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February 21, 1934

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

In telephone conversation with Mr. Purvis, of Chicago, I called attention to the fact that the home of the parents of Karpis, who is being sought in connection with the Bremer Kidnaping case is said to be 1141 North Francisco Street, where his sister, Mrs. Newbold, also resides.

Mr. Purvis stated he did not know this and he placed a cover on this residence last night. He stated that Mrs. Sharbono, a stenographer of the Chicago Office, was proceeding last night to St. Paul to report to Mr. Rorer.

Respectfully,

H. H. Clegg.

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February 23rd, 1934.

J. Edgar Hoover Esq.,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of yours under date of February 8th enclosing list of bank notes paid as ransom in kidnapping cases. I am turning this list over to Chief Martin for his attention.

Yours very truly,

A. J. Daird

Prosecutor of the Pleas.

AJD:WM

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
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Laboratory Report

February 21, 1934.

Case: Unknown Subjects, Edward G. Bremer, Victim; Kidnaping. Number: 7-576

Specimens: 1 envelope addressed to Walter Magee postmarked Chicago, Ill., dated 2-1-34. 1 note enclosed beginning "Walter Magee: inform Adolph Bremer we are ready to follow"

Examination requested by: St. Paul Office.

Date received: February 15, 1934.

Examination requested: General and Fingerprint.

Result of examination: Examination by: C.A.Appel.

February 15. The envelope measures 3.51 by 6 inches. There are no water-marks. The ink printing was probably written by the person who inscribed the ink script in the letter.

The letter is written on note pad paper glued at the top. The sheet measures 7.84 by 5.07 inches and there are light purple lines .35 inches apart. There is no water-mark.

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Mr. W. A. Rorer,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
EDWARD G. BREMER, VICTIM
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Division February 15, 1934.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

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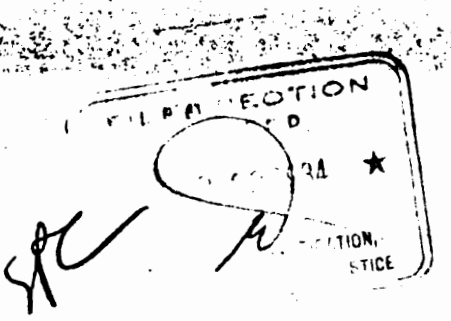

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Laboratory Report
February 20, 1934.

Case: Unknown Subjects, Edward G. Bremer, Victim; Kidnaping. Number: 7-576

Specimens: 1 envelope addressed to "Mr. Dickman, Commercial State Bank, St. Paul, Minn.", postmarked Chicago, Ill., Feb. 4, 1934.
1st page of enclosure begins "Give this to A Bremer"
2nd page of note begins "this only way to get him back".

Examination requested by: St. Paul Office.

Date received: February 9, 1934.

Examination requested: General and Fingerprint.

Result of examination: Examination by: C.A.Appel.

February 10. There is no water-mark in the envelope which measures 6.52 by 3.64 inches. There is no water-mark in the paper which measures 4.98 by 7.99 inches (each sheet). Attention is invited to the spelling of attend as "atent", they as "the", and address as "addrees". The peculiarity of the printing is the manner in which the r is made, appearing very much like a y written on the line. These printed characters are distinctly unusual and easily recognizable.

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February 23, 1934

Mr. W. A. Rafter,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS,
Edward G. Bremer, Victim;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Division

February 9, 1934.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

February 23, 1934.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with
aliases, UNKNOWN SUBJECTS.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.
Kidnaping. St. Paul File 7-30

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are newspaper clippings in the above entitled matter which appeared in the St. Paul and Minneapolis newspapers.

RETAIN PER FORM 4-3H dated 7/31/67

Very truly yours,

WERNER HANNI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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CAR CLUE LINKS HAMM, BREMER KIDNAP CASES

Couple Who Fled Grand Avenue Place May Have Lived in Vernon Avenue House.

"A. CARTER" IN SIFT AGAIN

Apartment Rented Under Name That Led to Tracing of Auto to Kansas City.

Evidence of a probable connection between the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer and William Hamm, uncovered Saturday by the Pioneer Press and Dispatch, was under investigation Saturday night by police and Department of Justice agents.

The evidence showed that a gang which fled from a residence at 204 Vernon avenue, rented at the time of the Hamm kidnaping, apparently is directly connected with a couple who made a similar hasty flight from an apartment at 628 Grand avenue on the night after Mr. Bremer was seized for $200,000 ransom.

The apparent connection was traced by the Pioneer Press and Dispatch through an auto used by the couple in the Grand avenue apartment. The car, it was found, was purchased the same day that the Vernon avenue gang sold in St. Paul an auto with a Missouri license.

The license for the new auto was issued to the address of the garage [illegible] car was sold on the [illegible] This garage has since [illegible] of business and efforts by [illegible] and officers to find the [illegible] Saturday were fruitless.

[illegible]le of the Missouri licensed [illegible] the Vernon avenue gang was [illegible] by a widely known St. Paul [illegible] company. Officials of the [illegible] where the new car, a small coupe, was purchased, said the purchaser paid cash and that they believed the cash came from the same finance company.

The name used by the purchaser to list the new car was the same name as that used by the man who rented the apartment on Grand avenue, six months later.

Evidence of the presence of a gang

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at 204 Vernon [illegible]ue was disclosed to police by [illegible]ioneer Press and Dispatch the night of June 19, 1933. This was the night of the day William Hamm Jr. was released by his kidnapers after $100,000 ransom was paid. Before police made an inspection of the place, the occupants returned, packed up hastily and fled.

Among fingerprints in the place on June 20 were found those of Frank Nash, gangster who was shot down a few days later in Kansas City with four officers. He had been arrested at Hot Springs, Ark., and friends, identified as members of the notorious Harvey Bailey gang, attempted to effect his release at the Kansas City Union depot. The killers escaped.

At the time the gang fled from the Vernon avenue home neighbors said they appeared heavily armed and had machine guns in their equipment.

On June 25, the Pioneer Press found in the garage on University avenue, a sedan, believed the one used by the Vernon avenue gang. Police checked the car and confirmed this. It had been listed to "A. Carter" of Kansas City, Mo.

Title Found Legal.

