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AMOS- Robert

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Post Office Department

H. A. Roland,  
Inspector

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR

CASE No.

Kansas City, Missouri, July 15, 1931.

Subject:

# 21457

Chief of Police,  
Toledo, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Today an informant of mine stated that one Bob Amos and another man robbed a bank in the vicinity of Toledo. In the fight that followed some police officers were killed. The informant further advised that Amos was arrested and escaped by jumping from a moving train.

I would thank you to advise me whether you are familiar with the crime said to have been committed by Bob Amos, whether he is still wanted and the amount of reward offered for him. In this connection please be advised that I am not interested in the matter of reward from a personal standpoint, but am making inquiry in that regard solely for the benefit of my informant.

If Bob Amos is wanted, please furnish me a photograph and description of him, and I will endeavor to take the necessary steps to apprehend him.

Thanking you for the attention, I am,

Sincerely yours,

*H. A. Roland*  
Post Office Inspector.

*HS*

JUL 17 1931

21457

Our No. 19009 - Nathan King - O.P. No. 62986  
ASSAULT TO ROB

Nathan King and Frank Mitchell pleaded guilty on November 24th, 1930, to Assault with Intent to Rob and were sentenced to serve a minimum term of twelve years in the Ohio Penitentiary. A few days later while being conveyed to the penitentiary Mitchell insisted on being permitted to use the lavatory on the train. When he had gotten in there he unlocked his hand cuffs and plunged through the glass in the window and escaped. While he was doing that King held the door so that the officers could not interfere and admitted that he intended to jump through the window in turn had he not been apprehended as he was putting one leg out the window. Mitchell never was found. The plea involved the robbery of John C. Iffland, cashier of the Farmers' & Merchants' Bank at Sylvania, Ohio, on February 25th. \$1720 was secured in the robbery. At the time of the holdup the license number of the car in which the robbers made their getaway was secured by several persons, but no clue was obtained for several weeks. On March 8th, 1930, King in company with one Bert Walker and two women, were arrested in Akron, Ohio, following an automobile accident early in the morning.

Walker was an escaped convict from ~~the~~ Jefferson City, Missouri, having an unserved balance of thirty years against him. Almost immediately when he was arrested he drew a revolver and shot one of the police officers dead, and made his getaway. King ran when the shooting started but was recaptured the next morning. The police arrested King in his room on Lodi Street, Akron, Ohio. Walker was hiding under the bed. These men had a veritable arsenal in their room, but were

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surprised by a large force of police officers and surrendered without a struggle. Walker was tried for the shooting of Police Officer Manes and was electrocuted. The license plates that were used on the car in the Sylvania holdup were found in the room where King and Walker were arrested. They were both identified by victims of the robbery at Sylvania. Due to the long interval of time between the robbery and the time of trial it was thought best to accept a plea of Assault with Intent to Rob rather than run the risk of failure on the part of the witnesses to make a complete identification.

These men were members of a particular <sup>bad</sup> bunch of gangsters. One member, Sam Stein, was not apprehended, but his pictures were identified in connection with the robbery. He, together with two other members, Sam Russick and Joe Coleman, were assassinated by other gangsters near Stillwater, Minnesota, last summer. Mitchell, who escaped from custody, is the only remaining member of the mob at large.

The small amount of money, \$1720, that was secured, was due to the fact that one of the employees threw the vault door shut when the robbers entered the bank and put on the time lock. For this both King and Mitchell threatened to shoot him and would probably have done so had it not been for the fact that a witness across the street spread the alarm and the fire siren near by was blown almost immediately.

King has a prior criminal record for bank robbery. We believe that this man at the very least should be required to serve the minimum sentence imposed by the court.

Date December 29th, 1930.  
CS:RW

Prosecuting Attorney.



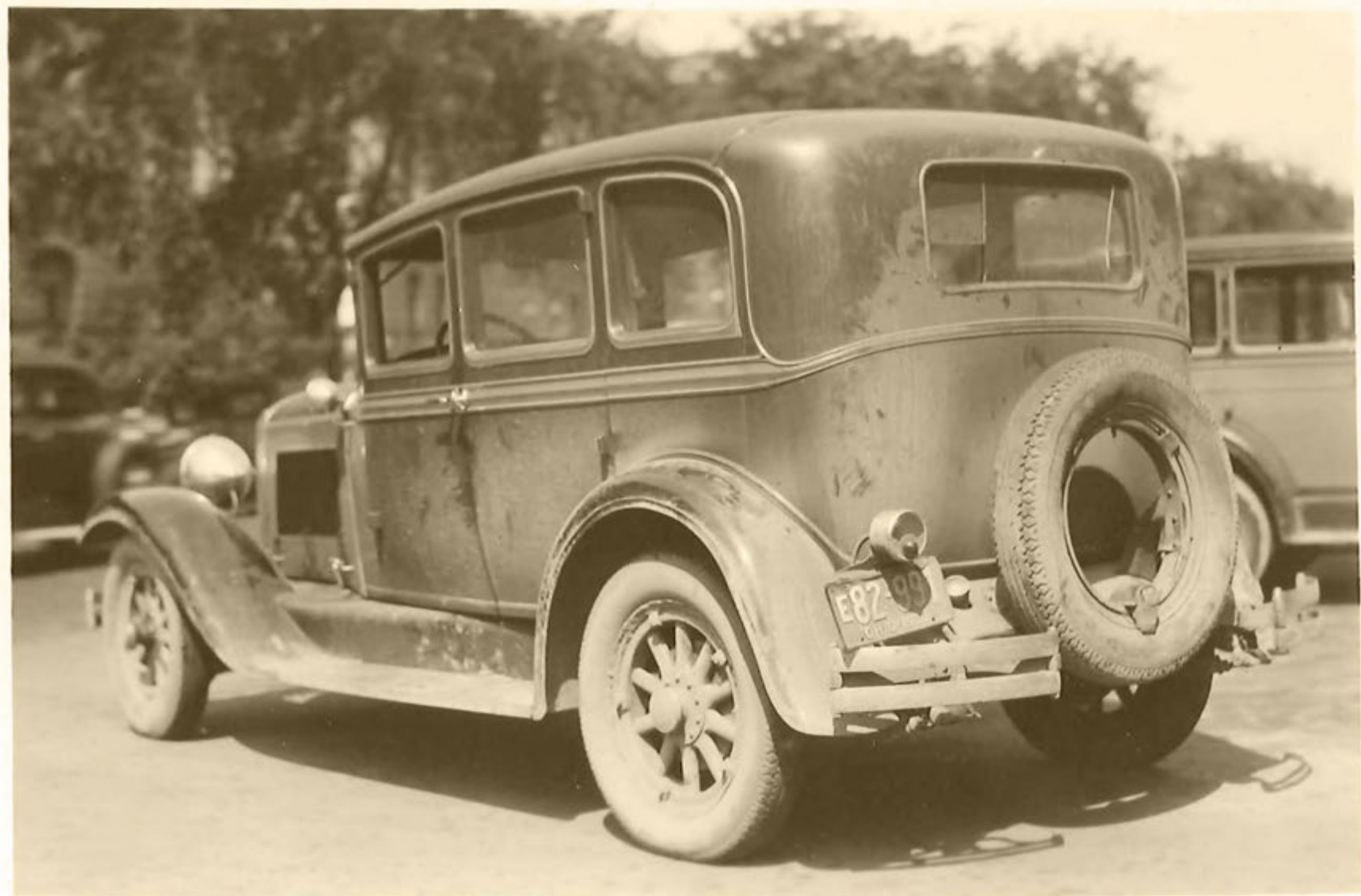
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DETECTIVE REPORT  
Toledo, Ohio  
POLICE DEPARTMENT

Reference No.....

