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Manson, Kathleen Staters - Sept 29
(with Julia Vickers + Luther Madley)

Grand robbery of Frank S. Martin
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for Gen. Manson P.S. woman robbery
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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Detachment File Number A1633	REPORT OF INVESTIGATION	Headquarters File Number
DATE OF REPORT August 6, 1939	STATION Charleston, West Virginia	COUNTY Kanawha
INITIAL OR SUPPLEMENTARY Initial	REPORT MADE BY Trooper G. E. Mungrove	STATUS OF INVESTIGATION Complete
SUBJECT OF INVESTIGATION Armed Robbery Chapter 61, Article 2, Section 12, West Virginia Code.		

VICTIM: Frank S. Martin, 604 Virginia St., Charleston, W. Va.

DATE OF CRIME: August 1, 1939, about 11:30 P. M.

ACCUSED: Luther Maddox, white, male, age 23, Stop 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ Dunbar Line, North Charleston, W. Va.
 Kathleen Hanson, white, female, age 21, Stop 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ Dunbar Line, North Charleston, W. Va.
 Julia Vickers, white, female, age 27, Stop 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ Dunbar Line, North Charleston, W. Va.

SUSPECTS: None other than accused.

MODE OF OPERATION: Kathleen Hanson and Julia Vickers met the victim in a beer parlor and upon ascertaining he had money in his possession, called upon Luther Maddox, to help them obtain it. The victim was then driven to a isolated place, and there robbed and knocked in the head.

MOTIVE: Gain.

DISCOVERED BY: Frank S. Martin, 604 Virginia Street, Charleston, W. Va. August 1, 1939 and about 11:50 P. M.

WEATHER CONDITIONS: Fair.

PLACE OF CRIME:

Stop #6, Dunbar Line, North Charleston, Union District, Kanawha County, W. Va. Near the New York Central Railroad tracks.

LIST OF EXHIBITS:

1 catsup bottle, containing small quantity of salt. In possession.

PROPERTY STOLEN:

1 1939 model Packard convertible coupe automobile, bearing W. Va., registration #158-622, gun-metal color. Value of \$100.00

1 Bill-fold, containing \$27.00 in money. Value of \$27.00

PROPERTY RECOVERED:

1 1939 model Packard convertible coupe automobile, bearing W. Va., registration #158-622, gun-metal color. Value of \$100.00

ACTION TAKEN:

On the morning of August 2, 1939, and about 12:30 A. M., the undersigned Trooper, C. E. Maggrave was assigned by the Detachment Commander to investigate the circumstances surrounding the robbery of Frank S. Martin, at Stop 6, Dunbar Line, North Charleston, W. Va., which had occurred shortly before. Assisting in the investigation was Trooper Edwin Starcher.

Immediately upon assignment your investigators proceeded to Stop 6, Dunbar Line, North Charleston, W. Va., and there found Frank S. Martin, who was thereupon interviewed. Mr. Martin related that he had met two women in Dan's beer parlor, State Street, Charleston, W. Va., about 10:30 P. M., August 1, 1939, and after riding with them for a while in his automobile, met another man at Littlepage Service

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Action taken:

Station, Junction of West Virginia routes 21 and 35. The four proceeded to the Blue Moon Beer Parlor at Stop 6, Dunbar Line, North Charleston, W. Va., where they danced and drank beer. Mr. Martin further related that the women went by the name of Judy and Kathleen, and the man was called John Ellis. Thereupon, Kathleen and John ask Frank Martin to drive them to their home, where they could get some of their belongings. Proceeding in the automobile in a lonely section at Stop 6, Dunbar Line, North Charleston, W. Va., the man called John told Mr. Martin to stop the car and get out. Upon doing this his pocket book was removed from his possession and then knocked in the head. Kathleen and John drove Mr. Martin's automobile away with them.

An examination was made of the crime scene, and a large catsup bottle was found, containing a quantity of salt, at a place where Frank Martin stated that he had been hit. No other evidence was found at this place.

The office of the West Virginia State Road Commission was called about 2:00 A. M. same date and thereby ascertained the license number of the stolen automobile. The radio dispatcher of the Charleston City Police, Charleston, W. Va., was advised of this crime and requested to broadcast a lookout for the stolen automobile. Shortly thereafter, this broadcast was made, advising all police cars throughout the state to be on the lookout for the stolen automobile and occupants.