The garage proprietor told police he had bought it for cash on June 10, ten days before the flight from Vernon avenue. The title to the auto, he said, had been checked and found legal and clear. Department of Justice representatives, seeking information on the Bailey gang, checked "A. Carter" in Kansas City, but obtained no definite information on him.

The couple rented the Grand avenue apartment December 7. The man represented himself as an employe of the Associated Press, which was a fictitious representation.

He was described as being about 35 to 40 years old, small of stature, and having a light complexion and sandy hair. His wife was small, dark, apparently about ten years younger than her husband and spoke with a noticeable Irish brogue. The name given by the husband was one indicating Scandinavian extraction.

Fled After Abduction.

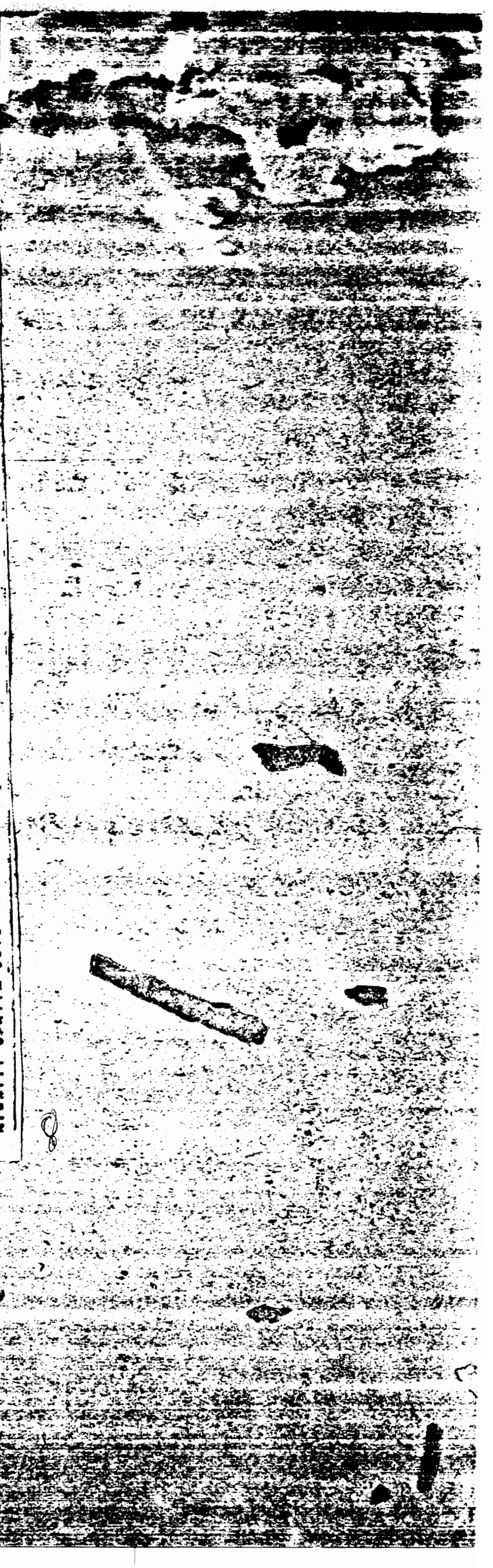
The couple fled the apartment the night of January 17, less than 24 hours after Mr. Bremer was kidnaped. The flight occurred before news of the kidnaping had become public.

They took all their belongings, and according to the caretaker of the apartment, also took a quantity of linen which was property of the apartment owner. At stores nearby, the couple were described as "liberal spenders" who paid cash for all purchases. Officers were attempting Saturday without success to trace the whereabouts of bills proferred by the couple for purchases.

At the time of the Vernon avenue disclosure officers said they were convinced the gang there had knowledge of if not actual participation in the kidnaping of Mr. Hamm.

When the information uncovered by the papers was submitted to Department of Justice officials Saturday, one termed it "the best thing we have learned yet locally." A number of agents were assigned to investigate the occurrences.

Police were also checking the evidence for any possible connection between it and the shooting early January 13 of Roy McCord, Northwest Airways radio operator, by occupants of a mysterious coupe. The shooting occurred within three blocks of the Grand avenue apartment.



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Kidnaping Story Told By Bremer

Statement Gives Full Details of Abduction and Release.

Following a press conference at 1 P. M. today Edward G. Bremer, kidnaped January 17 and held for $200,000 ransom, told, in his own words, the story. He was freed in Wisconsin Wednesday night.

EDWARD G. BREMER.

"... the baby at school I think about 8:20 A. M., the morning of January 17 and driving away I drove to the corner of Goodrich and Lexington avenue but stopped for the ... highway. As I stopped ... door of the car was opened ... right arm was extended ... the door with a gun pointed toward me. A gruff voice said "don't move or I'll kill you."

I quickly put the car in low gear to cross the street and looked up and saw a car squarely in front of my car. I had placed my left foot through the door and the foot reached the running board. By this time the man who had opened the left door apparently had got inside my car.

Struck Over Head.

He began striking me over the head and must have hit me fifteen or twenty times. I tried to get out the right door and bumped into something there and it apparently was another man who also struck me over the head. My eyes became filled with blood and I was dazed. They pushed my head down under the dash board. Meanwhile my left foot was still outside the left front door for I had been thinking all the time that someone surely would see me as many people are taking their children to school by that route at that time of day.

Finally, I don't know when, they pulled my leg into the car and we started out. We drove awhile I don't know how long or I don't know where, but it must have been ten or fifteen minutes later that they stopped the machine. They put goggles over my eyes and told me to get out. I had recovered my senses somewhat and distinctly remembered the commands to get out of the car which I did. Then they placed me in another machine.

I was placed in the back part of another car and I was told to ... At that time my watch

Brushes Away Tears as He Tells of Death Threats; Dragged About When Injured Leg Failed Him.

FATHER WEEPS OVER NARRATIVE

SUSPECTS CLEARED.

Milwaukee, Feb. 9.—(AP)—After questioning two men many hours Milwaukee police said they are satisfied the prisoners had no connection with the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer of St. Paul.

Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul bank president and kidnap victim, spent three weeks of pain and hunger at the hands of abductors who enforced every detail of carefully laid plans on him.

He told his story today to reporters for the first time since he returned to St. Paul early Thursday morning.