MITCHELL AND KING.

May 21st. 1930

Capt Rydman Sir.

Det. DeLora and myself are agoing to Mansfield and also  
to Columbus on Police duty, leaving at 8 A.M. on 22nd.

WILL LEAVE WARRENT FOR NATHAN KING AND FRANK MITCHELL WITH  
YOU IF THEY DEMAND THAT THEY BE PUT IN COURT TOMORROW YOU WILL HAVE  
SOME ONE PUT THEM IN COURT AND CONTINUE UNTIL FRIDAY MORNING  
AND ASK FOR PLENTY OF BOND. RESPT.

DETS. DELORA AND HOVEY.

WARRENT ATTACHED.

Detective.....

DETECTIVE REPORT  
Toledo, Ohio  
POLICE DEPARTMENT

Reference No. ....

5 - 20 <sup>19</sup> 1930

Capt. Rydman Sir:-

Det Hovey and I went to Akron O. and brought Nathan King and Frank Mitchell to Toledo arrested them on suspicion for further investigation in connection with the robbery of the Sylvania Bank on Feb 5<sup>th</sup> 1930.

Respectfully

Detective

Hovey and DeLora

NAME

*John King*

COLOR

*White*

ALIAS

*Nathan A King*

RESIDENCE

*721 Lodi St Akron O*

CRIME

*Investigation*

DATE OF ARREST

*3-8-*

1930

ARRESTING OFFICERS

*Detectives*

DISPOSITION

*Pending*

Bertillion	
Height	
Eng. Height	
Outside A.	
Trunk	
Head Length	
Head Width	
Cheek Width	
R. Ear	
L. Foot	
L. Middle Fing.	
L. Little Fing.	
L. Fore-Arm	



English Description	
Age	<i>39</i>
Apparent Age	
Eng. Height	<i>6 ft</i>
Weight	<i>175#</i>
Build	<i>med</i>
Complexion	<i>"</i>
Hair	<i>Black</i>
Eyes	<i>Blue</i>
Nationality	<i>Am</i>
Descent	<i>"</i>
Born	<i>Springfield Mo</i>
Mous.	<i>no</i>
Teeth	<i>199-12</i>

MARKS AND SCARS

*None**7 TE 0*

CRIMINAL OCCUPATION

PRISONER'S SIGNATURE

*John King*

POLICE DEPARTMENT CITY OF AKRON  
BUREAU OF IDENTIFICATION

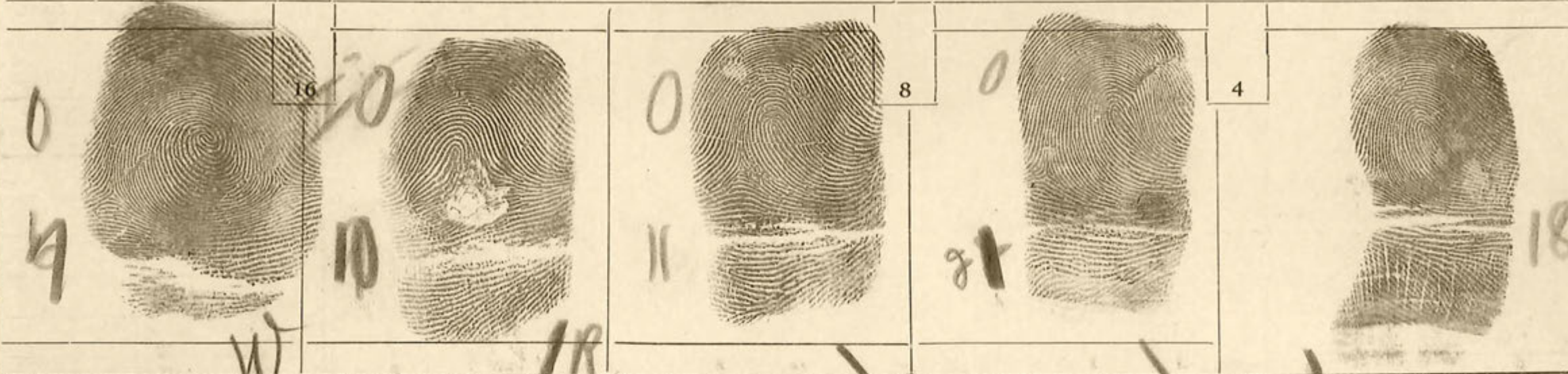
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NAME *John King*

