



### ATTRIBUTES OF AN NIS AGENT

He must be a man of vision and ambition, an after dinner speaker, a before dinner guzzler, and a night owl. He must be able to work all day, drive all night and appear fresh and eager the following day. He must learn to enjoy sleeping on the floor and eating but two meals a day in order to economize on travel expenses.

He must be able to entertain the Director's wife, his associates, sweeties, and all other cuties without becoming too amorous, inhale dust, live outdoors at ten degrees below, consume enormous amounts of bourbon without ill effects, work all summer without perspiring or acquiring "B.O.", and live through hell fire and high water without weakening or becoming disaffected.

He must be a man's man, a lady's man, a model husband, a fatherly father, admit no faults, a devoted son-in-law, a good provider, a plutocrat, Democrat, Republican, a New Dealer and Old Dealer, a fast dealer, a technician, electrician, politician, mechanic, a model to his famous idol-Mike Hammer, and also a specialist on the blackmarket and all other shady deals.

He must be a sales promotion expert, a good credit manager, correspondent, attend all staff conferences, training sessions, liaison meetings, tournaments, funerals and births, and visit with brother agents in hospitals and jails. He must contact all other agencies and branches of the U.S. Navy and in his spare time look after the interest of the OIC, CO, XO, CINC, CID, FBI, OSI, AP, SP, MP and all other government agencies.

He must maintain a large supply of liquor and a wide range of telephone numbers when entertaining fellow agents and the multitude of inspecting headquarters types.

He must be an expert driver, talker, liar, dancer, bridge player, nudist, an authority on chemistry, psychology, criminology, dogs, cats, horses, trailers, hotels, motels, brothels, blondes, brunettes and redheads. He must also be an expert with a .38, able to place 10 consecutive shots in a two-inch bullseye at 150 yards. He must also be familiar with any type of weapon he may be called upon to use or repair.

He must be able to take dictation and type 150 words per minute in English, German, Japanese, Chinese, Korean, Russian, French, Bulgarian and Sandscript, as well as read the American sign language, Egyptian hieroglyphics, and the deaf and dumb alphabet, and rambling RO's of newly hired agents.

He must have a memory which involves remembering assorted items of essential information such as the mating call of the "Do-Do" bird, the heights of the Eiffel Tower and the Tower of Pisa, Cleopatra's middle initial, which will enable him to answer the "sixty-four dollar question" to supplement his meager income. He must be able to replace or perform the duties of a Director and be content and happy with the pay of an agent.