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PAROLE PROGRESS REPORT

Department of Justice

Penal and Correctional Institutions

UNITED STATES PENITENTIARY

(Name of institution)

LEAVENWORTH KANSAS

(City) (State)

Institution Name : OTTO P. HIGGINS

Reg. No.:55996-L

Age: 49

Date: May 15, 1940

1. New Information
2. Reports on Inst. Progress
3. Is Record Complete for Parole purposes?
4. Parole Plan
5. Board Action
6. Committee Action

I. B. OF I. REPORT: See summary previously sent you.

NEW INFORMATION: No new information.

PRE-INST. EMPLOYMENT: Principal occupation: Attorney and Printer; (Verified VI4 & VI5) Last occupation: Police Director, Kansas City, Missouri. (Verified) Also President of the Standard State Bank, Kansas City, Mo.(VI) BONA FIDE RESIDENCE: Kansas City, Mo. (Verified VI4-VI5)

II. INST. PROGRESS REPORT:

Gen. Physical condt.....Fair general health. Somewhat overweigh. He has an enlarged heart and a widening of the ascending aorata, probably the result of syphilis, although he has no active syphilis at the present time. TREATMENT: CONTINUED MEDICAL OBSERVATION AND TREATMENT FOR ENLARGED HEART.

Work.....Moderate duty recommended.

Gen. Mental condt.....Superior intelligence. Excellent personality. No evidence of nervous or mental disease. This man has shown a very favorable attitude here.... His attitude regarding the political situation-in which he became enmeshed and which sent him here is hard to ascertain.....

Mental testMA: 18.3 IQ: 122 PERC: 96.

WASSERMAN NEGATIVE.....KAHN. . . .NEGATIVE.

INSTITUTIONAL EMPLOYMENT: .. Educational Department. (Multigrapher Record shows.....Good.

A.W. Comment.....Conduct and adjustment satisfactory to date.
 FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS:....Cash \$156.30 Coupons \$30.00 Bal. - \$126.30 Submitted 1-24-40.
 LETTERS RECOMMENDING PAROLE: No recommendations indicated.
 PAROLE -SOCIAL SERVICE:Routine.
 VISITS: (5) Mrs. Elizabeth Higgins-wife-3221 East 32nd St., Kansas City, Missouri.
 (3) Mrs. Alpha Carter-daughter-2735 Wenzel St., K.C. Mo.

III. RECORD IS INCOMPLETE FOR PAROLE PURPOSES: U. S. Attorney's Report to be secured: memorandum sent Record Clerk.

IV. PAROLE PLAN: "I will live at 3221 East 32nd Street, Kansas City, Missouri, with my wife and aged mother. I have my own business, the Inter-City Press. We do commercial printing and publish four news papers. My wife is now working at the plant."

PAROLE ADVISOR: John Henry Lee, 1201 West 71st Terrace, Kansas City, Mo. (Tentative)
 EMPLOYER: Assume management of his own business, The Inter-City Press, Fairmount Station, Kansas City, Mo.

Date of sent.	11-3-39	Eligible	7-2-40
Min Exp.	6-11-41	Max Exp.	11-2-41

REF/WD-Mo./Kansas City L. J. G.

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UNITED STATES PENITENTIARY
 Leavenworth, Kansas

PRELIMINARY SOCIAL ABSTRACT

HIGGINS, Otto P. (White) Age 49 55996-L

Sentenced: Nov. 3, 1939 (2 years) Eligible for Parole: July 2, 1940
 Offense: Attempt to evade & avoid income tax. Minimum Expiration: June 11, 1941

3. SOCIAL

A. FAMILY DATA

FATHER	James J. Higgins	Deceased at age 63
MOTHER	Delia S. (Schosser) Higgins	83 3221 E. 32nd St., Kansas City, Mo.
*WIFE	Elizabeth(Losehke) Higgins	49 " " " " "
*DAUGHTER	Mrs. Edward P.(Elizabeth) Larkin	27 Pierce City, Mo.
* "	Mrs. Alpha G. (Elanor) Carter	26 2735 Wenzel St., Kansas City, Mo.
*FRIEND	Mr. Paul T. White	8016 Wayne St., " " "

*	"	Mr. Clay C. Rogers	Bryant Bldg., "	"	"
*	"	Mr. John H. Lee	1201 W. 71st St. Terrace, KC	"	"
*	"	Mr. Heber E. Roney	Standard State Bank, Fairmount		
			Station Kansas City, Mo.		
*	"	Mr. Stanley Pike	Inter-City Press,	"	" "

* ASTERISKS INDICATE REQUESTED CORRESPONDENTS.

PARENTS: English-American. No martial discord. Interested in welfare of subject and treated subject well. Completed 8th grade. Occasional attendant Methodist Church. Good health during subject's childhood.

FATHER: Born in England. Died when subject age 35. Responsible parent; Employed as Boiler Maker; Steady worker; Moderate drinker.

MOTHER: Born in Illinois. Devoted parent. Never worked outside the home.