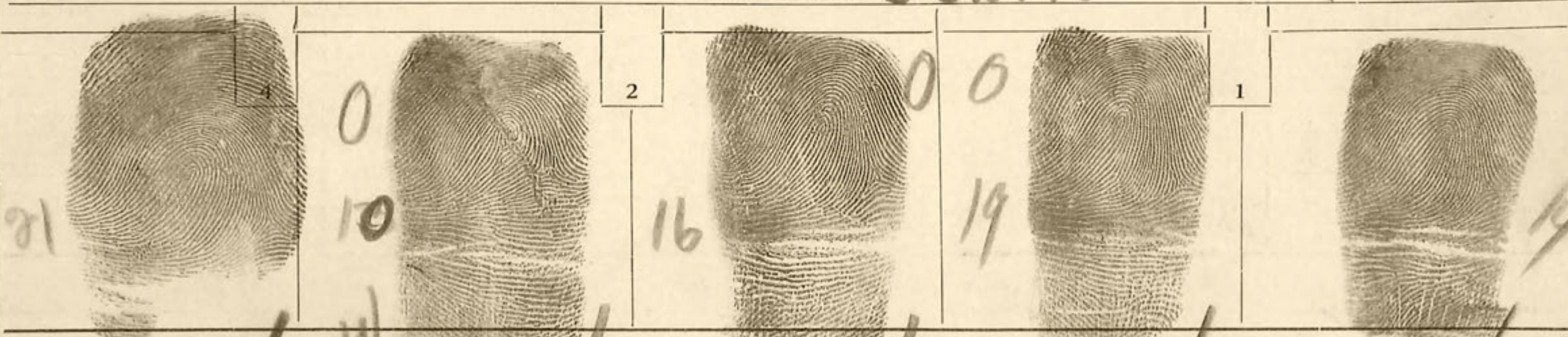
ALIASES *Nathan A King*

CLASSIFICATION *10 / R 000 18*  
*17 / U 000 14*

RIGHT HAND



LEFT HAND



LEFT HAND

RIGHT HAND

MAR 11 1930

E. WIESENBERG

MAR 11 1930

3-10-1930

Signature *Nathan King* No. 62986

Residence *Cassville Mo*

Occupation *Steam Fitter*

Criminal Specialty

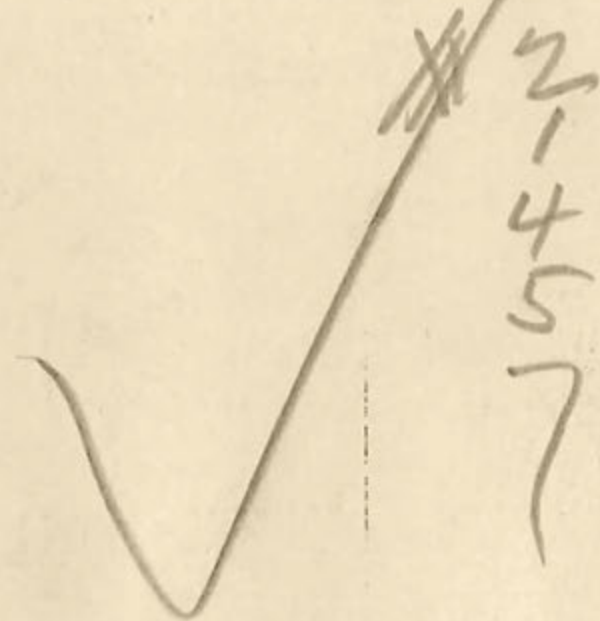


RIGHT INDEX

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*12-3-1892*  
Born at *Mo*  
Descent *Irish*

MARKS AND SCARS

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State Pen # 24777 Jefferson City Mo.

TEETH

*Good*



Wt. *165*

Eng. Ht. *5-11 1/8*

Hair *Dk Chest Gray*

Com. *M Glouid*

Build *T. Slim*

No. 62986 MALE Color White Classification

Name Nathan King

Alias Robert Langston Amos (RN) Bob Amos

Taken 12-10-30 by S.M. Current

Offense Asslt to rob

Class'd by

Arrested Lucas Co.0.

Disposition

12-15

Date

Right Thumb

Right Index

Right Middle

Right Ring

Right Little

16

8

4



Left Thumb

Left Index

Left Middle

Left Ring

Left Little

4

2

1



Left Hand

Right Hand



DEC 23 1930

CITY OF TOLEDO, OHIO,

POLICE DEPARTMENT

**REQUEST FOR ATTORNEY**

Do you want to see an attorney. yes

Who did you want to see. Hockett

Do you want to see the attorney, your wife or friends

employed for you. yes

Nathan King  
PRISONER'S NAME

W. W. W.  
TURNKEY'S NAME

**REQUEST FOR ATTORNEY**

Do you want to see an attorney. yes

Who did you want to see. Bob Bartley

Do you want to see the attorney, your wife or friends

employed for you. \_\_\_\_\_

Frank Mitchell  
PRISONER'S NAME

Carl  
TURNKEY'S NAME

**REQUEST FOR ATTORNEY**

Do you want to see an attorney. yes

Who did you want to see. Hockett

Do you want to see the attorney, your wife or friends

employed for you. yes

Frank Mitchell  
PRISONER'S NAME

W. W. W.  
TURNKEY'S NAME

# Amos-Robert

21457

## SYLVANIA BANK BANDITS GIVEN TERMS IN PEN

NOV 25 1930  
Judge Gives Last Members of Gang 12 Years in Penitentiary for Hold Up.

The last chapter in the history of the bandit gang that held up the Farmers and Merchants bank at Sylvania was written Monday afternoon in common pleas court when Judge Charles Milroy pronounced a minimum sentence of 12 years in the Ohio penitentiary for Frank Mitchell and Nathan King.

Bert Walker, who also was identified in the holdup, was electrocuted in the penitentiary Nov. 10 for the murder of an Akron patrolman.

Gangland was responsible for the deaths of three other members of the band although they were not connected with the Sylvania bank holdup. Cecil Stickney, assistant county prosecutor, told the court.

Mitchell and King, through their attorney, John Hackett, withdrew their plea of not guilty to a robbery charge and pleaded guilty to assault with intent to rob. The bank was robbed on Feb. 5, 1930, of \$1,720.

Shortly before Mitchell was arraigned, he made a break for liberty from the county jail, but was captured in front of the Elks' club by deputy sheriffs and police. He was in the jail barber shop and slipped out with a group of visitors when Deputy Sheriff A. C. Allyn opened the jail door.

Deputies Joe Packo and Allyn and Bert Williams, who was in the jail office, chased the prisoner who ran in Jackson street to Michigan street. As the fugitive neared the Elks' club Detective Arthur Langendorf, Phil Birkenhauer, marriage license clerk, and Bert Thompson, clerk at the jail, were leaving the building. They also took up the chase.

Mitchell ran across the street toward the courthouse. He was puzzled when he saw man run out of the courthouse and headed back to Michigan street. The man who ran from the courthouse was running for a street car and knew nothing of Mitchell's escape. Mitchell was blocked by two automobiles and was captured.

Mr. Stickney asked that the indictment against William Powell, who also had been arrested in Toledo in connection with the holdup, be nolle. Mitchell and King were arrested in Akron.

said, a citizen who was in the bank at the time of the holdup picked Powell from a lineup of prisoners. "You want to make sure, brother," Powell told his accuser. "I am sure," said the citizen. "You poked two guns at me in the bank—I'd know you anywhere."

When the identification was made Powell was charged with robbery. He then was taken to Judge Stuart's court where his attorney, Ira Bame, was protesting against his being held on the charge of being a fugitive from justice and with being a suspicious person.

Judge Stuart held that the bond of \$10,000 fixed on the suspicious person charge was excessive and ordered it reduced to \$500. He ordered that the fugitive charge be disposed of as soon as possible.

Detective William Rogers produced a warrant charging bank robbery and Judge Stuart remanded the prisoner to jail. Police Judge Ira Cole fixed Powell's bail at \$20,000.

Two others, Frank Mitchell and Nathan King, alleged gunmen arrested in Akron, have been identified as having taken part in the Sylvania bank robbery.

Powell was arrested here last Friday by Detectives Ford and Green with Jack Theo, 28, and Art Masseur, 22, both of 1320 Jackson street, during a roundup of alleged robbers. Theo and Masseur were bound over to the grand jury on the charge of possessing burglar tools.

### Bank Robber Suspect Held To Grand Jury

William Powell, 39, of Logan street, charged with robbery in connection with the holdup of the Farmers and Merchants bank, Sylvania, Feb. 5, was bound over to the grand jury Friday when arraigned in police court. Bond was fixed at \$10,000.

The accused man was bound over after Chris Rumpf, Adrian, Mich., witness of the bank robbery, pointed him out in the courtroom as one of the five men who held up the bank.

The cases of two other men, Nathan King, 39, Springfield, Mo., and Frank Mitchell, 19, Kansas City, also charged with robbery in connection with the same holdup, were continued until May 27.

