

To J. Edgar Hoover,

Why don't you get on the right track in the investigation on Paul Ricca? The man you should investigate is Peter Fosco, who is trying very hard to keep it clean with the G. He is the boss and has control of the Tunnel Workers and Hod Carriers Union after Joe D'Andrea was killed 20 years ago. He is the boss of Paul Ricca. His Union office is at 850 South Halsted Street. He is Ward Committeeman of the 20<sup>th</sup> Ward and is County Commissioner of Cook County. He is the boss.

In 1946, Peter Fosco ran for re-election of the 20<sup>th</sup> Ward and lost. It was a clear-cut sign that leaders of the Chicago crime syndicate were not happy with the performance of Fosco and replaced him. FBI documents stated, "Peter Fosco, while holding an influential political job as ward committeeman, did not possess sufficient "Clout" to stay in the "Big Time." He apparently was not a "Money Maker" and was subsequently replaced." The FBI took notice of the Fosco's again when it was reported that the payoff man between the Italian politicians and Chicago hoodlums was Peter Fosco, and all the payments were being conducted through his business offices at 814 West Harrison Street. Next was information on Peter Fosco's brother, Al Fosco. Apparently, Al Fosco, the secretary in the Sewer and Tunnel Workers union, and two bodyguards showed up at a construction project where S.A. Healy Construction Company was employing 700 men to dig a tunnel at 46<sup>th</sup> street and Morgan in the Chicago Stock Yards. As the evening shift of 200 workers came off duty, Al Fosco asked them, how they stood with the Union. One of the workers shouted, "To hell with the union, all they can do is make us work ten cents below the union scale." Al fired all 200 men on the spot and secured the dismissal of the superintendent. The workers complained that the union received ten cents per hour per man from their wages, in addition to 50 dollars for a work permit, two-dollars-a-month in dues, seven dollars for safety shoes and three dollars for a helmet. It was also reported that