A Famous Bootlegger (10 marks)

Rum-runner William S. McCoy, Florida area from 1900 to 1920 With the start of Prohibition Captain McCoy began bringing rum from Bimini and the rest of the Bahamas into south Florida through Government Cut. The Coast Guard soon caught up with him, so he began to bring the illegal goods to just outside of the U.S. territorial waters and let smaller boats and other captains such as Habana Joe take the risk of bringing it into shore. In the days of rum running, it was common for captains to add water to the bottles to stretch their profits, or to re-label it as better goods. Any cheap sparkling wine became French champagne or Italian Spumante; unbranded liquor became top-of-the-line name brands. McCoy became famous for never watering his booze, and selling only top brands. This is one of several reputed origins of the term "The Real McCoy

A. What is the picture showing?_____(2)

B. Where was this famous bootleggers headquarters _____(1)

C. What did the Captain or bootleggers did to stretch their supplies and why?(2)

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D. Where did the term" the Real McCoy originated? (1)

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C. List some famous Bahamian families who took part in the illegal trading of Rum.(4)

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