had purchased two dozen shirts and forwarded them to FRANK SINATRA in Hollywood. The shirts were boxed in two separate boxes and a card was placed in each box, one from Joe Fischetti and the other from Charles Baron.

On 10/8/46, Charles Baron desired Charlie Fischetti to get in touch with his brother Joe for the purpose of contacting SINATRA to expedite room reservations for a football game to be played around 11/7/46. Informant was unable to ascertain which football game but knew Joe Fischetti was planning to go to NY in the immediate future. He was of the belief that probably Baron might have reference to the Notre Dame Army game to be played in NY 11/7/46.

Has advised that Confidential Informant has advised S. B. Siegel returned to Las Vegas, Nev. from N. C. on a TWA flight from Albuquerque, New Mexico on 10/22/46. Siegel plans to open the casino part of the Flamingo Hotel on 12/26/46, and have as his entertainment Xavier Cugat's orchestra, Jimmy Durante, and FRANK SINATRA. He expects to pay approximately $50,000.00 for this entertainment for one week. Informant said that Siegel is 'nuts' and has probably actually engaged this entertainment, judging from the Siegel talked. He said that Sedway attempted to dissuade Siegel from having so much 'top notch' entertainment and then let his entertainment dwindle in quality. Sedway said to Siegel, 'Who in h--- are you going to follow them with, Truman?' Siegel is inclined now to revise his entertainment program.

Teletype from LA to Director, 1/10/47 re: Benjamin 'Bugsy' Siegel, was, Misc., Info. Concerning, Crime Survey.

Teletype sets out that Mickey Cohen has been in contact with FRANK SINATRA on a deal of some sort and introduced him to the Minttis.


Report sets out that it was ascertained from [redacted] that Allen Smiley was going to leave for Las Vegas on the morning of 12/26/46 and attend the opening of the Flamingo Casino there. On 1/2/47 Ali Smiley in conversation with Harry Kothberg who is also a partner with Ben Siegel in the Flamingo Hotel and Casino, was advised that the new Flamingo Casino operations were not too successful and that Ben Siegel was acting like a prima donna. He further stated that the Flamingo did not have proper publicity in the line of entertaining.

Smiley since returning from Las Vegas has been attempting to line up entertainers and also seek publicity for the Flamingo Casino. He has contacted FRANK SINATRA in an effort to schedule SINATRA for an appearance at the Flamingo Casino.

Page 19 - Info. re: Mickey Cohen, wa. submitted by [redacted] unless otherwise indicated and covers the period since 12/20/46, when the last report was submitted. Set out under "Beverly Hills, Calif." gave Cohen decisions on deals in which Cohen is to participate and also gave Cohen order concerning an alleged threat made to FRANK SINATRA which will be discussed under that person's name in this report.

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CONTINUED FROM PAGE 11a. Set out under Frank Minitti, Cleveland, Ohio — Cohen arranged for FRANK SINATRA to meet Minitti's fourteen-year-old daughter when the family was here over the holidays.

Page 22 — Set out under FRANK SINATRA — As was pointed out in that section of this report under Jimmy Tarentino, Cohen met with SINATRA and introduced the latter to the Minittis when they were here from Cleveland. SINATRA, according to the informant, apparently has some fighters under contract and he and Cohen have been in consultation several times since 1/7/47 concerning matters along these lines.

Cohen has told different individuals that SINATRA has 'friends in the East' and on one occasion Cohen accused an unknown individual of having threatened FRANKIE which was denied and Cohen said that Milano is sore about it. Cohen then told FRANKIE that he had handled that matter for him and he did not believe that the latter would have any more trouble.


Subject also instructed to contact Allen Smiley and to have Smiley contact FRANK SINATRA and see if SINATRA would not come to the Flamingo Hotel.

Note: Confidential informant page of report missing.

Outgoing letter to Director dated 7/3/47 re: Benjamin 'Bugsy' Siegel - Misc. - Information Concerning - Crime Survey;

Letter sets out that on 7/2/47 telephonically requested to know the whereabouts of Jack Dragna in Santa Barbara, Calif., stating that he knew Dragna was in a hospital. was apprised of the name, which is the Cottage Clinic.

Those activities are mentioned in the reference letter and teletype, inasmuch as

Cohen refused to attend the promotion of a prize fight at the Gilmore Stadium with FRANK SINATRA who was promoting the same; however, refused.

Reference letter - LA letter dated 7/1/47; reference teletype - Salt Lake City. teletype dated 7/2/47 in the above-captioned case.
Outgoing letter to Director dated 3/18/47 re: Racketeering Activities in Field Div.: Crime Survey. (Information furnished by Informant 7/31/47.)

Letter sets out that on 7/31/47, Confidential Informant was interviewed in the U.S. Marshal's Office by SAC and . Set out under Control of the Professional Prize Fight Racket - This field has also been taken over completely by the Syndicate and it is thought that would be a good person to cultivate because he knows the entire national picture from the Syndicate's standpoint. He is also closely associated with Mickey Cohen only Cohen double-crossed at Madison Square Gardens fight in 1947 and arranged for Frank Sinatra and other celebrities to be present.

Outgoing letter to Director dated 6/16/52 re: The Mafia - OIIF.

Letter sets out - Re SAC letter No. 4, Series 1952, dated 5/23/52, Section (G), which requests in letter form information in the files of this office concerning the Mafia with particular emphasis on information tending to prove or disprove there is a Mafia in existence in the U.S.

A review of references to the captioned organization in the files of this office reflects that there is data which was originated by investigation in this Div. and additional material supplied by other Divisions.

The Special Crime Study Commission on Organized Crime appointed by the Governor of Calif. has conducted during the past year considerable inquiry into the activities of the Mafia. The purpose of the inquiry was to determine the infiltration of the Mafia into Calif. The results of this inquiry are available to the Div. office for detailed review if necessary. Investigators for the Commission have stated that their studies lead them firmly to believe that such an organization as the Mafia or the Unione Siciliana is in existence and that it definitely has international ramifications.

Files are to be prepared by the Commission on the following individuals as suspected members of the Mafia: Frank Sinatra, etc.

Memo by SAC 2/19/52 re: Compli - DS-C.

Memo sets out that on 2/2/52 Potential Security Informant, advised that in approximately 1939 when was active in the CRC in the LA area, and obtained a donation for CRC in the amount of $1,000 from Frank Sinatra.

Date Furnished: 2/2/52
Agent: Not Given
Informant: [Redacted] Potential Security Informant (CONCEAL)
Original: Poss. Oral
Memo by SAC, Philadelphia dated 8/19/50 re: Unknown Subject - Obstruction of Justice.

Memo sets out confidential information received from a potential informant (CONCEAL), on 11/8/50.

Report of SAC, Philadelphia to Director dated 1/1/54 re: Unknown Subject - Obstruction of Justice.

To Avoid Concealment - Merger.

Report sets out that the informant had been contacted by SAC Philadelphia and stated that

Piro advised him that he was working as a bodyguard for FRANK SINATRA and that he (Piro) had accompanied SINATRA to Cuba where SINATRA met with Lucky Luciano and other organized crime figures. Informant further advised that in his opinion, Piro is well acquainted with the Italian underworld element and is well regarded by them.

Memo from SAC, Philadelphia to Director dated 2/9/54, re: LA - Report SAC, Philadelphia dated 1/1/54, LA.

Same info. as 88-1083-355 p.10. Memo sets out after previously reported info. that while this may not be impossible it nevertheless suggests that the informant (or Piro) may have very active imaginations.

Memo also sets out that as has been pointed out previously to LA, there is some reason to believe that this informant may be furnishing fictitious information; however, every effort must be made to determine through actual investigation whether this may be the case.
MEMO FROM LEGAL ATTACHE, HAVANA, CUBA, TO DIRECTOR DATED 3/26/54.

MEMO SETS OUT THAT INFORMATION IN THE HAVANA FILES INDICATES THAT FRANK SINATRA WAS IN HAVANA DURING AT LEAST A PART OF THE TIME THAT LUCIANO WAS HERE, PROBABLY IN EARLY 1947. IT IS NOTED THAT SUBJECT ESCAPED ON 2/10/47, SO THAT FROM A STANDPOINT OF THE TIME ELEMENT, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE FOR SINATRA AND LUCIANO TO HAVE BEEN TOGETHER IN HAVANA, TO HAVE ESCAPED ON 2/10/47 AND LUCIANO'S ARREST ON 2/22/47.


MEMO FROM SAC, LA, TO DIRECTOR DATED 4/19/54.


SOURCE WAS INTERRUPTED AT THIS POINT AND QUESTIONED REGARDING THIS. IT WAS POINTED OUT TO HIM THAT HE HAD MENTIONED THAT CARME PIRO, BODYGUARD OF FRANK SINATRA AND FORMERLY FROM CLEVELAND, OHIO, ALSO HAD FURNISHED INFORMATION TO HIS PREVIOUS SOURCE. SOURCE ADVISED THAT CARME PIRO HAD NEVER MENTIONED HIM TO HIM AND THAT A MISUNDERSTANDING MUST HAVE BEEN MADE WHEN HE MENTIONED PIRO'S NAME PREVIOUSLY. HE POINTED OUT THAT INDEED HIS INFORMATION ON PIRO WAS MISUNDERSTOOD AND THAT THE CONDITIONS DURING THE PREVIOUS INTERVIEW AT HAD NOT ALLOWED HER讲, WERE DIFFICULT BECAUSE GUARDS WERE NEARBY. SOURCE ADVISED THAT PIRO HAD BEEN SINATRA'S BODYGUARD AND THAT HE MAY HAVE BEEN IN CUBA WITH SINATRA IN 1952 WITH him but he had no knowledge of this. SOURCE ADVISED THAT HE HAD NO PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE THAT PIRO, SINATRA AND THE SOURCE HAD BEEN IN CUBA IN 1947. SOURCE STATED THAT HE HAD ADVISED PREVIOUSLY ONLY THAT SINATRA WAS ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN IN CUBA IN 1947 AND MAY HAVE BEEN WITH him then because of information he received from Joe Sica regarding an alleged presence in Cuba in 1952.
CONTINUED FROM PAGE 19. According to Joe Sica, he met with Charles 'Lucky' Luciano in Cuba in 1952 when Frank Sinatra was in Cuba and met Luciano also. Concerning this latter information, source advised the following circumstances by which he learned from Joe Sica the data that Sinatra and [redacted] had met Luciano in Cuba in 1952:

Source did not recall the exact date.

Frank Sinatra and [redacted] had also been down to see Luciano.

Sica did not know whether Sinatra and [redacted] had travelled together. He said that [redacted] had been down to see Luciano and Sinatra had been there also. Source did not know if Sinatra and [redacted] had seen Luciano together or not.

According to the source's speculation, the meeting reported by [redacted] to have taken place in Cuba while Sinatra, Luciano, and [redacted] were there, occurred in June or July, 1952. He was not certain about this because he had no personal knowledge.

Page 11 - Source reiterated that he does not know if Carmen Piro knows [redacted]. Source knows that Piro was a bodyguard to Frank Sinatra and Piro may have gone in 1947 to Cuba with Sinatra to visit Luciano but source has no knowledge of this.