On August 2, 1939, and about 1:00 P. M., the undersigned made a complete canvas of all beer parlors on State Street, Charleston, W. Va., to ascertain the identity of the women with Frank S. Martin. Numerous persons were interviewed relative thereto, but none could give a complete name. These women were known as Kathleen and Judy.

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Action taken:

The interviews did reveal that the women known as Kathleen and Judy lived somewhere in North Charleston, W. Va.

J. E. Akers, Postmaster, North Charleston, W. Va., was interviewed during the afternoon of August 2, 1932, and he informed the undersigned that a Kathleen Maddox and Judy Bryant were living together at Stop 57 Dunbar Line, North Charleston, W. Va.

Your investigator immediately proceeded to the address as given by Mr. Akers, and there found Kathleen Manson and Julia "Judy" Vickers. On this occasion Frank S. Martin accompanied your investigator and thereupon made a positive identification of the women as being with him at the time of the commission of the crime. Julia Vickers and Kathleen Manson were taken into custody and brought to the Kanawha County jail. Upon being questioned, Kathleen Manson related that she had a brother, Luther Maddox but did not know where he was at that time. However, both Kathleen and Judy or Julia related that they had been at the Daniel Boone Bar B Q on United States route #60 near Snow Hill, W. Va.

Your investigator proceeded to the Daniel Boone Bar B Q, accompanied with Trooper Edwin Starobay, and there found and arrested Luther Maddox for the commission of the crime complained of. Luther Maddox was brought to the Kanawha County jail and there identified by Frank S. Martin as the man committing the crime upon him. Upon questioning Luther Maddox he made a complete confession of the crime and stated that he had hid the automobile near Patrick Street, Charleston, W. Va.

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Action taken:

On August 2, 1939, and about 7:00 P. M., your investigator, accompanied with Frank S. Martin proceeded to Patrick Street, Charleston, W. Va., and near said street found the stolen Packard automobile. Mr. Martin thereupon identified this automobile as his property. It was thereupon released to Frank S. Martin.

On August 3, 1939, Kathleen Hanson was questioned at the Mangaba County jail and made a complete written statement confessing the commission of the crime and implicating Luther Maddox and Julia Vickers. The statement is appended hereto.

On the same date and time, Julia Vickers was questioned and made a complete written statement confessing her part in the commission of the crime.

On the same date, time and place, Luther Maddox was questioned and he again stated that he had committed the crime. This statement was reduced to writing and Luther Maddox signed it, however, refused to implicate Kathleen Hanson or Julia Vickers. The statement is appended hereto.

On August 4, 1939, Kathleen Hanson, and Julia Vickers were taken to the Blue Moon beer parlor and at which time Carl Jones, Manager of the business place identified them as being with Frank S. Martin shortly before the commission of the crime. Carl Jones further stated that the four occupied a rear booth in the business place and after their leaving he discovered a catsup bottle, containing salt was missing from that booth. Thereupon a catsup bottle containing salt was shown to Carl Jones and he identified this bottle as belonging in his business place. This bottle was found at the crime scene.

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Action taken:

On August 2, 1939, about 2:00 A. M., E. C. Lawson, night watchman for the Carbide-Carbon yard, Stop 6, Dunbar Line, North Charleston, W. Va., was interviewed and he related that he had seen the automobile parts and had seen a man hit Frank S. Martin and knocking him into the ditch at the side of the street, and then leaving in the automobile. Mr. Lawson stated that a man and woman was in this automobile.

On August 3, 1939, your investigator interviewed Nellie Triplett, 510 Capital Street, Charleston, W. Va., who stated that she had seen Kathleen Hanson and Julia Vickers with Frank S. Martin in Dan's Beer Parlor on the night of the 1st of August, 1939, and shortly prior to the crime.

On August 3, 1939, Luther Maddox, Julia Vickers and Kathleen Hanson were taken before E. S. Watson, Justice of the Peace, Charleston, W. Va., and there arraigned for the commission of the crime of armed robbery. All waived to the grand jury and were held on a \$2,000.00 bond.

WITNESSES:

Frank S. Martin, 604 Virginia Street, Charleston, W. Va.

The witness will testify that he met Kathleen Hanson and Julia Vickers in Charleston, W. Va., on the night of August 1, 1939, and that after meeting Luther Maddox at Littlepage Service Station, was taken to Stop 6, Dunbar Line, North Charleston, W. Va., and there robbed and knocked in the head. That the robbers had taken his automobile and pocket book containing about \$27.00 and valuable papers. That in company with Trooper C. E. Masgrave, the automobile was located near Patrick Street, Charleston, W. Va.