### 3 Indicted As Bank Robbers

MAY 29 1930  
Powell, King, Mitchell Blamed For Raid At Sylvania.

Indictments charging robbery were returned by the Lucas county grand jury Wednesday against William Powell, Nathan King and Frank Mitchell in connection with the holdup of the Farmers' & Merchants' bank at Sylvania, Feb. 5, in which \$1,720 was stolen. Five men took part in the holdup.

Powell was arrested in Toledo, King and Mitchell, in Akron.

Bert Walker, alias Bob Randall, reputed escaped Missouri convict and identified as one of the robbers of the bank at Sylvania, was convicted May 17 at Akron of a first degree murder charge in connection with the slaying of Patrolman Harold F. Manes.

### PLEAD NOT GUILTY

JUN 2 1930  
Trio, Arrested in Sylvania Bank Holdup, Before Judge Stuart.

William Powell, Frank Mitchell and Nathan King pleaded not guilty Monday when arraigned before Common Pleas Judge Roy R. Stuart on the charge of bank robbery in connection with the holdup of the Farmers' & Merchants' bank, Sylvania, last February.

Burkett Hensar pleaded guilty to theft of clothing, a watch and pistol, all valued at \$1997, from the store of Abdon Sabbagh, 717 N. Erie street.

said to be the hangouts of a safe-burglary gang here. Powell was charged with being a suspicious person following the raids. The others, Jack Theo, 28, and Art Masseur, 22, both of 1320 Jackson street, have been bound over to the grand jury on charges of possessing burglar tools.

Attorneys for Powell instituted habeas corpus proceedings, and a hearing was set for Thursday at 1:30 p. m. Powell was identified in connection with the holdup just before he was taken to Judge Roy Stuart's common pleas court room for the hearing.

Judge Stuart held that a \$10,000 bond fixed on the suspicious person charge was excessive and ordered it reduced to \$500. Then Detective William Rogers brought a warrant into the court room charging Powell with bank robbery.

Police Judge Ira Cole fixed the bail for Powell at \$20,000.

### SYLVANIA BANK HOLDUP SOLVED

MAY 23 1930  
Three Positively Named as Bandits; Partial Identification of Fourth Made

Police Friday believed the \$2000 holdup of the Farmers' & Merchants' bank at Sylvania, Feb. 5, virtually had been solved with the positive identification of three men now under arrest here and the partial identification of a fourth man who is under sentence of death in Akron, O., for murder.

William Powell, 39, arrested here by police a week ago, was identified late Thursday as the third member of the gang of bandits who robbed the bank. Frank Mitchell, 21, of Kansas City, and Nathan King, 37, of Springfield, Mo., who were brought here last week from Akron, had been identified positively earlier in the day.

King and Mitchell were arraigned before Police Judge Ira Cole Friday, but their case was continued to May 27. They are charged with robbery, and Judge Cole, upon request of Prosecutor Art Brunskill, set bond at \$25,000 each.

MAKE IDENTIFICATION. Lynn Bischoff, assistant teller at the bank; Edward C. Jacobs, assistant cashier, and Walter Day and Russell McGlenn, customers, made the identifications.

Powell had been held under \$10,000 bond on fugitive charges from Albion, Mich., and Tampa, Fla., and as a suspicious person. Attorneys had instituted habeas corpus proceedings which would have taken Powell out of jail Thursday afternoon when Detective William Rogers brought a warrant to Judge Roy Stuart charging Powell with bank robbery.

\$20,000 BOND SET. Powell then was remanded to jail on \$20,000 bond.

Bert Walker, who with Mitchell and King was arrested in Akron, O., a month ago, was partially identified by bank employees at the Akron jail. Walker was sentenced last Saturday to die in the electric chair for the murder of an Akron policeman.

### SUSPECT NAMED IN BANK HOLDUP

MAY 23 1930  
Powell Is Identified by Victim of Sylvania Robbery.

While he was seeking release from jail through a habeas corpus proceeding in the courtroom of Common Pleas Judge Roy Stuart Thursday afternoon, William Powell, 39, Logan street, was arrested as one of the bandits who held up the Farmers & Merchants bank in Sylvania, Feb. 5.

The hearing was set for 1:30 P. M. and a short time previously, police

### HOLDUP SUSPECTS BROUGHT TO TOLEDO

Pair Held at Akron in Sylvania Robbery To Be Tried Here.

Nathan King, 27, of Springfield, Mo., and Frank Mitchell, 21, of Kansas City, were brought to Toledo from Akron, early Tuesday by Detectives John Hovey and Frank DeLora to face charges of robbery in connection with the holdup of the Farmers' & Merchants' bank at Sylvania, two months ago.

They are held on suspicion at the Safety building.

The two men were identified several weeks ago by employees of the bank after their arrest in a raid by Akron police. They have been held at Akron as material witnesses in the case of Bert Walker, escaped Missouri convict, who was found guilty Saturday of first-degree murder in the slaying of an Akron policeman.

Walker, also, was wanted here for the bank robbery.

### TWO IDENTIFIED AS SYLVANIA BANK BANDITS

MAY 22 1930  
Four Pick Pair, Arrested in Akron, From Line-Up at Safety Building

Two suspected gunmen, Frank Mitchell, 21, and Nathan King, 37, brought here from Akron, O., Tuesday, were identified positively Thursday as members of the gang of five bandits who held up the Farmers' & Merchants' bank at Sylvania, O., Feb. 5 and escaped with \$2000.

Mitchell is from Kansas City and King from Springfield, Mo.

The men were picked from a lineup in the Safety building by four victims of the holdup—Lynn Bischoff, assistant teller, and Edward C. Jacobs, assistant cashier, and Walter Day and Russell McGlenn, customers.

King and Mitchell were arrested in Akron, March 9, in connection with the slaying of Patrolman Harold Manes. Bert Walker, their alleged leader, who also was identified as one of the Sylvania bandits, is awaiting sentence for the murder of Manes. He was found guilty Monday in Akron.

King previously had been identified partially as one of the bank bandits and both King and Mitchell were eliminated as suspects in two major Toledo crimes—the slaying, March 2, of William J. Malone, Standard Oil Co. night watchman, and the murder two years ago of Patrolman George Zientara.

### Identified As Bank Robbers

MAY 21 1930  
Two Of Trio Arrested At Akron In Connection With Slaying.

Three members of the band that staged the \$2,000 robbery of the Farmers' & Merchants' bank at Sylvania, Feb. 5, were picked from a line-up of police suspects at the Safety building Thursday.

The men identified by victims of the robbery were, according to police, William Powell, 39, Logan street; Frank Mitchell, 21, Kansas City, and Nathan King, 37, Springfield, Mo. All will be arraigned in police court Friday on charges of robbery.

The identifications were made by Lynn Bischoff, assistant teller; Edward C. Jacobs, assistant cashier, and Walter Day and Russell McGlenn, customers of the bank.

King and Mitchell were arrested March 9 in Akron in connection with the slaying of Patrolman Harold Manes. They were brought to Toledo Tuesday after Bert Walker, who police say was their leader and also has been identified in the Sylvania robbery, was found guilty of slaying Manes.