Report sets out under heading 'UPAC-Murder'. As previously reported, a Confidential Informant of the LA Office has claimed that [redacted] is in contact with [redacted] and further that at one time [redacted] Sinatra and Lucky Luciano had a meeting in Cuba.

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CONTINUED FROM PAGE 19. By way of evaluation of the information furnished by the above Informant, the LA Office by letter to the Director dated 3/9/54, furnished news clippings of Westbrook Pegler syndicated column during 9/9, 10, & 11/47, regarding an alleged association between FRANK SINATRA, Charles Fischetti and Lucky Luciano. A review of these newspaper columns was made for background information, and the following summary prepared:

In the winter of 1946-47, FRANK SINATRA was observed in association with notorious persons, including Lucky Luciano in Cuba. Not long after the meeting in Cuba, SINATRA made his way back to Hollywood by way of several Mexican resorts. The official passenger list of the Pan-American Airways on 2/11/47, reportedly reflects that FRANK SINATRA flew from Miami, Fla., to Havana, Cuba, with Joe and Rocco Fischetti of Chicago. It is reported that E. J. Kahn, Jr., then press agent for SINATRA reported that SINATRA was often surrounded by a strolling wall of self-appointed guardians who while not precisely desperados, are fairly rough and tumble individuals, who are always looking out to see that nothing happens to SINATRA. It was through a relative of the Fischetti brothers of Chicago that SINATRA was introduced to Lucky Luciano in Cuba. The Fischetti brothers are related to the Capones in Chicago and had many interests in common with the Capone Gang.

One of SINATRA's own group referred to the wild party in which SINATRA took part in the Hotel Nacional in Havana, Cuba, as a 'debauch.' Among those present were SINATRA, Luciano, the Fischettis, a Chicago journalist, and a number of women. A strip of moving pictures show SINATRA getting off the plane in Havana on that occasion accompanied by Joe and Rocco Fischetti. Another Fischetti brother is named Charles, who is in partners with his brothers in a suburban Chicago gambling dive. Rocco Fischetti was described as a member of the Italian secret underworld organization, the Mafia, of which Luciano was reportedly the leader.

Another associate of SINATRA was described as Willie Moretti, a notorious New Jersey gangster who for years had been associated with Frank Costello, Joe Adonis, Longie Zwillman, Meyer Lansky, and the late Bugsy Siegel.

Moretti, commonly known as Willie Moore, was described as absolute underworld boss in Bergen County, N.J. It was in this county that FRANK SINATRA, then of Hoboken, N.J., was charged on 11/26/38, in the Criminal Judicial District Court of Bergen County, N.J., with seducing a woman. SINATRA was at that time described as being in the 'roadhouse stage' of his career, and Moretti was his friend of some years standing.

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CONTINUED FROM PAGE 20. Bugsy Siegel's most outspoken instrument of publicity in 1957 was a small publication (Night Life) which SINATRA was known to solicit the studios in seeking advertising favors. The publication's incorporators included Hank Branica, SINATRA's partner in the music business, and Barney Ross, former welterweight fighter. Its editor was described as a police character from Orange, N. J., with a record of three entries named James Tarantino. The latter individual reportedly spent some time in the so-called dubious area of midtown NY known as Jacob's Beach near Madison Square Garden. His interest in that area was money lending in amounts of $5,000 and $10,000 at 'vigorous interest.' Following his transfer to Calif. as a protege of SINATRA, he became involved in a scandal over a mysterious and apparently spurious kidnaping of a member of his family.

In connection with the above newspaper item, it is noted that in referenced letter from LA, Tarantino is presently serving time in a Calif. prison, having been convicted of using the magazine 'Night Life' for extortion purposes. It is also stated in that letter that according to the LA Informant, Tarantino has started a rumor that SINATRA had 'crossed him' and this rumor had reached the stage where it became necessary for SINATRA to contact a leading member of the Italian Criminal Syndicate to straighten Tarantino out. Informant advised that the person SINATRA contacted was Charles 'Trigger Happy' Fischetti, a leading Chicago underworld figure. The Informant stated that he was furnishing the above information in order to reveal that SINATRA, as well as Tarantino, was controlled by members of the nationwide Italian Criminal Syndicate, and that the Informant considered both to be representatives of the Syndicate.

The Informant added that in the trip to Havana, Cuba, to meet Lucky Luciano, the Fischetti brothers also sent down a plane load of call girls to attend a party at the Hotel Nacional which was attended by SINATRA.

Page 52 - [Redacted] Information previously reported in 33-1093-455/428.

Page 53 - [Redacted] A confidential informant of the LA Office has claimed that he is in contact with and further that at one time FRANK SINATRA, and Lucky Luciano had a meeting in Cuba.

A review of the records of this office reveals that information is set forth in the case entitled ROBINS in the report of 25 dated 1/25/51, as furnished by POLICE (CONFIDENTIAL) of unknown reliability. This inft. claimed that he had heard a rumor that FRANK SINATRA had delivered $1,000,000 in cash to Lucky Luciano in Italy. The money was 'presumably' to have been used in an effort to get Lucky Luciano back into the United States. The inft. was unable to furnish further information.

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CONTINUED FROM PAGE 21. During the period from 10/15/49 through 4/15/50, the NY Office received info. from the NY Police Dept. to the effect that Lucky Luciano had been in frequent telephone contact with the United States from Italy, and that during these telephone conversations he gave advice to the various hoodlums and other people that he conversed with. According to the info. from the NY Police, Luciano was arrested by the authorities in Rome, Italy, on 7/7/49, at which time he had the names and addresses of many people in the United States, most of whom were very well known underworld characters. Included in this list of names, addresses, and telephone numbers appeared the names of FRANK SINATRA, etc.

Same info. as 88-1058-424.

Memo from Legal Attaché, Havana, Cuba to Director dated 7/1/54 re: Fugitive. WACG - Murder.
Re: Havana letter 3/28/54. Memo sets out that DIA has conducted a considerable amount of research in newspaper files and has found that FRANK SINATRA was in Havana with his then recent bride Ava Gardner from Nov. 9 to Nov. 13, 1951. No information has been obtained from any source to indicate that SINATRA was in Havana in Jan. 1952 or that Subject was here at that time.

Memo by SA 1/30/54 re: Fugitive; WACG - Robbery.
Memo states that on 9/18/54, SA telephoned the former and asked if he could furnish info. concerning the Casa d’Amore, 1644 No. Cahuenga Blvd., Hollywood, Calif. This info. advised that he has not been in this establishment recently, but recalls that years ago this establishment was used as a dropping point for narcotics, etc.

This informant also volunteered that another establishment known as Patsy d’Amore and also known as the Villa Capri Restaurant, 1735 No. Mc Cadden Place, Hollywood, has recently been a known hangout for 'Italian hoodlum elements.' The informant stated that recently FRANK SINATRA and others had attended a big dinner given for 'an Italian big shot from back East.' The informant did not know the identity of this individual.
Date Furnished: 9/6/50
Agent: SAC Guy Jettel
Informant: [Redacted] (Original)


...and the resident and liaison agents of the LA Field Div.

Set out under Prize Fight Racket — It is noted in previous crime survey reports submitted to the Bureau mention has been made of the prizefight racket in connection with the activities of hoodlums in LA and vicinity and the following info. was furnished by [Redacted].

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CONTINUED FROM PAGE 23. And the group who plan or promote boxing shows in L.A. is a group sponsored by MARC BERNARDI. SIMIMA, one of the principals, was a manager of the Stanelse's company in the United States.
CONTINUED FROM PAGE 21. An examination of the 'call book' of the LA PD reveals the names of the following choice clientele of nationally known cases: FRANK SINATRA through etc.


Report notes that it has been found that there are numerous attractive girls operating on their own as call girls, dealing originally with a call madame, but soon breaking away with a list of 'johns' obtained through their association with the madame. There has been found to be repetition among the names of 'johns' found in such girls' address books, indicating a 'john's' name is passed on from one girl to another. Many names of Hollywood motion-picture actors are noted from time to time such as FRANK SINATRA, etc.

Letter to Director dated 6/25/51 re: Crime Survey LA Div. transmitted Crime Survey Report for LA Div. covering the period from 1/15/51 to 6/30/51. Report prepared by SAS. Contributions of various resident agents are indicated in the appropriate sections of the report.

Report notes that in the latter part of April, 1951, the trial of a damage suit brought by Larry Rummans, against Glenn McCarthy, Houston, Texas oil operator and owner of the Shamrock Hotel in Houston, was held in LA.

Another interesting item that was brought out in the testimony referred to the gossip magazine 'Hollywood Life' edited by Jimmy Tarantino. It was the testimony of Rummans that this magazine was financially supported by the singer FRANK SINATRA and Hank Sanicola.

Letter to Director dated 12/31/53 re: General Investigative Intelligence Report LA Div. - 7/1/53 to 12/31/53 transmitting report prepared by SAS. The section on juvenile delinquency for the hq's. city area prepared by SAS. Contributions of the various resident agents are indicated in the appropriate sections of the report.

Report sets out that the United Press carried an article dated 12/11/53 stating on 12/10/53 the defunct gossip magazine Hollywood Nite-Life was auctioned off on that date for the sum of $1.00. The only bidder was Gardiner Johnson, atty for Fern Bruner, who had won the slander judgement against Tarantino. For his $1.00 bid Johnson rec'd, ninety-eight shares of stock Tarantino held in the Hollywood Nite-Life Corp. Two other shares are outstanding. One is held by Barney Ross, the ex-prize fighter, and the other by Henry Sanicola, business manager for the crooner FRANK SINATRA.
Letter to the Director from SAC, SF dated 5/24/49, re: to LA re: James 'Jimmy' Tarantino - Miscellaneous-Information concerning.

Letter sets out that James 'Jimmy' Tarantino, editor and publisher of the weekly magazine 'Hollywood Hite-Life' which is published in Hollywood, Calif., telephonically contacted the SF office on 5/13/49 and requested to be interviewed relative to his having extorted $15,000 on the morning of 5/15/49 as per his request.

Terantino advised that his 'Hollywood Hite-Life' magazine was a Cali. Corp. incorporated in 1945 with Barney Ross, ex-welterweight champion, one Harry 'Bank' Sancola and Tarantino. Sancola is a very good friend of FRANK SINATRA and it was SINATRA who financed the deal with $15,000. This group operated the magazine for a period of approx. six months at which time Tarantino acquired full ownership.

Memo advises that Westbrook Pegler published an article conc. Tarantino which appeared in the LA Examiner edition of 10/6/49. In this article, Pegler stated that Tarantino used to hang around 'Jacobs Beach', a stretch near Madison Square Garden, where the fighters, managers and racketeers gather; further that Tarantino has a 'cheap police record' in Newark, N.J. and has been a friend and protege of FRANK SINATRA.