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Witnesses:

Hellie Triplett, 510 Capitol Street,
Charleston, W. Va.

The witness will testify that Frank S. Martin, Kathleen Hanson and Julia Vickers were together on the night of August 1, 1939, shortly prior to the commission of the crime. That they were in Dan's Bear Parlor on that occasion.

Carl Jones, Stop 6, Dunbar Lane, North
Charleston, W. Va.

The witness will testify that Frank S. Martin, Kathleen Hanson and Julia Vickers and Luther Maddox came into his business place late on the night of August 1, 1939, and shortly prior to the commission of the crime. That they used a rear booth and upon their leaving, a salt shaker was missing from that booth. That a catsup bottle containing salt, which was found at the crime scene was identical to that salt shaker missing from the rear booth.

Edwin Starcher, Charleston, W. Va.

The witness will testify that Luther Maddox made a complete statement confessing the commission of the crime.

C. E. Hargrave, Charleston, W. Va.

The witness will testify that Luther Maddox, Kathleen Hanson and Julia Vickers made written statements connecting themselves with the commission of the crime. That the stolen automobile was found parked in a location as directed by Luther Maddox. That a catsup bottle containing salt was found at the scene of the crime.

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Witnesses:

E. C. Lawson, Route #3, Box #350,
Charleston, W. Va.

The witness will testify that on the night of August 1, 1939, he saw Frank S. Martin robbed by an unknown person and then struck with some object and knocked to the ground. That a man hit him and thereafter driving an automobile from the scene. That there was a man and woman at the scene of the crime, however, the woman did not get out of the car while the robbery was being consummated.

STATEMENTS AND
CONFESSIONS OF
THE ACCUSED:

Luther Haddox made a complete written statement confessing the commission of the crime and implicating Kathleen Hanson. The statement is appended hereto.

Kathleen Hanson made a complete written statement confessing her part in the commission of the crime and implicating Luther Haddox and Julia Vickers. The statement is appended hereto.

Julia Vickers made a complete statement confessing her part of the commission of the crime. The statement is appended hereto.

SUMMARY OF CASE: Frank S. Martin met Julia Vickers and Kathleen Hanson in Dan's Beer Parlor on State Street, Charleston, W. Va., on the night of August 1, 1939. They drank some beer and talked and upon paying for the beer, Kathleen Hanson and Julia Vickers saw Frank Martin's money. They retired to the rest room in the business place and talked over the possibility of getting this money. They decided to telephone Luther Haddox to help them obtain it. Kathleen Haddox thereupon made a telephone call to Luther Haddox and told him to meet them and it was agreed that he would meet them at Littlepage Service Station.

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Summary of case:

Junction of West Virginia routes 21 and 35. Frank S. Martin drove Kathleen Manson and Julia Vickers to this location and parked his automobile to await the arrival of Luther Maddox. Upon his arrival the four drove to the Blue Moon Beer Parlor, Stop 6, Dunbar Line, North Charleston, W. Va., and there drank some beer and danced.

At the Blue Moon Beer Parlor, Luther Maddox took a catsup bottle containing salt from a table in their booth, and ask Frank Martin to take him and Kathleen Manson to their home. Frank Martin drove them to a point at Stop 6, Dunbar Line North Charleston, W. Va., and there Luther Maddox ordered him out of his car and robbed him. After robbing Mr. Martin, Luther Maddox struck him over the head with the catsup bottle containing salt, and drove away in the automobile. Later parking this automobile near Patrick Street, Charleston, W. Va.

C. E. Musgrave
C. E. MUSGRAVE,
Trooper, D.P.S.

Copy to: The Superintendent
Company Commander
Prosecuting Attorney
Detachment File.

STATEMENT OF LUTHER HADDOX

K. Luther Haddock, age 25, residing at Shop 64 Dumbay Mine, North Charleston, W. Va., on this the 3rd day of August, 1939, do hereby make and execute this a true statement concerning the robbery of Frank G. Martin, and the theft of his automobile on the night of the 1st of August, 1939.

I have been apprised of my Constitutional rights, in that, I need not be a witness against myself or incriminate myself in any manner, and realize that anything that I might say will be used against me in a criminal proceeding.

I have not been threatened, forced or intimidated by the officers, nor have I been promised any reward or leniency to make this statement but do so of my own free will, and accord.