Powell was arrested a week ago when Detectives Owen Green and James Ford and members of the city vice squad raided what they



CITY OF TOLEDO  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF POLICE

BUREAU OF  
IDENTIFICATION

21457  
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No. .... Date Measured May 20th. 1930

Date of Arrest May 20th. 1930 at 5.45 AM

Name Robert AMOS

Alias Nathan King - John King. "Bob" Robert Langston Amos-

Residence # Monett, Mo.

Age 38 On Dec 3rd. 1930 Color of Left Eye Sl. Blue Height 5'11

Where Born Monett, Mo. Descent F Scot M Irish

Occupation farmer

Color of Hair Black Color of Beard

Teeth Good 1-gold capp upp left

Comp. Med dark Build Med slim Wt. 170.

Crime Susp

Officer etd from Akron, O. by Det Hovey and Delora. -Varner

Remarks

Finger Print Classification ⑩ 1 R 000 18 ⑩ 1 R 000 18  
19 W F 14 174 000 14 Operator PF

No. MARKS, SCARS, MOLES, ETC.

- 1 Clean
- 2 Clean
- 3 Clean

5-20-30.Mailed Fgr.P.C and Mug to C.P. at Chi .Ill -Cleveland.O.-Detroit.Mich  
St.Louis.Mo and Pittsburgh.Pa.

5-29-30 Mailed 3X5 and Mug to Burns Det. Agcy Detroit.Mich.

2-13-33.Mailed 3X5 and Mug to C.P. at Wichita.Kansas.

4-25-1922-As Bob Amos # 24777 recd at Missouri State Pent'y at Jefferson  
City. Mo. from Barry County on charge of Bank Robbery under  
sentence of FIFTEEN (15) years.,  
10-19-1929-Discharged under 7/12 rule.

3- 8-1930-As John King alias Nathan A. King # 19972 arrested at Akron Ohio.  
on charge of Investigation.( was arrested with Bert Walker and  
Frank Mitchell # 19983; Bert Walker # 19984 was convicted at Akron.  
Ohio. on charge of Murder. sentenced to be electrocuted; King and  
Mitchell turned over Police Dept Toledo.Ohio.

5-20-1930-Returned to Toledo Ohio. from Akron. Ohio.

5-29-1930-Off docket in Muny Court for robbery. taken to county jail  
on Capias issued by County Prosecutor.  
With Floyd #21458.

5-28-1930-Indictment # 18972 for Robbery filed;  
6- 4-1930-Original Indictment # 19009 for Robbery filed;  
6- 2-1930-On trial and pled Not Guilty before Judge Stuart. Case # 18972.,  
6- 7-1930-On trial and pled Not Guilty before Judge Stuart. Case # 19009.,  
11-24-1930-On trial in Indictment # 19009 and pled Guilty to assault to Rob  
before Judge Milroy;  
11-24-1930-Sentenced to Ohio State Pent'y to serve a Minnimum term of  
TWELVE (12) years by Judge Milroy;  
12-10-1930-As Nathan King alias Robert Langston Amos alias Bob Amos # 62986  
recd at Ohio State Pent'y from Lucas County on charge of assault  
to rob under sentence of 12 to 15 years.  
12-30-1930-Indictment # 18972 " NOLLIED " by Judge Milroy;  
8- 2-1939-Escaped  
8- 4-1939-Returned to Institution as an Escape.  
8- 5-1941-Transferred to Junction City,O.

CITY OF TOLEDO OHIO  
DEPARTMENT OF POLICE.

BUREAU OF IDENTIFICATION AND RECORDS.

CRIMINAL RECORD OF  
ROBERT AMOS

ALIAS NATHAN KING ALIAS JOHN KING ALIAS ROBERT LANGSTON AMOS ALIAS  
" BOB "

TOLEDO PHOTO NO., 21457 FINGER PRINTS (10) 1 R 000 18 REF;  
19 W I 14

(10) 1 R 000 18  
17 U 000 14

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- 4-25-1922-As Bob Amos # 24777 recd at Missouri State Penitentiary at Jefferson City. Mo. from Barry County on charge of Bank Robbery under sentence of 15 years.
- 10-19-1929-Discharged under 7/12 rule.
- 3- 8-1930-As John King alias Nathan A. King # 19972 arrested at Akron. Ohio. on charge of Investigation., ( Arrested with Bert Walker # 19984 and Frank Mitchell # 19983; Bert Walker was convicted at Akron Ohio. on charge of Murder; and was convicted and sentenced to Ohio State Pent'y to be electrocuted; King and Mitchell was turned over to Police Department wanted for robbing Bank at Sylvania Ohio.
- 5-20-1930-Turned over to Police authorities from Toledo Ohio.
- 5-28-1930-Indictment # 18972 for Robbery filed;
- 5-29-1930-Marked off docket in Municipal Court and sent to County Jail on Capias on above indictments;
- 6- 4-1930-Original Indictment # 19009 for Robbery filed;
- 6- 2-1930-On trial in indictment # 18972 and pled Not Guilty Judge Stuart;
- 6- 7-1930-On trial in indictment # 19009 and pled Not Guilty Judge Stuart;
- 11-24-1930-On trial in indictment # 19009 and pled Guilty to assault to Rob before Judge Wilroy;
- 11-24-1930-Sentenced to Ohio State Pent'y to serve a Minimum term of TWELVE (12) years by Judge Wilroy;
- 12-10-1930-As Nathan King alias Robert Langston Amos alias Bob Amos #62986 recd at Ohio State Pent'y from Lucas County on charge of assault to rob under sentence of 12 to 15 years.,

STATE DEPARTMENT OF  
PUBLIC SAFETY

BUREAU OF IDENTIFICATION  
LANSING, MICHIGAN

When replying please  
refer to Bureau # 68774

Jan. 13, 1931

Ohio State Pen.,  
Columbus, Ohio.

REVISED IDENTIFICATION

Sir: The following identification is made on your 62986  
Nathan King alias Robert L. Amos:

- 4-25-1922 As Bob Amos #24777 Missouri State Pen., Jefferson City, Mo.  
Received from Barry Co. Mo. to serve 15 Yrs. for Bank Robbery.
- 10-19-1929 Discharged.
- 3-8-1930 As Nathan King alias John King alias Bob Amos #19972 Police  
Dept., Akron, Ohio. Charge: Suspicion - changed to Material  
Witness.
- 3-10-1930 Held to Grand Jury a Material Witness in a Murder Case on  
Bond or \$2500. (In default of this bond he lay in the Summit  
County Jail till end of trial and on May 20, 1930 was turned  
over to the Police Dept., Toledo, Ohio to stand trial for  
Bank Robbery. He was convicted and sentenced to the Ohio  
State Pen., Columbus, Ohio to serve 12 to 25 Yrs. Enroute  
to the Penitentiary this man made an effort to escape but  
did not succeed.)
- 5-20-1930 Turned over to their Police Dept., Toledo, Ohio.
- 5-20-1930 As Robert Amos alias Nathan King alias John King alias "Bob"  
#21457 Police Dept., Toledo, Ohio. Charge: Susp. (Bank  
Robbery).  
Sentenced to the Ohio State Pen., Columbus, Ohio.
- 12-10-1930 As Nathan King alias Robert L. Amos #62986 Ohio State pen.,  
Columbus, Ohio. Received from Lucas Co., Ohio to serve  
12 to 15 Yrs. for Assault to Rob.

