

STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

CASE NO.: 94-1043

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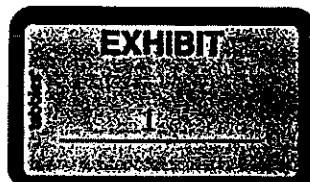
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RE: Ohio Pharmacy Breaking and Entering, Task Force Organization

Synopsis: Task Force organized to investigate numerous pharmacy burglaries throughout Ohio with same methods of entry.

Investigation: During the later part of 1993 this Agent became aware that within the compliance boundaries of this Agents territory many pharmacies had been broken into at night by unknown burglars. As the reports of the drug losses began to arrive at the Board Of Pharmacy this agent began gathering the reports and talking with the registered Pharmacist at the pharmacies. It became apparent that many of the burglaries were being done in the same fashion, specifically, by cutting the telephone lines (or any exposed line) on the outside of the pharmacy. In most instances this disabled the alarm system and once inside the perpetrators were given ample time to remove large quantities of drugs from the pharmacy before detection. Having this information, I then began contacting police and sheriff's departments in this Agent's territory. I realized that the Board Of Pharmacy is notified, as required by law, when drug thefts occur. However, no information was being received by the Board when break-in attempts were made and failed. Attempts are not required to be reported to the DEA or the Board of Pharmacy.

During the first week of January 1994, this Agent went to the Board Of Pharmacy and began researching the drug theft reports of the Board Of Pharmacy for the past six months. From those records copies were made of all drug store burglaries and all armed robberies that had occurred in Ohio during that time period. This information was then entered into a computer program so that a better view of sequence could be seen by date, pharmacy, county and day of week that the burglary occurred. The printout revealed a State wide problem and only appeared to involve independently owned pharmacy's. This Agent then contacted New Lexington Police Chief Jeff Newman, and Crooksville Police Chief Robin Zinn, both of whom had burglaries in pharmacies in their cities. I discussed the information that I had gathered and advised them that I was going to contact Lancaster PD. and the Muskingum County Sheriff's Department and set a meeting to develop a task force to exchange information on the burglaries that had occurred as well as a means of identifying the attempted burglaries that had occurred that I was not aware of.



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The below list was developed to reflect the burglaries and armed robberies and will be updated as break ins occur.

DATE	PHARMACY	PHONE #	COUNTY	DAY
06/22/93	DEER PARK PHARMACY	513-791-7958	HAMILTON	Tue
06/27/93	DRUG WORLD	614-864-2371	FRANKLIN	Sun
06/29/93	MEDICINE SHOPPE	513-426-6431	GREENE	Tue
07/19/93	PHARMACY COUNTER	419-473-1493	LUCAS	Mon
07/20/93	ST. ELIZABETHS MED CENTER	513-229-6746	MONTGOMERY	Tue
07/21/93	MACK PHARMACY	513-574-3333	HAMILTON	Wed
08/05/93	BARTLEY DISC.	614-772-2278	ROSS	Thu
08/07/93	MEDICINE SHOPPE	419-474-0605	LUCAS	Sat
*08/16/93	KNISLEY PHARMACY	614-634-3231	ROSS	Mon
08/18/93	HOFSTETTER DRUGS	419-475-1513	LUCAS	Wed
08/18/93	PRESCRIPTION SERVICES	419-473-2685	LUCAS	Wed
*08/20/93	BLAKE PHARMACY	513-587-3100	ADAMS	Fri
08/22/93	WINCHESTER PHARMACY	513-695-0010	ADAMS	Sun
*09/17/93	MEDICINE SHOPPE	614-342-3366	PERRY	Fri
*09/21/93	DEER PARK PHARMACY	513-791-7958	HAMILTON	Tue
10/04/93	MACK PHARMACY	513-574-3333	HAMILTON	Mon
10/16/93	WINCHESTER PHARMACY	513-695-0010	ADAMS	Sat
10/21/93	DRUG WORLD	614-864-3131	FRANKLIN	Thu
*10/29/93	BLACKERS	614-982-3081	PERRY	Fri
11/06/93	ROY STORT PHARMACY	419-473-2784	LUCAS	Sat
11/21/93	VILLAGE PHARMACY	614-862-4240	FAIRFIELD	Sun
*11/23/93	JOHNSTON PHARMACY		MUSKINGUM	Tue
*12/15/93	DAVID'S PHARMACY		FAIRFIELD	Wed
12/17/93	MILLERSPORT PHARMACY	614-467-2232	FAIRFIELD	Fri
*12/28/93	BLACKERS PHARMACY	614-982-3081	PERRY	Tue
*01/07/94	KNISLEY'S PHARMACY	614-634-3231	ROSS	Thu
*01/10/94	JOHNSTON PHARMACY		MUSKINGUM	Sun
*01/11/94	WENDT BRISTOL PHARM	614-837-2641	FAIRFIELD	Tue

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01/26/94	LONSINGERS PHARMACY	614-892-2971	LICKING	Wed
*02/03/94	LLOYDS DRUG	614-967-6906	LICKING	Thu
*02/28/94	RISCHS PHARMACY		PICKAWAY	Mon
	ASHVILLE (ATTEMPT)		PICKAWAY	

On Monday January 10, 1994 this Agent met with the below listed agency's and Personnel at the Lancaster Police Department. Members of the Task Force are as follows;
Lancaster Police Department - Detective J.D. Seaschultz (653-2117)
Fairfield County S/O - Detective Ken Braden (687-0212)
New Lexington Police Dept. - Chief Jeff Newman (342-4111)
Muskingum County Sheriff's Dept. - Detective Brian Hoover (455-7135)
Ohio State Board Of Pharmacy - Agent Bill Padgett (342-4416)

At this meeting several suspects were mentioned and it was determined at this time to obtain background information that was available, so that an investigation packet could be put together on the individuals in order to conduct surveillance on them. Using the resources of each of these departments was important to ease the load on any one department. Information that was exchanged also reflected in greater detail the similarities of each of the pharmacy burglaries. It was also discovered in the exchange that the group of individuals doing these burglaries were also breaking into other businesses the same way.

At this meeting Detective Hoover reported that as he was leaving his Department this morning to come to this meeting he was advised that there had been an attempt to break into the Johnson Pharmacy in Frazysburg this morning but he had not received any of the details, but that as he got them he would advise the task force of this information. Arrangements were also made to use Lancaster Police Department as the Center Command for dispensing and receiving of any intelligence that may be received. A teletype was also originated from Lancaster Police Department to all Ohio Law Enforcement Agency's advising them to contact Lancaster Police Department if they had incurred any break ins of the nature specified in this report.

At approx. 8:00 P.M. this date, this Agent received a phone call from R.Ph Eric Lawler, who stated that in regards to the attempted break-in into his pharmacy this morning, a neighbor lady had gotten a license number from a car that had pulled in front of her house. The woman reported that a older model black car pulled in front of her house and 2 males got out of the car and walked away. The woman also stated that the men were careful not to slam the doors on the car, but closed them very carefully. The woman then went outside and looked at the vehicle and wrote down the license number of the car as JKL697. The woman also observed that the car had a kerosene heater in the back seat. Having this information Lawler stated that the woman called the Muskingum Co. Sheriff's office and reported the car as a strange vehicle in the area. The sheriff's department responded but before they could arrive the suspects returned to the vehicle. When the woman saw them approaching the car she yelled at them, and asked what they were doing. According to the

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woman, it was at this time that one of the individuals jumped into the car and the other individual ran. Shortly after this event it was determined that the pharmacy burglar alarm had been cut, but no entry made.

The registration JKL697 is registered to the following individual;

Russell Gardner
602 N. Columbus St.
Galion Ohio.

Detective Hoover contacted the Crawford Co. Sheriff's Dept. and talked with Detective Jim Davis (419) 562-7906. Detective Davis stated that he was very familiar with Mr. Gardner and that Gardner was part of an organized group that was committing pharmacy burglaries all over Ohio and to date were believed to have committed over 200 burglaries. Detective Davis identified the below individuals as being involved in this group;

- 1) James Milton Parker, DOB 01/11/58, SSN: [REDACTED]
- 2) Harold W. Treadway, DOB 01/30/63, SSN: [REDACTED]
- 3) Bruce Melton, DOB 01/20/53, SSN: [REDACTED]
- 4) Rodney Melton, DOB 04/19/56, SSN: [REDACTED]
- 5) Maurice Melton, DOB 12/16/70, SSN: [REDACTED]
- 6) Donald Melton, DOB 12/15/62, SSN: [REDACTED]
- 7) Russell Gardner, DOB 09/19/58, SSN 2 [REDACTED]

Detective Davis stated that he had been watching these individuals all summer and that his Department had bought drugs from some of the individuals in the past. According to Detective Davis this group was successful in the burglaries because they were patient. His example was that the group would go to town and get familiar with how many police officers they had, what shifts they worked etc. After this they would decide what stores to break into they would come back to the town and cut the telephone lines to the pharmacy in hopes that this would prevent the alarm from completing the alarm calls. After the wires are cut the group leaves the pharmacy and takes up a position approx. 2 blocks from the pharmacy to determine if any law enforcement officers respond to the scene. The group has been known to wait over one hour to determine this. If nobody responds then the group uses a pry bar on the front door of the pharmacy. Normally two of the group enters the pharmacy, one stands outside to watch, and the driver remains approx. 2 blocks away from the pharmacy. If they suspect that the alarm was tripped, or they detect a police response they leave the area and do not break into the store. Detective Davis was then advised that this Agent had put together a TASK FORCE to attempt to deal with

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these burglaries. Arrangements were made to meet with Detective Davis at the Crawford County Sheriff's Department on 01/20/94 at 11:00 A.M. The meeting would consist of members of the Task Force and his Department, as well as members of the Galion Police Department who also had been actively working Felony cases against individuals of this group. Detective Davis also agreed to fax some important information to Detective Hoover in regards to these individuals, so that members of the Task Force could review the material.

On 01/14/94 several members of the Task Force met again at the Lancaster Police Department. The reason for this meeting was to review the material that had been sent to the Task Force by the Crawford Co. Sheriff's Department, and to develop a response system for the weekend. The only information that would be available to the Task Force would be the notification from Crawford Co. that the group had left town for an unknown destination. In the event that this would happen members of the Task Force decided that each department would run surveillance on their own pharmacy's. In the event that an informant would become aware of a definite location that the group was going to, the Crawford Co. S/O would notify Lancaster Police Department and Detective Seaschultz would notify members of the Task Force. The Task Force would respond to the location and notify the appropriate Departments who had jurisdiction. The goal of the Task Force at that point would be to apprehend the individuals in the pharmacy.

While at this Task Force meeting it was also discovered that Harold Treadway had been discovered near a pharmacy burglary in Noble Co. and indicted on that incident. Treadway was caught with burglar tools, ski mask's etc. No other individuals were located at the scene.

On 01/17/94 this Agent received a phone call from Detective Jerry Seaschultz of the Lancaster Police Department. Detective Seaschultz reported that one of their patrolman left him a note saying that he had impounded a vehicle on 12/15/93 for a FRA suspension. The vehicle was seen near the Davids Pharmacy burglary. After stopping the vehicle he found the driver to be a man identified as James Parker. A brief search of the car revealed a ski mask, a pry bar and other suspicious pieces of equipment. As of this date Parker had not returned to get his car nor did he appear on his summons for operating a vehicle while under suspension.

On 01/18/94 this Agent received a phone call from Detective Jerry Hickman of the Galion Police Department. Detective Hickman stated that he had received information from a CI stating that the group was going to leave this evening to do a pharmacy burglary in Athens, Ohio and McArthur, Ohio. After receiving this information this Agent notified Detective Seaschultz, Detective Hoover, and Chief Newman, and advised them of the information. This Agent and Detective Hoover went to the Athens Police Department and met with Captain Clyde Beasley, Detective John Withers, and Lt. Jerry Elgin. The officers were briefed on the information that had been obtained by the Task Force over the past several weeks and plans were begun as to surveillance of the pharmacy's. The information that had been reported to the Task force was that Bruce Melton, James Parker, Rodney

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Melton, and one other person were the ones that were going to do the pharmacy burglaries listed above.

This Agent then contacted Detective Hickman of the Galion Police Department and requested that he have his informant contact Bruce Melton and tell him that she was coming over tonight and that she would not be able to get there until midnight. If Melton responded with "that's OK I'll be there," then we would know that they would not be coming to Athens to do the burglary. After this occurred Detective Hickman agreed to call this Agent back.

