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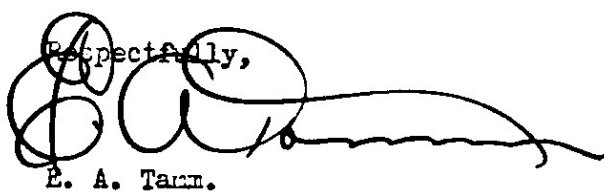
MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Cowley
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Tamm

Mr. Cowley telephoned from Chicago. I told him that you wanted him, as well as Mr. Purvis, to know that the broadcasting company and the movietone people had been pestering you in effort to have either you or Mr. Purvis broadcast concerning the Dillinger case and to take a movietone; and that you absolutely refused to authorize such a broadcast or any movietones, and that you do not, under any circumstances, want any newsreel taken or broadcast made. I told Mr. Cowley that when they meet the Attorney General, he and Mr. Purvis should indicate that they do not desire to do this, but that of course we would be guided by the Attorney General's wishes if he so desires that such a broadcast or movietone be made, but that our attitude is that it should not be done. Mr. Cowley asked if they should indicate to the Attorney General that these are the Director's desires. I told him yes, that if the Attorney General wants our ideas on the subject, he should indicate that we do not desire such publicity, but that if he wants it done, of course we will comply with his wishes.

Mr. Cowley inquired as to the identity of the broadcasting company making the request. I told him I did not know, but assumed it was the National Broadcasting Company.

Respectfully,



E. A. Tamm.

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