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Informant advised that there has been formed recently in Detroit a very active burglary gang composed of four members who are in their mid 20's. He said that they are all Army veterans and they use four walkie-talkies on their "scores". Informant identified two members of this gang as JACK (LNU), age 26, and DICK (LNU) age 25, brothers, who are the grandsons of JOHN CAROLL, who owns the JOHN S. CAROLL REALTY at 13243 Harper Avenue, Detroit. Informant advised that JOE VALENTI is an employee of the John Carroll Realty (which firm also is sometimes listed by NICK DITTA as DITTA's place of employment).

Informant advised that this gang is very clever with their use of the four walkie-talkies which they bought for \$240.00 a set, and he claimed that it would be difficult for any police officer to get within three blocks of any "score" this gang is working on. Informant advised that this gang "took off" the safe in Winnie's Bar, 11886 Charlevoix and they got \$10,090.00 from the "pete". Informant stated that the article which appeared in the paper the following day regarding this safe job reflected that only \$8200.00 was taken in the burglary. He said that these four guys are real professional in their work and each carries a "piece" on every "score". Informant advised that in the Winnie's Bar "job" they calmly smashed the ADT alarm with a sledge hammer, though this was unnecessary as WINNIE (LNU), the owner of the bar, had forgotten to connect the ADT alarm prior to leaving the bar that night. Informant said that this gang "peeled" the bar safe and grabbed the two bags of money which they found. He advised that actually the bar owner had wrapped a large amount of play money with two \$20.00 bills around the top and bottom of each of the two rolls and the four guys in this "mob" actually had to return to the bar not only a second but a third time that same night to get the total amount of \$10,090.00. Informant said that following this "safe job" DICK (LNU) left for Texas. He added that JOHN CAROLL has bought stolen merchandise for years. Informant commented that he recently sold CAROLL seven cases of "hot" cigarettes.

Informant advised that he continues to operate the restaurant in the Imperial Hotel. He said that Inspector GENE GEIBIG of the 5th precinct was at the Hotel the previous night, 5/8/63, from about 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and he got pretty drunk while drinking with "CHICKIE" SHERMAN. Informant remarked that Inspector GEIBIG is a periodic visitor of SHERMAN's,

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as is Inspector PAUL SHERIDAN, at the hotel, usually in the evenings. He said that the other night he watched "CHICKIE" pass money to GEIBIG in the hotel bar. Informant added that SHERMAN had bragged to him that he also has some CIB men on his payroll.

Informant advised that one of the conditions on which he took over the Imperial Hotel Restaurant, which was laid down by "CHICKIE" SHERMAN, was that he had to contract for disposal service from the Tri-County Sanitation. Informant stated that "CHICKIE" telephoned PETE VITALE regarding Tri-County service and Informant then contracted for it with VITALE over the phone.

Informant advised that PETE VITALE's daughter is marrying SAM BARRACO's son next month, June, 1963. He stated that BARRACO is the brother of ZENO BARRACO, who is also known as JIMMY ZENO, a down-river bookmaker closely associated with "CHICKIE" SHERMAN. Informant stated that SAM BARRACO is a brother-in-law of TONY DANA, a Wyandotte Hoodlum who obtained prominence before the Kefauver Committee. He added that DANA, who is the brother of PAT DANA, is now a director of a Wyandotte bank.

Informant advised that MIKE THOMAS frequents the Imperial Hotel bar and is in company with "CHICKIE" SHERMAN a lot. Informant added that MIKE THOMAS moved the syndicate bar-bute game from Ecorse, Michigan, to a hall at Tuxedo and Hamilton Avenues, in Highland Park, Michigan.

Informant advised that he is in daily contact with "CHICKIE" SHERMAN. He stated that SHERMAN told him recently that he does not intend to purchase any more \$50.00 federal wagering stamps. He said that "CHICKIE" commented "why should I? You go to jail with them, you go to jail without them." Informant said that "CHICKIE's" attorney on his tax case is FRED WALKER. He revealed that "CHICKIE" told him that he and WALKER were going to travel to Washington, D.C. for a hearing on his tax case although "CHICKIE" is resigned to his belief that he will get at least a year in prison for tax evasion.

