Purvis Leaving F.B.1.,

Served for 32 Years

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8
(UPI) — Joseph D. Purvis,
assistant director of the
F.B.I. in charge of the identification division, announced
Thursday his retirement after
32 years of service.

Mr. Purvis, 58 years old,
said in a letter to Acting
Director L. Patrick Gray 3d
that his intention to retire
had been known for a long
while.

In addition to serving with the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Washington, he served in New York, Des Moines, Iowa; Savannah, Ga. and Norfolk and Richmond, Va.