

# ***Slot Machines on Two Trucks Seized by F. B. I. in Brooklyn***

Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation seized 420 slot machines aboard two trailer trucks yesterday as the trucks moved through Brooklyn streets.

The slot machines, worth \$250,000, were en route from Newport, Ky., to the Brooklyn waterfront for shipment to London. In Washington, J. Edgar Hoover, the F. B. I. director, said the machines were to be used in an international gambling operation.

The drivers of the trucks were not taken into custody when the trucks were stopped on Hamilton Avenue, near Henry Street. All they knew, they said, was that the machines enclosed in wooden boxes were to be delivered to a pier at the foot of Thirty-fifth Street, Brooklyn.

The trucks were taken to the Brooklyn Army Terminal, First Avenue and Fifty-eighth Street,

Brooklyn, where the wood boxes were stored for the night. F. B. I. agents will examine the machines today to get the serial numbers for a clue to the manufacturer.

Meanwhile, agents began an inquiry in Newport, Ky., to learn how such a large shipment could be assembled without the local law-enforcement agents becoming aware. The shipment was made in the name of the M. C. S. Export Company, 50 East Forty-second Street, New York City. Employees of this company also will be questioned. The shipment was consigned to the Universal Supply Automatic, London.

The confiscation of the machines was carried out under the provisions of a Federal law that prohibits the interstate transportation of gambling devices. The machines included five-cent, ten-cent, quarter, half-dollar and silver-dollar operations.

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