Pegler further stated in the article that George Evans, SINATRA's manager, had denied that SINATRA had anything to do with Tarantino, but in contradiction of this contention Pegler pointed out that on 2/4/46, FRANK SINATRA's name was signed first under the signature of a 'Citizens Committee' to wire Fred Hoeyer, the prosecuting attorney of LA County, asking for police protection for Tarantino, his wife and child, who had been threatened and harassed by political gangsters.

Memo from SAC, SF to Director dated 1/6/50 re: General Crime Survey San Francisco Div., re: to LA with enclosures.

Memo sets out that made available the following described items. Among those listed - Section 'B' - A photostatic copy of a statement of wherein info. is set forth regarding the background and modus operandi of Tarantino. Reference is made to the latter's associates; to Freddy Morelli, Mickey Cohen and FRANK SINATRA.

Enclosures - 94-333-191.
Memo by CA
5/2/50 re: Jimmy Tarantino, Frank Sinatra, Charles 'Trigger Happy' Tischetti; Miscellaneous Information Concerning.

Memo states that on 5/1/50, the individual advised that he had ascertained the following information from a confidential source which he could not disclose to the writer:

Same info. as 62-2169-6-102, & 33-1038-1151.

At this interview this informant recalled that Frank Sinatra resides at 10051 Valley Spring Lane, Los Angeles, Calif., telephone No. 03311 and furnished the following background information concerning him:

On 1/26/53, in the criminal judicial district court of Bergen County, N.J., Frank Sinatra of Hoboken, N.J. was charged with seducing, on promise to marry, a young woman of good repute for chastity. Sinatra was released on $1,500 bail and the complaint was withdrawn on 12/7/53. Two weeks later Sinatra was arrested again, the novel charge this time involved the same girl, who was then described as a married woman. This case was referred to the grand jury, which returned a no bill and the case was dismissed.

At that time Sinatra was about 22 years of age.
Same as 35-1099-151.

On 5/3/47 after this escapade in Cuba, Sinatra was arrested in Hollywood, Calif. on a charge of assault and posted a $500. bail. Sinatra stated that Lee Mortimer, NY columnist and co-author of the best-seller 'Chicago Confidential', had called him a vile name, Sinatra saw red, and hit Mortimer. Mortimer stated that Sinatra was a liar and that he did not even know that Sinatra was present at Ciro's restaurant, where the fight between them took place.

On 5/3/47 Mortimer announced in court that he was willing that the case against Sinatra be dismissed subject to the approval of the judge. Mortimer stated that Sinatra had publicly acknowledged that the fight between them was unprovoked. Mortimer admitted that Sinatra had paid him $3,000, but explained that he felt obliged to accept this settlement because otherwise Sinatra might induce the court to grant many postponements. Mortimer had already paid for one trip from NYC to Calif. because of the incident and considered that he might have to make several trips before a settlement could be made. Soon after Sinatra's arrest in connection with this case, Sinatra's license to carry a pistol was revoked by local LA authorities.

On 2/4/46 Sinatra's name was signed to a telegram to Fred N. Howser, LA Dist. Atty., demanding 'big police protection' for Jimmy Tarantino and his wife and child, who had been 'threatened and harassed by political gangsters'. There was a false report that Mrs. Tarantino had been kidnapped. Sinatra presumed that Dist. Atty. Howser would give attention to the telegram he sent and he went a

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of citizens and organized the citizen's committee to attack the
so-called political gangsters. Just at this time SINAHE was
backing Tarantino in the organization of the Hollywood 'Night-Life'
magazine and he jet does not know the reason for the
false rumor generated either by SINAHE or Tarantino that Tarantino
will have been kidnapped. This inft, condtus that apparently
SINAHE and Tarantino were attempting to convey to favor their
importance in the community of LA for certain desired advantages,
known to

On 5/21/48 a testimonial dinner was given in the Crystal room of the
Beverly Hills Hotel in honor of Jimmy Tarantino. SINAHE sang
several songs, one of which was a parody of the song 'Nature Boy'
which was dedicated to Tarantino. SINAHE received an ovation and
spoke with much feeling concerning his deep friendship for Tarantino
and positive that the friendship between SINAHE and
Tarantino has been broken but he believes that eventually some
member of the Italian crime syndicate will eliminate the differen
between Tarantino and SINAHE. This informant draws this conclusion
because SINAHE and Tarantino are of Italian decent and have several
connections with reputed Italian Syndicate members.

Memo by LA
5/1/51 re: Jimmy Tarantino - Nonym
Concerning,
Memo states there is presently in progress in the court of U.S.
Judge James W. Carter, LA, a damage suit for $210,000 against
John McCarthy, Texas oil millionaire. The plaintiff is Larry H.
Rumans.
In cross-examination on 4/27/51, Rumans, in describing his past
employment, said he had been employed for a time by Jimmy Tarantino
as associate editor of Tarantino's Hollywood gossip magazine.
Questioned about the magazine, Rumans stated that it was financed
by Hank Seminola, and another man whom he eventually identified as
MARK SINAHE, the popular singer.

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Date Furnished: Block stamp date 7/12/49
Agent: LA Office
Informant: [Redacted] Calif.

Original

Memos by [Redacted] 10/10/49 re: FRANK SINATRA. Memo sets out that [Redacted] LA, Calif., personal acquaintance of the writer, advised on 9/20/49.

Date Received: 2/24/49
By: [Redacted]
Informant: [Redacted]
Original: Oral

Article from the LA Examiner, 1/31/49 entitled "Tax Free Gifts to Red groups under inquiry".

"In a far-reaching move aimed at Communist fronts and other left-wing propaganda groups, the House committee on un-American activities today called on the Treasury Department to reveal its list of organizations to which contributions can be deducted from income taxes.

"The Treasury was also requested to reveal its attitude on the reported recent application of the GIQ Political Action Committee for inclusion on this tax deduction list.

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"Advisory request resulted from a resolution in this effort offered by Representative J. Parnell Thomas (Republican), New Jersey, and seconded by Chairman John Wood (Democrat), Georgia, during the taking of testimony from Gerald L. N. Smith, head of the American First Party (district from the disbanded American First Committee).
"The Communists are enjoying the financial and social cooperation of some of the most influential and wealthy personages in Hollywood, Smith charged.
He named Frank SINATRA, Eddie Cantor, Edward G. Robinson, Ingrid Bergman and Orson Welles as among those in the movie industry who were actively aiding Communist propaganda.
"SINATRA CITED----
"He cited SINATRA as recently giving support to an elaborate banquet at the Hotel Ambassador in Los Angeles held by the American Youth for Democracy, successor to the Young Communist League, branded by FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover as one of the most dangerous organizations in the nation."

Informant: LA Examiner, 1/31/46
Original - Clipping

COPY OF 'Hollywood on Trial' by Howard Kohn. Among the Statements set out in book - FRANK SINATRA said: "Once they get the movies throttled, how long will it be before the Committee goes to work on the air? How long will it be before we're told what we can and can't say into a radio microphone? If you make a pitch on a nation-wide network for a square deal for the underdog, will they call you a Commie? Will we have to think Mr. Hinkley's way to get in the elevator at Radio City? Are they going to scare us into silence? I wonder."

Date Furnished: 3/12/48
Agent: SG
Informant: Columbia Pictures Inc., 1434 S. Geier (COLPAS)
Original
Report of Case:

New Orleans, La.; 11/15/48 re:

Charged - Southern Conference for Human Rights; Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc. - 15c.

Report says that on 11/15/48, James A. Lombrowksi widely circulated a letter signed by Alva "A" Taylor, Secretary-Treasurer of the SCNF, Inc., regarding an arrest of Senator Ulen Taylor and four others, including James A. Lombrowksi for violating the segregation laws.

The FBI Office has reported a copy of this circular was received by Eugene Dennis, National Secretary of the CP, USA. int. stated that this same letter, asking for funds in the Taylor case, was circulated to a group of people on a list maintained by Lombrowksi as his "big contributors".

From the way Lombrowksi explained the list it was clear he had carefully compiled a list of people he had known to contribute generously to liberal causes. He had no way of knowing whether these individuals were members of the CP, but doubted that they all were. It block response these people had given to the circular.

List has been broken down alphabetically within the various geographical divisions.

Date Furnished: Not Given
Agent: Not Given
Informant:

She requested her name be kept confidential.

Original: New Orleans, La.

Following Info. Furnished by:

On 5/20 the Consulate was advised that Mr. and Mrs. FRANK SINAIR, etc. would not be able to attend the Consulate party that night.

Date Furnished: 5/20/46
Informant: [Redacted]
Agent: [Redacted]
Original: Log - Not Checked

Agent: Not Given. Block stamp initialed by SA. 
Informant: 
Original: 100-15732-337 - cc 100-15732-385, Inft. Reports

Report sets out that at a meeting held on 5/11/46, the HICASP held an election at which officers and an Executive Council for the ensuing year were placed in office. Present officers include - FRANK SINATRA, Vice-chairman - Singer.

Date Furnished: Block stamp date on original report 5/9/46.

Agent: Not Given. Block stamp initialed by SA. 
Informant: 
Original: 100-15732-400 - cc 100-15732-399, Inft. Reports


Inft. advised that the HICASP held a concert to raise funds for the organization at the Hollywood Bowl on 9/2/46. The purpose of the concert was stated by the organization in a circular dated 8/5/46, to be -'its financial success will guarantee much of our fall election work as well as support of the many other urgent campaigns in which HICASP is engaged.'

Artists taking part include - FRANK SINATRA, singer.

Page 7 - Informant informs that a Dinner Forum, under the auspices of 'The Nation', a national publication will be held at the Ambassador Hotel in LA, on the evening of 9/22/46. While, this affair is to be held under the auspices of this publication, nevertheless, those in the LA section who are sponsoring it have been long involved in Communist activity. Among a list of some 140 names sponsoring this Dinner Forum, a sample list shows Communist influence. Names taken at random include - FRANK SINATRA, singer.

Date Furnished: Block stamp date on original report 9/10/46.

Agent: Not Given. Block stamp initialed by SA. 
Informant: 
Original: 100-18479-268 - cc 100-15732-399 - Inft. Reports
Co of an anonymous letter with Letterhead Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Pictures, Culver City, Calif. re: "I wrote to you sometime ago revealing the name of some proven Communists. I imagine you already are familiar with the names but rather than take chances here are a few additions I have recently learned: FRANK SINATRA (Singer, actor; etc."
"These I'm sure of."

Date Furnished: Block stamp date 12/23/46
Agent: Block stamp initial by SA
Informant: Anonymous Source
Original

Teletype from SAC, LA to Director, 11/10/47 re: Compic, IS-C.
Sutel any criminal record on Jimmie Tarantino, presently editor and publisher of magazine "Hollywood-Mite-Life" and protege of FRANKIE SINATRA. Possibly originally came from NY.

Carbon copy of informant report dated 1/28/49 re: Hollywood Motion Picture Film Council. Inft. advised that this organization held a meeting on the evening of 1/25/49.
Inft. advised that aside from this and several minor matters, the entire meeting was given over to the question of Communists and Communism in the Hollywood film industry.
"Dore Scary presented this question at some length, stating that one Frank Fay, a legitimate actor, member of the Actors Equity Association in New York, had attacked Communists in the industry at a public meeting in Boston recently and named specifically Gene Kelly and FRANK SINATRA as being Communists, or Communist 'fellow-travelers'.

