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CAL CRIM DETECTIVE AGENCY

NATIONAL METAL TRADES ASS'N.

In conference with Mr. Jack Kroll, District Manager of the Amalgamated Association Clothing Workers of America, Mr. Kroll states that the union has on its payroll one Johnny Mack, who is employed by Crim to act in various strike-breaking capacities, but who reports to the union what is going on. Mack told Mr. Kroll that in many of the guard jobs around Cincinnati, Crim was employed through the National Metal Trades Association, though the appearance of the N.M.T.A. in the transaction is never apparent. He claims that Crim is forced to split with the Manleys. Kroll does not know of the item for attorneys' fees appearing so frequently in Crim's records.

I shall try to check through Crim's bank books and see if I can find Manleys' names. I do not feel it wise, however, to make any mention to Crim of my looking for the Manleys or N.M.T.A., until it is definitely decided whether or not we can subpoena the N.M.T.A. There is no point in putting Crim wise in advance.

Mr. Kroll, who is probably the best informed union leader in Cincinnati, states that he does not believe, from his own past experience in strikes, that Crim is actively engaged in espionage. He feels that Crim furnishes strike-breakers, but that all espionage is handled directly through the N.M.T.A. or through Burns or Railway Audit. His organization has been engaged in many strikes in Cincinnati and has also had its suspicion regarding espionage. Their only run-ins with Crim have been in connection with guards, with exception of a few cutters supplied at the Ohio Custom Garment Co.

P.G. Phillips.