His father, Adolf Bremer, head of the Jacob Schmidt Brewing Co., listened to the recital and wept silently as his son recounted particular hardships. The son's face was pale and drawn. He is intensely nervous, and he frequently placed his hands over his face, threw his head back and drew his breath with a whistling sound through his teeth as if in great pain.

Visibly upset and in a state of semi-collapse, the young banker related his experiences as he sat in an easy chair in his home, while a physician waited in attendance.

As he began his story, the 37-year-old banker's voice broke, tears brimmed his eyes, and he brushed his forehead with his hand.

Dr. H. T. Nippert, personal friend and physician, sitting close at his right, gripped the kidnap victim's arm.

"This will be very brief," he encouraged.

It was a story of brutal sluggings, punctuated with threats of death that the slender banker, garbed in a dressing robe, white shirt open at the collar, and wearing bed room slippers, recounted. Before the interview, he posed for photographers and the flashlighs of the photographers unnerved him.

"Hit 15 or 20 Times."

With an effort he controlled himself, then launched into a recital of how two men slugged him "15 or 20 times" over the face and head with the butts of pistols.

His eyes were filled with blood, Bremer said, and the invaders rammed his head under the dash board.

At the outset of his story, which he told of leaving his daughter, Betty, at school at about 8:20 A. M.

tioned the names of several of the boys whom I knew and was reared with out at the brewery.

I was told to sign some notes but I don't know whether they were signed at that stop or a later stop. The car started and we proceeded to drive, I don't know how many hours. We drove and stopped again many hours later and it was perhaps at that stop that I signed certain notes.

At this stop there was undoubtedly another car accompanying us. Meanwhile I was down at the bottom of the car and couldn't see or hear much. All I could hear was that they were refilling the car with gas. We again started to drive and we drove until it must have been dark. They later told me I could sit on the seat because no one could see me after dark. We again stopped and this time the car left us.

Walked Up and Down.

I was awfully cold so I asked if I could walk up and down. They walked up and down with me then, so that I could warm up.

Then the car returned and I again was put into the machine. We drove several hours more and there was another stop.

Here I was taken out of the car and led some distance, where we went downstairs. I was sat on a chair. They then examined my head and washed off the cuts as best they could.

I told them to cut the hair off because I would rather have that done than to have an infection set in. After that, they put some water in front of me and when they took off the bandages it was dark.

I washed my hands and face in the dark as best I could and then I again was bandaged up and put to bed.

Undoubtedly it was the next morning that they put me back on the chair and served me with breakfast. I sat on that chair until I imagine it was time to go to bed and I was put to bed.

That routine in the house continued all the time I was there.

I was told that unless I behaved as I should, I would be chained to the bed. I consequently acceded to every wish.

After several days one of the boys came in. Every conversation that transpired was in a whisper. They told me I had acted very well and one suggested that my bandages be taken off while I was sitting in the chair in the corner provided I would not turn my head.

If I did they told me they would replace the bandages and they would

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His efforts to escape through the other door were thwarted. He was slugged, and some 15 minutes later the kidnapers stopped the car. Bremer was then transferred to the gang's own machine where he was forced to lie down with goggles, which had been placed over his eyes, still in place.

"My watch was taken away and they asked me who I would like to have as contact man and I mentioned Walter Magee," Bremer explained. "I was told to sign some notes. Then we drove for I don't know how many hours."

When it became dark, he was permitted to sit on the seat. During the interim, several stops had been made and once Bremer heard gasoline being put into the car's tank.

Finally, the ride ended and he was led some distance where they went downstairs.

"I was sat on a chair," he went on. "They then examined my head and washed off the cuts as best they could."

"I told them to cut the hair off because I would rather have that done than to have an infection set in. After that, they put some water in front of me and when they took off the bandages it was dark. I washed my hands and face in the dark as best I could and then I again was bandaged up and put to bed."

The next morning he was allowed to sit on a chair and "I sat there until I imagine it was time to go to bed and I was put to bed," added Bremer.

Threatened With Chaining.

"That routine in the house continued all the time I was there. I was told that unless I behaved as well as I should I would be chained to the bed. I consequently acceded to every wish."

Conversations were carried on among the gang in whispers, the victim explained. After several days Bremer was allowed to go without bandages over his eyes on his promise not to turn his head.

"Before anything was placed in front of me my head was covered so I could not see any one placing anything in front of me."

"Some days eats were hard to get because I did not eat. I was allowed to sit until I could not sit any longer and then placed in bed."

Here Dr. Nippert interceded, feeling Mr. Bremer's pulse and asking him if he was all right.

"I think you better cut the story short," suggested Dr. Nippert.

"My head aches," said Bremer as he raised his hand to his head.

Bremer, however, resumed his story where he had broken off.

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ner for the duration of his imprisonment.

"The only time I walked was when they took me to the bathroom. After the first week the leg I had stretched out of the car to prevent them from closing the door went out on me and I could not walk the entire week and they sort of pulled me into the bathroom."

After the ransom was paid, Bremer was placed in the bottom of the car among gasoline cans. After dark he was permitted to sit on the seat. They made one stop and leaving two guards with him, other members of the band went out "to find out whether or not the money was marked."

When the gang learned the money was not marked, the other members returned and Bremer was told the party was going to Rochester.

Told Where to Go.

"Then they said, 'We will put you off on a dark street in Rochester. You are to get out of the car when you are told and face in the same direction. This is not the direction in which you are to walk. You are to count up to fifteen very slowly before you remove the bandage-blindfolds.

"'Then turn about face and go to the Rochester depot and take the 9:40 bus to St. Paul. When you arrive in St. Paul you are to get off before you get to the bus depot, get into a cab, and get to your house without anyone seeing you so that there will be absolutely nothing in the morning paper.'"

Bremer followed instructions but arrived at the Rochester bus depot too late. He then took a train to Owatonna, west of Rochester, and it was there that he connected with the bus going to St. Paul. He arrived home about midnight Wednesday, having been released about 8 P. M., at Rochester.

Sioux City Home Raided.

Developments were:

Two men were under arrest in Milwaukee for questioning.

A home was raided in Sioux City, Iowa, as the possible kidnap lair, but nothing was reported found.

Twenty-eight federal agents were said to be working in St. Paul.

Other government operatives were reputed to be on the case in Sioux City, Iowa; Bismarck, N. D.; Rochester, Minn., Kansas City, Memphis and in the district around Faribault, where the ransom money was paid.

