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TITLE OF CASE HARRY RAYMOND POPE		Report made by NAT A. PINKSTON	Typed By: JH
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Synopsis:

Efforts to locate POPE indicate POPE operating in West Texas. POPE arrested Oklahoma City PD 3/28/58, and at time of arrest reportedly in possession of .45 caliber automatic pistol; turned over to Dallas SO, and returned to Dallas County Jail 3/29/58, on charges of assault with intent to murder and possession of narcotics. POPE again released on bond 4/4/58. SUBJECT HAS BEEN KNOWN TO USE A KNIFE IN A FIGHT, CARRIES A .38 S&W NOSE REVOLVER ON PERSON, AND SAWED-OFF SHOTGUN IN CAR, AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS. INFORMANT STATES THAT SANDRA NOBLE CLAIMED POPE WAS CRAZY AND THAT HE HAD MADE STATEMENTS HE WOULD KILL ANY OFFICER WHO ATTEMPTED TO ARREST HIM AND THAT HE HAD NO INTENTION OF RETURNING TO DALLAS FOR TRIAL.

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DETAILS:

A. PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

The file on HARRY RAYMOND POPE at the Arkansas State

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Mr. SEAMAN further advised that POPE was known to be associated with the following vehicles:

1955 black Buick sedan, bearing 1957 Texas license
EK 7004

1955 black Buick, 1957 license DV 1010

1955 blue and white, two-tone Pontiac, 1957 license
DX 4220.

The Department of Public Safety files reflected POPE has been charged with the offenses of safe burglary, possession of marijuana, and as a drug addict.

POPE's associates are known to be NICK CASCIO, TONI CHERRY ADAMS, a prostitute.

Deputy Sheriff O'BYRNE COX, Dallas Sheriff's Office, on March 29, 1958, advised SA ROBERT M. BARRETT that HARRY RAYMOND POPE had been arrested by the Oklahoma City Police Department and was being returned to Dallas. COX stated that at the time of POPE's arrest he was in possession of a .45 caliber automatic pistol with an inscription thereon indicating it had come from Texas.

Deputy COX advised SA NAT A. PINKSTON on April 7, 1958, that on the evening of April 4, 1948, a bond in the amount of \$2,000 was posted with Dallas County Sheriff's Office to cover the assault with intent to murder charge pending against POPE, and a bond in the amount of \$1,000 was posted to cover the narcotics charge pending against POPE, by A. L. WARDLAW, Attorney, 702 Burkburnett Building, Fort Worth, Texas. These bonds also bore the signature of GEORGE E. COCHRAN of the same address. These bonds were actually delivered to the Dallas County Sheriff's Office by NICK CASCIO, another Dallas area local top hoodlum, and POPE was released on the basis of these bonds.

C. ASSOCIATES

Dallas Confidential Informant T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on February 13, 1958, advised SA ALFRED D. NEELEY that SANDRA NOBLE called him and told him that HARRY POPE, RIP ALLEN, and some other boy had pulled a job

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in Fort Worth. He stated that SANDRA claimed that POPE was trying to force SANDRA to go with them on another job and had threatened to kill her if she did not go. Informant stated that SANDRA claimed POPE was crazy and that she was afraid he would kill her. T-1 stated that SANDRA is presently living with some "square" who keeps her child, but has told T-1 that she would come to Farmersville, Texas, February 14, 1958, and live with him in an effort to conceal her whereabouts from POPE. T-1 advised POPE is expected to contact SANDRA's mother in an effort to locate SANDRA and that she would notify SANDRA in Farmersville of POPE's whereabouts.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on February 18, 1958, advised SA ROBERT M. BARRETT that LUCILLE FAULK, with alias Betty, FBI #3312825, former wife of police character NORMAN "Babe" JONES, and former prostitute for HARRY POPE, was presently residing with a former madam, ETHEL ANDERSON, FBI #4475588, at 1313 Marlborough, Dallas. FAULK contacted T-2 and stated she was mostly working out of town, but if T-2 could use a prostitute for any local dates, FAULK was available. FAULK was being sought for interview concerning the whereabouts and activities of POPE.

On February 17, 1958, T-1 advised SA ALFRED D. NEELEY that SANDRA NOBLE came to Farmersville, Texas, February 14, 1958, and expects to live with him until POPE is located. T-1 stated that as soon as POPE makes a contact attempting to locate SANDRA, it is expected that SANDRA will be notified. T-1 advised that SANDRA had told him that at the time she and POPE were shot at by Dallas Sheriff's Office officers, POPE had informed her he was going to this location to pick up some guns (pistols) including a .357 magnum. T-1 stated that POPE, after getting away from the officers, made threats that he was going to kill JIM REED and RIP ALLEN as they were the only other people who knew where the guns and narcotics had been "stashed".

T-1 stated that SANDRA advised him after POPE was released on bond that she went with him to Odessa, Texas, where they waited for several days for a friend of POPE's from Louisiana who was to meet them there; however, this person did not show up. T-1 stated SANDRA claimed she returned to Dallas and that POPE said he was going to El Paso, Texas, where he had a friend who was running a bar in Juarez, Mexico, and that he expected to get a place to stay and as soon as he did, he would let her know.