Approx. 1 hour later Detective Hickman called this Agent back and stated that Melton agreed to meet with the CI that night. This indicated that the group was not going to work tonight. The Task force response was canceled and the meeting with the Crawford Co. units was left in tact for Thursday 01/20/94 11:00 A.M. During the several telephone conversations with Detective Hickman I was advised by the Officers of Galion Police Department that they wanted to work with all the Agency's involved to get these individuals arrested. Detective Hickman also gave this Agent information as to the actual address of Bruce Melton. According to Hickman, Melton's girlfriend lives in Columbus and manages an Apartment Complex near the town of Brice. A review of the telephone book only listed one complex in that area. The information that was given to the Task Force by Crawford County indicated this same information only Crawford County identified the complex name by the spelling "Mowrs" A complex with the spelling Muirwood was located on Haddington Dr. in Columbus. which is near Brice.

Detective Davis had also advised the Task Force that Bruce Melton was seen driving a vehicle with Ohio reg. PAV806, which is registered to the following;

Belinda Carswell
6243 Low Ridge
Canal Winchester, Ohio
1981 Olds 4 door

I advised Detective Hickman of the information that had been given to the Task Force by the Crawford Co. Sheriff's Department in regards to Belinda Carswell. Hickman then advised this Agent that Carswell was Bruce Melton's girlfriend. He also advised this Agent that their CI advised them that Russell Gardner was now staying in Columbus with Bruce Melton. While talking with Detective Hickman I requested that he inquire from his informant, (who was with him during this phone conversation) as to his knowledge of the Melton's breaking into a Prescription shop Pharmacy, and a gun shop in Athens two years ago. After a brief pause Detective Hickman stated that the informant stated that the Melton's did not do this burglary, that he and a man by the name of Michael Thompson did them and a gun shop in Nelsonville the same night.

The informant also stated that a man by the name of Bobby Taylor and Bruce Melton broke into a Doctor's office in Marengo, Ohio in August 1993 (Dr. Mesta) and stole a large quantity of drugs.(as of 01/19/94 this information was not confirmed)

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On 01/19/94 this Agent went to the Brice, Ohio area in an attempt to locate the apartment complex that both Crawford Co. and Galion Police Department. were advising the Task Force of. As I was traveling North on Gender Rd. from St.Rt. 33 I noticed several signs along the road advertising the "MOORS" Apartments. Upon entering the complex I located Low Ridge St. and then began looking for 6243, the address obtained from the license plate PAV 806 obtained by Crawford Co. S/O. As I drove through the complex I found 6243 Low Ridge. I also observed a black / male subject (Bruce Melton) standing in the doorway. I also observed the Vehicle with the reg. PAV806, reg. to Belinda Carswell and the vehicle JKL697, the black Ford Maverick registered to Russell Gardner and seen at the attempted burglary at Lawlers pharmacy in Frazysburg on 01/10/94. After confirming the information that had been given by both the Galion Police Department and the Crawford Co. S/O I left the area.

On 01/19/94 this Agent talked to Lt. David Dayne of the Galion PD and advised him of the Task Force Meeting being held at the Crawford Co. S/O on 01/20/94. This Agent made arrangements to meet at the Galion Police Department and then follow them to the S/O. On 01/20/94 this Agent went to Crawford County where there was a meeting of officers and agents of this special Task Force. The Departments and representatives that were present were as follows;

Bill Padgett - Ohio State Board Of Pharmacy
Jeff Newman - Chief of Police, New Lexington, Ohio
Robin Inn - Chief Of Police, Crooksville, Ohio
Randy Barker - Sheriff, Perry County
Jim Davis - Detective, Crawford Co. S/O
Ron Shawber - Sheriff, Crawford County
David Dayne - Lt, Galion Police Department
Jerry Hickman, Detective, Galion Police Department.
Ed Moser - Detective, Galion Police Department.
Jerry Seaschultz - Detective, Lancaster Police Department.
Dan Patton - Sgt., Lancaster Police Department

This meeting was a total exchange of information in regards to intelligence information obtained by the various departments in regards to the Melton's and their associates. Galion Police Department had informants deep inside the inner circle of the Melton burglary ring and is in the situation that a CI could be in a position to drive for the Melton's when they commit pharmacy burglaries. If this information could be obtained, the Task Force could be given appropriate notice of the next location that the Melton's intend to burglarize, and could be in place to effect the arrest of these individuals.

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It was agreed upon by the members of this Task Force to attempt to arrest these individuals in a pharmacy burglary, and or in addition to that continue to purchase pharmaceutical drugs. Galion Police Department informants are probably in a position to purchase stock bottle drugs with the wholesale and retail labels attached. The only problem discussed at this meeting appeared to be funding. Galion Police Department has spent a large sum of money to purchase heroin from sources also connected with the Melton's. Galion Police Department will need additional funds to buy the pharmaceutical drugs, and pay the CI for becoming involved as a driver for the Melton's. The Melton's have spread the word that anybody that snitches on them would be killed. This situation with the informant is somewhat different because there are no charges pending on the CI to cause the CI to give this type of information.

The fact that this group of individuals has chosen to use Ohio pharmacies as their supply of narcotics and that thousands of dollars have been spent by Ohio Pharmacist to upgrade their alarm systems and pay for damages incurred when this group breaks into their pharmacy's places some burden upon the Ohio State Board Of Pharmacy to assist in any way it can to aid in the effect of the demise and prosecution of these individuals. If these individuals are arrested in a pharmacy and the Task force has been able to purchase additional pharmaceutical drugs from the Melton's at 6243 Low Ridge RD Canal Winchester then search warrants can be obtained for that address.

Arrangements were made by this Agent to discuss the acquisition of funds with supervisors of the Ohio State Board of Pharmacy on 01/21/94. The information that will be needed for the search warrants will also be confirmed on this date so that the only task that will be needed to be completed will be the judges signature when it is needed.

On the evening of 01/23/94 this Agent received a phone call from Detective Seaschultz of the Lancaster Police Department. The Detective stated that Crawford County Sheriff's Department had just sent out a teletype informing them that they had received information that the Meltons were going out tonight, possibly to the Portsmouth area, to do a pharmacy burglary. Having this information I contacted Agent Rob Amiet of the Pharmacy Board and requested that he go to the Moor's apartment complex and located any of the vehicles previously mentioned in this report. At 8:20 P.M. this date Agent Amiet checked the parking lot and noticed that the vehicle registered to Belinda Carswell was at the complex, and the vehicle registered to Russell Gardner was leaving the parking lot with one male and one female aboard. This vehicle left the complex and proceeded south on interstate 270. Since the information was not specific enough as to a location that the group was suppose to burglarize no additional steps were taken at this time.

On 01/25/94 this Agent talked with Detective Hickman. Detective Hickman stated that the CI had talked with Bruce Melton by telephone on this date. During this telephone conversation Bruce Melton talks with the CI about the breaking and entering of the pharmacy in Lancaster (Davids). Bruce Melton also talks about Larry Parker getting his car impounded in Lancaster. During this conversation a deal is set between the CI and

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Bruce Melton to complete a drug transaction on 01/26/94 in near Columbus. The CI also tells Bruce Melton that this CI would be available to drive on the next burglary. Melton thought this would be a good idea and told the CI "OK".

On 01/26/94 this Agent again talked with Detective Hickman in regards to this investigation. Arrangements were made to meet Hickman and the CI at the Best Western Hotel at the intersection of St. Rt. 161 and I 270, at 12 noon. This Agent also advised Detective Hickman that I would have a couple units from the Franklin Co. Sheriffs Department with me, so that they would be able to control this drug buy. Hickman also stated that he CI attempted to contact Bruce Melton by phone early this date, but got get in contact with of Bruce's brother Rodney Melton. Rodney told the CI that Bruce had told him that this CI would be calling and that it was Ok and to come to the Apartment. Rodney wanted the CI to come early but the CI advised the meet was not possible until 2:00 P.M. this date.

Detective Hickman and I also discussed the best electronics wire to use under these circumstances and it was decided that since the Meltons were known to conduct pat down before drug transactions a normal "body wire" would not be a good idea, and that a pager wire would be used. Having this information I then contacted Compliance Agent Supervisor Robert Cole, and Compliance Administrator Tim Benedict and discussed the memo that had been provided to them late last week in regards to the Board Of Pharmacy reimbursing the Galion Police Department for pharmaceutical drugs bought during the course of this investigation. It was agreed to spend up to \$2,000.00 for this investigation. I then contacted Detective Hickman and advised him of this information.

This Agent then contacted Julie Finkel of the Franklin Co. S/O, Detective Dan Patton of the Lancaster P.D. and Detective Brian Hoover of the Muskingum Co. Sheriffs Department and advised all of the information that had been discussed.

At approx. 2:00 P.M. 01/26/94 the CI arrived at the Melton residence located at 6230 Low Ridge Rd. in Canal Winchester (Moor's apartment complex at the intersection of Brice and Gender Rds. in Canal Winchester). Upon arrival at the residence the CI entered the residence and found Rodney Melton to be there. Rodney Melton approached the CI after she had sat down, and solicited a sex act from her. The CI refused and attempted to get Rodney back on the subject of the drug sale. After talking with Rodney for several minutes Bruce Melton entered the residence and was very upset about some vehicles in the parking lot. Bruce was complaining that the vehicles were occupied by the Police and the CI was a snitch. Rodney Melton then asked the CI if she was wearing a wire and the CI told him no and told Rodney to search her. Rodney then conducted a semi strip search on the CI, and upon finding the pager requested an explanation. The CI then explained the situation away and the Meltons were satisfied with the explanation. As a result of the confident explanation of all the Meltons concerns Rodney Melton with the assistance of Bruce Melton completed the sale of 170 Ritalin 20 mg. tablets, and 54 Vicodin E.S. tablets for \$340.00. While running surveillance at the apartment complex, this agent was advised by the Board of Pharmacy via this Agents pager that the Lonsinger Pharmacy in Utica had been broken

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into at approximately 5:00 A.M. this date. The means of entry to this pharmacy was by cutting or removing the telephone line from the phone box, and entering by means of prying open a side door to the Pharmacy. Drugs taken were identified as Vicodin E.S., Methylphenidate 5, 10, and 20 mg. tablets and a few other type drugs.

After leaving the complex the drugs that had been purchased were turned over to Galion Police Department, so that they could be submitted to their lab for testing.

NOTE: It is important to note that prior to taking the CI to the Melton residence she was searched to comply with the requirements needed to make this a "controlled buy" situation. No drugs were found in the possession of the CI. After leaving the residence the same methods were used to confirm that the CI had purchased drugs.

The drug buy transaction tape, as well as the tapes of the telephone calls made to the Meltons by the CI are marked as evidence and being held by this Agent as they are made available.

**ATTACHMENT # 1- TAPED TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN BRUCE
MELTON AND THE CI ON 01/25/94**

**ATTACHMENT # 2- TAPED TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN RODNEY
MELTON AND THE CI ON 01/26/94**

**ATTACHMENT # 3- ELECTRONICS WIRE CONVERSATION BETWEEN BRUCE
MELTON, RODNEY MELTON, AND THE CI ON 01/27/94**

When the lab report is submitted to this Agent from the Galion Police Department it will be marked as evidence and attached to this report, as follows;

**ATTACHMENT # 4- LAB REPORT FROM DRUG BUY ON 01/27/94 AT 6230 LOW
RIDGE RD. CANAL WINCHESTER**

On 01/27/94 this Agent received information from Detective Jerry Hickman that Rodney Melton had contacted the CI and told her that he would pick her up at 6:00 P.M. this date and that she was going to drive his car to a pharmacy in Columbus and that he was going to break into it because he knew the store had dilaudid. After talking this over with Detective Hickman it was decided not to let the CI drive to this burglary because there was no control of the situation by any agency. There was not enough time to put a bird dog tracking device on Rodney's car and there was not enough time to get the pager wire to her. Neither myself or Hickman believed jeopardizing the CI's life especially after what Rodney Melton attempted on the day of the drug buy with this CI. Detective Hickman then made arrangements with the CI to have her avoid Rodney Melton over this weekend. This Agent then contacted Detective Julie Finkel and arrangements were made to run a surveillance on The Drug Store, located at 220 Main St. in Groveport, Ohio. These arrangements were made with the Columbus SWAT unit, Franklin County S/O, and this Agent. The keys to the pharmacy were then picked up by Agent Rob Amiet and turned over to Columbus SWAT so that they could have men in the pharmacy all night. A meeting was also held

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with SWAT to advise them of all the information that they needed to know safely conduct their surveillance.

The surveillance was conducted all night of 01/29/94 until 6:30 A.M. and no remarkable activity took place. The reason for this was later noted to be because Rodney was unable to locate a driver for this burglary.