St. Paul police Bertillon experts worked on the car provided by the kidnapers to deliver the ransom in an effort to obtain fingerprints. Results were not announced.

Dr. H. T. Nippert, Bremer family physician, who received three communications at one time from the kidnapers, denied the gang took him to the hideout to treat Bremer.

Gang Had $2,000 in Bills.

The Milwaukee suspects, an Associated Press dispatch said, were arrested Thursday night while speeding in an automobile bearing a Minnesota license. They carried weapons and $2,000 in $5, $10 and $20 bills.

Serial numbers of the bills were being checked to determine if any of the ransom notes were among them. Conflicting stories were told by the pair to police, one saying they were in Milwaukee on an alcohol deal and the other stating they intended buying slot machines.

The men identified themselves as Gust Chiaberotti, alias Gust Rotty, 23 years old, of Milwaukee, and Ben Larson, 32, of Grand Rapids, Mich.

The car they were driving was stolen from Dr. Oscar Olson of Grand Rapids, Minn., but Larson insisted he was from Grand Rapids, Mich.

Detectives also questioned the pair regarding the holdup of a messenger for a Duluth butcher this week.

In St. Paul, Bremer told Thomas E. Dahill, chief of police, he saw only two of his kidnapers.

Can Recall Assailants.

Although the gang is believed to number ten or more men, the only two whom he will be able to recognize, if caught, are those with whom he fought in his attempt to escape seizure the morning of January 17.

In Sioux City, Sheriff William R. Tice told the Associated Press that Department of Justice Agent Noonon, working out of the Twin Cities, requested aid last Saturday in searching for Bremer's kidnapers' hideout.

A raid was made on a house near Floyd cemetery in the eastern part of the city, but it was said nothing was found.

M. F. Kinkead, Ramsey county attorney, revealed that federal operatives have taken over the case.

"While I am not at liberty to disclose what he told me, I interviewed Edward Bremer Thursday with Mr. Nathan, Mr. Hanni, and Chief Dahill," he said. "Any statements on the case at present will have to come from the federal operatives, who now are in charge of the investigation under Mr. Nathan. Whether we will enter into the case depends on developments. All I can do now is to corroborate statements made by physicians and others that Edward Bremer was beaten by his abductors and is in a highly nervous condition."

Federal Web Being Widened.

Bending methodically to the task of hunting Bremer's kidnapers, federal agents were reported to be swinging in ever-widening circles out of St. Paul.

Special points of search, besides Sioux City, were said to be Rochester, Faribault, Bismarck, Memphis and Kansas City, but agents refused to confirm this.

St. Paul police today went with Walter Magee, intermediary in the kidnaping, over the route he traveled in delivering the $200,000 ransom.

Magee was accompanied by Chief Dahill, Inspector of Detectives Charles Tierney and Werner Hanni, chief federal investigator in the St. Paul district. They drove south on highway No. 1 to Faribault, where they took a cross road. Whether the trip was productive of clues was not revealed.

Police also scrutinized every part of the coupe provided by kidnapers for Magee to carry the ransom. They hoped to find fingerprints which could be compared with Bertillon records and lead to apprehension of the gang. However they would not divulge if they got any prints of value.

Microscope Use Reported.

Evidence of the minute details into which authorities are delving to find the gang was the reputed summoning to St. Paul of scientists to examine under the microscope clothing worn by Bremer when he was a captive in the hope of finding some hair or particle that might give them a clue to the abductors.

Authorities disclosed that had Bremer told them he would have been released ten days earlier if it had not been for a published report that 250 federal agents were in the Twin Cities working on the case.

"They got cold feet," Bremer was quoted as having said.

He overheard the gang talking about the danger of detection, officers said, and it did not make a move until the captive's father, Adolf, issued a pledge through newspapers of co-operation with the desperadoes and freedom from police interference.

Dr. Nippert estimated that Bremer lost fifteen pounds during his imprisonment.

The physician denied a report that he was taken to the kidnap lair to treat the 37-year-old banker for injuries received when being captured.

Victim Much Improved.

Bremer's condition was reported to be "very much improved" by the family physician.

"Edward has a two-inch cut on the top of his head, but it is healing nicely," said Dr. Nippert. "A head wound usually bleeds profusely and that probably accounts for the blood in the car."

"What did he get to eat while he was being held?"

"He didn't say. He did say that they (the kidnapers) forgot to feed him two or three times."

Bremer was kidnaped January 17 after he had taken his 8-year-old daughter, Betty, to school. The first communications, a telephone call and a note, were received that morning by Magee, who became the intermediary in the case.

Later, Dr. Nippert received three messages in one envelope which were called to his attention by an early morning telephone call and the smashing of the glass in his front door by a thrown dentifrice bottle.

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Bremer Held At Iowa Farm, Sleuth Says

"Highly Authoritative" Tip on House Near Creston Revealed by State's Criminal Bureau Chief.

WILL ASK BANKER TO EXAMINE PLACE

The place where Edward G. Bremer of St. Paul was held prisoner while in the hands of kidnapers was believed to have been found Monday night.

It is a farm house nine miles southwest of Creston, Iowa, which is about 50 miles southwest of Des Moines.

The information came from Park A. Findley, chief of the Iowa State Bureau of Criminal Investigation, who said that positive information had been given him that Bremer was in the farm house near Creston almost all of the three weeks he was imprisoned. Mr. Findley's announcement was made to the Des Moines Register, and the Associated Press reported that paper had quoted him as saying:

"I can't violate the confidence of these sources and naturally there are some things that cannot be told while the investigation is continuing.

Source "Authoritative."

"The tip on the Creston farm house came to me first tonight from a person whom I consider highly authoritative in the problem of this kidnaping, and one with whom I am sure the Federal Department of Justice can establish no contact."

Mr. Findley said, however, that he had notified Department of Justice agents in Chicago, and that he had

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effort to identify his abductors. Agents who accompanied him, as he limped into the Postoffice building, were seen carrying bundles of pictures. On both occasions he made his exit through a side door as Department of Justic agents attempted to keep his visits a secret.

Adolph Bremer, father of the victim, admitted Monday night that a Catholic priest helped to establish contact between the family and the kidnapers. He refused to confirm the report that Rev. John Deere of Prior Lake was the intermediary, but admitted "he doesn't reside in the Twin Cities".

