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Cicer—the Bureau paper

Altgens.

In forwarding a self-serving LHM regarding the Altgens picture to the WC after Don Bonafede's NY Herald-Tribune article appeared a note was added. It states falsely that "We have endeavored to interview every individual possessing information... Altgens identity was never revealed and he never voluntarily came forward..." (42-109060-3264, Section 72.

Actually this was the first picture to achieve wide attention, and it was played heavily, the entire top half of the WaPost, for example. Immediately the FBI received a number of inquiries. Thereafter this was repeated after the Sat Eve Post also used the picture. The truth is that the FBI stayed away from Altgens and his pictures until forced to change its approach by the ChiTrib and the NY Herald Trib.

When it finally interviewed Altgens it didn't bother to ask him for copies of all the pictures he took. As a result some were never seen. Only the three he referred to voluntarily are mentioned in any official records.