On 01/31/94 this Agent talked with Detective Hickman. The CI had talked with Detective Hickman and reported that Rodney had contacted her on this date and told her that he and Maurice were going to assist him with the pharmacy burglary in Columbus and that he wanted her to drive for him. Rodney still was insisting that the CI use his car (which is a 1979 Chevrolet Impala with a new yellow paint job. Ohio Reg. JKZ218. CI also stated that he had been paid \$15,000 to cripple "the man" who was responsible for the raids in Crestline, Ohio last week. After he finishes that and the pharmacy burglary he stated that he is going to Atlanta to take care of some other business. The CI agreed to drive for this burglary and notified Rodney that he had to give her some notice as to when he would need her. Arrangements were still continuing to do a controlled buy on 02/01/94 at the home of Bruce Melton in Canal Winchester. This buy was limited to pharmaceutical drugs in preferably in stock drug containers.

On 02/01/94 this agent met with Detectives Finkel and Powell from the Franklin Co. Sheriff's Dept. and Detectives Hickman and Dayne of the Galion Police Dept., also present at this meeting was a confidential informant. The reason for this meeting was to debrief the informant and to begin preparation for a controlled drug buy later this date from Bruce Melton. The informant talked with Bruce Melton over the telephone and was told that Belinda Carswell had left and that it was OK to come over.

When the informant went to the residence she got no response from inside the apartment. After several attempts to get a response the informant left the area. The informant also attempted to contact Bruce Melton by phone but got no response. After the last attempt to reach Melton was unsuccessful the attempt to purchase drugs from Bruce Melton was abandoned for the time being. The informant was told to continue to attempt to contact Melton over the weekend to determine why he would not answer the door.

It is also important to note that as I was leaving the area that I received a alpha message on my pager informing me that there had been a pharmacy burglary this A.M. at the Johnstown Pharmacy. Entrance had been gained to the pharmacy by prying open a door, after the alarm wires had been cut.

During the dates of 02/07/94 through 02/10/94 the informant made several contacts with individuals connected to the Melton's. Many of these telephone conversations were taped recorded by the informant. The tapes were then turned over to Detective Hickman as evidence and for transcribing.

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While working over the weekend the informant was able to purchase 94 Ritalin in Galion from the residence of Chuck Gardner, (brother to Russell) This information will be added to the Franklin Co. cases for additional prosecution. These drugs were purchased from Gardner in their original manufactures container, but the label had been partially removed from the bottle.

On 02/11/93 this Agent went to Columbus and met with several members of the Franklin Co. Sheriff's Dept. as well as Detectives Dayne and Hickman from the Galion Police Dept. and Assistant Prosecutor Bill Owen of the Franklin Co. Prosecutors office. The purpose of this meeting was to inform Mr. Owen of this investigation. Mr. Owen was given all the information that was available at the time of this meeting. At the conclusion of this meeting it was decided to compile a list of additional information to be added to the search warrants for seizure if located. It was also decided to issue a subpoena for all telephone tolls made from the residence of Bruce Melton. The number that was provided to the prosecutor was (614) 837-9864. This is the unlisted number of Bruce Melton and Belinda Carswell, 6243 Low Ridge Rd. in Canal Winchester.

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On 02/16/94 this Agent again met with members of the Franklin Co. Sheriff's Department and the officers from Galion P.D. It was decided at this time not to let the informant go back to Bruce Melton's residence because of the triple homicide that had occurred in Bucyrus on 02/14/94. summary, the triple homicide occurred in Bucyrus and two adult females were slain, a ll as one child. The homicides were the result of what is believed to be two motives. One motive was revenge on a suspected informant of the Galion Police Department, who was instrumental in the arrest of an individual by the name of Kevin Keith. Keith was arrested for 5 counts of aggravated Trafficking in Drugs weeks ago in Crestline, Ohio. The people that were killed were relatives of the suspected informant. The second suspected motive was that the a boy friend of one of the deceased owed Keith a large sum of money for prior drug sales.

In regards to this case, it is well documented by the Galion Police Department that Keith is the main cocaine supplier to the Meltons. or the homicide Rodney Melton went to the hospital were the family's of those that been shot had gathered and made the statement that this was fault because he was a snitch. As the two cases are separate and distinct no further details of the homicides will be reported in this case file unless it is warranted.

It was also discussed at this meeting to continue to develop a second informant to obtain information in regards to the Meltons and the pharmacy burglaries

Several contacts were made with the second informant over the next couple of weeks, but the only information that could be obtained was that Rodney Melton had offered this informant \$1,000.00 to drive the next time that he decided to do a pharmacy breaking and entering.

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On 02/22/94 this Agent was contacted by a Mr. Dave Jacobs, who is a news reporter for the Columbus Dispatch. Mr. Jacobs stated that he had found out that there had been a pharmacy breaking and entering in Lancaster Ohio and upon checking found that there has also been some breaking and enterings in the Zanesville area. Jacobs then stated that he found that there had been breaking and enterings all over the State of Ohio. I explained to Jacobs that this was not an usual occurrence. Jacobs was well aware of the list that had been put together by this Agent and distributed among the Task Force members. This Agent advised Jacobs that the Board of Pharmacy would have no comment in regards to his insistence that this Agent had put together a Task Force to investigate the breaking and enterings that were occurring around the state. Jacobs told this Agent that he was going to run an article in the Dispatch in regards to the Task Force, the breaking and enterings, and the fact that one group of individuals were involved. This Agent then explained to Jacobs that any article published at this particular time would severely hamper any investigation that might be occurring. Jacobs was not concerned about the effect that his article would have on the investigation and stated that he would talk with his boss about it.

On 02/27/94 (Sunday) an article appeared on the front page of the Columbus Dispatch giving detailed information about this investigation.

**ATTACHMENT # 5- COPY OF NEWS ARTICLE PRINTED IN THE COLUMBUS
DISPATCH 02/27/94**

On 02/28/94 this Agent contacted Chief Robin Zinn, Detective Brian Hoover, Detective Hickman, Detective Seashultz and Detective Julie Finkel of the Task Force and advised them of the article. This Agent advised each that it was uncertain how much impact that this early release would have on the investigation, but to discontinue any contact with the news media. This Agent also contacted several of the pharmacist that had talked with the news media about their pharmacy breaking and enterings. The pharmacist were also advised not to talk with the media.

On 03/01/94 the CI reported that Parker's wife Terri Betti, had reported Jim Parker missing since 02/27/94 Sunday 6:00 A.M. The CI stated that Betti was very upset and was afraid that he had been killed. The CI checked all over the Galion area and was unable to locate Parker or Russ Gardner.

On 03/01/94 the CI reported that Parker and Gardner were staying at the Bambi Motel on E. Main St. in Columbus. Gardener's car had broke down so the two individuals were using the dark blue Chrysler New Yorker that belongs to Parker's father in law.

On 03/02/94 this Agent conducted a surveillance on the Bambi motel but was unable to locate the vehicle. The CI had also reported that the two as well as Michele Mullins may have moved to the Brookside Motel a few blocks west of the Bambi Motel. A check of this location also failed to produce the locating of the individuals.

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On 03/03/94 at approx. 10:00 P.M. this Agent received a phone call from the CI. The CI reported that Gardner and Parker had returned to Galion, and had attempted to break into a pharmacy in Circleville early Monday morning 02/28/94. The CI reported that the two drove the New Yorker to Circleville. According to the CI after prying on the front door of the pharmacy several cars drove by causing them to give up.

On 03/04/94 at 5:00 A.M. this Agent drove to Galion and met with Detective Hickman and Lt. Dayne of the Galion Police Department. Upon arriving at the Police Department this Agent contacted Detective Don Barton of the Circleville Police. Detective Barton confirmed the information that the CI reported. Detective Barton stated that at Approx. 2:15 A.M. on 02/28/94 two men were seen prying on the front door of Rischs Pharmacy in Circleville. Barton also stated that the door frame as well as the telephone wire would be secured as evidence. He also stated that there was green paint left on the door frame as well.

**ATTACHMENT # 6 - POLICE REPORT FROM THE CIRCLEVILLE POLICE
DEPARTMENT IN REGARDS TO THE ATTEMPTED B&E
AT RISCHS PHARMACY IN CIRCLEVILLE.**

It was decided at this time to locate Jim Parker and question him in regards to the pharmacy breaking and enterings that had been occurring around Ohio. This decision was made based on the information that had been received from the beginning of this investigation from the CI and the personnel knowledge of both Detective Hickman and Lt. Dayne of Jim Parker that Parker would be the weak link. Parker had stated to several people and on several occasions that he would not go to jail for anybody.

An attempt to locate Parker failed to produce his whereabouts. The vehicle that belonged to his in-laws was located at the Jefferson Motel in Galion, so a surveillance was conducted on the vehicle. At approx. 9:25 A.M. a female exited the Motel and put a bag into the trunk of the New Yorker. The female was known to both Hickman and Dayne as Terri Betti, the wife of Jim Parker. Betti then got into the vehicle and left the Motel. These officers followed Betti until she stopped her car at a stop sign. Hickman then exited the van that we were in and approached Betti's vehicle. Hickman then knocked on the window of Betti's car and identified himself and got into Betti's vehicle. Betti was instructed to go the Police Department to be interviewed. Upon arrival at the Police Department Betti was shown proper credentials of this Agent and was questioned in regards to any knowledge that she had in regards to any pharmacy breaking and enterings. Betti stated that she was aware of the fact that Jim Parker, Bruce Melton and Rodney Melton had broke into a pharmacy in Crooksville Ohio in October of 1993. Betti further stated that as a result of that breaking and entering she and Jim received three bottles of liquid Morphine (oral solution). Betti further stated that she and Jim Parker drew the oral solution into a syringe and IV'ed it. Betti stated that her husband (Jim Parker) showed up at least eight times over the past year with pharmaceutical drugs that he had stolen from drug store breaking and enterings. Betti also advised us that she was aware of the incident that had occurred in Lancaster when Parker's vehicle was impounded.

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Betti stated that that incident involved Parker, Bruce Melton, and Rodney Melton. Betti was aware of the fact that Parker had been caught by the Police while he had been watching Rodney and Bruce break into Davids Pharmacy. Betti was also aware of the fact that Russ Gardner and Jim Parker had attempted to break into a pharmacy in Circleville Sunday night, or Monday morning (02/28/94) and they almost got caught by the police. Betti was also aware that Russ Gardner and Bruce Melton had got into Lawlers Pharmacy in Muskingum Co. on 01/10/94, because she had gotten some of the drugs. Betti also stated that she knew that Russ Gardner and Bruce broke into the Canal Winchester Pharmacy because Russ Gardner told her and Jim Parker that he and Bruce had done it. Betti also stated that Bruce Melton had called Jim on Monday 02/28/94 and talked with him about the article in the Columbus Dispatch. Bruce determined from the article that someone else besides them were doing breaking and enterings around Ohio.

Before concluding this interview Betti agreed to let Detective Hickman and Lt. Dayne search her car. In the trunk of the vehicle were several spoons used for drug abuse, as well as a bag full of syringes and needles. Also in the trunk were the following items;

- 1) one small black pry bar
- 2) one large black pry bar
- 3) one pair of blue handled wire cutters

These items were removed with the consent of Terri Betti. Betti was given a proper receipt for the items that were removed from the vehicle.

ATTACHMENT # 7- CONSENT TO SEARCH FORM AND INVENTORY OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM 1988 CHRYSLER NEW YORKER UQP142

Betti also agreed to help us find her husband Jim Parker. It was decided to let Betti drive her own car around town and attempt to locate Jim Parker. After checking several locations Betti decided to wait at the Jefferson Motel for Parker to return. Approx. one hour later Parker arrived and talked with Terri Betti. After talking briefly Parker got into the car with Betti and the two drove away. As instructed Betti drove down a side street and when she stopped at the stop sign Hickman and Dayne approached the vehicle and got Parker out of the car. Parker knew both Hickman and Dayne and offered no resistance. Parker was placed into the van and taken to the Galion Police department to talk with these officers. As soon as Parker was put into the van I produced my credentials to Parker. Parker looked at the credentials and stated " I'm sorry about the pharmacy jobs Mr. Padgett".

Upon arrival at the Police Department Parker was advised that we had talked with his wife this morning and that both he and she could be charged with at least one count of aggravated trafficking in drugs, in connection with a heroin sale in the city of Galion. Parker was also told that he was not under arrest at this time and that we had reason to believe that he was involved with a group of individuals that were doing pharmacy breaking and enterings around Ohio. Parker then dictated to us that he would give us

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information on the breaking and enterings if Detective Hickman agreed not to file any charges on his wife, Terri Betti in regards to the drug trafficking case. Detective Hickman agreed with this arrangement as it had already been discussed with the local prosecutor.