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T-1 states that SANDRA claimed that POPE was crazy and that he had made statements he would kill any officer who attempted to arrest him and he had no intention of returning to Dallas for trial.

T-1 further advised on March 7, 1958, that SANDRA NOBLE left his home February 26, 1958, and is now living at her mother's home in Dallas. He stated SANDRA called BABE JONES, a bellhop at the Hilton Hotel, El Paso, Texas, wanting to go out there to work as a prostitute; however, JONES discouraged her from coming. T-1 stated POPE ran off with one of BABE JONES' girls some three or four months ago and T-1 is of the opinion that JONES would assist in locating POPE should he be in El Paso or Juarez, Mexico. T-1 stated that SANDRA had called him long distance February 28, 1958, wanting him to meet her in Dallas that day. T-1 stated he did not think the purpose of this call concerned POPE and that he was unable to meet her, but planned to see her in Dallas on February 29, 1958.

On March 28, 1958, Dallas Confidential Informant T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised SA NAT A. PINKSTON he is personally acquainted with HARRY RAYMOND POPE and knows that POPE for the last four or five years has been hanging out principally in Fort Worth in order to avoid being arrested by the Dallas Police, since the Dallas Police arrest him on sight whenever they see him.

T-3 advised that a few months ago, exact date not recalled, but prior to Christmas, 1957, he had received a call from HARRY POPE requesting that he get LILA JO BENTLEY, former wife of POPE, out of jail. He stated that BENTLEY had been arrested for shoplifting and he believed she was hustling and shoplifting for POPE. T-3 stated that he did get BENTLEY out of jail and that POPE paid him for doing this.

On February 14, 1958, Dallas Confidential Informant T-4, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised SA ROBERT M. BARRETT that POPE, if he contacts anybody in Dallas, will contact RUBY CORSER, mother of POPE's girl friend, SANDRA NOBLE. T-4 heard a rumor POPE was dead but does not believe it. T-4 also heard a rumor that POPE had been in the Panhandle of Texas and possibly in New Mexico.

On February 21, 1958, Dallas Confidential Informant T-5, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised

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SA ROBERT M. BARRETT she heard a rumor that POPE and SANDRA NOBLE were together or would be soon, but T-8 has no definite information as to POPE's whereabouts.

T-1 on February 24, 1958, advised SA ALFRED D. NEELEY that when POPE was shot at in November, 1957, by Dallas Sheriff's Office, POPE and SANDRA were at the "stash" to pick up some hidden guns. POPE was of the opinion that either JIM ERASTMUS REED or DREXEL LLOYD ALLEN had talked as they, aside from POPE and NOBLE, were the only ones who knew where the guns and narcotics were "stashed".

D. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

Burglary

T-1 on February 13, 1958, advised SA ALFRED D. NEELEY that SANDRA NOBLE called him and told him that HARRY POPE, RIP ALLEN, and some other boy had pulled a job in Fort Worth. T-1 stated that SANDRA claimed that POPE was trying to force SANDRA to go with them on another job and had threatened to kill her if she did not go. T-1 stated that SANDRA claimed POPE was crazy and that she was afraid that he would kill her.

E. LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

AT TULSA, OKLAHOMA

The Probate Index of the County Clerk's Office, Tulsa County, Tulsa, Oklahoma, was searched on March 6, 1958, by SA HENRY L. McCONNELL for the period from 1907 to the present date, without finding the name HARRY RAYMOND POPE or one possibly identical with that name. The index sets forth all persons participating in, legatees under, devisees, or other heirs of estates settled in the State District Court for Tulsa County, Oklahoma. This record did not extend to any proceedings outside that county.

F. PLACES OF AMUSEMENT AND HANGOUTS FREQUENTED

On March 20, 1958, the Albuquerque Division advised as follows:

A check of the city directory and telephone directory fails to reflect that there is a saloon or a bar in Albuquerque

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CRIMINAL INFORMANT COVERAGE

T-1 is DL-91-C.

T-2 is DL-83-C.

T-3 is HORACE CLAYTON FOWLER, a PCI.

T-4 is CHARLES ROBERT DUARTE, PCI.

T-5 is FRANK EDWARD LOBIANCO, PCI.

T-6 is Special Agent R. W. BURROW, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Dallas.

T-7 is JO ANN GIERE, PCI.

T-8 is MARILYN MILLER, PCI.

T-9 is DL-90-C.

T-10 is MANNING O'NEAL BENNETT, former PCI.

POSSIBLE INFORMANTS UNDER CONSIDERATION

Consideration is being given toward efforts to develop the following persons as informants concerning this local top hoodlum.

FLOYD E. VINCENT, who owns and operates house trailer sales lots in Dallas and in Richland Hills near Fort Worth, Texas. VINCENT is an ex-convict who claims to be now going straight but who has numerous friends and close associates among the underworld and is an acquaintance of HARRY RAYMOND POPE.

WILLIAM LAWRENCE THRASH, FBI #2128280, who is well acquainted with JACK ANDREW PARKER, a cousin and close associate of HARRY RAYMOND POPE and with RAMONA LAVON PARKER, prostitute and former wife of JACK ANDREW PARKER, and is also acquainted with many of POPE's associates and with prostitution activities in Dallas and West Texas areas.