Informant advised that the previous day he went to JOHNNY SERRA to borrow money to make his payroll at the Hotel Restaurant. Informant said that actually it was TARZAN CHRISTOPHERSKI's idea and TARZAN drove him over to SERRA's

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in the Fort Wayne Hotel. He stated that "CHICKIE" got "real hot" about him and TARZAN going over to borrow money from SERRA. Informant advised that "CHICKIE" told him to borrow his money not SERRA's and that he wouldn't charge "juice" for the loan either. He claimed that "CHICKIE" also got angry about TARZAN suggesting that Informant contact SERRA. He said that "CHICKIE" emphasized that TARZAN is not "with him" but only drives him (CHICKIE) around town occasionally. Informant advised that "CHICKIE" stated to him to the effect "I never use TARZAN when I need a good job done, I use VIC CURLANIS."

Informant advised that MIKE THOMAS was at the hotel at 3:15 p.m., May 6, 1963, to see "CHICKIE". He stated that shortly after JOE DAVIS, the manager of the Strathmore Hotel, 70 West Alexandria Street, who is an uncle of LOUIS LA HOOD, called "CHICKIE" to borrow money. Informant said that DAVIS sent TONY GIORDANO, who runs the restaurant in the Strathmore Hotel and who is the younger brother of SAMMY GIORDANO, over to see "CHICKIE" about picking up the money. Informant said that "CHICKIE" turned DAVIS down for a loan.

Informant advised that the previous morning, 5/8/63, CHICKIE was contacted by MORREY KATZ, who had just gotten in town from Chicago, and apparently they had some "heavy business" as "CHICKIE" went off with KATZ. Informant said that MOSES "MACHINE-GUN MOE" MARANIAN was in the Imperial Hotel last night about 6:00 o'clock. He said that MARANIAN is "real tight" with VIC CURLANIS. Informant stated that BILL BINDER drove into town from New York this morning and came to the Hotel and picked up GINO MARRA and they left together.

Informant advised that JOHNNY AYOTTE continues to operate the White Elephant Restaurant on Conant Ave. near East Eight Mile Rd. next door to the Woods Bowling Alley. Informant stated that AYOTTE has been hanging around recently with JACK O'MALLEY, an active burglar who is employed as a press man at the Detroit Free Press. He said that AYOTTE has hired a small band for his place and that HANK DINVERNO is the bouncer for AYOTTE's new business. Informant added that SAMMY GIORDANO also hangs around the White Elephant Restaurant a lot at night.

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Informant advised that the Macomb Social Club, which is at Utica and 12 Mile Roads, is going wide open three nights a week, Friday, Saturday, Sunday. He said that the Club presently has more action than the Star Social Club which is currently known also as the Steren Assembly Club (Steren meaning "Star" in Jewish). He stated that the Macomb Social Club belongs to BUSTER LUCIDO and JOE "WHIP" TRIOLIA and mostly craps are played at the club with occasional card games too. Informant advised that the club is reportedly doing 50-60 thousand dollars business. He identified PETE LEONARDO, "HAFI" ELIAS, and FRANK MUDARO's son-in-law, who is called "CHEECH" or "CHICHI" as employees and "stick-men" at the Macomb Social Club.

Informant advised that the previous week "JOCKO" PHILLIPS and BARNEY SCHWARTZ stole a tray of jewelry out of some Detroit jewelry store. He said that "JOCKO" is a "junkie" who is very active as a thief, burglar, and "booster" to keep his narcotics habit going. Informant advised that "JOCKO" brought the tray of jewelry, which originally contained 22 women's diamond rings, to the Imperial Hotel bar to seal them either to "CHICKIE" SHERMAN or to some of "CHICKIE's" friends. Informant revealed that the whole tray of rings was supposedly worth \$4800.00 retail. He said that "JOCKO" sold two of the diamond rings to friends of his and that he had no idea what he should get for the remaining 20 rings. Informant revealed that one of the rings contained a one karat diamond stone but that the others were mostly "caps". Informant advised that he sold the tray containing 20 rings to a Hungarian guy named "BOZO" who lives in Del Ray. He said that "BOZO" has worked at Ford's for 38 years and that "BOZO's" wife, who has knowledge that her husband had purchased this "hot" jewelry, is real upset as she believes that he has jeopardized his job if he is caught. Informant stated that "BOZO" paid "JOCKO" PHILLIPS \$750.00 for this load of jewelry. He said that now "BOZO" had asked him (Informant) to "fence" the diamonds for him. Informant said that "BOZO" wants his \$750.00 back and anything over and above that would be Informant's profit. Informant said he brought the tray of 20 women's diamond rings to NICK DITTA and DITTA offered him \$500.00. He revealed that LOUIE LA HOOD was at the Imperial Hotel at the time and he got into the act. Informant advised that he reluctantly let LA HOOD have the tray of jewelry and LA HOOD and OTTO SCHILL, with whom LA HOOD has gotten "real tight" recently, took the jewelry over to BILLY GIACALONE. Informant related that BILLY GIACALONE called him at the hotel and offered him \$300.00 for the whole tray. He added that he