After talking with Parker for several minutes about the breaking and enterings to determine if he had knowledge Parker was advised of his rights by Detective Hickman. After being assured that Parker understood his rights, and voluntarily waived those rights the proper rights forms completed and a copy of those forms are attached to this report.

ATTACHMENT # 8- RIGHTS AND RIGHTS WAIVER FORM FOR MILTON JAMES PARKER

An in-depth interview was then conducted by this Agent with Mr. Parker. Mr. Parker was made aware that a tape recorder would be used during the interview. After starting the recorder more time was spent on record reviewing the rights waiver. Only after this Agent was satisfied that Parker understood his rights, and had waived those rights did the interview begin. The following is a summary of the information given by Milton James Parker on 03/04/94:

1) Knisleys Pharmacy 08/16/93: value of property stolen \$2,865.82

ATTACHMENT # 9 - DRUG THEFT REPORT KNISLEY'S PHARMACY

Parker's first pharmacy breaking was done on 08/16/93 at Knisleys Pharmacy in Bainbridge, Ohio. Parker received phone call from Bruce Melton telling him to come to Meltons house located at 6243 Lowridge Rd. in Canal Winchester (Franklin Co.) because they wee going to go hit a pharmacy. When Parker arrived at Parker's apartment on 08/15/93 he discovered that Rodney Melton was already there. Bruce Melton then showed Parker the location that they were going to on the map. From Bruce Meltons residence Parker drove his own car to the Knisley Pharmacy. Parker described his job as being the lookout for Bruce Melton and Rodney Melton while they broke into the pharmacy. Parker also stated that Bruce and Rodney used his tools to break in. Entrance was gained to the pharmacy by cutting the telephone lines to the pharmacy and prying open the front door with pry bars. After the "job" was completed Parker picked up Bruce and Rodney and they returned to Bruce's apartment and divided the drugs three ways. Parker stated that he received Oxycodone tablets, Tylenol # 3's and some other drugs for his part.

2) Blake Pharmacy 08/20/93: value of property stolen \$200.00

ATTACHMENT # 10 - DRUG THEFT REPORT BLAKE PHARMACY

Parker drove his own vehicle to this breaking and entering. Parker drove and Bruce Melton and Rodney Melton broke into the pharmacy. Parker stated that he again met at Bruce's apartment in Canal Winchester at which time Bruce told him where they were going. As in the other breaking and enterings Parker was to get 1/3 of the drugs that were stolen. After dropping Bruce and Rodney off at the Pharmacy Parker parked a few blocks away from the pharmacy and watched. Entrance was gained to the pharmacy by cutting the telephone lines to the pharmacy and prying open the front door with pry bars. After he picked them up they returned to Bruce's house and divided the drugs.

3) Winchester Pharmacy 08/22/93: value of property stolen \$1,100.00

ATTACHMENT # 11 - DRUG THEFT REPORT WINCHESTER PHARMACY

Parker drove his own vehicle to this breaking and entering. Parker drove and Bruce Melton and Rodney Melton broke into the pharmacy. Entrance was gained to the pharmacy by cutting the telephone lines to the pharmacy and prying open the front door with pry bars. Parker stated that he again met at Bruce's apartment in Canal Winchester at which time Bruce told him where they were going. As in the other breaking and enterings Parker was to get 1/3 of the drugs that were stolen. After dropping Bruce and Rodney off at the Pharmacy Parker parked a few blocks away from the pharmacy and watched. Parker saw a police cruiser in the area so he left the area and had to return later to pick up Bruce and Rodney. After he picked them up they returned to Bruce's house and divided the drugs.

4) Deer Park Pharmacy 09/21/93: value of property stolen \$1,200.00

ATTACHMENT # 12 - DRUG THEFT REPORT DEER PARK PHARMACY

Parker drove his own vehicle to this breaking and entering. Parker drove and Bruce Melton and Rodney Melton broke into the pharmacy. Parker stated that he again met at Bruce's apartment in Canal Winchester at which time Bruce told him where they were going. As in the other breaking and enterings Parker was to get 1/3 of the drugs that were stolen. After dropping Bruce and Rodney off at the Pharmacy Parker parked a few blocks away from the pharmacy and watched. Entrance was gained to the pharmacy by cutting the telephone lines to the pharmacy and prying open the front door with pry bars. Parker believed that this was a pharmacy across the street from an "Echards Pharmacy" in Cincinnati. After he picked them up they returned to Bruce's house and divided the drugs.

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5) Blackers Pharmacy 10/29/93: value of property stolen \$3,738.43

ATTACHMENT # 13 - DRUG THEFT REPORT BLACKERS PHARMACY

Parker drove his own vehicle to this breaking and entering. Parker drove and Bruce Melton and Rodney Melton broke into the pharmacy. Parker stated that he again met at Bruce's apartment in Canal Winchester at which time Bruce told him where they were going. As in the other breaking and enterings Parker was to get 1/3 of the drugs that were stolen. After dropping Bruce and Rodney off at the Pharmacy Parker parked across the street from the pharmacy and watched. Entrance was gained to the pharmacy by cutting the telephone lines to the pharmacy and prying open the front door with pry bars. After he picked them up they returned to Bruce's house and divided the drugs. Parker stated that they had stolen more drugs at this pharmacy than any other that they had been on. Parker stated that Bruce called this breaking and entering "the ONE". Parker stated that when they returned to Bruce's house in Canal Winchester they dumped the drugs onto the kitchen table and it covered the table. Parker also stated that since they had gotten so many drugs that Bruce let him pick what ever he wanted. One of the items that he picked was three bottles of the oral morphine. Parker stated that he and his wife Terri "shot this up".

6) Davids Pharmacy 12/15/93: value of property stolen \$600.00

ATTACHMENT # 14 - INVENTORY OF DRUGS STOLEN FROM DAVIDS PHARMACY - DRUGS WERE RECOVERED

Parker drove his own vehicle to this breaking and entering. Parker drove and Bruce Melton and Rodney Melton broke into the pharmacy. Parker stated that he again met at Bruce's apartment in Canal Winchester at which time Bruce told him where they were going. As in the other breaking and enterings Parker was to get 1/3 of the drugs that were stolen. After dropping Bruce and Rodney off at the Pharmacy Parker parked across the street from the pharmacy, and got out of his car and hid in some bushes across the street from the pharmacy near a flower shop and watched. From where Parker was standing he could see Bruce and Rodney at the pharmacy. Rodney cut the telephone lines and a bell began to ring, so Rodney located the bell and pulled it off the wall. After the bell was removed Bruce and Rodney began prying on the front door. After the door was forced open Bruce went into the pharmacy while Rodney stood just inside the door. While Parker was watching for the police he observed a cruiser driving down the street. Parker then began flashing his flashlight at Rodney but Rodney had also saw the cruiser. Bruce and Rodney ran behind the Super America station and hid. While Parker was standing in the bushes at the flower shop a vehicle pulled in and turned its bright lights on Parker. Parker then stood up and threw his flashlight at the car and ran. When Parker arrived at his car he then began driving around looking for Bruce and Rodney, but before he find them a cruiser began following him. The police then stopped him and arrested him for no divers license, and transported him the police station. Parker was then released and his car was impounded by the Lancaster Police Department. After being released he call Terri

Betti and asked her to come and get him. Betti refused to help for several reasons so Parker then called Belinda Carswell. Belinda told him that Bruce had already called her and that she was on her way to get them. After a short wait Belinda picked Parker up at a McDonalds in Lancaster, and they then picked up Bruce. Parker stated that they rode around Lancaster for several hours but was unable to locate Rodney. Bruce told Parker that he had to drop the drugs because some old man had seen him. Bruce also told Parker that the old man asked him what he was doing? Bruce told the old man that he was minding his own business and that was what he should be doing. The three then returned to Bruce and Belinda's house and waited for Rodney. Parker also stated that he had lost his pry bar, his wire cutters and his ski mask as they were in the car. Parker described the pillow case that was left behind as a "red satin pillow case" that belonged to Bruce and Belinda.

Parker also confessed to two attempted breaking and enterings that he has been involved in. The pharmacy's that Parker listed were as follows:

- 1) Rischs Pharmacy, Circleville, 02/28/94: attempted breaking and entering

**ATTACHMENT # 15 - POLICE REPORT FROM THE ATTEMPTED BREAKING
AND ENTERING OF RISCHS PHARMACY**

Parker stated that in regards to this attempted breaking and entering he and Russ Gardner had drove to the city of Circleville on 02/27/94 and checked out this pharmacy. After checking it out they drove back to Columbus to the Bambi Hotel, where he and Russ were staying and got some rest. Parker stated that he and Gardner returned to Circleville in the early morning hours of 02/28/94. When the two arrived, they parked behind the pharmacy and exited the car. Parker stated that they cut the phone lines at approx. 2:00 A.M. and after waiting for just a few minutes Russ and he began prying on the front door of the pharmacy. Parker stated that he used a small black pry bar, and Gardner used a longer green colored pry bar. While they were prying on the door a car came by so they had to run behind the pharmacy and wait. After waiting for a short time they again attempted to enter the store, but got ran off again. They then decided not to try to get in because there was too much traffic in the area. They also saw a police cruiser, so they decided to leave the area.

- 2) Maringo Pharmacy 11/ /93: attempted breaking and entering

**ATTACHMENT # 16 - REPORT WRITTEN BY R.PH FROM THE MARINGO
PHARMACY DETAILING INFORMATION AS TO ATTEMPT**

Parker stated that he and Bruce Melton attempted to break into this pharmacy, but after pulling an alarm bell off on one side of the building an alarm bell on the other side of the building began to ring, so they just left the area.

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Parker also talked about several breaking and enterings that he was not present at, but had knowledge of. The breaking and enterings were as follows:

1) Johnston's Pharmacy 11/23/94: value of property stolen \$2,300.00 (\$1,000.00 in drugs)

**ATTACHMENT # 17 - INVENTORY OF DRUGS STOLEN FROM JOHNSTON
PHARMACY 11/23/93**

Parker stated that in regards to this breaking and entering that he purchased drugs from Bruce Melton and Russ Gardner. Parker stated that he did not drive on this breaking and entering. His understanding from talking with Bruce and Russ was that Demetrius Reeves was with them when they broke into the pharmacy.

2) Johnston's Pharmacy 01/10/94: attempted breaking and entering

ATTACHMENT # 18 - POLICE REPORT ON ATTEMPTED B&E

Parker stated that Bruce Melton, Russ Gardner, and Demetrius Reeves attempted this B&E

3) Lloyds Pharmacy 02/03/94: value of property stolen \$886.96

**ATTACHMENT # 19 - INVENTORY OF DRUGS TAKEN ON 02/03/93 FROM
LLOYDS PHARMACY**

Parker stated that in regards to this breaking and entering that he purchased drugs from Bruce Melton and Russ Gardner. Parker stated that he did not drive on this breaking and entering. His understanding from talking with Bruce and Russ was that they had done this breaking and entering, and had used a Demetrius Reeves as their driver.

4) Knisleys Pharmacy 01/07/94: value of property stolen \$1,108.97

**ATTACHMENT #20 - INVENTORY OF DRUGS STOLEN FROM KNISLEYS
PHARMACY**

Parker stated that in regards to this breaking and entering that he purchased drugs from Bruce Melton and Russ Gardner. Parker stated that he did not drive on this breaking and entering. His understanding from talking with Bruce and Russ was that they had done this breaking and entering. In this breaking and entering a video tape was taken by cameras installed in the pharmacy. The tape was shown to Parker, and he identified the person in the video as Bruce Melton. This identification was based on the exposed parts of the face that could be seen, the fact that the suspect had on glasses, and the way that the suspect walked and used his flashlight to look at the drug names on the bottles.

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5) Wendt - Bristol Pharmacy 01/11/94: value of property stolen \$646.16

**ATTACHMENT # 21 - INVENTORY OF DRUGS STOLEN FROM THE CANALVIEW
PHARMACY**

Parker stated that in regards to this breaking and entering that he purchased drugs from Bruce Melton. Parker stated that he did not drive on this breaking and entering. His understanding from talking with Bruce was that he had done the breaking and entering. Parker also stated that he had seen something on the news about someone breaking into this pharmacy by cutting the phone lines and prying the front door open. From this he thought it was Bruce so he went to Bruce's house and asked him. Bruce laughed and said that it was him and then sold Parker some of the drugs that he had stolen from this pharmacy.