Respectfully yours,

I. H. Marmon,  
Supt. of Bureau.

Copy to: Police Dept., Akron, Ohio.  
Police Dept., Toledo, Ohio.  
Ohio State Bureau, London, Ohio.  
Missouri State Pen., Jefferson City, Mo.

Any correction or addition you  
can furnish us on this record  
will be greatly appreciated.

JAN 15 1931

## DETECTIVE REPORT

Toledo, Ohio

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Reference No. ....

21457

Mar. 11<sup>th</sup> 1930

Capt. Frutchy - Ser.

On the 10<sup>th</sup> at 9 Am. Det. Culver and myself went to Akron Ohio. by order of Inspt. Busch, to look over 3 suspects who were held there on killing of one of their officers. We found that they gave names Frank Mitchell alias Shultz, Jack King and Bert Walker alias Randall. This man Walker was shot through both arms at the time of their arrests. Walker also

Detective .....

## DETECTIVE REPORT

Reference No. ....

Toledo, Ohio

POLICE DEPARTMENT

19.....

had girl he was living with name  
Nellie Denny, they staid at Akron under  
name of Coleman. Insp. O'Donnell said  
as near as he can check up they all  
have been around Akron since Early in  
February this year. They had Sedan Car  
with Ohio Lis. and also G. Mich Lis.  
# 33409. - 1930 was found in the Car  
This is the car and license used in the  
Sylvania Bank job. on Feb. 5 - 1930

Detective.....

## DETECTIVE REPORT

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Toledo, Ohio

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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I so informed the Inspt., and I feel satisfied the 3 men in custody were in the Bank stick-up, along with others. They also had a Ford Coupe, with a Cleveland issued Ohio Lis.

They had a Thompson Machine gun with one drum of bullets, 2 - 45 Cal. revolvers, 2 - 38 Cal. revolvers.

and one high powered rifle which was new, 4 ounces of Nitro glycerine, gas shells, and other Burglar tools.

Detective.....

TOLEDO, OHIO  
POLICE DEPARTMENT

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The number on one of the 45 cal. guns.  
were taken off, The number on the  
45 cal 7 inch barrel side wheeler was  
{ 56-812 } one 38 Colts side wheeler.  
H

{ 330-680 } one - 38 Cal. Colts. side wheeler.  
H

171-519, Have looked up all numbers.  
and we have no rap for any of them.  
I feel satisfied that we should make

Detective.....



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Toledo, Ohio

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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A comparison of Bullets from the 38. Cal. guns of these men, and the bullet of 38 Cal. taken from Dead Watchman neck who was killed.

I also made arrangements with Sheriff Zimmerman on my return to have Bank men and witnesses taken to Akron today for identification if possible, also brought photos and finger-prints of the 3 men and

Detective.....

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one woman which I turned over to  
Supt Louy.

We left at 9 Am. and returned  
at 6<sup>30</sup> Pm.

I feel satisfied these men  
may be connected with our Standard  
Oil job. of Mch. 2-1930

Respt  
Det J. Horsey.

Detective .....

DETECTIVE REPORT  
Toledo, Ohio  
POLICE DEPARTMENT

Reference No. ....

May 21, 1930

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Time 6.30 P.M.

~~Capt. Mc Glesky, Sir~~

~~Line up consisting of No#1 Ameriga Conta #2 Wm Powell #3 Jim Calahan  
#4 Jerry Heston #5 Frank Scott #6 Frank Mitchel #7 Nathan King #8 Lee Puthff~~

Following men who where held up on Feb. 5, 1930 at Farmers and Merchants  
Bank at Sylvania O. identify suspects as follows.

J. Iffland identifys No#7 from left Nathan King partially.  
Edw. Jacobs identify, s Frank Mitchel positive Nathan King partial.  
Walter Day identifys Nathan King positive. also Frank Mitchel positive  
Lynn Bischoff #7 identifys #7 Nathan King ~~partial~~ partial.  
Russell Mc Glenn identifys Nathan King positive

Identified as men that held them up in the bank on Feb. 5, 1930.

Detective..... Ford & Green

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Toledo, Ohio

POLICE DEPARTMENT

5-22-30

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Capt. Rydman, Sir,

had a show up of the following men, Emmet Kiel, Amengo Conti, Joe Consadine  
Nathan King, Pat stokes, Wm Powell & Frank Mitchell, at 1.25pm. Today,  
and Mr Christ Rumpf 625 Elm st, Adrain Mich, indentifies Wm Powell, no 2  
from the south end of the show up, as the man that stuck up the Sylvania  
Ohio, bank. and was the man that put two guns on him, and threatened him  
for not putting up his hands when he told him.

Resp.

Det Rogers. Hartung. & Det Sullivan from  
Youngstown O Police.

Detective.....

February 17th 1933.

X21457

C. W. Wilson  
Chief of Police  
Wichita, Kansas.

Dear Sir:-

We are in receipt of your communication of the 10th instant., re Charles Floyd our number 21488, and John King our number 21497 who is the same John King 1872 and Bert Walker # 1934 the later two are from Akron, Ohio.

I am enclosing herewith photograph and fingerprint classification and description and record of our John King number 21497 which identical with John King # 18072 out of Akron Ohio, wish to advise that Bert Walker # 1934 was convicted at Akron Ohio, on charge of killing a police Officer and was sentenced to be electrocuted at the Ohio State Penitentiary at Columbus, Ohio, on November 10th 1930.

You will note by the enclosed record that King is now confined at Ohio State Penitentiary sentenced from Toledo Ohio, for a Bank Job at Sylvania, Ohio, which is in Lucas County.

Yours very truly.

DANIEL T. WOODS  
CHIEF OF POLICE

Copy:-  
2-encs:-

( ORIGINAL IN NO., 21458., )

POLICE DEPARTMENT  
WICHITA KANSAS.

In reply kindly  
refer to

Bert C Wells, City Manager.

A 42325

O.W.Wilson,  
Chief of Police

February 10th, 1933.

Chief of Police.  
Toledo, Ohio.

Dear Sir,-

Your photograph of Chas A. Fliyd #21458 received which was greatly appreciated.

We are also desirous in obtaining photographs of John King 1 and Bert Walker #19984, with record., in your department.

It is reported to us that either in 1930 or 1931, Floyd, in company with Beulah and Rose Ash, sisters, of Kansas City, Mo. shot and killed an officer of your department. We are interested in his method of operation and the names of any known accomplices.

Thanking you for all past favors and assuring you of our cooperation at all times, I beg to remain,

Very truly yours,

O.W.Wilson.  
Chief of Police.  
Thomas H. Jaycox

By Thos H. Jaycox  
Capt Record Dept.

THJ/Mc

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Feb. 24th. 19 30

Capt. Rydman Sir.