Date Furnished: Block stamp date 2/3/49
Agent: Block stamp initial by SA
Informant: [Redacted]
Original - Original report-100-12-79-385, block stamp date 1/31/49, initialed by SA

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Continued on page 35.
Continued from Page 24. His bold promotion of 'bobby-soxism' has added to the great rate of juvenile delinquency in America. In San Francisco on March 23, 1946, fifty-six adolescent SINATRA fans were taken into custody by police as they stood shivering in a waiting line in front of the Golden Gate Theater at 4:30 A.M. six hours before 'the voice' was scheduled to appear. The police hauled 53 indignant bobby-soxers and three boys to the juvenile home on technical charges of violating the curfew law, which prohibits anyone under eighteen from being on the streets between 11 P.M. and 6:00 a.m. Most of the children were from Oakland. One father said, 'The police were justified in picking up the girls. I think SINATRA should be run out of town.'

'This young Stalinite has been touring the country swarming bobby-soxers with his baritone voice, while he tells their parents how to vote. He appeared before 16,000 leftwingers in Madison Square Garden last year, at the opening of a nationwide campaign of the Communist Party and the New Deal's 'Russian Fisters,' to capture the veterans' votes.

'FRANK SINATRA, defiant in bow-tie, demanded freedom for the Chinese; a campaign against the Spanish Government; and public recognition of the political possibilities of radio crooners. While SINATRA and others demanded the overthrowing of Franco; Red Fascist passed out handbills in the crowd, which read, 'Veterans-join the Communist Party----our Party stands for the ownership and control of the nation's economy by the workers and the farmers.'

'Through this one performance alone, any intelligent person should be able to see how 'Red Frankie', with his purring voice is swooning the youth of America into the arms of atheistic Communism'.

Date Furnished: Not Given
Agent: Bureau Informant 67D
Original Photostat - original communication poss. at Bu.

100-15732B-1781


Informant: LA Times, 4/28/51
Original-Clipping
Article from LA Times, 5/1/51 entitled "SINATRA Investments Aired in McCarthy Case."

"Crooner Frank SINATRA was not a financial backer of Jimmy Tarantos. Hollywood night club gossip magazine, it was testified yesterday before a jury in U.S. Judge James R. Cimino's court which is hearing a $210,000 damage suit by Sports Promoter Larry M. Rummons against Glenn McCarthy, Texas oil millionaire and hotel operator.

"Rummons testified last week that Henry J. Sanicola and SINATRA had put up money to finance Tarantino's magazine. The testimony was given in connection with Rummons' assertions that he was employed by SINATRA at one time.

"Sanicola, SINATRA's manager, took the witness stand today and said that SINATRA had never invested any money in the gossip magazine. "I put up $5000 for the magazine," Sanicola testified. "And Barney Ross, a fighter, put up $1000," Sanicola testified. "I had an interest in it for only about a year."

"Sanicola also was questioned about Rummons' connection with the Jersey Joe Walcott-Al Brown fight in 1946 and said that Rummons was merely a $75-a-week runner, a sort of liaison man between himself and SINATRA in that promotion."

Informant: LA Times, 5/1/51
Original - Clipping

Article from LA Times, 5/19/51 entitled "What Happened?"

"An article from the Daily Worker, reprinted in the American Legion magazine, is revealing. The worker is hurt because some of the Hollywood people who attacked the House Un-American Activities Committee in 1947 have nothing to say today. It lists the following names: Robert Young, Lucille Ball, Frank SINATRA, Joseph Cotten, Margaret Sullivan, Burt Lancaster, Gregory Peck, Numa Loy, Fredric March, Richard Conte, Gene Kelly, William Wyler, Cornel Wilde and Bob Ryan. Then it says: "Why are they silent today? Why don't they speak up as they did in '47? The committee has not changed. It's still the same in '51 as in '47. The longer their silence, the greater their shame."

Informant: LA Times, 5/19/51
Original - Clipping
Report of the Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions, Inc. - ISC-C.

- Report sets out that at the annual membership meeting of the ICCASP held at the Alvin Theater, N.Y., on 2/10/46 the following officers, vice chairman, and board of directors were elected. Among them listed for Vice-Chairman - Frank Sinatra.

- Not Documented

Original: MI

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Report of ISC-C, LA, 10/11/46 re: Hollywood Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions (Formerly the Hollywood Democratic Committee) - ISC-C.

- Report sets out that specific activities of the organization within the last sixty days have been: holding of a concert in the Hollywood Bowl on 3/2/46 for the purpose of raising funds.
- Informant stated that the feature of the concert was the guest speaker, Claude Pepper, Senator from Fla., who gave the CPA line on the relations of the United States with Soviet Russia. Artists taking part included Frank Sinatra.

Date Furnished: Original Inft. report & cc block stamped 3/26/46
Agent: Block staples initiated by ISC-C
Informant: Original: 100-13355-262 - Inft. report 100-13355-261 - cc of Inft. report

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- Report sets out that informant advised on 5/16/46, the Veterans' Council of the ICCASP sponsored a rally at Madison Square Garden which was attended by approx. 13 thousand veterans. According to informant, the meeting was chaired by Gene Kelly, and the principal speakers included Frank Sinatra, etc.

Date Furnished: 5/16/46
Agent: Not blotted
Informant: Original: NY

NY, 9/11/47 re: Progressive

Report sets out that on 5/28/47, inft. made available two lists
labelled Group I and Group II containing the names of individuals
who had supported the ICCSP or the National Citizens Political
Action Committee in previous years and are to be used by the FCA
in obtaining substantial contributions to that organization for
1947. Photostatic copies of the complete list for each group have
been furnished previously to the Bureau. For the purposes of this
report there will be set out some of the more widely known names
appearing on the list in each group. Among those listed for Group
#1 - FRANK SINATRA.

Date Furnished: 5/28/47
Agent: Not given
Informant: [redacted] (who specifically requests that
info. furnished by him be kept confidential.)
Original: NY

Interdepartmental Communication to [redacted] from [redacted]
dated 12/13/47, Dept. 20-44, plant #1, Ref. Arts, Sciences and
Professional Council of America.

Communication sets out that attached is a partial membership list
of the ASP Council of America for the Hollywood Chapter.

Individuals mentioned on this list are active members in the affai-
of the ASPCA and are entirely acquainted of the purposes aim of
the organization. The individuals have been sifted and according
to a reliable source none of them are innocent or well meaning
people who have been duped or coerced into joining the organiza-
tion. According to the same informant, the two individuals who run this
organization in Calif. are John Howard Lawson and Howard Koch.

Date Furnished: 3/7
Agent: LA Office
Informant: Source of this info, inc.

[REDACTED] - RELIABILITY NOT KNOWN TO FBI
(CONCEAL)

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Copies of minutes of various meetings of HICGASP during the year 1946.
Page 9 - Officers and Executive Council for 1946 as elected by
Majority Vote at the Annual Membership Meeting - Hollywood
Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions
1/11/46. Among those listed for Vice-Chairmen - FRANK SINATRA.

Page 10a - Officers and Division Chairmen listed, also serve on the
Executive Board: Among the Vice Chairmen listed - FRANK SINATRA.

Photographs of documents pertaining to ASP Council.
Pages 320-326 contains correspondence to and from HICGASP; records
of contributions to HICGASP, political campaigns, and other
functions. Latter part of this volume contains HICGASP
correspondence regarding the motion picture strike situation during
1945-46.
Page 342 - List re: Hollywood Independent Citizens Committee of the
Arts, Sciences & Professions - Contributors of $100 or More - January
1, 1946 to August 31, 1946. Among the names listed - FRANK SINATRA
9123 Sunset Blvd., Hollywood b6, Calif. - $250.00.
Page 349 - List re: Contributors of $100. or More - Primaries
Campaign Fund Ending June 5th, 1946. Among the names listed - FRAN
SINATRA, 9123 Sunset Blvd., Hollywood b6, Calif. - $250.
Page 354 - Same info as 100-18355-136-1 p.9.

Photographs of documents pertaining to ASP Council.
Page 107 - Bowl Concert, 9/2. Included on the program - FRANK SINATRA.
Page 124 - List of names under heading "Radio Division." Among
those listed for Executive Board - FRANK SINATRA - Singer, this name
being crossed through.
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100-18355A-116

Article from the LA Times, 4/19/46 entitled "Progressive U. S. Urges by Wallace Here — Atomic Age Survival Means Abundance, Shrine Crowd Told." Re: Jackson Day meeting sponsored by the Democratic National Committee at Shrine Auditorium, 4/19/46. Entertainers included — FRANK SINATRA.

Informant: LA Times, 4/19/46
Original — Clipping

100-18355A-131

Olivia DeHavilland — Marion Hargrove — Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr. and the ex-GI's in 'The Voice of the Vets' a dramatic presentation. Auspices of Veterans' Council, Independent Citizens' Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions.

Not Documented — Block stamp date 6/20/46

100-18355A-155

Article from the LA Daily News, 8/29/46 entitled "Throng to hear Sen. Pepper speak." Re: Sen. Claude Pepper will speak on 'The Battle for Democracy at Home and Abroad' in a program at Hollywood Bowl Labor Day evening. Event will be sponsored by the Hollywood Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Profession. Others taking part will include FRANK SINATRA.

Informant: LA Daily News, 8/29/46
Original — Clipping

100-18355A-159

Same as 100-18355A-155.

Informant: News, 9/29/46
Original — Clipping

100-18355A-161

Article from the Calif. Eagle, 8/29/46 entitled "Sen. Pepper to Speak at Bowl Night of Sept. 2." Re: Same info. as 100-18355A-155. FRANK SINATRA will also appear in person singing some of his most famous ballads.

Informant: Calif. Eagle, 8/29/46
Original — Clipping

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Leaflet re: Concert in Hollywood Bowl, Labor Day Evening, 9/2. Leaflet contains the name of FRANK SINATRA. Notation written on leaflet "American Polish League distributed Sunday Sept. 1, 46 at Unitarian Church."

Date Furnished: Block stamp date 12/11/46
Agent: Not Given
Informant: Original

Article from the LA Herald & Express, 6/3/47 entitled "Hellacites Expected at Jackson Day Dinner Thursday." Re: 'Jackson Day' dinner next Thursday night at the Biltmore. Film personalities scheduled to attend include FRANK SINATRA.

Informant: LA Herald & Express, 6/3/47
Original - Clipping

R7 File.

Memo by SA 6/10/46 re: Northwest Section LA County CP - 15 (C). Memo sets out that informant advised

Date of Activity: 6/16/46
Date Furnished: 1/19/46
Agent: SA
Informant: Original: 100-21315A-24 - Inft. report
Article from the LA Herald & Express, 6/9/47 entitled "Angelenos Deny Ties to Communists." re: "A torrent of denials came today from Californians who were listed by State Senator Jack B. Tenney as being under the influence of 'the Stalinist orbit' or who were labeled as Reds in a Federal Bureau of Investigation report in the Judith Coplon trial in Washington, D.C.