SIBLINGS: Subject the only child.

MARTIAL STATUS: Married. Subject obtained license and married 1/24/11 at Kansas City, Kansas. Relationship congenial; Subject expects to reunite with wife when released. Wife: Same age as subject; Fair health; Completed 2 years college; Worked as Stenographer prior to marriage; Known to subject since childhood; Now living alone in subject's property.

ISSUE:

Eleanor (26) Good College 3 yrs. Married Housewife — With her husband
Elizabeth (27)

Subject never previously married.

B. PERSONAL DATA: Born 1/24/90 at Streator, Illinois of English-German extraction.

EARLY DEVELOPMENT: Good health during childhood; Early home life normal; No participation in organized boy's activities except attended Sunday School. No childhood delinquency except occasional truancy. Permanently separated from parental home at age 21 when married.

EDUCATIONAL HISTORY: Completed 4 years at Kansas City School of Law.

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OCCUPATIONAL HISTORY: Principal occupation: Attorney and Printer; Last occupation: Police Director, Printer & President of Standard State Bank of Kansas City, Mo.; Subject states that he was employed as Director of Police at Kansas City, Mo. for the past 5 years. Worked steadily; Denies previous law violations as a means of support.

MILITARY SERVICE: None, Served as War Correspondent for the Kansas City Star.

LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES: Enjoys normal recreational activities; Member of Knights of Columbus, Honorary member of Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion; Occasional attendant Catholic Church; Moderate drinker; Non-user of drugs; Sexual promiscuity indicated; Associated with persons of sporting and questionable reputation.

RESIDENCE PAST FIVE YEARS: 3221 E. 32nd St., Kansas City, Mo. past 25 years; Probable bona-fide residence: Kansas City, Mo. No migratory habits indicated.

C. ECONOMIC STATUS: Subject comes from English-American, working class family living in moderately comfortable economic circumstances; Average social and cultural status; Subject the only delinquent in the family. Father provided adequately on a modest economic level. Mother never worked outside the home. Home located at Streator, Ill. from age 0 to age 1; At Centerville, Kansas from age 1 to age 2; At Kansas City, Kansas from age 2 to age 24; At Kansas City, Mo. from age 24 to present. Parents owned 7 room, modern, frame house in fairly good repair located in a working class neighborhood in Kansas City, Kansas. Furnishings owned by parents were satisfactory and the home was carpeted and curtained. Children sent to Sunday School regularly; Home discipline normal; Family relations were congenial. Father is now deceased. Mother is now living with subject's wife, living in moderately comfortable economic circumstances.

PERSONAL HOME: Subject left parental home at age 21 because of marriage; Home ties with Mother strong. While single, subject stable socially and made a good industrial adjustment; Never engaged in law violations as a means of support; Lived in moderately comfortable economic circumstances with parents in working class sections of Kansas City, Kansas; Average standard of living. While married and living with wife, subject continued to be fairly stable socially and made a good industrial adjustment; Occasionally engaged in questionable practices as a means of support; Fair health during adult years; Supported family to the best of his ability. Lived in comfortable economic circumstances; Good standard of living; Owned 7 room, modern, frame house in good repair located in a residential neighborhood in Kansas City, Mo. Owned satisfactory furniture and the home was carpeted and curtained. Subject values his past maximum assets at ; At present, subject owns property valued at \$50,000. Wife living with subject's Mother in his property. Wife working as Bookkeeper in subject's Printing Plant.

SOCIAL AGENCIES INTERESTED: Unknown.

IMEDIATE PROBLEMS: None at this time.

D. REFERENCES AND RESOURCES: Mother and wife may be in a position to assist with readjustment plans. Claims wife loyal; reunion planned* Has experience as Attorney, Printer & Police Director. Reports ownership of property in Kansas City valued at \$50,000 to \$60,000.

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TENTATIVE PAROLE PLAN:

Possible Parole Advisor: Mr. John H. Lee, 1201 W. 71st St. Terrace, Kansas City, Mo.

Possible Employer: Subject expects to operate own Printing Plant.

Probable Destination: Kansas City, Mo.

E. ATTITUDES AND CHARACTERISTICS: Subject product of English-American, working class family living in moderately comfortable economic circumstances; Average social and cultural status. Early home life normal. Subject the only delinquent in the family. Subject fairly stable socially and regular in social habits; Extra-legal activities occasional in respect to fraud law violations; Moral standards fairly good; Associated with persons of questionable and good reputation; Stable residence; Industrial habits good; Possesses initiative and drive; Resourcesful. Comprehends readily. Family ties close with personal and parental family. Manifests rather fine sensibilities, frank, cooperative, alert; Loyal to wife and family; Good provider. In way of physical disabilities, subject complains of Acute Indigestion and Sciatic Rheumatism. Subject interested in clerical work while at this institution.

F. PLANS: Personal and family background being explored further. Mother and wife being encouraged to cooperate with readjustment plans.

J. C. RINGWALD

RC/11/7/39