On the night of August 1, 1939, about 11:30 P. M., I received a telephone call from Kathleen Hanson and she told me to meet them at the Littlepage Service Station. I caught a ride to the Littlepage Service Station and they were in a car waiting for me. I found Kathleen Hanson, Julia Vickers and Frank G. Martin there in a convertible coupe. We got in this car and rode down to the Blue Moon Beer Parlor and there drank some beer and danced. After staying there a little while, Kathleen Hanson, Frank G. Martin and I got in the car, and drove toward the river bank. I told Martin to stop the car and he did. I then got out of the car, came around to his side and told Martin to get out, and he did. I then took his pocket book and hit him over the head with a bottle. Mr. Martin fell to the ground.

I then got in the car and drove back to the Blue Moon Beer Parlor and Kathleen went in to get Julia but I had told Julia to go on home before this happened. Julia did not know what was happening. Then we drove on home. Upon our arrival Julia had not arrived at home but shortly she came there. Then Julia Vickers, Kathleen Hanson and I got in the car and drove to a street off of Patrick Street, Charleston, W. Va., and I parked the car at this point. The three of us walked to a restaurant and I called a taxi-cab. We then went to the Special Room Bar B q on U. S. route #60, Near Snow Hill, W. Va.

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Statement of Luther Maddox

and there got a cabin for myself, and got a cabin for Julia and Kathleen. Here we stayed in and around the place until I was arrested. Kathleen and Julia left this point for home about 4:30 P. M.
I hereby acknowledge all responsibility for the commission of this crime. I do hereby exonerate all others implicated in it.

Luther Maddox
Luther Maddox (Signed)

WITNESSED

C E Musgrave
Edwin Stachem

STATEMENT OF KATHLEEN MASON

I, Kathleen Mason, age 22, residing at 3307 1/2 DuBar Line, North Charleston, W. Va., on this the 3rd day of August, 1939, do hereby make and execute this a true statement concerning the robbery of Frank S. Martin, and the theft of his automobile on the night of August 1, 1939.

I have not been threatened, forced, or intimidated by the officer, nor have I been promised any reward or leniency to make this statement but do so of my own free will.

I have been apprised of my Constitutional rights, in that, I need not be a witness against myself or incriminate myself in any manner, and realize that anything that I might say will be used against me in a criminal proceeding.

On August 1, 1939, and in the afternoon Julia Vickers and I came into Charleston, W. Va. We stayed in Charleston, W. Va., until that night. About 10:00 P. M., more or less, we met Frank S. Martin on the street. We went in the Valley Dairy store to get some cheese. I thought Frank Martin would walk on, but he stayed there and waited for us. We then walked to Dan's Beef Parlor, State Street, Charleston, W. Va., and remained here until about 11:30 P. M. Frank Martin, Julia Vickers and I drank some beer in this place. Julia Vickers and I went to the rest room in this business place. I told Julia Vickers that I was awful that some of these old people had to have all the money. I told Julia that I thought I would have part of it too. Julia said, "I hope I die, I feel like reaching out." She then made a gesture with her hand, as if to grab something. We both then laughed. I said, "suppose we call Luther?" We then walked out of the rest room and returned to the booth where we had left Frank Martin.

I told Julia about her talking me about this room and Mr. Martin ask me how much the room was and I told him it was \$4.50. He then asked me if I had that much money and I told him "No". He ask me how

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with more money I needed and I told him I needed \$5.00. Frank Martin then gave me three one dollar bills and two quarters.

Shortly later I used the telephone in Dan's Beer Parlor and called my home. My sister, Mrs. William Thomas answered the phone and I told her I wanted to talk to Luther Haddock, who was staying there at that time. I told Luther that Julia and I were with Mr. Martin and he had the cash money for me. I then asked him where we could meet him. Luther told me to meet him at the Littlepage Service Station, at the mile bridge. About 11:30 Frank S. Martin, Julia Vickers and I left Dan's Beer Parlor and went to the Littlepage Service Station and parked the car. Shortly after parking the car, Luther came to the place. He got out of a car, but I do not know who was driving it. We then got in Mr. Martin's car and drove to the Blue Moon Beer Parlor, back Six road, North Charleston, W. Va. Here we had some beer and drinks. I danced with Luther and he told me Mr. Martin really had some money. I told him that Martin had some money and Luther then said, "well I guess I'll have to count it." Julia was in the Blue Moon Beer Parlor when Frank Martin and Luther Haddock and I left.