"Some of the names occurred in both lists. Here are the replies of some of those listed.

"Crooner FRANK SINATRA: 'This unfair and unjustified attack gives every American good reason to be critical of the Tenney committee.'"

Informant: LA Herald & Express, 6/9/47
Original - Clipping

Memo by ASAC James C. Ellsworth, 9/2/47 re: They are putting FRANKIE SINATRA on a program this fall and SINATRA has been trying to force them to hire three individuals, two of them writers, namely, 

understands that one of these is on Tenney's list of Party members. The third man SINATRA insists on hiring is...

In view of SINATRA's reputation, gets apprehensive about all three and will give us any further information that he develops.

Date Furnished: 8/27/47
Agent: ASAC James C. Ellsworth
Informant: [CONCEAL]
Original - Telephonically

Page 21 & 25 - Set out under American Federation of Radio Artists (AFRA) - Informant advised that the 1946-47 national officers consisted of--Vice Presidents included - FRANK SINATRA. Board of Directors included - FRANK SINATRA.

Date Furnished: Not Given
Agent: Not Given
Informant: [CONCEAL]
Original: Poss. Oral

CONTINUED ON PAGE 42.
CONTINUED FROM PAGE 41. Page 29 - Informant reports that during June, July, and August, 1947, the LA Local was active in campaigning for the elections of local officers and members of the local Board of Directors. The campaign was spirited and highly publicized by both factions through the use of handbills and mailing lists. The 'liberal' faction mailed printed brochures publicizing its platform with emphasis on unity, employment, labor laws, union cooperation, and welfare. The other faction publicized their campaign under the words, 'Keep AFTRA for AFTRA business', and highly publicized its opposition to making AFTRA a political pressure group. The brochures previously mentioned carried the names of the following individuals as supporting the program and candidates, above listed who, according to informant, are considered by the rank and file membership of the Local as supporting the 'liberal' faction: among the names listed - FRANK SINATRA.

Date Furnished: Not Given
Agent: Not Given
Informant: [blacked out, CONCEAL]
Original: Pass. Oral

Report sets out - With reference to FRANK SINATRA, Third Vice-president of AFTRA, the 'Fraternal Outlook', official monthly publication of the International Workers' Order, on 3/9/48, reflects that SINATRA had prepared an article on discrimination for a magazine issued by the ATO. The 'People's Voice', until recently a negro Communist publication, on 3/29/45, announced that SINATRA was to be honored at a dinner held at the Hotel Commodore under the auspices of the publication 'New Masse' on 1/15/46. The joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee in its 'News Bulletin' of 1944 indicated that SINATRA had contributed $100.00 to that group.

In October, 1944, learned that SINATRA was scheduled to make three appearances at Italian-American election meetings in NYC, one of which had been arranged by the CPA. However, the informant further learned that SINATRA did not appear at these meetings.
Confidential informant advised that SINATRA had sent a letter of regret to the CP Headquarters in NYC because he was not able to attend a dinner on 5/9/46, given by the 'Action Committee to Free Spain Now', the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, and the American Committee for Spanish Freedom. The informant advised SINATRA had been listed as a speaker at this dinner.

Originals: NY
100-19333-529
p.28

Informant reported that the following individuals who are announcers or singers consistently followed the 'left wing' faction of AFTRA: [redacted]

Date Furnished: Not Given
Agent: Not Given
Informant: [redacted] (CONCEAL)
Original: Poss. Oral

100-193334-30

Article from Variety, 1/21/48 entitled "SINATRA Petitions FCC For California Station. Re: "Washington, Jan. 20.---FRANK SINATRA asked FCC today to okay a permit in his name for a new 1,000 watt station in Palm Springs. New daytime operation would cost estimated $24,811, self-financed from assets of $434,124, and would daily broadcast a 'SINATRA Serenade' program. Singer listed his net worth as $373,383 not including $20,000 of life insurance."

Informant: Variety, 1/21/48
Original - Clipping

100-20035-418
p.42

Report sets out under heading 'Welcome Home, Joe' Dinner -- [redacted] stated that the second annual dinner to salute young America was planned by the AYD for the evening of 12/12/45, at the Hotel Roosevelt in NYC, to pay tribute to the average GI and to dramatize the postwar problems of youth.
According to [redacted] the following individuals accepted invitations to attend the dinner and will present the awards: Lillian Hellman, Dane Clark, etc. Other invited guests some of whom have not accepted as yet, include: FRANK SINATRA, movie actor and singer.

Date Furnished: Not Given
Agent: Not Given
Informant: [redacted] (whose identities are known to the Bureau)
Original: NY

Report sets out that a copy of the program which was furnished to those present at the Welcome Home Joe Dinner, 12/16/45, Ambassador Hotel, LA, was furnished on 1/13/46 by informant, and according to the program, an award was made to FRANK SINATRA, which was presented by Rabbi Max Nussbaum.

Date of Activity: 12/16/45
Date Furnished: 1/13/46
Agent: SA
Informant: b2, b7D
Original: 100-20035-39(53) - Program sets out that award was accepted by Mrs. Sinatra.

Report also sets out that informant reported that he was present at the dinner and that Nussbaum made the award to FRANK SINATRA through Mrs. Sinatra, inasmuch as her husband was not present.

Date of Activity: 12/16/45
Date Furnished: Not Documented
Agent: Not Documented
Informant: b2, b7D
Original: 100-187828-3 - Informant report not documented Block stamp date 1/22/46-rpt-dtl12/16/45.

Memo by SA re: 1945/12/9 re: AYD - IS-C. Memo sets out that on 12/4/47, the Wilshire Police Station advised that through a highly confidential source of his he ascertained that an automobile bearing license number 123456, in color, was observed at a new members' class in Mar Vista of OP prospective members on 12/2/47.

Advised that this automobile was registered to a girl. It was ascertained that the driver of this automobile fits the description of one of the students at UMA, a Sophomore in the School of Medicine. It indicated that his parents were deceased and that the girl was his legal guardian.

It was ascertained that the individual is the daughter of an admittance, and is a student at the advising that in checking with the Girls' Vice Principal it was reported that she had approached approx. the last school day in November, stating that she had a solution to the unsportsmanlike trouble that had recently occurred.

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CONTINUED FROM PAGE 44. between the High School and the High School, Proposed to that the following-listed individuals use their influence in settling this dispute and that through efforts, she could secure the services of these individuals. However, she would have to know immediately if this would be approved by the High School.

Among the names listed - FRANK SINATRA.

Date Furnished: 12/4/47
Agent: Not Given
Informant: *Wilshire Police* Station (CONCEAL)
Original: Poss. Oral
Report of
SF, 6/2/47
re: Changed:

IS-6.
Report sets out that we learned that the subject planned to stop off in LA, enroute to NYC, in order to solicit wealthy individuals in LA and Hollywood for contributions to the ARI. Advised that on 10/25/45, the subject received a telegram from John Howard Lawson (head of CP cultural groups in LA), whom she had asked for advice about her plan, and he indicated her money-raising plan was out of the question for Hollywood at that time (due to the motion-picture strike). However, she did not cancel her plans. Advised on 10/27/45, that the subject was contemplating an appeal to FRANK SINATRA for funds.

Date Furnished: 10/27/45
Agent: Not Given
Informant: [Redacted] (whose identity is known to the Bureau)
Original: SF

"R" File.

Informant report was received.

Date of Activity: 4/16/46
Date Furnished: Block stamp date 5/3/46
Agent: Not Documented
Informant: [Redacted]
Original
Report of SA, LA, 5/9/46 re: United Committee of South-Slavic Americans; American Committee for Yugoslav Relief; War Relief Fund of Americans of South-Slavic Descent - Registration Act; 15-C.

Report sets out that informant furnished to SA a letter on the stationery of the YKA which is dated 4/6/46. This letter, which was addressed to 'Dear Friend' in substance stated that the organization would have to make an accounting for the tickets sold to the 3/27/46 mass meeting so that they could pay the tax to the United States Government. The letter was signed by Jane Swanhuysen. The letter also contains on the left margin thereof the name of Bonnie Claire, who is stated to be the director of the Calif. Div. and Mrs. Frank Sinatra of the Southern Calif. Children's Food Campaign. On the reverse side of this letter there is a list of the National Committee sponsors and the names of the following individuals are stated to be residents of Calif.: Mr. & Mrs. FRANK SINATRA, etc.

Date Furnished: Not Given
Agent: SA
Informant: Unable to locate
Original: Poss. Destroyed


Page 8 - Report sets out that the restaurant of the Russian American Club which had been closed for some time was again formally opened 8/5/45 and a rather elaborate program was held on this opening. A confidential source made available excerpts concerning this banquet, which are set out as follows:

Date Furnished: Not Given
Agent: Not Given
Informant: Confidential Source
Original: Poss. Destroyed
CONTINUED FROM PAGE 46. Page 10 - Report sets out that the Russian American Club held a garden party and final victory celebration at the home of [redacted] on 8/26. Informant furnished the information that efforts were made by [redacted] at the club and [redacted] was to get FRANK SINATRA to appear at the garden party.

Date Furnished: Not Given
Agent: Not Given
Informant: [redacted]
Original: Log - Not Checked

100-22857-37

Article from the Calif. Eagle, 4/13/46 entitled "Veterans Group To Present Awards To Home Front Fighters". "Los Angeles Chapter No. 21 of the American Veterans Committee will present meritorious community service awards to several community leaders in recognition of outstanding services rendered on the home front to establish better racial relations and the furthering of democratic ideals. Presentation of the awards will be made at a gala affair at the Club Alabam Friday night, April 26."
Among those selected for the awards - FRANK SINATRA, film actor.

Informant: Calif. Eagle, 4/18/46
Original - Clipping

100-23490A-17

Article from the D. W., 2/2/46 re: "Prosecuting attorneys at the Gerald L. K. Smith hecklers' trial today were told by Judge Arthur S. Querin to start proving their case or it would be thrown out of court.

"Meanwhile, FRANK SINATRA said he would head a citizens delegation to see Mayor Bowron, City Attorney Chesbro and other civic officials in protest against the persecution of the H8 defendants. The delegation also will protest against allowing Smith to return to Los Angeles, it was reported.

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"SINATRA's announcement was made at a meeting last night at the Hollywood Roosevelt hotel after an address by June Sale, one of the defendants.

"In reply to Smith's charge before the Rankin committee in Washington that he was a 'Mrs. Roosevelt in pants,' SINATRA asserted: "If that means agreeing with Jefferson and Tom Paine, Willkie and Franklin Roosevelt, then I'll gladly accept the title.'

"He tried to laugh off Hitler,' SINATRA said. 'The things Smith says sound just as silly — because they're the same things. They shouldn't sound silly any more.

"Let's not just ignore Smith and call him a crack-pot... Let's do what most people do with crack pots — get rid of them.'"

Informant: D. W., 2/2/46
Original - Clipping
Informant report dated 6/19/46 re: benefit sponsored by the United Defense Committee Against the Loyalty Check, held on 6/12/46 at the home of Beverly Hills, Calif.