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turned down GIACALONE's offer and he was somewhat relieved when LA HOOD actually brought all the diamond rings back to the hotel.

Informant stated further that "JOCKO" PHILLIPS is close to 50 years old. He said that "JOCKO" usually "works" with either BARNEY SCHWARTZ or FREDDY KAJURSKI. Informant advised that about seven or eight days ago "JOCKO" PHILLIPS was coming out of a "score" in Wyandotte, Michigan and he thought he "got made". He said that "JOCKO blew his car" on this "score" i.e. left it on the street in Wyandotte. He said that "JOCKO's" car was a Plymouth which he had registered in a phony name.

Informant advised that BOBBY V. GLEICH is buying a new 1963 Cadillac convertible. He said that GLEICH is "in partners" with TOMMY BOOTH and CHARLEY SAM in the operation of the Flame Show Bar on John R Street. Informant added that GLEICH is also now living with a Negro girl. He commented additionally that RAY MONASTERSKI has become real active as a burglar and "pete-man" and that MONASTERSKI specializes in "taking off" the private residences and business places of professional men, doctors, dentists and the like.

Informant advised that very few bettors come into the Imperial Hotel to visit with "CHICKIE" SHERMAN. He said that "CHICKIE" is visted mostly by bookmakers. He revealed that "CHICKIE's" brother-in-law, SAM MENDELSON, is in to see "CHICKIE" every morning. He added that "CHICKIE's" bookmakers around town include "RED" SCHULTZ and ZENO BARRACO, who is sometimes called JIMMY ZENO. Informant advised that "JO JO" (LNU), a little pug-nosed guy who works at the National Burlesque Theater and who drives a black Chrysler 300, is also "booking" for "CHICKIE". Informant estimated that the most active time during which "CHICKIE" is contacted by his bookmakers is between 7:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. and also between 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. He added that "CHICKIE" is never at the Imperial Hotel on Wednesdays from about 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at which time he takes his horse action over the phone from the Oakland Baths, 8295 Oakland Avenue, Detroit. Informant commented that HARRY MELTZER runs the Oakland Baths, and that "CHICKIE" meets his friends there the one day of the week. He stated too that usually TARZAN CHRISTOPHERSKI drives "CHICKIE" around in TARZAN's 1963 blue two-door Ford.

Informant mentioned MIKE RUBINO and commented that apparently RUBINO is very anxious about his forth-coming trial in the Palm Furniture Bankruptcy case. He said that he was with

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RUBINO the previous Saturday getting a haircut at Jimmy the Barber's in the Seville Hotel. Informant described RUBINO as "penitentiary hip". He explained that RUBINO is really pretty stupid when he deals with legitimate people but on the contrary, he is pretty sharp when he deals with his own kind.

Informant advised that AL VARGA is sometimes known by the nickname of "SCHNOBBY". He mentioned, in regards to VARGA, that he had heard the story that many years ago some guy came to VARGA and told VARGA a long story about having a fortune buried in Europe and that he needed a thousand dollars to go back to Europe and dig it up. He said that VARGA was promised a large "piece" of the buried money. Informant advised that VARGA falls for the story and he gave the guy "\$1,000.00. He added that the guy went to Europe, got the buried money, and brought it back and kept it hidden in Varga's basement. Informant claimed that VARGA supposedly went into the numbers business from the money he made on this deal. Informant related that he has frequent contact with AL VARGA. He advised that VARGA has good numbers action presently although the numbers generally have been real bad. Informant related that VARGA always keeps \$12,000.00 in reserve for his business and yesterday VARGA told him that he was going to see MIKE THOMAS as he has to "make principal of \$2200.00 with MIKE."