6) Blackers Pharmacy 12/28/93: value of property stolen \$387.31

**ATTACHMENT # 22 - INVENTORY OF DRUGS STOLEN FROM BLACKERS
PHARMACY**

Parker stated that in regards to this breaking and entering that he purchased drugs from Bruce Melton. Parker stated that he did not drive on this breaking and entering. His understanding from talking with Bruce was that he had done the breaking and entering. Bruce told Parker that he "double bubbled" the Crooksville Store because he did so good the first time they hit it. Parker stated that Bruce came up with the word "double bubble" to describe a store that he broke into twice. Parker also stated that Bruce was surprised that the pharmacy had restocked so well.

On 03/09/94 this Agent met with Detective Jerry Hickman, Lt. Dave Dayne, Detective Julie Finkel, CI # 2 and Prosecutor Bill Owen. The purpose of this meeting was to ask Mr. Parker a few more questions in regards to his involvement in this case. One question that was asked of Mr. Parker on this meeting was in regards to venue. I asked Mr. Parker to specify the locations of his meetings with Bruce to purchase drugs. Mr. Parker stated that in his statement of 03/05/94 when he told this Agent that he bought drugs from Bruce Melton, the drugs were purchased at Bruce Gardner, and Belinda Carswell's apartment in Canal Winchester. When he bought the drugs from Gardner, they were purchased in Galion, or Crestline.

Parker stated that he had attempted to contact Bruce Melton over the weekend but was unable to do so. Parker agreed to attempt to contact Bruce later this date. This meeting concluded with the understanding that Parker would contact Bruce Melton

On 03/10/94 Parker contacted Bruce Melton and talked with him. According to Parker Melton was comfortable talking with him, but made no mention of going out and doing

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other burglaries during this conversation. Arrangements were made to contact Melton during the first part of next week.

On 03/14/94 this Agent met with Detective Hickman and picked up the evidence removed from the vehicle that had been driven by Terri Betti on 03/04/94. Included in this evidence was the below listed items;

- 1) one 28 inch pry bar
- 2) one 12 inch pry bar
- 3) one pair of blue handled wire cutters

These items were then transported to BCI & I and submitted as evidence for the use of comparison with evidence submitted by Law Enforcement Agency's through out Ohio. The items were submitted and tagged with Board of Pharmacy Case # 94-1040 and Ohio BCI&I case number 94-10802.

ATTACHMENT # 23 - EVIDENCE SUBMISSION SHEET TO BCI&I

This Agent also received computer print outs in regards to the Criminal History's of all the individuals involved in this case. The printouts were collected and attached to this report.

ATTACHMENT # 24 - CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS

On 03/20/94 this Agent received a phone call from CI # 2. Parker stated that he had received a call from Bruce Melton at approx. 11:00 A.M. this date. Melton told Parker that he wanted to go out tonight. Melton did not tell Parker what he wanted to hit. Melton advised Parker that he would call him back at 4:00 P.M. this date and let him know for sure about going out tonight. This Agent instructed Parker to contact me after Bruce called him.

At approx. 4:59 P.M. 03/20/94 this Agent received a phone page from CI # 2. This Agent then contacted Parker by phone. Parker stated that Bruce had called him back and told him that he was going to hit a place about one hour from his house and that he should come down at about 12:30 A.M. He also told Parker to contact him around 9:00 P.M. to make sure everything was OK. This Agent then instructed Parker to contact me after he talked with Bruce at 9:00 P.M. I also advised Parker that I was enroute to the Galion Police Dept. and that after he called me, I would call him back.

This Agent then contacted Detective Hickman and advised him of the conversations that I had with Parker. I also advised him that I would be coming to Galion and would meet with him at the Galion Police Dept.

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This Agent arrived at the Galion Police Department at approx. 9:00 P.M. and met Detective Hickman, Detective Moser, and Lt. Dave Dayne. At approx. 10:30 P.M. Parker called the Police Department and talked with Detective Hickman. Parker stated that he had talked with Bruce at about 7:00 P.M. and Bruce may have changed his mind. Bruce instructed Parker to call him around 11:30 P.M. and then to call us back.

At approx. 11:30 P.M. Parker called the Police Department and again talked with Detective Hickman. Parker stated that he contacted Bruce as instructed, and was told that he wanted to wait until tomorrow. Melton told Parker to call him back tomorrow. This Agent then instructed Parker not to do anything else until tomorrow, and to contact Detective Hickman if Bruce Melton contacted him. Arrangements were also made to get a tape recorder to Parker so that he could record any conversation between he and Bruce Melton.

As the result of several phone calls between Bruce Melton and Jim Parker it was decided to send Parker to Bruce Meltons residence on 03/22/94. Parker was briefed and equipped with a transmitter by Detective Jerry Hickman and sent to 6243 Low Ridge Rd. Parker entered the residence at 8:12 P.M. Bruce Melton advised Parker that he had to be careful because his Parole Officer has been stopping buy. Melton also advised him that he wasn't able to keep anything there. During the conversation Melton told Parker that he had sold 200 cartons of cigarettes to an Iranian for \$2,000.00 recently. Melton also discussed hitting a place 1 hour away from the house and asked Parker to bring a pry bar and wire cutters. Melton also talked about the B&E at Davids Pharmacy in Lancaster and stated that he was going to get him again.

ATTACHMENT # 40 - TAPED CONVERSATION BETWEEN JIM PARKER AND BRUCE MELTON 03/22/94

On 03/23/94 Bruce Melton contacted Parker and told him that he was ready to go out. Melton also asked Parker were he could reach him at about 6:30 to 7:00. Parker advised him to contact him at his Aunts house. Parker then asked Melton if he knew the number, and Melton replied that he did. This telephone conversation was recorded by Parker as instructed.

ATTACHMENT # 25 - TAPE RECORDING OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN BRUCE MELTON AND J. PARKER 03/23/94

As instructed Parker waited for Bruce Melton to call him back. Later that evening Bruce Melton contacted Parker by telephone. In summary Melton called Parker and asked him if he had a bar, and Parker replied that he could get one. Bruce Melton then advised Parker that he had a store in mind, but it was going to be quite outside tonight and there were houses around the store. Melton stated that he knew the alarm would go off and he did not have time for some good Samaritan citizen calling the Police. Melton then told Parker that if he got 200 cartons of cigarettes that would be 800.00 each. Melton told Parker that the place he had in mind was about 1 hour away, and that they would be able to find a safe

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place to park the car. Melton also told Parker that he would just have to be the eyes and the ears, and he would do the rest. Melton told Parker to get his bar, and wire cutters and come to Columbus at around 1:00 A.M. on the morning of the 24'th.

**ATTACHMENT # 26 - TAPE RECORDING OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION
BETWEEN BRUCE MELTON AND J. PARKER 03/23/94**

This Agent the made arrangements to meet with Detectives Finkel, Detective Hunt, and Sgt. McGlaughlin of the Franklin Co. S/O, and Lt. Dayne, Detective Hickman, and Detective Moser of the Galion Police Department and Parker at the Bob Evans parking lot off of Brice Rd. at 12:00 midnight. After all of the principles had met at the Bob Evans, Parker was fitted with a transmitter so that his conversation with Bruce Melton could be monitored. Parker was also given a cell phone that he could use if the surveillance broke down. Parker was instructed to try and give as much detail as he could over the transmitter in regards to a town or city that they were going to. Parker was also told that if the surveillance was intact that he would not be arrested at the scene of the burglary. He was told to drive away from the scene and then call Lt. Dayne on the cell phone, and report his location if possible. Parker was also told that if they committed a burglary, and nobody was there to arrest them to simply return to Meltons residence in Columbus.

After setting Parker up with the equipment he was released to go to Bruce Meltons residence. At approx. 12:50 P.M. on 03/24/94 Parker arrived at Meltons residence located at 6243 Low Ridge Rd. in Canal Winchester, Ohio. Once inside Melton began talking about hitting a pharmacy in Canterbury. Melton then began showing Parker the location of the pharmacy on the map. Melton then went upstairs of his apartment to change clothes. After approx. 10 minutes Melton came back down stairs and announced that he had changes his mind and was not going to hit the Pharmacy, but opted for another location. Melton mentioned West Jefferson and some other location. After talking briefly after this revelation both Parker and Melton left the residence and entered Parker's car. The vehicle proceeded out of the Apartment complex and North on Brice Rd. Upon reaching the traffic light in Brice, Parker's vehicle was lost by the surveillance units. The last transmission was received while the vehicle was West bound on Interstate 70, near the intersections of Interstate 270 and Hamilton Rd. The last contact with Parker was at approx. 2:00 A.M.

With no contact being available with Parker all of the locations that the surveillance units were aware of were checked for Parker and Melton, but they were not located. The backup plan then was put into place, which called for the units of the surveillance team to return to the Melton residence on Low Ridge, and continue the surveillance. After all the units returned Detectives Hunt and Finkle returned to the S/O and began preparing search warrants for 6243 Low Ridge Rd. as well as Bruce Meltons vehicle.

No further contact was made with Parker and Melton until approx. 4:30 A.M. at which time Parker called Lt. Dayne on the cell phone and reported that they had broken into the D and H Market located at Commercial Point, in Pickaway Co. Parker reported that they had stolen a large quantity of cigarettes and cash. Parker also reported that after breaking

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into the store they removed the safe by putting it on a dolly. They then pushed the dolly up the street to a garage where they then peeled the safe open and took the cash. Parker stated that while they drove, Bruce counted the money out for him. Parker stated that at this time they were at the Meijers Store off Brice Rd. Parker stated that Bruce had went into the store to get some patches. Parker was instructed to go back to Bruce's residence and do what ever Bruce told him to do.

**ATTACHMENT # 41- THEFT REPORT FROM D AND H MARKET, PICKAWAY CO.
S/O 03/24/94**

After just a short wait Bruce Melton returned to the vehicle and they then proceeded to Bruce's residence. Upon their arrival this Agent could see Bruce Melton get out of Parker's car and proceed towards the front door of 6243 Low Ridge Rd. Melton had a large plastic bag in one hand, and his house keys in the other. It was clear from this Agent's point of observation that the bag that Melton was carrying was heavy. Melton unlocked the door to the apartment and carried the bag into the apartment. After just a few minutes Melton returned to Parker's car, where he met Parker, who was standing at the trunk of the vehicle. At this time Bruce again grabbed a bag and started towards the door, as did Parker. Both men were carrying large plastic bags that appeared to be quite heavy. Both men then entered the Apartment and no further activity was observed. Approx. 15 minutes later Parker and Melton exited the apartment. From my position I was able to observe Parker and Melton go to the trunk of the vehicle PAV806 which is registered to Belinda Carswell. Melton unlocked the trunk and Parker placed a large plastic bag into the trunk. Melton was then observed by this Agent as he carried a small plastic bag to the garbage dumpster. Melton tossed the small white garbage bag into the dumpster and then ran back towards the apartment. Parker had also placed a large garbage bag into the trunk of his vehicle. Parker then got into his vehicle and left the apartment complex. Melton then went into his apartment.

This Agent and Detective Hickman then followed Parker to the intersection of Low Ridge Rd. and Brice Rd. Parker was then told to follow this Agent to the area near the Post Office in Brice. Upon arrival at small parking lot on Brice Rd. this Agent pulled over as did Parker. Parker was then debriefed as to the information that he had in regards to the burglary and turned over the stolen property that had been given to him by Melton for his assistance in the burglary. The information given by Parker was relayed to Detective Finkle and put into the search warrant.

**ATTACHMENT # 27 - TAPE RECORDED INTERVIEW WITH JIM PARKER
03/24/94**

The stolen property and criminal tools were removed from Parker's car by Detective Hickman and turned over to Sgt. McLoughlin of the Franklin Co. S/O. Parker was then advised to return to Galion and that he would be contacted later.

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This Agent and Detective Hickman then returned to the Moor's apartment complex to continue the surveillance on Bruce Melton's residence. The surveillance was in place to monitor the residence until Detectives Hunt and Finkle returned with the signed search warrants.

At approx. 6:50 A.M. Bruce Melton exited his apartment and got into the vehicle with Ohio plates PAV806 and drove North on Brice Rd. at a high rate of speed. Arrangements had already been made to have a marked cruiser in the area to stop Melton if he left. The uniformed officer effected a traffic stop on Melton in Brice. Melton was placed under arrest by Detective McGlaughlin. The vehicle PAV806 was ordered impounded, and inventoried by Detective McGlaughlin. An inventory of the vehicle produced a large quantity of cigarette cartons. A large sum of cash was also removed from Melton's pocket by the uniformed Deputy. This money was then handed to this Agent to be counted. The money was counted and placed into a paper bag, and turned over to Detective McGlaughlin as evidence.

**ATTACHMENT # 28 - INVENTORY OF PROPERTY REMOVED FROM MELTON'S
VEHICLE PAV806 03/24/94**

After his arrest, Melton was transported to the Franklin Co. Jail. The surveillance team then returned to 6243 Low Ridge Rd. and executed the search warrant for the residence. The inventory was conducted by Detective Finkle of the Franklin Co. S/O.