Informant suggested that telegrams were received from Albert Maltz, Adrian Scott and Frank Sinatra. All stated that they were sorry they were unable to appear but sent their best wishes.

Date of Activity: 6/12/46
Date Furnished: 7/1/46
Agent: [Redacted]
Informant: [Redacted]
Original: Chicago, Ill.

Report of SA in LA, 12/22/46 re: CP of the United States - Funds - 15-

Date Furnished: 1/2/47
Agent: [Redacted]
Informant: [Redacted]
Original: Chicago, Ill.


Date Furnished: 10/29/45; 11/2/45
Agent: Chicago Agent
Informant: [Redacted]
Original: Chicago, Ill.
Report of SAC, NY, 2/12/47 re: Communist Infiltration of the American Federation of Radio Artists - AFL - IS-C.

Page 3 - Report sets out that the Sept., 1946 issue of 'Stand By!' discussed AFRA's National Convention in August, 1946 (8/3,4,5/46) at LA, Calif., and noted that the new AFRA National officers for 1946-1947 were: Third Vice President - FRANK SINATRA, etc.

Page 13 - Report sets out that Edward J. Weaver of Random Road, Old Greenwich, Conn., radio actor and broadcaster known on the air as "Ed" never has been for some time one of the leaders of the group in AFTRA opposing the pro-communist faction.

Among the members of the National Board of Directors whom Weaver considers as siding with the pro-communist group from time to time FRANK SINATRA of LA.

Original - NY

Outgoing letter to Director from SAC, LA dated 9/19/47 re: Communist Infiltration of the American Federation of Radio Artists - AFL - IS - C (Bureau file 62-77536).

Letter sets out that, informed that 'Stand By!', official paper of the AFTRA for Sept., 1946, listed the following persons as the national officers of AFTRA who were elected at the National Convention of AFTRA at LA, Calif., 8/3,4,5/46: FRANK SINATRA - LA - Third Vice-President, etc.

Incl. also stated that the following persons on the Pacific coast were elected members of the National Board of Directors of AFTRA: FRANK SINATRA - LA, etc.

Date Furnished: Not Given
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FRANK SINATRA appears among a list of individuals under the statement: "Join us at the Assistance League Playhouse, February 21, 8:15.

Date Furnished: Block stamp date 4/11/47
Agent: Not Documented
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Original
Report dated 3/19/47 re: Meeting of the Citizens Committee for Better Education, 3/11/47, 607 S. Western Ave. Report sets out that Dr. Raphael Konigsberg went on to state that they did not allow Eddie Cantor nor FRANK SINATRA to give their educational programs before a school audience on the basis that it was un-American.

Date of Activity: 3/19/47
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Report sets out that the 9/17/47, edition of the 'Daily People's World' announced that the LA City Council had presented a resolution to Mayor Fletcher Bowron asking the he proclaim 9/19 & 20/47, a 'Friendship with Italy Week'. National and international executives of the American Society for Cultural Relations with Italy were stated to include: FRANK SINATRA - well known 'bobo s.o.x' crooner, etc.

Informant: Daily Peoples World, 9/17/47

Mimeographed list of rental films with heading "Pick Your Films". List of films includes: "The House I Live In (10 minutes) "Frank Sinatra tells a group of average American kids what's what about religious and racial tolerance. He sings two of his finest numbers, including The House I Live In. One of the most polished educational films ever made; endorsed by educators and religious leaders." Rental Charges: 33.
Publication stamped "Intelligence Field Office #2, Sixth Army, Fort MacArthur, California."

Date Furnished: 11/24/47
Agent: SAM
Informant: Not Given

Serial 1 - Complaint Form re: Albert Dekker, 5215 Juhao St., Canoga Park - SA-C

Serial 2i - Oct. 7th - "Sinatra (FRANK SINATRA) big problem - will do something impulsive - snoot Peggler - hold him back until end of campaign - gets into trouble - is difficult to handle but certainly makes promises - "

Date of Activity: 10/7/47
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Date of Activity: 6/12/43
Date Furnished: 6/13/43
Agent: SA
Informant: X
Original - Informant report

Photographic copy of 3x5 card index in subjects a.
possession containing an estimated 650 names and addresses.
Card for Mr. & Mrs. FRANK SINATRA, 11051 Valley Spring Lane, No.
Hollywood.

Date Furnished: 1/5/49
Agent: SA
Informant: X
Original - Photographs

Memo by SA 7/7/53 re: Daily People's World - IS-6
Memo sets out that on 6/30/53, informant personally furnished SA
with a written report concerning the annual DPW
union meet at the home of X
Calif.
Informant advised that a picture called 'The House We Live In', a
short educational on discrimination was shown, in which FRANK
SINATRA appeared.

Date Furnished: 6/30/53
Agent: SA
Informant: X

Memo by SA 7/17/53 re: 
Memo sets out that on 7/10/53 SA
contacted X
residence. At this time, X
advised that
he told the writer
about having had an affair with both Ava
Gardner and Lana Turner at Gardner's residence in Palm Springs and
in the absence of FRANK SINATRA, Gardner's husband.

Date Furnished: 7/16/53
Agent: SA
Informant: X
Original: Poss. Oral

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Article entitled "Kids halt racial clashes; start little United Nations." Re: Mass meeting held Friday night (9/21) at the Soto-Michigan community center, neutral ground for both sides in the incipient war.

"SINATRA flashed onto the screen and had a simple man-to-man talk with a bunch of boys who were pummelling a Jewish lad. He told them about Colin Kelly and Meyer Levin. He found out that one of them was the son of a seriously wounded soldier, and that the Jewish boy's mother had given blood to the Red Cross.

"Would you rather your father had died, instead of using that Jewish blood?" he asked.

"Many of our parents came from different places and we have different religions," he said. "But we're all Americans today. Let's use our good American brains and not fight each other.

"And then he sang the beloved song, the homey, neighborly song which Earl Robinson has made popular, 'The House I Live In.' The final words summed up the whole spirit and purpose of the meeting, and kids went out humming quietly—'All races, all religions, That's America to me.'"

Photo of FRANK SINATRA.

Original

Article entitled "SINATRA to talk at youth rally." Re: "Crooner FRANK SINATRA will climax his nationwide tour of talks against discrimination at a rally sponsored by the LA Youth Council on February 24, Chairman Holt Spicer had announced today."

Rally will take place on last day of Brotherhood Week.

Original


"Al Pearlson, attorney for SINATRA, announced negotiations were completed whereby SINATRA and his business manager, Henry W. Sinacol have contracted to manage Brown. They hope to have the Negro boxer win the lightweight championship of the world."

Original
Article entitled "New honors for FRANK SINATRA." Re: "FRANK SINATRA will be honored by a host of outstanding theatrical people Monday evening February 25, at the Shrine Auditorium here. "The program is sponsored by the music division of the Hollywood Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions." At this concert, the music division will pay tribute to FRANK SINATRA for his work among the youth of America in behalf of the fight against racial and religious intolerance," said a committee announcement.

Original

Article entitled "Film stars to appear Monday at Shrine show." Same info. as DFW 2/19/46.

Original

Article entitled "Stars spur fair jobs campaign." Re: "Approximately 1000 new signatures today swelled local petitions to get fair employment practices bill placed on the ballot. "They were secured last night at a sell-out meeting at the Shrine Auditorium where the Hollywood Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions honored FRANK SINATRA for his work against racial intolerance. "And after an appeal from SINATRA, hundreds volunteered to circulate additional petitions, the local FEPC committee reports. "SINATRA was presented with a document signed by Abraham Lincoln. He was visibly moved as he accepted it from Johnny Green, chairman of HCASP's music division. "Lincoln's 'wonderful words--' all men are created equal' was the 'only bright spot' in the neighborhood where he grew up, SINATRA said. "The national FEPC was 'murdered' by the Senate filibuster while the nation was observing 'brotherhood week,' SINATRA observed. "But that defeat is 'only temporary,' he said. Continued effort will insure a national FEPC, SINATRA stated, and in the meantime 'we should have an can have a state FEPC in California.'"

Original

Article entitled "'The Lost Weekend' runs away with the 'Oscars'." Oscar awards - Grauman's Chinese Theater, last night. George Murphy, president of SAG presented FRANK SINATRA a special 'Oscar' for his film short 'The House I Live In'. SINATRA, etc. plugged the songs nominated for the original songwriting award, with 'It Might as Well be Morning,' by Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein emerging as the winners. Photo of FRANK SINATRA.
Article entitled "SINATRA to build a sports arena in Hollywood." Re: "Swoon Crooner FRANK SINATRA has signed incorporation papers for a $1,000,000 sports arena to be patterned after New York’s Madison Square Garden, according to Attorney Albert Pearlson. Articles of incorporation for the Hollywood Square Garden, Inc., were sent to the Secretary of State at Sacramento, and a suitable site is being sought as near the heart of Hollywood as possible. Most of the funds for the West Coast’s largest sports arena will be advanced by SINATRA, with other notable entertainers also providing money, Pearlson said. SINATRA will go East in a few weeks to make preliminary arrangements to obtain major sports events. Hockey, tennis, prize fights, basketball games, indoor rodeo and ice shows are planned for the Hollywood Garden. Construction will start as soon as materials can be obtained.

Original

Article entitled "Danny Kaye, Wallace top Demo rally." Re: Jackson Day celebration, Shrine Aud., 4/18. Stars of LeRoy’s gala will include - FRANK SINATRA.

Original

Article entitled "Movie stars, Wallace at rally Thurs." Re: Same info. as DPW 4/15/46. Sponsored by the Southern California Jackson Day Committee.

Original

Article entitled "Beecham attack on filmland brings joint Hollywood response: 'Take a pill!'". Re: "Hollywood was made out Crooner FRANK SINATRA was flattered today by the biting criticism of Sir Thomas Beecham, British orchestra conductor. Upon his return to England from the United States, Beecham, self-styled 'genius,' said that SINATRA has an unpleasant voice but at least he has a voice." "I'm flattered,' the crooner said, 'that Sir Thomas even heard me at all.'"
Article entitled "'Firsts' mark Bowl Labor Day program." Re: "A series of 'firsts' will mark the Labor Day concert at Hollywood Bowl being sponsored by the Hollywood Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions. \"FRANK SINATRA will give his first public performance of 'Soliloquy' from the Broadway musical, 'Carousel.'\""

Original

Article entitled "Press Agents Pay Off - How Hollywood made a hero.\" Re: "Gary Cooper, the Hollywood actor, is 'espousing the people's cause against the merchants of war and destruction...defending our common ideals of peace, progress and civilization, the ideals for which Roosevelt and Stalin marched together. \"****
"Only hereafter instead of writing to a Roosevelt hater like Gary Cooper, please -- please speak your mind to such forward looking democrats as Charles Chaplin, Bette Davis, Edward G. Robinson, Gene Kelly, FRANK SINATRA, Olivier de Havilland, Selena Royle, Katharine Hepburn, Frederic March. Salud!"

