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|   |                                       | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><br><b>ANTI-RACKETEERING</b> |   |

### REFERENCES

Report of SA ROBERT A. VOEGE, Pittsburgh, 3/20/61.  
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### LEADS

#### MIAMI- INFORMATION

A copy of this report is being forwarded to the Miami Office for information purposes in view of outstanding leads being handled at Surfside, Florida, and its immediate vicinity.

#### PHILADELPHIA- INFORMATION

A copy of this report is being forwarded to the Philadelphia Office for information purposes in view of the attendance of the adopted son of LA ROCCA at Valley Forge Military Academy in Wayne, Pa., and

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conducted in the light of the position of prominence this phase of our activity has attained. The following specific coverage in relation to the LA ROCCA investigation is in current operation:

- PG-622-C\*- installed during 2/61 at the North Star Cement Company, 12 McCandless Avenue, Pittsburgh, owned and operated by SEBASTIAN JOHN LA ROCCA. This misur is furnishing a daily picture of the financial operation of this and other LA ROCCA interests and is a continuing source of information concerning associates and acquaintances of LA ROCCA.
- PG-585-C- this individual is the former paramour of SEBASTIAN JOHN LA ROCCA. She is well acquainted with most of Pittsburgh's racket element and was formerly employed as a waitress in the Red Eagle Club, operated by MIKE GENOVESE, Pittsburgh and national top hoodlum who attended the conference at Apalachin, New York. This informant still visits this establishment and comes in constant contact with local racketeers in her role as a medium-priced prostitute. She is presently traveling with Mrs. JULIA MINTZ, widow of the co-owner of EZZARD CHARLES, former World's heavyweight boxing champion.
- PG-581-C- this individual has been associated with prostitutes in the Pittsburgh area for many years and is a continual attendee at racket functions in the Pittsburgh area. She is presently being utilized not only for top hoodlum information but as a check on the activities of PG-585-C.
- PG-573-C- this individual was born and raised with members of the MIKE GENOVESE family and has worked for the family as a bartender in the Pittsburgh area. He is extremely friendly with the youngest GENOVESE brother and is presently being utilized for the coverage of the Red Eagle Club, in which LA ROCCA definitely has an interest, and its visitors.

GEORGE "MOON" MESSER is a Potential Criminal Informant who is very active in Pittsburgh numbers operations and who

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is acquainted with all of Pittsburgh's top hoodlums through association with them when they began their racket careers. He started MIKE GENOVESE in the rackets upon the advice and approval of SEBASTIAN JOHN LA ROCCA and he now furnishes continuing information concerning these areas relating to numbers in which Pittsburgh's top hoodlums are active.

HENRY J. BARBER is a Potential Criminal Informant who is part-owner of a notorious gambling establishment at Chester, WVa. known as "Club 30." He is being utilized for information concerning the club and the interest in it of Pittsburgh hoodlums associated with both LA ROCCA and GENOVESE.

In an effort to increase criminal informant coverage those Potential Criminal Informants presently under development are being contacted on a continuing and regular basis so that information obtained from them may be used daily in connection with survey operations and surveillances of pertinent individuals in the Top Hoodlum Program. Informants already established are being made aware of the interest of the FBI in the criminal intelligence field and they have been instructed to furnish information of possible interest to Bureau Agents for proper dissemination to other Federal agencies.

INFORMANT COVERAGE RELATING TO THIS REPORT

PG T-1 is PG 622-C\* who was contacted on a daily basis from 3/18/61 through 3/31/61 by SA ROBERT A. VOEGE.

PG T-2 is PG-585-C who was contacted by SA ROBERT A. VOEGE on 3/22/61.

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