

October 2, 1944

Mr. Jerome Walsh, Attorney Commerce Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

In re: Jungle Club In re: Gene Paul Bradshaw

My dear Jerome:

You ought to be able to verify this. Johnnie Cozzi, newspaper boy (?) man, about the court house and city hall, and 5th and Main Streets, an old northside precinct captain, was in my office today and we spent considerable time going over the local political situation. If you know Johnnie or anyone who does know him will tell you he gets around quite a bit. He was a great friend of the late John P. O'Neil.

Cozzi told, me that the Republican candidate for governor, Gene Paul Bradshaw, was in the Jungle Club on East 10th, while the Republican outfit was in Kansas City. That he was supposedly in there looking for the state supervisor of liquor control, Henderson, who is a great supporter of his, i. e., Bradshaw, but while he was in there, he asked of Bully Rich (who is nothing more or less than an Italian hoodlum, and a partner of Manzella) how many votes he, i. e., Bully, was going to give him. He also stated that Bully threw a one-hundred dollar bill on the bar and offered it as contribution to the Republican party. I was informed sometime ago that Bully and his family voted, the Republican ticket. Cozzi said that Bully and his family were responsible for five votes down there. Cozzi also told me that Binaggio, the head of the northside Democratic club, could verify all of the above.

This just for your information.

Yours very truly, Joe