Informant advised that "JOCKO" PHILLIPS, GINO MARRA, and "SNOOZIE" NIEWINSKI hang around a lot together at the 52nd Show Bar, 7443 Michigan Avenue, Detroit. Informant stated that JOE COMELLA's wife works at the 52nd Show Bar and COMELLA was a former "rap partner" of GINO MARRA's. Informant revealed that COMELLA lives at 1548 New York Street, Lincoln Park Mich. and his auto license number is FF 1638.

Informant advised that LOUIE LA HOOD's dance is coming up on Sunday, May 19, 1963, at Cobo Hall. He said that LA HOOD is out each day hustling the sale of dance tickets and selling ads for his dance program. Informant stated that "CHICKIE" SHERMAN "has a piece of LOUIE's dance". He advised that he heard "CHICKIE" warning LA HOOD the other day not to "fool with" any of the dance money.

Informant advised that all the bookmakers in Detroit made a lot of money on the Kentucky Derby the previous Saturday. He said that Candy Spots was the betting favorite, and most of the money was on Candy Spots to win. He said that "CHICKIE" SHERMAN was in real good humor after the race as he won a "ton of money" when Candy Spots lost.

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Informant advised that he was in company with NICK DITTA the previous Sunday. He stated that DITTA was planning an automobile trip to New Orleans this coming week end and he was at his garage supervising the minor repair work he was having done on the car he was going to use, a four-door 1958 Cadillac.

Informant advised that he was with GINO MARRA on May 6, 1963. He said that MARRA drives a truck for Yale Cartage Company and the other day, May 2, 1963, while making a stop on Congress Street, somebody stole MARRA's truck. Informant said that GINO, whose real name is EUGENE MARRA, suspected that either "SNOOZIE" NIEWINSKI or JOE COMELLA set him up. He stated that that day he and GINO went and grabbed "SNOOZIE" in efforts to get GINO's truck back. Informant stated that GINO is "really hot" as he had nothing to do with the theft and he may lose his job because of it. Informant telephoned on 5/6/63 that GINO MARRA's truck had just been recovered parked on Seward Ave. and that examination found only about three boxes missing off it. Informant advised that MARRA told him that there was approximately \$20,000.00 in merchandise on the truck including two freezers. He said that MARRA told him that his first stop that day was the Kay Anos Furs where he dropped off several packages of furs. Informant advised that MARRA argued with his supervisor at Yale Cartage that if he was going to have his own truck "beat" he would have "gone" with these furs too.

Informant advised that "SNOOZIE" NIEWINSKI is handling baseball cards this season. He said that GINO was recently making plans to "go in on" the baseball cards and "SNOOZIE" found out about it. Informant stated that GINO is convinced that "SNOOZIE" told the police on him as they immediately looked him up and questioned him about his "baseball action."

Informant advised that GINO MARRA is a very active burglar. He said that on a recent evening MARRA took him over to "case" the home of Mrs. WEBER on Seminole St. in Indian Village. Informant stated that Mrs. WEBER is the widow of the owner of the J. L. Hudson Co., Detroit. Informant revealed that MARRA also has RUSSELL TRILCK's home "cased" and he is waiting for the right moment to "take it off." Informant advised that GINO MARRA's partner in his burglary activities is JOHN HICKEY, who is one of the Hickey brothers from Ecorse, Michigan.

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Informant said that, though he has no proof, he believes that GINO MARRA went on the burglary of the ALFRED GLANCY home in Grosse Pointe, Michigan. He said that he met a "ten-percenter" named PAUL (LNU), a Jewish guy, who told him (Informant) that he had been offered two pieces from the GLANCY "job". Informant stated that PAUL (LNU) told the story that the guy who bought the two pieces, which were a broach and a dinner ring, paid \$2500.00 for them and that he later took them to New York City where he sold them to a "private party" for \$45,000.00. He added that the two pieces were said to be actually worth \$59,000.00. Informant claimed that he had no knowledge of this "score" but that the individual who "handled" the two pieces is also supposedly involved in the smuggling in of uncut diamond stones from the Netherlands.

