

Special Agent in Charge,
United States Bureau of Investigation,

Dear Sir:-

The Bureau directs your attention to its letter of July 1, 1933, relative to fire arms ordered for delivery to your office. In that communication, you were instructed to make arrangements with officials in your locality for the purpose of qualifying each Special Agent and Special Agent (A) under your jurisdiction in the use of fire arms. The material in question will reach your office in the near future.

The Bureau desires that each Special Agent and Special Agent (A) in your office be qualified as indicated not later than September 1, 1933. The Bureau should be promptly advised when any employee has been so qualified and appropriate notation should be made in the field personnel files as to the proficiency of individual employees in this regard.

An additional supply of .38 Special Police Positive Revolvers is being ordered for your office in order that one revolver, together with a holster, may be issued to each Special Agent and Special Agent (A) as the employee is qualified in the use of such weapons. You should personally handle the issuance of this equipment which is being permanently issued for the official use of the employee. A copy of the receipt signed by the employee should be forwarded to the Bureau, upon which the serial number of the revolver should be shown in order that the records of the Bureau may be up to date as to equipment in the possession of field employees. Of course, the revolver issued to an employee need not be maintained in his immediate personal possession at all times, in accordance with the rules governing other property issued to him by the Bureau, but each employee should maintain this equipment so that it will be available for official use when required.

In addition to the foregoing, it is desired that you proceed at the earliest possible date with arrangements to qualify Special Agents attached to your office in the proper handling of the shot gun, rifle and machine gun. When an employee has qualified under available experts in the firing of such weapons, a notation to that effect should be made in the field personnel file of the employee and the Bureau should be immediately advised in order that the records here may reflect such information.

The Bureau desires that you give this matter your very close personal attention.

Very truly yours,

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Director.

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LIST SHOWING REVOLVERS AND HOLSTERS IN BUREAU OFFICES AND
AND THE NUMBER ORDERED FOR EACH OFFICE TOLSON

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JUL 15 1933

Office	No. Agents	Colts	Holsters			Rev. & Holsters To Be Sent.
			Smith & Wesson	Pocket	Shoulder	
Birmingham	12	9 Good	2 Good	5	6	1 1
Charlotte	10	4 3-G., 1-F.		4		7 7
Chicago	36	*16 Good		8	8	20 20
Cincinnati	10	6 4-G., 2-F.	2 Good	4	1	4 7
Dallas	7	2 Good		2		5 5
Detroit	16	4 Good	1 Good	5	4-G., 1-F.	11 11
Jacksonville	6	4 Good	1 Good	4	2	1 1
Kansas City	14	8 Good	3 Good	7		3 7
Los Angeles	16	5 Good		3		11 13
New Orleans	7	1 Good	4 Good	5		2 2
New York City	68	19 Good	9 Good	14	14	40 40
Oklahoma City	11	4 Good		4		7 7
Philadelphia	18	4 Good	2 Good	3	6	12 9
Pittsburgh	11	6 Good		6		5 5
Portland	11	*7 Good	3 Good	6		1 5
Salt Lake City	5	7 Good		6		1 1
San Antonio	7	3 Good	1 Good	4		3 3
San Francisco	6	*4 Good	2 Good	2		4 4
St. Louis	11		3 2-G., 1-F.	2		9 10
St. Paul	11	*4 Good	1 Good	4		6 7
Washington Field	26	*15 Good	3 Good	15	13-G., 2-Bad	8 13
Officials S.O.G.	19	*6 Good	1 Good	1		6 7
Division Seven		34 Good		39		
Crim. Laboratory		1 Fair	2 Bad			
Division Six		1 Fair				
Totals	338	174	40	153	37	162 184

*Fire Arms

* These figures include one revolver other than Colt .38 calibre Special, and the figure for San Francisco includes 2 .32 calibre Colts.

Total Revolvers in the Bureau, Colts, 174, Smith & Wesson, 40; Grand Total - 214.

Total Special Agents and Officials in the Bureau: - 338.

Total Holsters in the Bureau, Pocket, 153, Shoulder, 37, Grand Total - 190.

Necessary to Purchase **162 Revolvers and 184 Holsters.

162 Revolvers @ \$20.48 Each	\$3,317.76
184 Holsters @ \$ 1.00 Each	184.00
Total	\$3,501.76.

** The purchase of 162 Revolvers would allow the present surplus of 34 to be maintained at the Seat of Government, in addition to the 4 guns in the Criminological Laboratory and Division Six, which are not issuable.

Handwritten initials