While the search warrant was being executed within the residence, this Agent and Detective Moser went to the dumpster that I observed Bruce Melton throw a small white garbage bag in earlier. In the corner of the dumpster, and on top of all the other trash, was a white garbage bag that contained several coin wrappers, other trash bags, and the box flap from a box of trash bags. These items were removed from the dumpster and turned over to Detective Finkle by this Agent as evidence.

**ATTACHMENT # 29 - SEARCH WARRANT FOR RESIDENCE OF BELINDA
CARSWELL, AND BRUCE MELTON 6243 LOW RIDGE RD.**

**ATTACHMENT # 30 - INVENTORY OF PROPERTY REMOVED FROM 6243 LOW
RIDGE RD. ON 03/24/94**

After completing the search of the residence, this Agent went to the Franklin Co. Jail where I talked with Bruce Melton. Melton was advised of his rights by Lt. Thomas of the Franklin Co. Sheriff's Dept. After making sure that Bruce Melton understood his rights, he was asked if he would waive those rights, and Bruce Melton indicated that he would. This Agent then explained to Mr. Melton who I was and the reason that I wanted to talk with him. In summary Bruce Melton confessed to being involved in four breaking and enterings and one attempted breaking and entering since 09/17/93. At this time Melton refused to indicate any other individuals were with him at the breaking and enterings. A taped confession was taken at this time in regards to this suspect. The Pharmacy's that Bruce Melton admitted to were as follows:

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1) Medicine Shoppe New Lexington, 09/17/93

**ATTACHMENT # 31 - DRUG THEFT REPORT FROM THE MEDICINE SHOPPE
IN NEW LEXINGTON 09/17/93**

2) Blackers Pharmacy Crooksville 10/29/93

3) Ashville Pharmacy, 11/20/93

4) Davids Pharmacy 12/15/93

5) Knisley's Pharmacy 01/07/94

**ATTACHMENT # 32 - TAPED INTERVIEW AND CONFESSION OF BRUCE
MELTON 03/24/94**

On 03/25/94 this Agent traveled to the Galion Police Department and met with Detectives Hickman and Dayne. It was decided to go to Russell Gardner's father's residence and talk with Russell Gardner. Upon arrival at the residence Gardner was located in an upstairs bedroom. Detective asked Gardner if he would come to the Police Department because there were some things that we wanted to talk with him about. Gardner was not placed under arrest and drove his car to the Police Department. Upon arrival at the Police Department Gardner was questioned about his involvement with Bruce Melton and his knowledge of breaking and enterings that had been occurring through out Ohio. Gardner would not indicate that he did, or did not have knowledge of these crimes. Gardner did however agree to and give his consent to Detective Jerry Hickman to search his vehicle and remove the tools that were in the trunk as long as his vehicle would not be impounded. A consent to search form was signed by Gardner and is attached to this report.

**ATTACHMENT # 33 - CONSENT TO SEARCH FORM AND INVENTORY FOR THE
VEHICLE OF RUSSELL GARDNER, A 1982 BUICK
LESABER / 30 DAY TAGS**

Several items of interest were from Gardner's vehicle such as, one large pry bar, one small pry bar and one pair of blue handled wire cutters. Gardner was asked if these tools had ever been used in commission of a crime, and he replied that they had not. The tools were removed from the vehicle and tagged as evidence. The items will be submitted to the Ohio BCI&I for examination and comparison.

**ATTACHMENT # 34 - EVIDENCE SUBMISSION SHEET TO BCI&I FOR TOOLS
SURRENDERED BY RUSSELL GARDNER**

During the course of the day Gardner was questioned by both Detective Hickman and this Agent. On several occasions Gardner asked the question " Am I under arrest ?" on each of these occasions he was advised that he could leave at any time. On each of these occasions Gardner remained. Gardner also advised both myself and Detective Hickman that he

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Gardner again asked if he was under arrest. He was again told that he was not. He then stated that he would give a taped statement, if we would let him use the phone to call his girlfriend "Michele". Gardner was permitted to use the phone. Gardner was told several times that if he was involved in the B&E's he would be arrested today. Gardner talked on the phone for approx. 15 minutes. Upon hanging up the phone Gardner then gave a statement as to the Breaking and Enterings that he had been involved in. Gardner also included in his taped statement the individuals that he was present with at the time of the B&E's.

Gardner stated that as a driver, he was always told which way to go to get to the pharmacy's by Bruce, and that he would have difficulty remembering which pharmacy's he had been involved with. Gardner believed that with some assistance he could apply an association.

Gardner confessed to being present at the below listed pharmacy break ins;

- 1) Knisley's Pharmacy after the first of the year (01/07/94) with Bruce Melton
- 2) Johnson's Pharmacy (Attempt) 01/10/94 with Bruce Melton
- 3) Lloyds Pharmacy Johnstown 02/03/94 with Bruce Melton
- 4) Risch's Pharmacy Circleville (Attempt) 02/28/94 with Jim Parker

Gardner also stated that he always went to Columbus and met Bruce Melton at 6243 Low Ridge Rd. Gardner stated that after meeting there, he and Bruce would leave. According to Gardner Bruce would tell him which direction to go. After the breaking and enterings they would return to Bruce's house and divide the stolen drugs and money, or whatever they had stolen.

ATTACHMENT # 35 - TAPED INTERVIEW OF RUSSELL GARDNER 03/25/94

After Gardner confessed to four breaking and enterings he was permitted at his request, to visit with his girlfriend before being incarcerated. A warrant was faxed to this Agent from the Franklin Co. S/O Department as a holder for Russell Gardner. After the paperwork arrived Gardner was placed under arrest and transported to the Crawford Co. S/O.

3/25/94
On this same date, a felony warrant was faxed to the Galion Police Department for the arrest of Rodney Melton for two counts of aggravated trafficking in drugs. Melton was located in Crestline, Ohio and arrested without incident. Rodney Melton refused to cooperate and refused to give any statement. A parole holder was put on Rodney by Interstate Compact for his parole violation from his offenses in Georgia.

On 03/31/94 this Agent and Detective Jerry Hickman went to the Lorain County Correctional Facility located in Lorain Ohio where we had the opportunity to interview inmate Jeff Harris. During the course of this investigation, intelligence information had been gathered that indicated that Jeff Harris drove for Bruce Melton prior to Jim Parker.

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stated that he would. After meeting Harris and explaining to him who I was I asked him if he would talk to me about his involvement with Bruce Melton. Harris stated that he was approached by Bruce Melton in the early part of 1993. Melton explained to him that he wanted him to drive him to towns, so that he (Melton) could break into the pharmacy's and steal drugs. Melton told him that all he had to do was drop him off near the pharmacy and watch for the police. For his part, Harris was to receive 1/2 of the drugs that were stolen. During the interview Harris confessed to the following breaking and enterings.

- 1) Deer Park Pharmacy - 06/22/93 with Bruce Melton
- 2) Mack Pharmacy - 07/21/93 with Bruce Melton

**ATTACHMENT # 36 - DRUG THEFT REPORT FROM MACK PHARMACY 07/21/93
(not indicted for this theft)**

**ATTACHMENT # 37 - DRUG THEFT REPORT FROM DEER PARK PHARMACY
06/22/93 (not indicted for this theft)**

Harris also stated that he was present with Bruce Melton on three other Pharmacy breaking and enterings in the Cincinnati area. According to Harris he was one of the Melton's drivers from January 1993 through July 1993 at which time he introduced Parker to the Melton's. Harris also stated that Bruce had told him that he had been doing Pharmacy B&E's since he was in college in (approx. 15 years). Harris also stated that if he was summoned to court, he would testify to his involvement with the Melton's and their criminal activity's.

**ATTACHMENT # 38 - TAPED INTERVIEW WITH JEFF HARRIS 03/31/94 AT THE
LORAIN CO. CORRECTIONAL FACILITY.**

On 04/04/94 this Agent, Detective Jerry Hickman, Detective Jerry Brennamen of the Knox Co. S/O and Chief Hood from the Danville Police Department went to Crestline, Ohio in an attempt to locate Demetrius Reeves who resides at 115 Pearl St. Reeves is a suspect in several pharmacy breaking and enterings, as well as several breaking and enterings in other type of business establishments. Reeves was located and agreed to come to the Galion Police Department for an interview. Upon arrival at the Police Department Reeves was questioned in regards to his involvement in the breaking and enterings of pharmacy's around Ohio and other facility's. Reeves consented to the taped interview. Reeves was advised of his rights by Detective Jerry Brennamen and affirmly waived those rights. Reeves admitted that he had driven Bruce Melton and Russell Gardner to Danville on 03/16/94, at which time Bruce Melton broke into some type of carry out type business. Reeves also stated that after he dropped Bruce and Russell off he got scared and called Belinda Carswell and asked her what to do. Reeves stated that Carswell told him not to leave Bruce there and to drive back to town and find him. Reeves stated that he returned to town and Bruce ran from the Cemetery and jumped in the car and said to hurry up and get down the road. Reeves also stated that he was unable to find Gardner and that they left town without him. Reeves stated that for his participation he received cash money.

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Reeves stated that Bruce would always tell him he would pay him for driving, but to date still owes him money. Reeves also admitted that he had driven on several pharmacy breaking and enterings. Reeves knowledge of these are sometimes unclear other than knowing who he was with because his job was to drive. Reeves was given a map to assist him locating the towns that he had been to.

ATTACHMENT # 42- THEFT REPORT FROM DAVES PLACE, KNOX CO. 03/26/94

During his interview Reeves confessed to the following Breaking and Enterings;

- 1) Johnston Pharmacy 01/10/94 (Attempt) with Russ Gardner, and Bruce Melton
- 2) Blackers Pharmacy 12/28/94, with Bruce Melton, and Rodney Melton.
- 3) Lloyds Drug Store 02/03/94 with Bruce Melton, and Russ Gardner

Reeves also stated that he was not present but had information about Bruce Melton hitting Knisley's pharmacy on 01/10/94. Reeves stated that he has driven Rodney's car to approx. 4 or 5 pharmacy B&E's, he also stated that he had drove his own van once or twice, and his Blazer twice to breaking and enterings. Reeves named many city's around Ohio that he saw circled on a map that Bruce had. Bruce Melton told him that the towns that were circled were towns that he had committed B&E's. Reeves stated that the map looked like it had been shot with a shotgun. Reeves stated that for the Melton's it was a "RACKET". Reeves estimated that the Melton's had probably done around 50 B&E's since their return to Ohio from Prison. As Reeves looked at the map he began naming the places that he believed the Meltons had been to and broke into stores. Some of the names were as follows;

Millersport, Canal Winchester, Circleville, Bloomfield, Harrisburg, Logan, Bloomingburg, North Ridge, Tip City, Crooksville, Plain City, Washington Court House, South Salem, Barnesville, Martinsville, Sebina, New Lexington, New Straitsville, Sugar Grove, Lockbridge and others.

Reeves also stated that he believed that Bruce had made around \$20,000.00 or more over the past year doing pharmacy breaking and enterings. Reeves also stated that on the way home from the B&E's Bruce would always talk about what each one of them did wrong, because he did not want to get caught because of something that one of them did stupid. Bruce knew that he would be going back to Georgia for 18 years if he got caught.

After the interview Reeves left and was instructed to call Detective Hickman each day. Reeves was also advised that this case would be presented to the Franklin Co. Grand Jury for consideration.

ATTACHMENT # 39 - TAPED INTERVIEW WITH DEMETRIUS REEVES 04/04/94

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The below information is that information that should be included on any and all search warrants executed pursuant to this investigation.

♦ VEHICLES:

- 1) PAV806- REGISTERED TO: BELINDA CARSWELL
6243 LOW RIDGE RD.
CANAL WINCHESTER, OHIO

The vehicle is a 1981 olds .4 dr. serial # 1G3AX69Y4BM141628. This vehicle is often driven by Bruce Melton who lives with Belinda Carswell at the above address.

- 2) JKL697 - REGISTERED TO: RUSSELL GARDNER
602 NORTH COLUMBUS ST.
GALION, OHIO

The vehicle is a 1972 Ford 2 Dr. serial # 2XP1U202217. This vehicle is driven by Russell Gardner and has been identified as a person who drives for the Meltons when committing burglaries. This vehicle was also seen and identified as being parked near an attempted pharmacy burglary in Muskingum Co. at Johnson's Pharmacy on 01/10/94.

Russell Gardner also has a White Ford Escort with 30 day tags as of 02/14/94.

