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CLARK, who was mentioned in the previous survey, according to Informants of the Denver Office, during the Summer and Fall of 1952 spent considerable time in the Denver area and made frequent trips to Newcastle, Wyoming, where he was reported to have been interested in an oil well which was being developed by VICTOR EMANUEL PEREIRA and EUGENE HALE ERADING who will be described in more detail in this report. It was further reported that CLARK was also associated in oil drilling operations with SAM GARFIELD, an associate of PEREIRA and BRADING in the operation of the Richlund Oil Company in Denver, Colorado.

DN-115-C reported in December, 1952, that CLARK is Wintering in Miami, Florida, where he is reported to own a home and where he formerly operated a gambling establishment known as the Golden Shores Casino.

VICTOR EMANUEL PEREIRA, was.

FBI #2157349

and

EUGENE HALE BRADING, was.

USM El Paso, Texas, #28400 COLO.

PEREIRA and BRADING have been described in previous surveys as confidencemen who specialize in defrauding wealthy women out of large sums of money. In August, 1952, PEREIRA married Mrs. LEE LITTLE at Cheyenne, Wyoming. Newspaper publicity concerning this marriage reflected that Mrs. LITTLE is the widow of the late D. A. LITTLE of Dallas, Texas, who was formerly the President of the Magnolia Oil Company. DN=115-C and DN-119-C have reported that Mrs. LITTLE is said to be worth several million dollars.

Informants have reported that Mrs. LITTLE's sister, Mrs. FRANKIE HARWELL, is a constant companion of EUGENE ERADING. It has been established through sources at the Brown Palace Hotel, Denver, Colorado, that PEREIRA and his wife spent several months at the Brown Palace during the Spring and Summer of 1952, and that during the Fall of 1952 they moved to the Park Lane Hotel in Denver.

During this period, PEREIRA and BRADING have operated a business known as the Richlund Oil Company, 1650 California Street. SAM WEST, a Deputy Collector of the U.S. Bureau of Internal Revenue, has informed that as of 1/20/53 this office was still in operation and was under the management of a female Secretary identified as Mrs. PEARL A. GORDON.

It is noted that in January, 1952, PEREIRA and BRADING received sentences of twelve years each in the U.S. District Court, El Paso, Texas, on charges of Mail Fraud; Conspiracy; and ITSP alleging that they defrauded Mrs. GERTRUDE J. JOYCE of Roswell, New Mexico, out of the sum of \$48,000. BRADING and PEREIRA have been at liberty on bond awaiting appeal of this case to the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Information has been received from the New Orleans Office reflecting that this appeal was argued in the United States Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans in December, 1952, but that the decision of the Court has not yet been rendered.

It was determined through DN-115-C and DN-119C that PEREIRA and BRADING, accompanied by Mrs. PEREIRA and Mrs. FRANKIE HARWELL, left Denver during the latter part of December, 1952, en route to Miami, Florida, where they planned to spend the Winter season.

Information was received from the Miami Office on 1/14/53 that PEREIRA and BRADING are presently residing at 1431 W. 22nd Street, Sunset Island #4, Miami Beach, Florida.

SAM WEST, Deputy Collector, U. S. Bureau of Internal Revenue, Denver, Colorado, reported in January, 1953, that Mrs. PEARL A. GORDON, Secretary at the Richlund Oil Company, has told him that she is in almost daily contact with either PEREIRA or BRADING by telephone in Miami Beach, Florida, and that they will probably remain there during the Winter season and return to Denver around the first of April, 1953.

JOSEPH GOODMAN, WA.

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Los Angeles PD #8 5029

KARL MEHLMAN, Assistant Manager, Brown Palace Hotel, has reported that JOEY GOODMAN, who was mentioned in