Mr. Martin, Luther and I got in the car and drove toward the river bank. Luther told Mr. Martin to stop the car and then Luther got out and walked around the car and told Mr. Martin to get out of the car. Mr. Martin then laughed. Luther then said I mean it, get out. He then took Mr. Martin over to the side of the road. I could not hear what was being said. I heard a bottle break and then Luther got in the car and drove to the Blue Moon Beer Parlor to get Julia Vickers. I went in after her. She was not there and we drove on home. We arrived a little bit before Julia did, as she came in when we were there. Julia Vickers, Luther Haddock and I got in the car, and drove to a street near Patrick Street, Charleston, W. Va. Here we parked the car, walked to a restaurant on Washington Street, Luther called a taxi cab and took us to the Daniel Boone Bar 5 Q. N. S. route #10, near Snow Hill, W. Va. Here we got a cabin and stayed in it the rest of the night.

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Statement of Kathleen Hanson

We stayed here at this place until about 4:00 P. M. August 2, 1937, at which time Julia Vickers and I came home with a waitress at the Daniel Boone Bar B Q, and upon arrival at home was arrested by the State Police.

I have nothing further to say in this matter.

Kathleen Hanson
Kathleen Hanson (Signed)

WITNESSETH:

C E Musgrave

STATEMENT OF JULIA VIGOREL

I, Julia Vigorel, age 37, residing at 609 1/2 Baker Road, North Charleston, S. C., on this the 3rd day of August, 1958, do hereby make and execute this a true statement concerning my conduct in the night of August 1, 1958, while in the company of Kathleen Hansen, Frank S. Martin and Luther Madson.

I have not been threatened, forced or intimidated by the officer, nor have I been promised any reward or leniency to make this statement but do so of my own free will.

I have been apprised of my Constitutional rights, in that, I need not be a witness against myself or incriminate myself in any manner, and realize that anything that I might say will be used against me in a criminal proceeding.

Kathleen Hansen and I came into Charleston S. C., on the afternoon of August 1, 1958. We remained until that night, about 10:30 P. M., Kathleen Hansen and I saw Frank S. Martin on the street and we walked to Dan's Beer Parlor, State Street, Charleston, S. C. This bar has no drink done here. Kathleen and I went into the rest room at this place and then Kathleen told me she would like to have some things.

Sometime that night Kathleen made a telephone call to our home. I talked to Mrs. William Thomas, which when we stay, and also talked to Luther Madson at the same time.

We remained at Dan's Beer Parlor for sometime with Frank S. Martin and then left, driving in the Martin car, toward the Lock Six road, North Charleston, S. C. Mr. Martin was going to take Kathleen and I home. We passed the car at the Littlepage Service Station and waited for Luther Madson. Very shortly Luther Madson got out of a car and joined us. He was driven to this point by some unknown person.

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Statement of Julia Vickard

After Luther Maddox arrived, he got in the car with us. We then drove to the Blue Moon Beer Parlor, Stop Six, Dunbar Lane, North Charleston, S. C. We entered this business place and drank some beer and danced. At this point Luther Maddox told me to go on home. Luther Maddox, Kathleen Hudson and Frank S. Martin left the beer parlor. I drank a coke soda and then started for my home, walking.

As I was going through the field near my home, I saw a car drive up in front of the house. Upon arrival at the house I found it to be Luther Maddox and Kathleen Hudson. They were driving a convertible coupe automobile. The same car that Frank S. Martin was driving earlier in the evening, when he met me.

Luther Maddox was driving this car and Kathleen and I got in with him. He drove this car to a point near Patrick Street, West Charleston, S. C., and parked it. When Luther parked this car, we got out and walked up the street, went to a restaurant on Washington Street, and called a taxi cab. From here we went in the taxi cab to the Devil Bone Lunch room, U. S. Route 90, near Snow Hill, S. C. Kathleen Hudson, Luther Maddox and I stayed in a cabin at this place the rest of the night. When we got up to the cabin Luther Maddox and Kathleen Hudson told me of the robbery of Frank S. Martin and the theft of his car.

We remained at this place until about 6:00 P. M., August 2, 1939, and then Kathleen Hudson and I came home with a waitress at the Devil Bone Lunch room. As we entered our home we were arrested by the State Police.

Julia Vickard
Julia Vickard (Signed)

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C. E. Murgerson