Kindly have request go to Lansing, Michigan  
on Michigan License 33-409. As to the ownership.

This is the correct license number used in the  
robbery of the Farmers and Merchants Bank at Sylvania, Ohio.

Hovey,

*On a Studebaker, torn in back wheels*

Detective.....

February 27th, 1930.

James E. McCarty,  
Chief of Detectives,  
Detroit, Mich.

Dear Sir:

I will appreciate it if you will cause an investigation to be made to ascertain whether or not Eugene Jones, 1628 Lewerette, is still in possession of license plates numbered 33-409, which were issued to him for a Buick Coach.

This license number was given as being on a Studebaker car in which a number of holdup men escaped after robbing a bank on the outskirts of Toledo.

Thanking you in advance for a prompt reply, I am,

Yours very truly,

L. J. HAAS.  
CHIEF OF POLICE.

Louy/H



JOHN S. HAGGERTY  
SECRETARY OF STATE

SIDNEY A. SCHULTE  
DEPUTY SECRETARY

State of Michigan



Department of State  
Lansing

IN REPLYING REFER TO

License  
DIVISION

Feb. 26th, 1930

L. J. Haas,  
Chief of Police,  
Toledo, Ohio.

A handwritten signature in ink, possibly reading 'Haggerty', written over a diagonal line.

Dear Sir:

In answer to your inquiry of Feb. 24th,  
in regard to ownership of motor cars, our re-  
cords disclose the following:

1930 License #33-409, is registered in the name  
of Eugene Jones, 1628 Lewerette, Det., on a  
Buick Coach. Motor #1367711.

Respectfully,

*John S. Haggerty*  
SECRETARY OF STATE.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT  
CITY OF DETROIT

HAROLD H. EMMONS  
COMMISSIONER

March 3, 1930

Mr. L. J. Haas,  
Chief of Police,  
Toledo, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of Feb. 27th regarding license plates #33-409, which were used on a Studebaker Coach, and which car was in a holdup in Sylbana, Ohio.

Would advise that our records show that Mr. Eugene Jones, 1480 Vermont Ave., this city reported the above plates stolen to us on Jan. 22nd.

Our officers Nelson and Dressler, who are assigned to bank-holdups, have investigated the above man, and find that he has been employed by the Fred Hunt Wrecking Company located on Trumbull and Labrosse Aves., this city as a truck driver, for the past seven years. Mr. Jones made application to the Secretary of State, for new license plates.

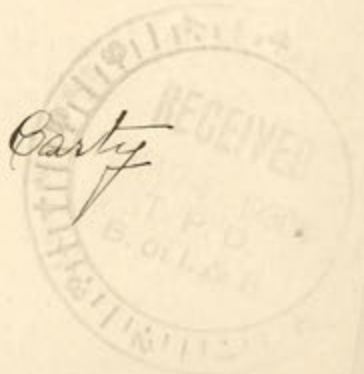
Anytime your officers wish to interview Mr. Jones, he may be located at the above address.

Yours very truly,

*James E. McCarty*  
Chief of Detectives

Dwyer/F

*Noted  
Honey*



July 17th, 1931.

H. A. Roland,  
Post Office Inspector,  
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your inquiry of the 15th inst., relative to one Bob Amos, wish to state that Bob Amos is now confined in the State Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio, having been sentenced from this county to serve a minimum term of twelve years on Nov. 24th, 1930 on charge of Assault to Rob.

Amos had been arrested in Akron, Ohio with Bert Walker and Frank Mitchell in connection with the murder of a police officer there, for which crime Walker was electrocuted.

However, I am enclosing herewith circulars on Charles Arthur Floyd, alias Frank Mitchell, wanted for the Murder of a Police officer at Bowling Green, Ohio. Floyd previously escaped from deputy sheriffs while enroute to the Ohio Penitentiary.

Yours very truly,

L. J. HAAS.  
CHIEF OF POLICE.

Louy/H  
Enc.

W. S. ... NS, SEC & TREAS

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1036-7-8 DIME SAVINGS BANK BUILDING  
DETROIT, MICH.

January 2-1931

L.J. Haas Chief Of Police  
Toledo Police Department,  
Toledo Ohio.

Dear Chief:-

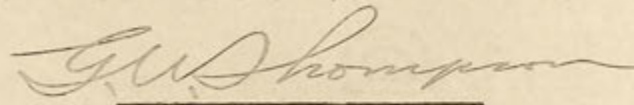
We would be greatly obliged to you, if you would advise us the disposition of the case against Robert Amos, alias Nathan King your gallery #21457 arrested for the holdup of the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Sylvania Ohio.

We understand that Charles Arthur Floyd alias Frank Mitchell your gallery #21458 partner of Amos made good his escape early last month from Deputies who were taking him to prison.

Thanking you in advance for what information you may be able to supply us on these two prisoners and wishing you and your Department a Happy and Prosperous New Year, we beg to remain

Yours very truly,

THE WILLIAM J BURNS  
INTERNATIONAL DETECTIVE AGENCY INC.

  
G W THOMPSON  
MANAGER

GWT  
X/28



May 29th, 1930.

21457

G. W. Thompson, Manager,  
The Wm. J. Burns International Det. Agency, Inc.,  
Detroit, Mich.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of  
the 26th inst., I am enclosing herewith photos  
of Robert Amos, alias Nathan King, our 21457,  
and Charles Arthur Floyd, alias Frank Mitchell,  
21458.

Yours very truly,

L. J. HAAS.  
CHIEF OF POLICE.

Louy/H

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**1036-**

~~2257~~-8 DIME SAVINGS BANK BUILDING  
DETROIT, MICH.

May 26th  
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Chief of Police L Haas  
Toledo Police Dept  
Toledo, Ohio.

Dear Chief:-

We are advised that your officers have caused the arrest of Nathan King and Frank Mitchell at Akron, Ohio, for the Sylvania Bank holdup of February 5th, 1930, and that they have been identified by employees of the Farmers & Merchants Bank.

The bank in question is a member of the American Bankers Association, whom we represent as Detective Agents, and we would appreciate a copy of the photographs of King and Mitchell, if same are available. You may rest assured that the photographs will not be published in the Association Supplement until the suspects have been tried and convicted.

Any consideration given this request will be greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,

THE WILLIAM J. BURNS  
INTERNATIONAL DETECTIVE AGENCY, INC



G. W. THOMPSON  
Manager

GWT/X16

MAY 29 1930

May 20th, 1930.

John Stege,  
Chief of Detectives,  
Chicago, Ills.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith photographs and finger prints of Robert Amos, our No. 21457, and Charles Arthur Floyd, 21458, now in custody here on charge of Bank Robbery.

Please furnish any record you may have of these men.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,

L. J. HAAS.  
CHIEF OF POLICE.

Louy/H  
Enc.

JOHN STEGE  
CHIEF OF DETECTIVES

# More Police for Chicago

JOHN A. EGAN  
DEPUTY CHIEF OF DETECTIVES



CITY OF CHICAGO  
DEPARTMENT OF POLICE  
OFFICE OF THE DETECTIVE DIVISION

May 28, 1930.

