

July 23, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE H. E. PURVIS AND MR. W. P. COWLEY

Dillinger Case

Under instructions from Special Agent in Charge H. E. Purvis and Mr. W. P. Cowley, this Agent, accompanied by Special Agent G. O. Hurt and officers Sopsic and Stretch of the East Chicago, Indiana Police Department, proceeded to the Biograph Theatre, 2435 Lincoln Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, arriving there at approximately 8:30 P. M. on the evening of April 22nd, 1934.

Upon arrival at the Biograph Theatre Agent assumed the position previously assigned and kept Mr. Purvis in view in order to receive the signal which was to be given by Mr. Purvis, when John Dillinger emerged from the Biograph Theatre. This Agent was stationed at a point approximately twenty or twenty-five feet immediately south of the Biograph Theatre.

About 10:30 P. M., John Dillinger accompanied by two women came out of the Theatre and walked south on Lincoln Avenue. Mr. Purvis lighted a cigar, which was the signal to all Agents that Dillinger had come out of the Theatre. Dillinger just before passing this Agent glanced in the direction of Agent and then took about two more steps and again glanced at Agent. At this time this Agent approached Dillinger on his right rear side. Agent observed Dillinger drew from his right hand trouser pocket a pistol and he then made an effort to run. There were three or four shots fired and Dillinger fell.

This Agent, together with Agents Hurt, Sullivan, Glynn and Gillespie, upon instructions of Mr. Purvis accompanied the body of Dillinger in the police patrol to the Alexian Brothers Hospital, 1200 Belmont Avenue, where Dillinger was immediately examined by Dr. Walter Prusak, who is attached to the Alexian Brothers Hospital. Dillinger was pronounced dead by Dr. Prusak at 10:50 P. M.

Captain Duffy and several police officers were at the Alexian Brothers Hospital and under their orders the body of Dillinger remained in the patrol wagon pending instructions from the Coroner's office as to its disposition. After several minutes waiting Captain Duffy received orders to take the body of Dillinger to the County Morgue. The body of

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