Attempts to speak with members of the priest's household were balked when the telephone operator's report that St. Paul was calling was met with banging telephone receivers. Three times persons at Father Deere's home answered but refused to converse.

One of his legs injured when he tried to prevent his kidnapers from closing the door of his automobile, the 37-year-old bank president discarded a cane he used the first few days since his release last Wednesday night at times leaning on the shoulder of a Federal agent, as he entered the Federal building.

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GUNS, MASKS FOUND IN CAR IN MINNEAPOLIS

Woman Suspect in Gluek Plot Among Band Rounded Up in Police Raids.

St. Paul Dispatch

NEW BREMER CLUES FOUND

Banker Again Confers With Cops; Auto Used for Ransom Identified as Stolen.

A new kidnaping in the Twin Cities was believed thwarted today as Minneapolis police seized an auto loaded with what appeared to be equipment of a gang of "snatchers."

Simultaneously, the Minneapolis police arrested fifteen men and three women. One of the women was said by the police to have been involved in the attempted kidnaping several years ago of a member of a Minneapolis brewery-owning family. One of the arrested is a fugitive from highway robbery charges in Duluth.

Federal agents, working on the kidnaping here of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul bank president who was released last week after payment of $2,000 ransom, went immediately to Minneapolis police headquarters to question the prisoners.

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The auto seized in Min... was taken near Eleventh str... Second avenue south, on t... skirts of the loop district.

Chloroform in Seat.

Detectives reported the M... in car contained, in the ba... a home-made chloroform ma... bottles of chloroform, a rol... hesive tape, several towels, nickel-plated pistol. The car equipment were taken to pol... quarters. Three silk muff... a box of sleeping tablets a... found in the car.

The automobile was foun... after police arrested in a ... ward Doran, 24 year sold, ... Duluth.

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He said he would request that Bremer, who was released Wednesday night at Rochester, Minn., after payment of $200,000 ransom, be taken to view the farm house. Bremer does not know where he was held but it is reported he will be able to identify the wallpaper in the room in which he was kept.

Dahill Awaits Details.

Federal men working on the Bremer case in St. Paul, headed by Harold Nathan, first assistant to J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the Department of Justice investigating branch, were not available when word of the Iowa investigator's announcement was received. Thomas E. Dahill, St. Paul chief of police, said he had received no official information on the report and until he does "will not announce our plans."

Immediately after making his announcement, Mr. Findley left his home and could not be reached, the Associated Press said.

In Chicago, Melvin H. Purvis, chief of the Federal Bureau of Investigation there, said his operatives would make immediate investigation of the report.

Mr. Purvis also said that he had not been notified officially of the Creston development but added "we will be glad to co-operate with Iowa and other authorities on the investigation of the tip.

May Be in St. Paul Jurisdiction.

Mr. Purvis said it is possible that the jurisdiction of the investigation may come under the St. Paul office of the Federal department rather than the Chicago office. "It may be however," he continued, "that Findley has been informed of possible Chicago angles of the case of which we are not aware."

Mr. Findley's disclosure brought to four the Iowa locations in which Mr. Bremer is reported to have been held. Federal agents investigated a Sioux City house, Polk county authorities visited several farms near Des Moines and Federal operatives were reported to be inquiring into a tip regarding a supposed hideout near Mason City. None of these clues has resulted in positive information.

His movements guarded with the utmost secrecy, Bremer conferred twice Monday with Department of Justice operatives here who took unusual precautions to keep details of the conferences undisclosed.

The kidnap victim spent two hours behind closed doors with Federal agents Monday morning and one hour in the afternoon, apparently viewing numerous photographs in an

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License Plates Changed.

The cab was found Tuesday morning in South Omaha with different license plates. The taxi company told detectives in Omaha that the car had been driven 800 miles since being stolen. The cab theft came to attention when it was learned that Mr. Mages first had been instructed to deliver the ransom at Des Moines at about the same time the Omaha cab was missing. The distance the cab was driven while missing is about equivalent to a trip to St. Paul via Des Moines and return.

Tulsa, Okla., authorities revealed, according to the Associated Press, that they had been asked by St. Paul police for the fingerprint classification and photograph of Campbell, who is wanted for the killing of J. Earl Smith, attorney who refused to serve Harvey Bailey, convicted kidnaper, when he was tried for bank robbery at Fort Scott, Kan. Sheriff Charles Price of Tulsa said he had a tip two weeks ago that Campbell had been seen in St. Paul.

Chief Dahill admitted that St. Paul police had asked for the information on Campbell, but would not say that he is wanted here specifically for questioning in the Bremer case. He added, however, that "anyone is a suspect."

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LIGHTS AND BUS LED ... BREAK KANSOM CAR

St. P. Press 2-14-34

Red Lanterns Placed Along Road Guided Magee to Payoff Spot.

Several red lanterns, placed along a narrow country road, and a south-bound passenger bus figured in the setting for payment of the $200,000 ransom to effect release of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul bank president, held by kidnapers for 22 days, it was learned Tuesday night.

Walter Magee, St. Paul contractor and contact man named by the abductors, was instructed in a note found in the side pocket of the payoff car, directing him to pick up a certain bus between St. Paul and Farmington, 20 miles distant, at 9:10 P. M. the night of February 6.

The additional details revealed Tuesday stated that Magee was told to follow the bus at a distance of 100 yards and to keep behind it until it reached Faribault, 55 miles south of St. Paul.

It was learned several days ago that Magee was instructed by the kidnapers to go to a parked car in downtown St. Paul, read the abductors' note of instruction and then drive away in the machine with the ransom money.

It became known also Tuesday that Magee, after reaching Faribault, left the route of the bus and turned off on the first small road to the left after leaving Faribault. He then continued until he reached several red lanterns placed along the road. By pre-arrangement, the kidnapers winked car headlights four times. This was the final signal for Magee to stop his machine and place two large bundles, containing the $200,000 in $5 and $10 bills, by the roadside.

Meanwhile the search for the gang that kidnaped Bremer January 17 proceeded behind a veil of secrecy clamped down by Federal Department of Justice agents who are leading the hunt.

15 Arrests Fail To Bremer Clue In Minneapolis

St. P. Press 2-15-34

Man in Suspect Car Found Wanted in Duluth on Robbery Charge.