Original

Article entitled "More celebrities join defense group, denounce film industry inquisition - Four senators are included on new list." Re: "Two days after its stirring broadcast to the American people by top-flight motion picture talent arrayed against the Un-American Committee investigation of Hollywood, the Committee for the First Amendment today announced an expanded list of members. \"****
"The new ad said the signers are disgusted and outraged by the continuing attempt of the House Committee on Un-American Activities to smear the motion picture industry' and that 'any investigation into the political beliefs of the individual is contrary to the basic principles of democracy.'\"
Newly-announced names include - FRANK SINATRA.

Original

Article entitled "L.A. notables blast Tenney." Re: Among the statements answering latest Tenney report - FRANK SINATRA -- 'Unjustified attack.'

Original
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Office Memorandum

TO: SAC, Los Angeles

FROM: Director, FBI

DATE: March 18, 1955

SUBJECT: FRANCIS ALBERT SINATRA, also known as, FRANK SINATRA SECURITY MATTER - C FRAUD AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT

Sinatra is the well-known singer and motion picture actor. No investigation has been conducted of him previously.

In order to receive a passport Sinatra signed an affidavit dated January 10, 1955, for the Passport Division of the Department of State. One Photostat of this affidavit and its covering certification is attached for each office receiving copies of this letter.

A summary of information in Bureau files concerning Sinatra was furnished the Department of State on December 30, 1954. One Photostat of this summary is attached for each of the offices receiving copies of this letter.

By memorandum of March 7, 1955, Assistant Attorney General Tompkins requested an investigation of Sinatra to determine if sufficient evidence exists to warrant prosecution of Sinatra under Section 1001 and 1542 of Title 18, U.S.C. A Photostat of Assistant Attorney General Tompkins' memorandum is attached for each office.

Each office receiving copies of this memorandum is instructed to make a thorough search of indices for subversive information concerning Sinatra. Logical informants should also be contacted. In instances where subversive information is developed which would appear to place Sinatra in violation of either Section 1001 or Section 1542, the original source should be recounted. That source should verify the information and you should make every effort to secure a signed statement. Only one report should be prepared in this matter.

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Inasmuch as Sinatra listed Los Angeles as his permanent residence in his application for a passport, that office is designated as origin and will prepare a prosecutive summary report in accordance with SAC Letter 54-74, Section I. Auxiliary offices should forward results by letter to Los Angeles. All information should be fully documented at the time it is forwarded Los Angeles and allegations must be run out to a logical conclusion. Where leads are developed, for offices not receiving copies of this letter, the foregoing instructions should be repeated.
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Frank Sinatra Honored By Detroit Youth Groups

Frank Sinatra, the idol of American youth, was presented with a trophy for the sincere and inspiring performance of music and multicultural understanding, Saturday afternoon, at the Downtown Theater. The award was given by the Federation of Negro, Jewish, Presbyterian and Catholic youth groups.

In his message to the group, the brilliant youth performer proved himself well-deserving of the high esteem with which American youth regards him. Aside from his appreciation for his songs, which drew ecstatic sighs from young and old alike, the young people were deeply impressed with his graciousness and sincerity, and his deep-rooted desire to promote unity.

SINATRA'S statement to the youth of Detroit was, "America needs boys and girls who understand the need for good brotherhood relations among all races and religions. I salute the youth of Detroit for taking this fine step in organization and in promoting a permanent Interracial Youth Committee which will work toward social and mental growth of the Nation.

Frank Sinatra also said, 'In the presentation of this award, I want to express my gratitude to those who have contributed the best of luck with this gesture,' which is aimed at promoting peaceful and understanding movements of all races and religions in the United States today. The youth of America is a nation of leaders, but it must be guided by the great men and women, such as Lincoln and Washington.'

In the presentation, several Detroit youth groups were represented, including the Michigan Chronicle, 5/18/46.
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Office Memorandum - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: L.A., LOS ANGELES

FROM: SAC, ALBANY (100-15719)

DATE: April 21, 1955

SUBJECT: FRANCIS ALBERT SINATRA

aka Frank Sinatra

SECURITY MATTER - C

FRAUD AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT

Reference Bureau letter to Los Angeles dated March 18, 1955, and report of SA, New York at Albany, dated July 5, 1944, captioned, "COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF UNITED ELECTRICAL, RADIO AND MACHINE WORKERS OF AMERICA, CIO, IS-C," which reflects that whose former name was Y, who was also advised that he knew of no additional information regarding SINATRA, nor did he know if SINATRA was ever contacted about coming to Schenectady.

advised SA's on April 13, 1955, that he did recall that SAM FALCONE proposed in 1944, that FRANK SINATRA come to Schenectady to be on a fund raising program, inasmuch as, according to FALCONE, SINATRA was an old member of the Young Communist League and would come for the Communist Party at a nominal rate.

SINATRA, who has furnished reliable information in the past, I wished to have her name concealed.

GMS: f'mo
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advised SA's on April 13, 1955, that he does not recall anything about FRANK SINATRA coming to Schenectady for any kind of fund raising program, and too, that he has never heard anything which would indicate that SINATRA was ever a member of the Communist Party or the Young Communist League.

He advised that but that to his recollection, SINATRA's name was never mentioned. RUC.
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES
FROM: SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (100-8918)
SUBJECT: FRANCIS ALBERT SINATRA
aka Frank Sinatra
SM-C, FAG
ReBulet to Los Angeles 3-18-55.

The indices of the Salt Lake City Office are negative except for subject's name being mentioned in the Los Angeles, San Francisco and Salt Lake City GIIF files.

Confidential Informant [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past and who has some knowledge of Communist Party activities in the State of Utah, was contacted on 3-21-55 by SAC [redacted] at which time this informant advised he has no information relative to SINATRA.

On 4-20-55 Confidential Informant [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised SAC [redacted] that subject applied for permission to purchase a two per cent interest in the ownership of the Sands Hotel at Las Vegas, Nevada, during 1954 and such purchase was authorized and completed in the early part of 1955 when subject also entered into a contract with that hotel to make intermittent appearances there as an entertainer. The informant said SINATRA maintains his permanent residence in Los Angeles, California, and spends only short vacations in Las Vegas, Nevada, between his hotel engagements.

On 4-20-55, [redacted] who have furnished reliable information in the past and who are in positions to learn of some Communist Party activities in the Las Vegas area, advised SAC [redacted] that they are not acquainted with the subject except to know his reputation as a popular singer and they have never received any indications that he has engaged in such activities in that area.

On 4-20-55, Credit Bureau of Southern Nevada, advised the only information regarding SINATRA in her files is to the effect that he acquired a two per cent interest in the Sands Hotel at Las Vegas, Nevada, on 1-21-55.

NSH/ys

Los Angeles (Air Mail - Reg.)
Salt Lake City
On 4-20-55, Records Division, Clark County Sheriff's Office and Records Section, Las Vegas Police Department, advised their files contain no arrest record identifiable with SINATRA.

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The Los Angeles letter to Director dated 4/25/55 requesting Denver to consider the advisability of interviewing Reverend OLIVER KENNETH GOFF, Englewood, Colorado.

The following information concerning GOFF was furnished the Bureau by Denver letter dated 3/3/55 in the case entitled SM - C, PERJURY, File 100-3880.

As the Bureau is aware, KENNETH GOFF has never been used by the Denver Office as a confidential informant, nor as a confidential source. Also, the only contacts with GOFF by the Denver Office have been upon specific request by the Bureau in loyalty and applicant type cases, and in each instance where possible, the Denver Office would obtain a signed statement from GOFF, who readily furnished same and who readily volunteered to appear before any court of law or hearing board to testify as to the facts in his signed statements.

KENNETH GOFF is a self-styled free lance Evangelist who for the past number of years has been speaking around the U. S. regarding the threat of Communism to the U. S. GOFF is a self-admitted former member of the Communist Party at Madison and Milwaukee, Wisconsin during the years 1936 to 1939 and claims to have been a leading functionary of the Communist Party of the U. S. during those years.

In the case entitled "KENNETH GOFF: CHRISTIAN YOUTH FOR AMERICA; SM - X," report of SM dated 7/4/45 at Denver, the Bureau was advised that GOFF organized the "Christian Youth for America" at Englewood, Colorado, in December, 1943, and published a monthly newspaper, "The Pilgrim Torch" that was closely associated with GERALD L. K. SMITH.
By letter dated January 20, 1949 under the caption "KENNETH GOFF, 13 - X" the Denver Office advised the Bureau that GOFF claimed to be in a position to furnish pertinent information concerning EUGENE DENNIS, who was presently on trial in New York City along with the other top eleven Communist Party leaders of the U. S., and Denver asked the Bureau if they desired that GOFF be used as a witness in that trial; however, the Bureau declined GOFF's services. In the Bureau case entitled "REVEREND KENNETH GOFF," GOFF was found guilty by jury trial on January 23, 1946, in United States District Court, District of Columbia, and was fined $100 as a result of the subject's placing anti-Communist signs before the Soviet Embassy in Washington, D.C. GOFF furnished a signed statement in this case admitting participation in placing these signs on the grounds of the Soviet Embassy on July 31, 1947.

GOFF has been a controversial figure at Denver and Englewood, Colorado, for the past many years and presently resides at 3406 South Bryant Street, Englewood, Colorado. In GOFF's speaking tours he also creates considerable controversy, which has resulted in many individuals and Bureau offices writing to the Bureau and the Denver Office concerning his activities. In GOFF's speaking tours he speaks on the following subjects:

"Treason in Our State Department"
"Red Secret Plot for Seizure of Denver"
"Do the Reds Plan to Come by Alaska"
"Should We Use the Atom Bomb"
"The New Bible. Is It of Communist Origin"
"What is the Kremlin's Next Move"
"Traitors in the Pulpit, or What's Behind the Flying Saucers - Are They from Russia, Another Planet or God?"

Also, some of the titles of GOFF's books, which he publishes voluminously are:

"Will Russia Invade America"
"One World A Red World"
"Confessions of Stalin's Agent"

The "Rocky Mountain News" on October 25, 1951, contained an article stating that, "Three Englewood persons were ordered to appear in Denver Municipal Court as an aftermath
of the ripping of the Soviet flag yesterday at Civic Center. Mr. and Mrs. KENNETH GOFF were two of these three individuals". The newspaper article continued that "The Soviet flag was being raised into position in the United Nations display flanking the walks at Civic Center when an unidentified man raced up and ripped the flag with a sharp instrument and darted into a waiting car. One of the spectators took down the license of the car, which belonged to KENNETH GOFF, self-named director of the Colorado Anti-Communist League."

In view of the above the Denver Office will not interview GOFF UACB.
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Office Memorandum

TO: SAC, Los Angeles (100-41413)
FROM: Director, FBI (100-417728)

DATE: May 16, 1955

SUBJECT: FRANCIS ALBERT SINATRA
SECURITY MATTER - C
FRAUD AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED


In view of the very general nature of information which Goff has written concerning Sinatra coupled with his own questionable activities, Goff should not be interviewed.