Informant advised that he met an individual named HARRY JAMES at the Imperial Hotel. He described JAMES as a close friend of TARZAN CHRISTOPHERSKI who is about 33-34 years old and a clean-cut looking kid who "looks like a cop." He stated that JAMES is a real good safe burglar who did five years in Jackson Prison and, in fact, was just recently paroled. Informant in conversing about HARRY JAMES, mentioned an incident involving JAMES which points up the "tremendous clout" CHICKIE SHERMAN has with the Detroit Police Dept. and particularly the First Precinct. Informant related that the previous Monday TARZAN got a phone call that JAMES was being held at the First Precinct charged with reckless driving and drunken driving. He stated that "CHICKIE" made a phone call from the Imperial Hotel at TARZAN's request and TARZAN went immediately over to the First Precinct and got JAMES out.

Informant advised that HARRY JAMES had the Playboy Lounge at 17569 East Warren near Cadieux Avenue "cased" for a "safe job". He said that JAMES was going to rob the place but he could not get permission. He said that JAMES contacted "BLACK TONY" TERAMINE about getting permission to "take off" the Playboy Lounge but that JAMES was told in no uncertain terms not to touch the Playboy Lounge as it "belonged" to TONY GIACALONE.

Informant advised that RAY HICKS suffered a heart attack this past week. He stated that RAY HICKS is in a record business with OTTO SCHILL at 17923 11 Mile Road, Roseville, Michigan, telephone number 778-8390, which is called the Ray-Kim record distributors. Informant mentioned about a load of Old Gold Cigarettes missing some time ago. He said that an individual

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named RAY ALMORE (PH) got these cigarettes at the time. Informant advised that LOUIE ELLIS, who is sometimes known as LOUIE ELLOIS and LOUIE CASSIEZ, is dying of cancer of the rectum. He remarked that LOUIE CASSIEZ is an old "bag-man" in MIKE RUBINO's numbers house. Informant advised that TEDDY PATRICCA is now tending bar at Grenaders Bar, in downtown Detroit. He commented that LOUIE LA HOOD is "really hot" at "BIFFO" MACCAGNONE recently as "BIFFO" apparently has been heard to claim loudly to the effect that he can beat the VIOLA case if "LAHOOD can stand up."

Informant advised on 5/9/63, telephonically that the two kids who are pulling burglaries around town with the use of four walkie-talkies are brothers who live on Cooper Street in Detroit. He said that they are named DICK (LNU) and JACK (LNU) and JACK lives with his family on Cooper Street between Warren and Forest Aves. in the third house from the corner where the grocery store is located. He added that DICK (LNU) lives with his mother on Cooper Street down a few houses from his brother JACK (LNU) and across the street.

Informant advised that he received a letter on May 6, 1963, from STAN FREEMAN who is confined to the Wayne County Jail. He said that FREEMAN mentioned that he had been in Federal Court the previous Wednesday and had his bond reduced from \$25,000.00 to \$7500.00. He said that FREEMAN mentioned that he is awaiting trial for having a gun with a silencer. Informant advised that FREEMAN also told him that his wife is divorcing him. He stated that FREEMAN said that someone had broken into his home yesterday, 5/5/63. Informant advised that he later talked to FREEMAN's wife about this and she told him that JOHN DE FOREST had broken into their home and had taken her TV set, radio, and some other items which belonged to FREEMAN. He related that Mrs. FREEMAN told him that the police who investigated the B&E also told her that JOHN DE FOREST had broken in. Informant mentioned that FREEMAN is suffering from some sort of skin disease and that FREEMAN's body is covered with sores. He added that FREEMAN really should be in a hospital because of this condition.

Informant advised on May 9, 1963, that he just got a call from FREEMAN at the Imperial Hotel. He said that FREEMAN was in Federal Court and had his bond reduced to \$1000.00. He said that FREEMAN told him over the phone that DOC SAVAGE just went his bond and that he (FREEMAN) is on his way to the hotel as he has "got something real good".

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Informant advised that FREEMAN contacted him and gave him details of a real good "score" he has lined up on a businessman who lives in the Birmingham, Michigan area who has three safes hidden in his home. Informant said that FREEMAN told him that the guy he was planning to "beat" owned Little Harry's Restaurant on East Jefferson Avenue and also the Kingsley Inn on Woodward Avenue in Birmingham. Informant advised that after hearing details of FREEMAN's "score" he turned it down and FREEMAN left the hotel on his way to Cooper Street to give the "score" to the two brothers JACK (LNU) and DICK (LNU) who work with the walkie-talkies.