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District Director. Detroit, Michigan.

Respectfully submitted herewith is report of the activities of the Intelligence Division during the month ended December 31,1925.

The personnel of this Division remained the same during the past month, no changes having been made.

The number of arrests made by this Division during the past month was exceedingly low, this for the most part being due to the fact that the financial condition of the district did not permit much activity along this line, also that two of the officers were absent on annual leave during the latter half of the month.

On December 2nd, one Edward Darnalt who had entered without inspection was apprehended and turned over to the Detroit office for disposition.

On December 4th, one John McKenzie an alleged smuggler was apprehended and turned over to the Detroit office for disposition inasmuch as no evidence could be secured on which to prosecute.

On December 22nd, one Frank Kmetz a recently smuggled alien was apprehended and turned over to the Detroit office for disposition.

Approximately fifteen other investigations were taken care of by this Division during the past month also the cases of four other alleged smugglers were investigated but no evidence could be secured against them.

On December 16th, after more than two weeks of investigation we were finally successful in establishing a definate landing spot on Grosse Isle for smuggling parties. Inspector in Charge Scribner of the Wyandotte district was furnished the information and on the same night a party consisting of six smuggled aliens including two Chinese was apprehended on Grosse Isle.

On December 22nd, upon information received that there were a number of smugg led aliens at #8030 Burdeno St, DelRay, we proceeded to that address but arrested only one alien. The others had recently moved to interior points and no addresses could be obtained. This house will be watched in the future.

The smuggling situation during the past month was favorable, some of the

older operators seemed to have quit this locality to seek more fertile spots inasmuch as no trace of them can be found around Windsor.

Fred Lee and George Martin, two of our oldest offendershave left Windsor but are believed to be operating near Sombre, Ont.

William A.Brown who has once been convicted and who after his release resumed his smuggling operations, has now taken to hauling beer around Windsor for a living

Frank Spero, an assembler who operated a restaurant at #26 Windsor Ave, has now sold his place and is running a rooming house on Wellington Road. It is believed that he is still engaged in the smuggling business but as yet we have been unable to connect him with any recent activities.

Joe Lesperance is held in jail in Windsor on a charge of stealing an auto, his partner in crime was recently sentenced to three years on this charge, so it looks as if Lesperance might be sent away also.

Tony Johnson was evidently kept busy selling coal and wood all month because he was not active in the smuggling business.

Anton Sabo is active, he hauls his loads away from Windsor in his Chevrolet truck. Efforts are being made to find his loading spot.

Mike Halushinski is active and we believe that he is using the box car method, we are working along those lines now. His brother Paul who was in the business with him and whose duty it was to escort the aliens to their destination on this side has been arrested and is now held by the Detroit office on a warrant of arrest I am endeavoring to secure evidence against him when he will be prosecuted in Court for his smuggling activities.

Respectfully submitted

George T.Montague, Inspector in Charge Intelligence Division.

Respectfully referred to the Commissioner General of Immigration for his information, reference being made to Bureau file 55442/443.

District Director.