fingerprinting scene

see "Ft Peck—half century and holding":

p. 48—pic, "employees gather in July 1936 to be fingerprinted in the Personnel Office, which was then attached to the Administration Building. Knowing resistance was useless, many just got up and left, perhaps to protect their secrets of the past."

picts shows long, multiple line of men, many parked cars
To the Duffs' surprise, Birdlife O'Farrell is there the day the Fort Peck crew is fingerprinted; as somebody points out, O'F is in danger, really, because how can you lift fingerprints off chicken feathers? (or, feathers bearing marks of O'F's thievery have swirled away w/ the wind...)

--on the other hand, some neighbor or fellow worker the Duffs had thought thoroughly respectable, even prissy, has packed in the night and gone (with his whole family?) (Sidarius?)
Ft. Peck Const. Wkrs Dir'y--
p. 55--ph'copy of ID card w/ right thumb print
Tom Mullen--2nd folder MHS oral history in summaries

fingerprinting: one of their bosses left and never heard of again.

for Bucking plot: Tom Jaraala, the old Wob who's been accompanying Darius to Plentywood, is one who disappears.

--Darius, for his part, manages to have his left thumb done both times, and is hugely entertained by the thought of it.
His crew of 15 dwindled to 6 on the day they were to be fingerprinted.