Federal Department of Justice agents continued running down every clue that presented itself Wednesday in their effort to apprehend the kidnapers of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, but so far as could be learned made little progress in the investigation.

Questioning of fifteen men and three women arrested in a police roundup Wednesday in Minneapolis failed to reveal any connection with the kidnaping. Those held were questioned both by Minneapolis police and a Federal agent.

M. F. Kinkead, Ramsey county attorney, and two assistants, James F. Lynch and William Desmond, had not returned early today from a trip by motor to Iowa, which has been reported several times as the location of the hideout of the kidnap gang. Whether their journey concerned the kidnap investigation could not be ascertained.

The persons arrested in Minneapolis were viewed by victims of recent holdups at a special "showup" Wednesday night, but none was identified. Only one, Edward Doran, 24 years old, was found to have a police record. He is wanted in Duluth on highway robbery and automobile theft.

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charges and will be turned over to authorities there. The others were held for further investigation.

Doran's car, seized shortly after his arrest and found to contain adhesive tape, chloroform and a chloroform mask, at first led to the belief the materials were to have been used in another Twin Cities kidnaping. Later, however, it was discovered the car had been stolen from a physician and that the materials were in it when it was taken.

Meanwhile, it was learned that Walter Magee, St. Paul contractor who paid the $200,000 ransom Feb... to effect the banker's re... the following night, spent a miserable hour after dropping the ransom near Faribault trying to find his bearings.

As additional details of Magee's experience were revealed, the Associated Press learned that after placing the cash on the ground when the headlights of an automobile flashed four times, the designated signal, Magee continued driving along a little-used country road near Faribault and soon became lost. He found himself an hour later near Zumbrota, 30 miles off his course, and returned to St. Paul by a roundabout route.

The car which Magee drove, left for him at a street intersection in St. Paul by the kidnapers, was a stolen machine with a fake insignia of an oil concern on the side to identify it, it was learned.

KELLY PAL HUNTED IN MAINE BY U. S. AGENT.

Portland, Me., Feb. 14.—(AP)—The far-flung investigation being conducted by the Department of Ju... into the activities of kidnap g... has set Maine law enforcement a... cies on the trail of a henchma... "Machine Gun" Kelly suspected being in hiding in this state.

Kelly is serving a life sentence the kidnaping of Charles U... Oklahoma City oil man.

Following on the arrival of ... eral agent here and a raid ... farmhouse at Gorham, ten miles ... this city, it was disclosed that ... thorities were seeking Edward D... described as an associate of Kel... The Federal officer, accompanied ... Portland police, visited the suburb... farm Tuesday night.

Published stories that the Feder... agent's visit here and the search ... Doll were connected in some way wi... the search for the kidnapers of E... ward G. Bremer, St. Paul banke... were denied. Bremer's name w... never mentioned during the time ... Department of Justice represent... tive was here, police said.

TWO BREMER SUSPECTS ... QUERIED IN BALTIM...

St. P. P. Press 2-22-...

Baltimore, Feb. 21 (AP)... ment of Jus... the records ... woman, arrest... on the theory ... had some connection with the kid... ping of Edward Bremer at St. ...

The woman, police said, told ... that she had gone to school ... Bremer's sisters and that she ... Adolf Bremer, father of ... naped young man who paid the ... 000 ransom.

Harold Nathan, first assistant ... J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the Jus... department's bureau of investigati... and in charge of the Bremer kidn... ing investigation here, said Wed... day night he had received no ... of the arrest of two suspects ... Baltimore. St. Paul police also ... serted that ... had not been informed ... the arrest.

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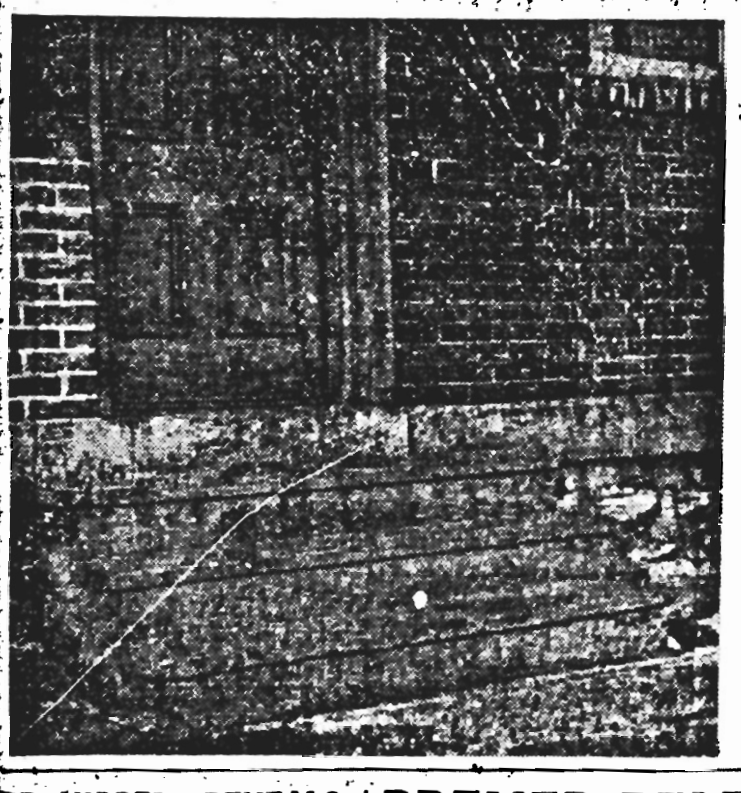