- 3) VSA356 - REGISTERED TO: JIM PARKER
413 S. BOSTON ST.
GALION, OHIO

The vehicle is a 1979 Olds 2 Dr. serial # 3R47F92428058. This vehicle is owned by Jim Parker. This Vehicle was impounded by the Lancaster Police Dept. on 12/15/93. The vehicle was seen near David's Pharmacy on the night that it was broken into. The driver of the vehicle was Jim Parker. Parker has been identified as a driver for the Meltons on pharmacy burglaries. There is a taped telephone conversation between the informant and Bruce Melton discussing the action that Parker should take if he is approached by the police while waiting for them to return to the car after they have done a burglary.

- 4) JKZ218 - REGISTERED TO: RODNEY MELTON
505 WEST LIVINGSTON
GALION, OHIO

The vehicle is a 1979 Chev. 4 Dr. serial # 1L69G9J251205. This Vehicle is owned by Rodney Melton. Melton has sold drugs to a confidential informant from the residence of Bruce Melton and Belinda Carswell in Canal Winchester, and is reported to be involved in the pharmacy burglaries throughout Ohio.
This vehicle also has the Ohio Plate 043LIJ registered to it.

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RESIDENCES

- 1) BELINDA CARSWELL
6243 LOW RIDGE RD.
CANAL WINCHESTER, OHIO

This residence is located at within the Moor's Apartment Complex at the intersection of Brice and Gender Roads in Columbus. This residence is shared by both Carswell and Bruce Melton. Both Melton and Carswell have extensive criminal records in Atlanta Georgia. On 01/26/94 a total of 170 Ritalin and 54 Vicodin ES tablets were purchased during a controlled buy situation by a confidential informant. The drug purchase was from Rodney Melton, with the assistance of Bruce Melton, while Belinda Carswell was present at the apartment. According to a reliable source, and confidential informant both Bruce and Rodney Melton are involved in a State wide pharmacy burglary ring.

- 2) RODNEY MELTON
505 WEST LIVINGSTON
CRESTLINE, OHIO

Rodney Melton lives at this address with his mother. Rodney Melton has an extensive criminal records in Atlanta Georgia. Drugs have been purchases from Rodney Melton at an address in Columbus, even though this address is his principal address. According to a reliable source, and confidential informant Rodney Meltons involved in a State wide pharmacy burglary ring.

- 3) JIM PARKER

According to a confidential informant, and reliable source, Jim Parker is a car driver for the Meltons when they are doing pharmacy burglaries in Ohio. A taped telephone conversation between Bruce Melton and a CI confirms that Jim Parker was driving for the Meltons on 12/15/93 when David's Pharmacy in Lancaster was broken into. Parker's car was subsequently impounded on the same morning for an unrelated incident.

- 4) CHUCK GARDNER

Chuck Gardner the brother of Russell Gardner. During the week of 02/07/94 Chuck Gardner sold 94 Ritalin tablets to a confidential informant at his residence near Galion. The drugs that were purchased were in the manufactures original stock container. The drugs that were purchased were sold to the CI within 48 hours of a drug store burglary in Johnstown, Ohio and in Licking County.

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♦ ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED ON SEARCH WARRANTS

1) **PRY BARS**, pry bars were used to force entry on the following pharmacy burglaries; and are needed for comparison. The pry bars used have been reported to be black or green in color. The bars are also reported to be in different lengths .

DATE	PHARMACY	COUNTY
06/22/93	DEER PARK PHARMACY	HAMILTON
06/27/93	DRUG WORLD	FRANKLIN
06/29/93	MEDICINE SHOPPE	GREENE
07/19/93	PHARMACY COUNTER	LUCAS
07/20/93	ST. ELIZABETHS MED CENTER	MONTGOMERY
07/21/93	MACK PHARMACY	HAMILTON
08/05/93	BARTLEY DISC.	ROSS
08/07/93	MEDICINE SHOPPE	LUCAS
08/16/93	KNISLEY PHARMACY	ROSS
08/18/93	HOFSTETTER DRUGS	LUCAS
08/18/93	PRESCRIPTION SERVICES	LUCAS
08/20/93	BLAKE PHARMACY	ADAMS
08/22/93	WINCHESTER PHARMACY	ADAMS
09/17/93	MEDICINE SHOPPE	PERRY
09/21/93	DEER PARK PHARMACY	HAMILTON
10/04/93	MACK PHARMACY	HAMILTON
10/16/93	WINCHESTER PHARMACY	ADAMS
10/21/93	DRUG WORLD	FRANKLIN
10/29/93	BLACKERS	PERRY
11/06/93	ROY STORT PHARMACY	LUCAS
11/21/93	VILLAGE PHARMACY	FAIRFIELD
12/15/93	DAVIDS PHARMACY	FAIRFIELD
12/17/93	MILLERSPORT PHARMACY	FAIRFIELD
12/28/93	BLACKERS PHARMACY	PERRY
01/07/94	KNISLEY'S PHARMACY	ROSS
01/11/94	WENDT BRISTOL PHARM	FAIRFIELD

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01/26/94	LONSINGERS PHARMACY	LICKING
02/03/94	LLOYDS DRUG	LICKING
02/28/94	RISCHS DRUG	PICKAWAY

2) WIRE CUTTERS. Cutters were used to cut the telephone lines on the below listed burglaries; and are needed for comparison.

DATE	PHARMACY	COUNTY
06/22/93	DEER PARK PHARMACY	HAMILTON
06/27/93	DRUG WORLD	FRANKLIN
06/29/93	MEDICINE SHOPPE	GREENE
07/19/93	PHARMACY COUNTER	LUCAS
07/20/93	ST. ELIZABETHS MED CENTER	MONTGOMERY
07/21/93	MACK PHARMACY	HAMILTON
08/05/93	BARTLEY DISC.	ROSS
08/07/93	MEDICINE SHOPPE	LUCAS
08/16/93	KNISLEY PHARMACY	ROSS
08/18/93	HOFSTETTER DRUGS	LUCAS
08/18/93	PRESCRIPTION SERVICES	LUCAS
08/20/93	BLAKE PHARMACY	ADAMS
08/22/93	WINCHESTER PHARMACY	ADAMS
09/17/93	MEDICINE SHOPPE	PERRY
09/21/93	DEER PARK PHARMACY	HAMILTON
10/04/93	MACK PHARMACY	HAMILTON
10/16/93	WINCHESTER PHARMACY	ADAMS
10/21/93	DRUG WORLD	FRANKLIN
10/29/93	BLACKERS	PERRY
11/06/93	ROY STORT PHARMACY	LUCAS
11/21/93	VILLAGE PHARMACY	FAIRFIELD
12/15/93	DAVIDS PHARMACY	FAIRFIELD
12/17/93	MILLERSPORT PHARMACY	FAIRFIELD
12/28/93	BLACKERS PHARMACY	PERRY

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01/07/94	KNISLEY'S PHARMACY	ROSS
01/11/94	WENDT BRISTOL PHARM	FAIRFIELD
01/26/94	LONSINGERS PHARMACY	LICKING
02/03/94	LLOYDS DRUG	LICKING
02/28/94	RISCHS DRUG	PICKAWAY

3) MANUFACTURES DRUG STOCK BOTTLE CONTAINERS

4) **JERSEY TYPE GLOVES.** The individual in the surveillance video taken at the Knisley Pharmacy burglary clearly shows a pair of gloves on the video tape. Reliable source identified subject on film as Bruce Melton. Also reported that Bruce and Rodney Melton wear jersey gloves while doing burglaries.

5) **DARK COLORED OR GREEN COAT WITH VISIBLE PATCH OVER LEFT BREAST.** The individual in the surveillance video taken at the Knisley Pharmacy burglary clearly shows a dark colored coat with visible patch over right breast on the video tape. Reliable source identified subject on film as Bruce Melton. Also reported that Bruce Melton wears this type coat while doing burglaries.

6) **SKI MASK TYPE TOBOGGANS.** This type of mask was seen on the video surveillance tape from Knisleys Pharmacy. This type of mask was also found in Jim Parker's car the night that it was impounded, near the Davids Pharmacy burglary in Lancaster.

7) **SPORTS TOBOGGANS AND HATS.** These items were taken from a mini mart burglary in Perry County the same morning that the Medicine Shoppe in New Lexington was burglarized. The Major League baseball caps were made by "Genuine Merchandise Corp"., The College Football Caps were made by "CARDINAL " The Professional Basketball caps were made by "AJD TEAMS CORP". The toboggans were made by R.I. CORP.

8) **PORTABLE RADIOS AND OR SCANNERS.** Information received from CI was that these individuals used scanners to monitor the police frequency's in the area of the pharmacy's that they are breaking into.

9) ANY PHARMACEUTICAL DRUGS

10) **DRUG PARAPHERNALIA.** CI reported that all the individuals involved have equipment of the trade about.

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11) LIST OR PIECES OF PAPERS WITH DRUG NAMES ON THEM. When CI made drug buy from the residence of Belinda Carswell and Bruce Melton a list of the drugs that they had available was produced.

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CHARGES REQUESTED:

BRUCE MELTON

08/16/93 - Knisley's Pharmacy, Ross County,

Count # 1 Breaking and Entering
Count # 2 Vandalism
 Dollar Value in Damages =
Count # 3 Theft of Drugs
 Dollar Value of theft = \$2,865.82

Evidence Testimony of Jim Parker
 Initial Police Report from Ross Co. S/O
 DEA Theft Report from Pharmacy

08/20/93 - Blake Pharmacy, Adams County

Count # 4 Breaking and Entering
Count # 5 Vandalism
 Dollar Value in Damages =
Count # 6 Theft of Drugs
 Dollar Value of theft = \$200.00

Evidence Testimony of Jim Parker
 Initial Police Report from Adams Co. S/O
 DEA Theft Report from Pharmacy

08/22/93 - Winchester Pharmacy, Adams County

Count # 7 Breaking and Entering
Count # 8 Vandalism
 Dollar Value in Damages = \$1,215.82
Count # 9 Theft of Drugs
 Dollar Value of theft = \$1,100.00

Evidence Testimony of Jim Parker
 Initial Police Report from Adams Co. S/O
 DEA Theft Report from Pharmacy

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09/21/93 - Deer park Pharmacy, Hamilton County

Count # 10 Breaking and Entering
Count # 11 Vandalism
Dollar Value in Damages = \$200.00
Count # 12 Theft of Drugs
Dollar Value of theft = \$1,200.00

Evidence Confession of Bruce Melton
Testimony and Confession of Jim Parker
Initial Police Report from Deer Park Police
DEA Theft Report from Pharmacy

10/29/93 Blackers Pharmacy, Perry County

Count # 13 Breaking and Entering
Count # 14 Vandalism
Dollar Value in Damages = \$1,705.60
Count # 15 Theft of Drugs
Dollar Value of theft = \$3,738.43

Evidence Confession of Bruce Melton
Testimony and Confession of Jim Parker
Initial Police Report from the Crooksville Police Department
DEA Theft Report from Pharmacy

11/23/93 - Johnson's Pharmacy, Muskingum Co.

Count # 16 Breaking and Entering
Count # 17 Vandalism
Dollar Value in Damages = \$100.00
Count # 18 Theft of Drugs
Dollar Value of theft = \$1,734.94

Evidence Testimony of Jim Parker
Initial Police Report from Muskingum Co. S/O
DEA Theft Report from Pharmacy

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12/15/93 - David's Pharmacy, Fairfield Co.

Count # 19 Breaking and Entering
Count # 20 Vandalism
Dollar Value in Damages = \$500.00
Count # 21 Theft of Drugs
Dollar Value of theft = \$600.00

Evidence Confession of Bruce Melton
Testimony and confession of Jim Parker
Initial Police Report from Lancaster P.D.
Theft Report from Lancaster PD
Tape Recording and transcript between CI # 1 and Bruce Melton

12/28/93 - Blackers Pharmacy, Perry County

Count # 22 Breaking and Entering
Count # 23 Vandalism
Dollar Value in Damages = \$949.24
Count # 24 Theft of Drugs
Dollar Value of theft = \$387.31

Evidence Confession of Bruce Melton
Initial Police Report from the Crooksville Police Department
DEA Theft Report from Pharmacy

01/07/94 - Knisley's Pharmacy, Ross County

Count # 25 Breaking and Entering
Count # 26 Vandalism
Dollar Value in Damages =
Count # 27 Theft of Drugs
Dollar Value of theft = \$258.97

Evidence Confession of Bruce Melton
Confession of Russell Gardner
Initial Police Report from Ross Co. S/O
DEA Theft Report from Pharmacy
Video Tape from Pharmacy Camera
Positive ID from CI # 1
Positive ID from (CI # 2)

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01/10/94 - Johnson's Pharmacy (attempt), Muskingum Co.