If during the course of your investigation you develop good reason to believe Goff has information of specific nature concerning Sinatra you should bring this to the attention of the Bureau with your recommendation as to whether or not he should be contacted for this information.

2cc - Denver (100-7464) (For Information)
Office Memorandum

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41413)

ATTN: SA

FROM: SA

DATE: 5/20/55

SUBJECT: FRANK SINATRA

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Police Department, MGM Studio, Culver City, California, on 4/22/55, furnished the personnel file for the above-captioned individual.

From a form executed by SINATRA on 12/15/41, the following information was obtained.

Born 12/12/17, Hoboken, NJ
Father ANTHONY SINATRA, born Italy
Mother NATALIE SINATRA, born Hoboken, NJ
Wife NANCY BARBATO SINATRA, married 2/4/39, wife's birthplace Jersey City, NJ
Residence address 143 Bergen Avenue, Jersey City, NJ
Local address Hollywood Plaza Hotel, Jersey City, NJ
Former employment HARRY JAMES ORCHESTRA, June, 1939 to January, 1940, singer, $65.00 per week
Social Security No. 138-16-0442

SINATRA was employed for approximately three weeks in 1941 at a rate of $90.00 per week and was singing with TOMMY DORSEY's band at the time. The band, along with SINATRA, was used in a picture entitled "Ship Ahoy".

On a form executed 6/17/46, SINATRA indicated the following:

Residence address 10051 Valley Spring Lane, North Hollywood, California

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During this period of employment, SINATRA received $5,000.00 a week.

On a form executed 10/31/52, SINATRA indicated the following:

- **Address**: 202 N. Cannon Drive, Beverly Hills, California
- **Born**: 12/12/15
- **Wife**: AVA GARDNER
- **Salary**: $5,000.00 per week

There was no information in the personnel file indicating on what pictures SINATRA worked during these periods of employment.
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, FBI ALL IERS
FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-30561)
SUBJECT: FRANCIS ALBERT SINATRA, aka Frank Sinatra

DATE: July 28, 1955

Rebuttal dated 3/18/55.

Set forth below is information concerning SINATRA, contained in files of the Chicago Office, pertinent to this investigation:

Confidential informant, of known reliability, advised SAC in 1944 that he has no recollection of having furnished the information attributed to him above. He stated he has no knowledge connecting SINATRA in any manner with that organization. He added that he desires that his identity be maintained on a confidential basis, and that he is unwilling to testify and declined to execute a signed statement.

Confidential informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally to SAC (Chicago file 100-16170) advised in 1944 that the program of the Czechoslovak National Council

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in the United States in 1944 could be summarized as follows:

1. To campaign for the restoration of Czechoslovakia to its pre-Munich status.

2. To aid the Czechoslovak Government-in-exile in every way and to espouse the cause of Dr. EDWARD BANES.

3. To support the war effort of the United States.

4. To recognize Russia as the "Savior of the Slav Peoples," and to support Russia's foreign policy.

Confidential informant [redacted], who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally to SA [redacted], advised in 1944 that he had welcomed Communists into that organization. The informant pointed out that the Council had glorified Russia and the Russian Army and in that way had served Russia's foreign policy program. On 7/12/55, this informant advised SA [redacted] that he has no recollection of having furnished the above information and stated it is his belief at present that this information is erroneous. He had no information concerning SINATRA. He requested that his identity not be disclosed, stated he is unwilling to testify and declined to furnish a signed statement.

[Redacted] supra and [redacted], who has furnished reliable information in the past, now a source of information of the Chicago Office, orally to SA [redacted] (Chicago file 100-16170) advised in 1944 that he had been associated with numerous CP activities. He also reported that the Communists virtually controlled the Supreme Council of the Slovak National Alliance, a subsidiary organization of the Czechoslovak National Council. When contacted on 7/13/55, by SA [redacted] reaffirmed the above information, but stated he desired that his identity not be disclosed, that he was not willing to testify or furnish a signed statement.
AOG, L.S. WILES
Re: FRANCIS ALBERT SINATRA,
a.k.a. Frank Sinatra

The Czechoslovak National Council of America registered with the Attorney General of the United States on 9/11/42, as an agent of the government of Czechoslovakia under requirements of section 3F of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended. This organization also filed supplemental statements as required, in 1943, 1944 and 1945. The Czech-American National Alliance also registered as required on 4/10/45.

The American Youth for a Free World was cited by the Congressional Committee on un-American Activities, House Report #378, 4/10/51, as an organization which is the affiliate in the U.S. of the World Federation of Democratic Youth and which has been "the Communist clearing house for international student and youth information."

The World Federation of Democratic Youth was cited by the Congressional Committee on un-American Activities in report #271, 4/17/47, as affiliated with the American Youth for Democracy and "... founded in London in November, 1943... From the outset the World Federation of Democratic Youth demonstrated that it was far more interested in serving as a pressure group in behalf of Soviet foreign policy than it was in the specific problems of international youth... so strong was the Communist domination at the London Conference that it aroused the deepest concern of the English bishops."

The American Youth For Democracy has been cited pursuant to EO 10450.

Confidential informant [redacted] of unknown reliability, to [redacted], (Chicago file 100-10531-141) on 1/21/47, furnished a circular issued by the American Society for Cultural Relations with Italy, 119 West 57th Street, N.Y., N.Y., on which FRANK SINATRA was listed as a member of the board of directors of that organization. Upon recontact on 7/12/55, [redacted] stated to [redacted] that he has no recollection of having furnished the above information and has no information that SINATRA was at any time connected with that organization. He requested that his name be maintained in confidence and declined.
to certify or furnish a signed statement.

Confidential informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, (Highly confidential source, Chicago file 15C-13531-1a2) on 4/24/47, furnished a letter dated 4/21/47, issued by the American Society for Cultural Relations with Italy, Inc., 123 West Madison Street, Chicago, in which it was announced that the ASPRI had been organized to bring to Americans accurate and unbiased information on current social and cultural developments in Italy. Set forth on this letter was the name FRANK SINATRA, as a member of the board of directors.

As a representative of Parisi, who were in Chicago in April, 1947 to arrange for the appearance of PIERFRITTO PARSI, former premier of Italy and CARLO LEVI, physician, painter and author, in Chicago, received assistance in that endeavor.

According to the informant, PARSI and LEVI spoke on 4/25/47, at a Friendship with Italy rally at Temple Hall, Chicago, which rally was political in nature and also literature issued by the Illinois State Committee of the CP was handed to persons leaving the rally.

The IIO has been cited pursuant to EO 10450.

On 9/28/46, confidential informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, (Highly confidential source, SASS) Chicago file 100-17343-1B1) furnished a pamphlet entitled "Final Call and Program, Conference of Progressives," Chicago, Hotel Continental, September 28 and 29, 1946, on which sponsors of this conference were listed as the National Citizens Political Action Committee, the Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions and the CIO, PAC. Listed thereon as a vice chairman of the ICCASP was the name FRANK SINATRA.

The ICCASP was cited as a Communist front by the Congressional Committee on un-American Activities in House report #1954, 4/26/50, and report #378, 4/25/51.
CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT who has furnished reliable information in the past and who is familiar with some phases of CP activity in the Chicago area, orally to SA on approximately 3/55.

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT who has furnished reliable information in the past and who is familiar with some phases of criminal activity in the Chicago area, orally to SA on 7/15/55, advised on 1/6/55, he knew of no CP or front group affiliation on the part of SINATRA.

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PBI LOS ANGELES: 9/28/55

SAC PHILADELPHIA (100-41153)

FRANCIS ALBERT SINATRA, aka Frank Sinatra, SMG; PAG. 00 LA.

Re Philadelphia let to Bu, 3/31/55.

It states Miami, by airtel dated 9/11/55, advised that on 9/17/55 an interview was had with

"Mr. Frank Sinatra, who stated he had been told by a former member of the CP that "Mr. Frank Sinatra is an old line member of the CP, and he has come up from the Young Communist League."

The former member recalled being told by a former unknown woman that "Mr. Frank Sinatra was an old line Communist who had come up from the YCL."

Philadelphia is requested to advise by airtel if that office has interviewed or if he could be interviewed.

ITW: mob.

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AIR MAIL REGISTERED

2 - Cleveland (AIR MAIL REGISTERED)
2 - Cincinnati (AIR MAIL REGISTERED)
in connection with the foregoing. Philadelphia is requested to advise by airtel the same concerning the [ ] if her identity is known.

Copies of this airtel are being furnished to Cincinnati and Cleveland, inasmuch as available info in the Los Angeles Office reflects that [ ] who is, apparently, identical with [ ] , the subject of files in those offices.

Cincinnati and Cleveland are requested to advise by airtel if [ ] has been interviewed by those offices or if it is felt he could be interviewed, should he be residing within those districts.

MALONE
Transmit the following Teletype message to:

FBI CINCINNATI (100-0) 10-3-55

γSAC LOS ANGELES (100-111,13)

FRANCIS ALBERT SINATRA, Aka. Frank Sinatra
SECURITY MATTER - C, FAG (CO - LOS ANGELES)

Reuraitel, 9-28-55, to Philadelphia, which requested advice as
whether the Cincinnati Office has interviewed
or whether this office feels that he could be interviewed.

This is to advise that

This office has received no indication that would be
coooperative in the type of interview desired in instant matter.

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FBI, CLEVELAND (100-22633) 10-3-55

2 SAC, LOS ANGELES

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FRANCIS ALBERT SINATRA, aka Frank Sinatra
SM - C; FAG;
O.O. - LOS ANGELES

Re LA airtel 9-28-55.

mentioned in re airtel is therefore, it is
recommended that not be interviewed in connection
with the above captioned case. It is to be noted that the
CV Office is office of origin in the case of

RUG.

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CCs: 1 - CINCINNATI

1 - PHILADELPHIA (100-41153)

AIR TEL

Approved: Special Action in Charge

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Transmit the following Teletype message to: LOS ANGELES (REGISTERED MAIL FOR MAIL)
FBI, PHILA. (100-11153) 10/6/55
FRANCIS ALBERT SINATRA, AKA., FRANK SINATRA, SM - C; FAG. CO: LA.

Re LA airtel 9/28/55; re CV airtel 10/3/55.

A review of info from [redacted] reflects that a letter was sent to the Bureau 12/12/45, containing Frank Sinatra, SM - C, stating the informant.

[redacted] that Frank Sinatra, well known radio and movie star, was then a member of Communist Party. [redacted] was told that Sinatra formerly held membership in American Youth for Democracy organization of New Jersey and "had recently been admitted to the New York Branch of the Communist Party." [redacted] explained that the reason Sinatra's name came up was because of a recent article in "Life" magazine, setting forth his position on racial hatred.

The file review did not show [redacted] reported this information. The review did show, however, that [redacted] was in frequent contact with [redacted] and the name [redacted].

The file for [redacted] indicated an interview with her was attempted under the TCCF Program 10/29/52, by SA [redacted]. [redacted] and [redacted] was told she had nothing to discuss with agents at that time or in the future.

No further action is contemplated at Phila.

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Approved: [Redacted]

Special Agent in Charge

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