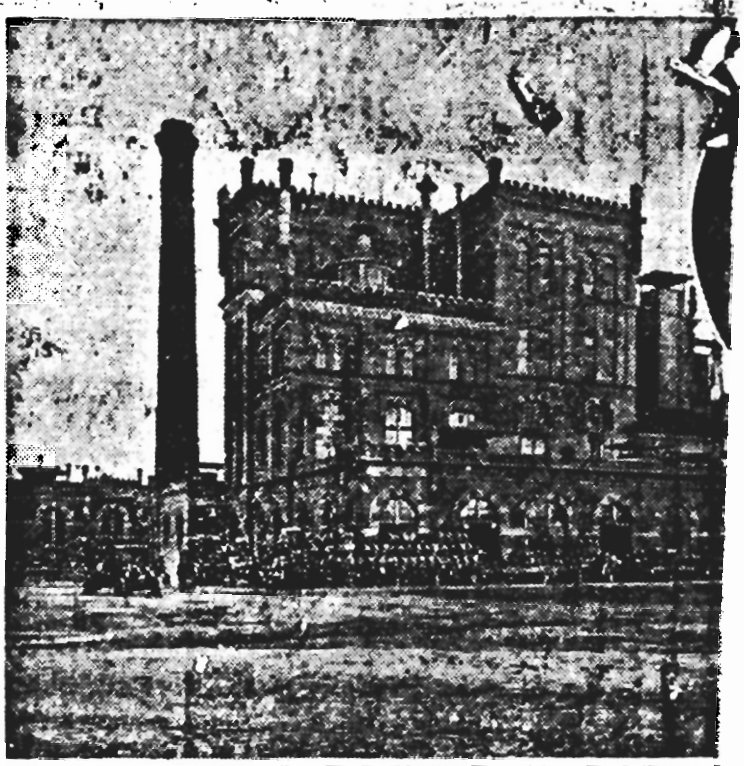

DR. NIPPERT REVEALS CONTACT WITH GANG

Bottle Hurled Through Glass Jan. 20 Called Attention to Notes.

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the bottle incident, except for the ending of the letters.

Awakened by Crash.

"I was awakened about 6:15 A. M. that morning by a crashing sound," Dr. Nippert said. "I remember that I glanced at my watch. At the time I thought that a storm window had banged, and turned over and went to sleep.

"About 7 A. M. I arose and went to the bathroom to shave. A moment or so later Mrs. Nippert called to me, 'Why don't you answer your phone?' I hadn't heard the phone ring, because it was muted. Mrs. Nippert had been ill and had muted the phone without telling me. I hopped into the hall and answered [illegible]

BREMER RELEASED AT ROCHESTER, RETURNS HOME BRUISED, EXHAUSTED

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and nervous strain and the let-down that would come after something like this."

Dr. Joseph Sprafka, once known as "Galloping Joe," University of Minnesota football star, confirmed information that a ransom had been paid, but he said he did not know the exact amount.

"Do you know whether a ransom was paid?" Dr. Sprafka was asked by a Dispatch reporter, as the doctor left the Adolf Bremer home after attending the victim.

"Sure it was paid."

"How much?"

"I don't know how much, but I do know a ransom was paid."

APPEARS VERY TIRED.

Dr. Sprafka, a personal friend of the abducted man, said that Mr. Bremer had a full growth of beard and appeared very tired and nervous.

A possible clue to the gang was given by Douglas Street, 33 years old, chauffeur for Dr. Waltman Walters, Mayo clinic physician at Rochester. Street said he saw two well dressed men in an automobile bearing a New York license at Lewiston, Minn., about 3 A. M. today. Lewiston is 37 miles east of Rochester.

The first two persons known to have seen the banker after his release are Howard McGonn and Mrs. Jennie Haight, ticket sellers in the Rochester bus depot. They said Bremer walked into the bus station about 8 P. M. Wednesday and asked about bus connection [illegible]

TOLD ST. PAUL BU[illegible]

NO HARM IN TRYING.

Dressed as a trained nurse, a Twin Cities newspaper woman gained entry to the home of Adolf Bremer, 855 West Seventh street, through a rear door shortly after 11 A. M. today while the remainder of the news representatives were kept outside.

She lasted only about three minutes, however, being ushered firmly from the front of the home. She fled down the street as photographers, recognizing her, attempted to get her picture.

gratitude to all persons connecte with the successful return of hi son. Included in this note were th names of Walter Magee, contracto and personal friend of the Bremers who received first notice that E. G Bremer had been kidnaped.

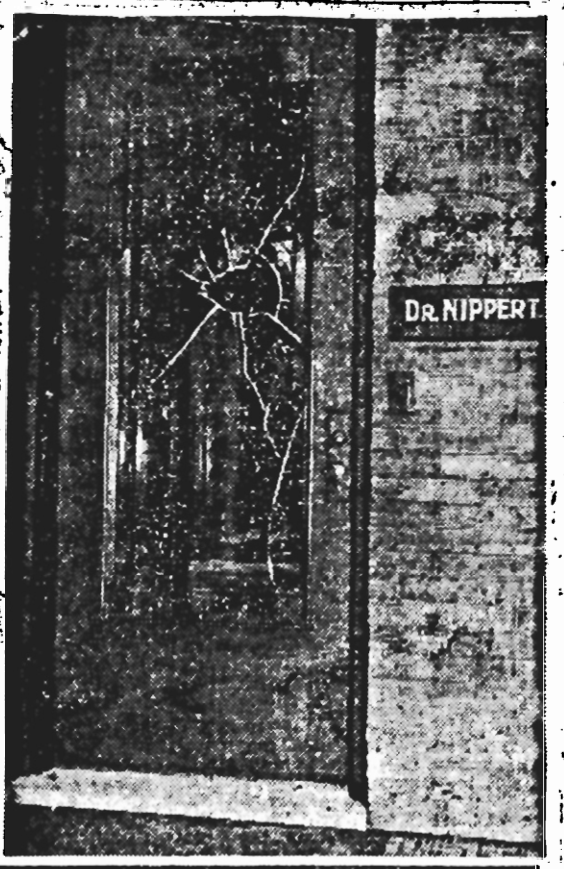
Mr. Newcome, also was men tioned in Adolf Bremer's note. Ju what part he played in the retur was not disclosed. "I have nothin to say," Mr. Newcome replied t questions. "I didn't even want m name in the statement."

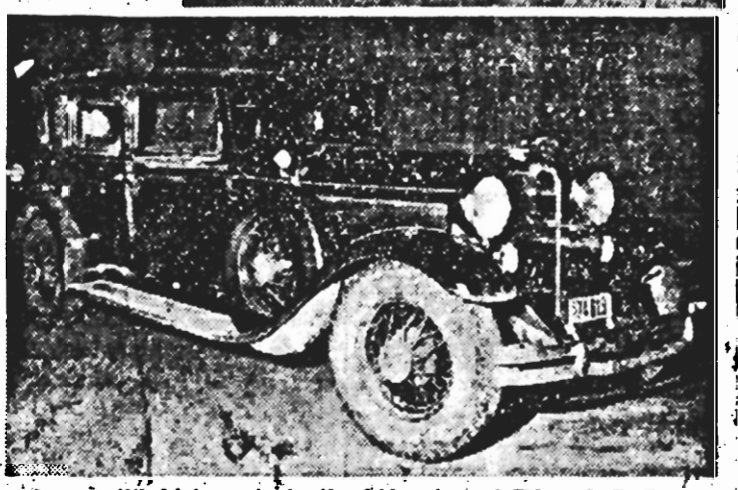
The family was jubilant over hi release, which freed them from th fearful anxiety under which the had lived since the abduction.