Count # 28 Attempted Breaking and Entering
Count # 29 Vandalism
Dollar Value in Damages = \$1,086.96

Evidence

Confession of Russell Gardner
Initial Police Report from Muskingum S/O

01/11/94 - Wendt Bristol Canalview Pharmacy, Franklin Co.

Count # 30 Breaking and Entering
Count # 31 Vandalism
Dollar Value in Damages = \$
Count # 32 Dollar Value of theft = \$646.16

Evidence

Testimony of Jim Parker
Initial Police Report from Franklin Co. S/O/O
DEA Theft Report from Pharmacy

02/03/94 - Lloyds Pharmacy, Licking Co.

Count # 33 Breaking and Entering
Count # 34 Vandalism
Dollar Value in Damages =
Count # 35 Theft of Drugs
Dollar Value of theft = \$886.96

Evidence

Testimony of Jim Parker
Confession of Russell Gardner
Initial Police Report from Johnstown PD
DEA Theft Report from Pharmacy

11/20/93 - Ashville Pharmacy, Pickaway Co.

Count # 36 Attempted Breaking and Entering
Count # 37 Vandalism
Dollar Value in Damages =

Evidence

Confession of Bruce Melton
Initial Police Report from the Pickaway Co. S/O

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03/24/94 - D and H Market, Pickaway Co.

Count # 38 Breaking and Entering
Count # 39 Vandalism
Dollar Value in Damages =
Count # 40 Theft
Dollar Value of theft =
Count # 41 Receiving Stolen Property

Evidence Testimony of Jim Parker
Initial Police Report from Pickaway Co. S/O
Inventory of Stolen property
Inventory of Stolen property recovered
Cash
Body Wire transcript from 03/24/94
Two Taped Telephone conversations between Bruce Melton and CI #2
on 03/23/94
Criminal tools

01/26/94 - Drug Buy CI # 1, Vicodin ES

Count # 42 Aggravated Drug Trafficking (schedule III Controlled Substance)

Evidence 54 white tablets scored Vicodin ES
Lab Report from Metrich Crime Lab
Testimony of CI # 1
Testimony of Detective Julie Finkle Franklin Co. S/O

01/26/94 - Drug Buy CI # 1, Methylphenidate

Count # 43 Aggravated Drug Trafficking (schedule II Controlled Substance)

Evidence 170 white tablets scored MD562
Lab Report from Metrich Crime Lab
Testimony of CI # 1
Testimony of Detective Julie Finkle Franklin Co. S/O

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CHARGES REQUESTED:

RODNEY MELTON

08/16/93 - Knisley's Pharmacy, Ross County,

Count # 1 Breaking and Entering
Count # 2 Vandalism
 Dollar Value in Damages =
Count # 3 Theft of Drugs
 Dollar Value of theft = \$2,865.82

Evidence Testimony of Jim Parker
 Initial Police Report from Ross Co. S/O
 DEA Theft Report from Pharmacy

08/20/93 - Blake Pharmacy, Adams County

Count # 4 Breaking and Entering
Count # 5 Vandalism
 Dollar Value in Damages =
Count # 6 Theft of Drugs
 Dollar Value of theft = \$200.00

Evidence Testimony of Jim Parker
 Initial Police Report from Adams Co. S/O
 DEA Theft Report from Pharmacy

08/22/93 - Winchester Pharmacy, Adams County

Count # 7 Breaking and Entering
Count # 8 Vandalism
 Dollar Value in Damages = \$1,215.82

Count # 9 Theft of Drugs
 Dollar Value of theft = \$1,100.00

Evidence Testimony of Jim Parker
 Initial Police Report from Adams Co. S/O
 DEA Theft Report from Pharmacy

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10/29/93 Blackers Pharmacy, Perry County

Count # 10 Breaking and Entering
Count # 11 Vandalism
Dollar Value in Damages = \$1,705.60
Count # 12 Theft of Drugs
Dollar Value of theft = \$3,738.43

Evidence Confession of Bruce Melton
Testimony and Confession of Jim Parker
Initial Police Report from the Crooksville Police Department
DEA Theft Report from Pharmacy

12/15/93 - David's Pharmacy, Fairfield Co.

Count # 13 Breaking and Entering
Count # 14 Vandalism
Dollar Value in Damages = \$500.00
Count # 15 Theft of Drugs
Dollar Value of theft = \$600.00

Evidence Testimony and confession of Jim Parker
Initial Police Report from Lancaster P.D.
Theft Report from Lancaster PD
Tape Recording and transcript between CI # 1 and Bruce Melton

01/26/94 - Drug Buy CI # 1, Vicodin ES

Count # 16 Aggravated Drug Trafficking (schedule III Controlled Substance)

Evidence 54 white tablets scored Vicodin ES
Lab Report from Metrich Crime Lab
Testimony of CI # 1
Testimony of Detective Julie Finkle Franklin Co. S/O

01/26/94 - Drug Buy CI # 1, Methylphenidate

Count # 17 Aggravated Drug Trafficking (schedule II Controlled Substance)

Evidence 170 white tablets scored MD562
Lab Report from Metrich Crime Lab
Testimony of CI # 1
Testimony of Detective Julie Finkle Franklin Co. S/O

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CHARGES REQUESTED:

RUSSELL GARDNER

01/07/94 - Knisley's Pharmacy, Ross County

Count # 1 Breaking and Entering
Count # 2 Vandalism
 Dollar Value in Damages =
Count # 3 Theft of Drugs
 Dollar Value of theft = \$258.97

Evidence Confession of Bruce Melton
 Confession of Russell Gardner
 Initial Police Report from Ross Co. S/O
 DEA Theft Report from Pharmacy
 Video Tape from Pharmacy Camera

01/10/94 - Johnson's Pharmacy (attempt), Muskingum Co.

Count # 4 Attempted Breaking and Entering
Count # 5 Vandalism
 Dollar Value in Damages = \$1,450.00

Evidence Confession of Russell Gardner
 Initial Police Report from Muskingum S/O

02/03/94 - Lloyds Pharmacy, Licking Co.

Count # 6 Breaking and Entering
Count # 7 Vandalism
 Dollar Value in Damages =
Count # 8 Theft of Drugs
 Dollar Value of theft = \$886.96

Evidence Confession of Russell Gardner
 Initial Police Report from Johnstown PD
 DEA Theft Report from Pharmacy

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02/28/94 - Rischs Pharmacy (attempt), Pickaway Co.

Count # 9 Attempted Breaking and Entering
Count # 10 Vandalism
 Dollar Value in Damages = \$

Evidence

Confession of Russell Gardner
Testimony for Jim Parker
Initial Police Report from Pickaway Co. S/O

11/20/93 - Ashville Pharmacy, Pickaway Co.

Count # 11 Attempted Breaking and Entering
Count # 12 Vandalism
 Dollar Value in Damages =

Evidence

Confession of Russell Gardner
Initial Police Report from the Pickaway Co. S/O

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CHARGES REQUESTED:

JIM PARKER

08/16/93 - Knisley's Pharmacy, Ross County,

Count # 1 Breaking and Entering

Count # 2 Vandalism

Dollar Value in Damages =

Count # 3 Theft of Drugs

Dollar Value of theft = \$2,865.82

Evidence

Confession of Jim Parker

Initial Police Report from Ross Co. S/O

DEA Theft Report from Pharmacy

08/20/93 - Blake Pharmacy, Adams County

Count # 4 Breaking and Entering

Count # 5 Vandalism

Dollar Value in Damages =

Count # 6 Theft of Drugs

Dollar Value of theft = \$200.00

Evidence

Confession of Jim Parker

Initial Police Report from Adams Co. S/O

DEA Theft Report from Pharmacy

08/22/93- Winchester Pharmacy, Adams County

Count # 7 Breaking and Entering

Count # 8 Vandalism

Dollar Value in Damages = \$1,215.82

Count # 9 Theft of Drugs

Dollar Value of theft = \$1,100.00

Evidence

Confession of Jim Parker

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09/21/93 - Deer park Pharmacy, Hamilton County

Count # 10 Breaking and Entering
Count # 11 Vandalism
Dollar Value in Damages = \$200.00
Count # 12 Theft of Drugs
Dollar Value of theft = \$1,200.00

Evidence Confession of Jim Parker
Initial Police Report from Deer Park Police
DEA Theft Report from Pharmacy

10/29/93 Blackers Pharmacy, Perry County

Count # 13 Breaking and Entering
Count # 14 Vandalism
Dollar Value in Damages = \$1,705.60
Count # 15 Theft of Drugs
Dollar Value of theft = \$3,738.43

Evidence Confession of Jim Parker
Initial Police Report from the Crooksville Police Department
DEA Theft Report from Pharmacy

12/15/93 - David's Pharmacy, Fairfield Co.

Count # 16 Breaking and Entering
Count # 17 Vandalism
Dollar Value in Damages = \$500.00
Count # 18 Theft of Drugs
Dollar Value of theft = \$600.00

Evidence Confession of Bruce Melton
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02/28/94 - Rischs Pharmacy (attempt), Pickaway Co.

Count # 19 Attempted Breaking and Entering

Count # 20 Vandalism

Dollar Value in Damages =

Evidence

Confession of Russell Gardner

Confession of Jim Parker

Initial Police Report from Pickaway Co. S/O

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CHARGES REQUESTED:

DEMETRIUS REEVES

01/10/94 - Johnson's Pharmacy (attempt), Muskingum Co.

Count # 1 Attempted Breaking and Entering

Count # 2 Vandalism

Dollar Value in Damages = \$1,450.00

Evidence Testimony of Jim Parker
 Initial Police Report from Muskingum S/O

02/03/94 - Lloyds Pharmacy, Licking Co.

Count # 3 Breaking and Entering

Count # 4 Vandalism

Dollar Value in Damages =

Count # 5 Theft of Drugs

Dollar Value of theft = \$886.96

Evidence Testimony of Jim Parker
 Initial Police Report from Johnstown PD
 DEA Theft Report from Pharmacy

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Respectfully submitted,

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Compliance Agent

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- ATTACHMENT # 4- LAB REPORT FROM DRUG BUY ON 01/26/94 AT 6230 LOW RIDGE RD. CANAL WINCHESTER
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PHARMACY DETAILING INFORMATION AS TO ATTEMPT

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PHARMACY

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PHARMACY

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VEHICLE PAV806 03/24/94

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SURRENDERED BY RUSSELL GARDNER
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S/O AND DANVILLE PD

06/22/93	DEER PARK PHARMACY	X					
06/27/93	DRUG WORLD						HARRIS CONF
06/29/93	MEDICINE SHOPPE						
07/19/93	PHARMACY COUNTER						
07/20/93	ST. ELIZ. MED CEN						
07/21/93	MACK PHARMACY	X					CONF
08/05/93	BARTLEY DISC.						
08/07/93	MEDICINE SHOPPE						
08/16/93	KNISLEY PHARMACY	X					
08/18/93	HOFSTETTER DRUGS						INFO
08/18/93	PRESCRIPTION SERVICES						
08/20/93	BLAKE PHARMACY	X					
08/22/93	WINCHESTER PHARMACY	X					CONF
09/17/93	MEDICINE SHOPPE NL	CONF					CONF
09/21/93	DEER PARK PHARMACY	X					
10/04/93	MACK PHARMACY						CONF
10/16/93	WINCHESTER PHARMACY						
10/21/93	DRUG WORLD						
10/29/93	BLACKERS	CONF					
11/06/93	ROY STORT PHARMACY						CONF
11/20/93	ASHVILLE PHARM (ATT)	CONF					
11/21/93	VILLAGE PHARMACY						CONF
11/23/93	JOHNSONS FRAZYSBURG	X					
12/15/93	DAVIDS PHARMACY	CONF					
12/17/93	MILLERSPORT PHARMACY						CONF
12/28/93	BLACKERS PHARMACY	X					
12/29/93	CERTIFIED GAS GALION						CONF
01/07/94	KNISLEYS PHARMACY	CONF					
01/10/94	JOHNSONS (ATEMPT)	X					
01/11/94	WENDT BRISTOL PHARM	X					CONF
01/26/94	LONSINGERS PHARMACY						
02/03/94	LLOYDS DRUG	X					
02/20/94	MILLERSPORT HARDWARE	X					CONF
02/20/94	MILLERSPORT CARRYOUT	X					
02/25/94	BEV. EXPRESS BALTIMORE	X					
02/28/94	RISCHS (ATEMPT) CIRV.						CONF
02/28/94	PICKETTS GROC. FAYETTE						CONF
03/24/94	D & H MARKET PICK. CO						CONF

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