*21457*

Mr. L. J. Haas,  
Chief of Police,  
Toledo, O.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your letter of the 20th inst. we have the following record of Charles Arthur Floyd No. 21458 and Robert Amos No. 21457:

Charles Arthur Floyd as Frank Mitchell, arrested at Akron, O. on Mar 8th, 1930 investigation, case pending.

Robert Amos, as John King, arrested at Akron, O. on March 8th, 1930 investigation, case pending.

Yours truly,

*John Stege*  
Chief of Detectives.

*[Handwritten signature]*

Evans  
BJL







# Police Department

CLEVELAND, OHIO

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO

JACOB GRAUL

CHIEF OF POLICE



May 28th, 1930.

Louis J. Haas,  
Chief of Police,  
Toledo, Ohio.

*# 21457*

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of the twentieth instant concerning Robert Amos your No. 21457 and Charles Arthur Floyd your No. 21458, would state

Robert Amos as John King No. 19972, was arrested at Akron, Ohio March 3rd, 1930 charge investigation.

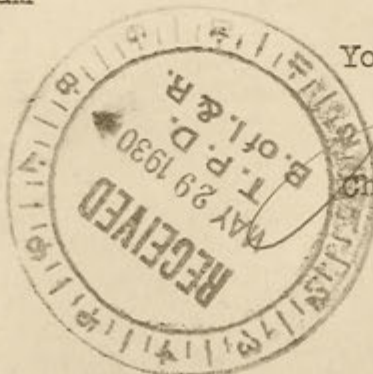
Charles A. Floyd as Frank Mitchell No. 19983 arrested at Akron O. March 3rd, 1930 for investigation. Above two men together with one Bert Walker and a woman named Nellie Denny held for the shooting of an Akron O. Police Officer who died. They had in their possession one Winchester Rifle Model 54, chambered for the 30-06 Shell, several 45 caliber revolvers, a large supply of cartridges for all arms, some nitro glycerine, caps and dropper. Also had rubber gloves, tear gas shells and one Thompson Machine Gun. We have no additional record of them. We requested that Akron be sure to furnish us with disposition of their cases there but up to this time have not received same..

I am

Yours truly,

*Jacob Graul*  
Chief of Police.

JG:LL  
Koestle.



*[Handwritten signature]*

AKRON OHIO

March 24, 1930.

*\* 21457*

L. J. Haas,  
Chief of Police,  
Toledo, Ohio.

RE: Bert Walker, Frank Mitchell,  
Jack King and Nellie Denny.

Dear Sir:

As per our telephone conversation of today, I am mailing you, under separate cover, test shots from 38 Caliber Colt Police Positive Special #171519 and 38 Cal. Army Spl. Revolver #330580, found in the possession of above mentioned person held in connection with the killing of one of our officers on March 8th.

Very truly yours,

E. J. MCDONNELL

CHIEF OF DETECTIVES.

(COPY. ORIG. IN NO. *C-32195*)

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

U. S. Department of Justice  
Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

May 28, 1930

21457

Chief of Police,  
Toledo, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Referring to your print received May 26, 1930,  
regarding Nathan Amos, #21457, the following  
is an abstract of subject's record on file in  
the National Division of Identification and  
Information:-

X  
X

Subject as Bob Amos, #24777, received Missouri  
State Penitentiary, April 25, 1922, from Barry  
County, crime bank robbery; sentence 15 years.

As Nathan Amos, #21457, arrested Toledo, Ohio,  
PD., May 20, 1930, charge suspicion (returned  
from Akron, Ohio;) disposition not given.

The following notation appears on our record.

X

"Admits, #19972, Akron, O. as  
John King ."

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

Director

Copy to:  
State Bureau,  
London Prison Farm,  
London, Ohio  
State Penitentiary,  
Jefferson City, Mo.

MAY 30 1930

# City of Toledo

DIVISION OF POLICE

Louis J. Haas,  
Chief of Police

John H. Louy,  
Superintendent.

J. R. Cowell,  
Director.

J. H. Livingston, Supt. BUREAU OF IDENTIFICATION AND RECORDS  
Bureau of Identification & Records  
Missouri State Prison  
Jefferson City, Mo.

May 20th 1930

TOLEDO NO. 21457

PLEASE FURNISH ~~FINGERPRINTS~~ PHOTOGRAPH AND RECORD OF

Robert Amos alias "Bob" Amos your # 24777 recd at your institution in  
1922 from Barry County on charge of Highway Robbery under sentence of  
EIGHTEEN (18) months.

NAME RECEIVED UNDER..... Bob Amos  
KNOWN ALIASES.....  
DATE RECEIVED..... 4-25-1922  
SERIAL NUMBER..... 24777  
ON WHAT CHARGE..... Bank Robbery  
COUNTY SENTENCED FROM..... Barry County  
SENTENCE..... 15 years  
DATE OF FIRST PAROLE.....  
DATE OF VIOLATION.....  
DATE RETURNED..... WHERE FROM.....  
DATE OF SECOND PAROLE.....  
DATE OF SECOND VIOLATION.....  
DATE OF SECOND RETURN..... WHERE FROM.....  
DATE OF FINAL DISCHARGE..... Discharged under 7/12 rule October 19-1929

MAY 26 1930

RECORD FURNISHED BY.....

TITLE.....

DATE.....

(PLEASE FURNISH ANY ADDITIONAL RECORD ON REVERSE SIDE)

#24777

J. H. Livingston  
Sup. B. C. Identification  
5-23-30

CITY OF TOLEDO  
OHIO

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

PAUL T. FAKEHANY, Supt.  
BUREAU OF IDENTIFICATION

DIVISION OF POLICE

R G Fogle - Ident-Officer.,  
Ohio State Pent'y.,

BUREAU OF IDENTIFICATION AND RECORDS

TOLEDO, NO. #21457.....

PLEASE FURNISH FINGERPRINTS, PHOTOGRAPH AND RECORD OF

..... Robert Langston AMOS @ Nathan King @ John King @ "Bob" -

NAME RECEIVED UNDER..... Nathan KING

KNOWN ALIASES..... See Above.,

DATE RECEIVED..... 12-10-1930.

SERIAL NUMBER..... #62986

ON WHAT CHARGE..... Assault to Rob.,

COUNTY SENTENCED FROM..... Lucas Co.O.

SENTENCE..... TWELVE (12) to FIFTEEN (15) Years

DATE OF FIRST PAROLE..... ?? No

DATE OF VIOLATION.....

DATE RETURNED..... WHERE FROM.....

DATE OF SECOND PAROLE.....

DATE OF SECOND VIOLATION.....

DATE OF SECOND RETURN..... WHERE FROM.....

DATE OF FINAL DISCHARGE..... ??? No

..... 8-2-39 Esc.

..... 8-4-39 Esc. RETD

..... 8-5-41 TRANS. JUNCTION CITY

RECORD FURNISHED BY.....

R. G. FOGLE Supt.

TITLE.....

Identification Dept

DATE.....

JUN 18 1943

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