Two messages to the kidnapers were given to the press by Ad[illegible]

CLUDING BLOODSTAINED AUTO

A dentifrice bottle was hurled through the front door window of the home of Dr. T. Nippert, 706 Lincoln avenue, family physician for the Bremers, January 20, to attract his attention to notes that had been slipped under the door. A close-up of the front door is shown.





Among the high spots in the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer are: Top left, the palatial home of the yictim at 92 North Mississippi River boulevard.

Top center: How the big blue sedan of Mr. Bremer was intercepted by kidnapers at Goodrich and Lexington avenues on Wednesday morning, January 17.

Lower left: The rear stoop of the office of Walter Magee, contractor, where a note from the kidnapers was found.

Lower center: The Schmidt Brewing Co., on West Seventh street with inset of Edward Penschuck who was with Mr. Magee when the note was found.

Lower right center: Walter Magee who was first informed of the kidnaping.

Lower right: The Bremer automobile on which bloodstains were found.

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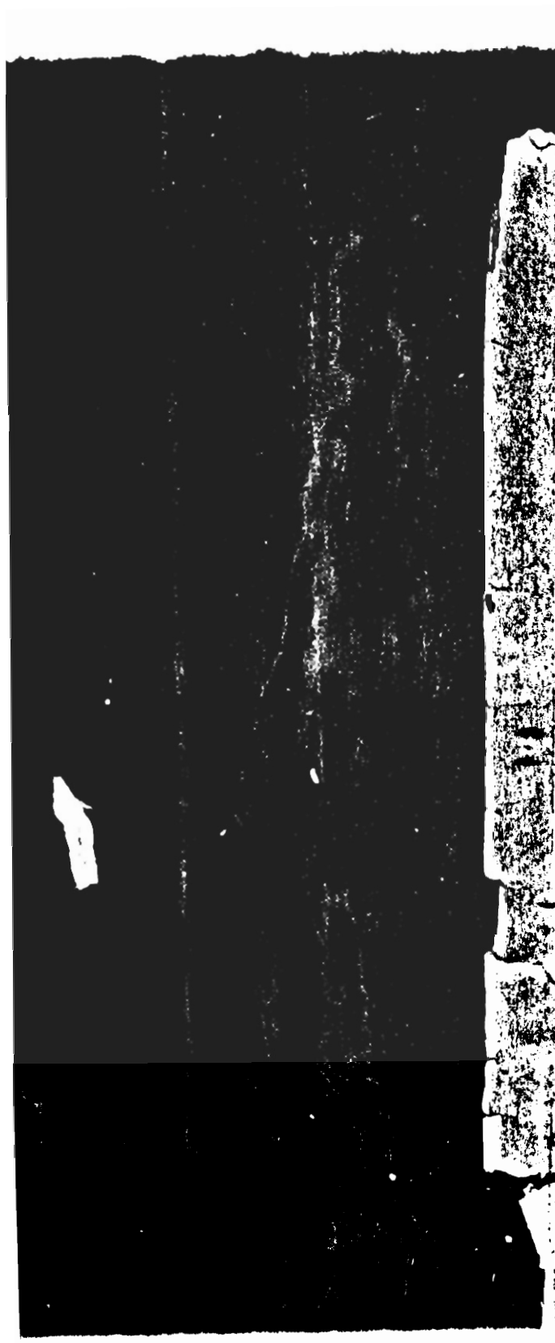

Call From Pay Station.

Dr. Nippert said the maid, who first answered the phone, reported to him that the call was made from a pay station.

"The maid said she heard the operator instruct the caller to deposit a coin," the physician said. The call, he said, was not traced.

"After answering the call I went downstairs, not waiting to dress fully, and found that the front door had been smashed," Dr. Nippert continued. "Under the door I found the large envelope."

On the outside envelope was written in ink and, according to Dr. Nippert, in the kidnaped man's hand writing: "Dr. N. T. Nippert, Personal."

Note from Victim.

"Inside the large envelope I found three smaller ones. These were square, somewhat like women's stationery. One of the three was addressed to me. I opened it and inside was a note from Edward. It was dated Friday night (January 19). I forget the exact wording, but I was instructed to deliver the other two notes to Adolf Bremer and Walter Magee. The note also cautioned me against notifying police."

Dr. Nippert said he followed instructions, delivering all three notes that morning to the kidnaped man's father.

"They have all three notes now for all I know," the physician said.

He added that he received no further telephone calls and that he had not seen the abduction victim or other members of the family.

"What messages were in the notes to Adolf Bremer and Walter Magee?" Dr. Nippert was asked.

"I don't know," he replied. "I turned them over as I was instructed. That's all I know."

"Was the full ransom ($200,000) paid?" he was asked.

"I wouldn't know as to that," the doctor replied. "I'm sure I don't know."

CONGRATULATIONS FLOOD HOME OF ADOLF BREMER

Messenger boys took scores of congratulations today to the home of Adolf Bremer, 855 West Seventh street, on the safe return of his son, Edward, after 21½ days in the hands of kidnapers.

The messages contrasted with the flood of "crank" letters received by the family from all parts of the country during the time the kidnap victim was missing.

Rochester where he could board a bus. It was thought that Mr. Bremer did this, but that point could not be confirmed immediately.

Both ticket sellers said he appeared dazed and was unshaven. They said his eyes appeared to be in good condition.

L. J. Mosher, ticket agent at Rochester for the Chicago, Northwestern railroad, said today he was positive the man who bought a ticket for Owatonna from him last night was Bremer.

Merrit Horn, a cab driver at Rochester, said he was convinced he drove Bremer from the bus depot to the railroad station after the victim had learned he would be unable to get a bus out of there for St. Paul Wednesday night.

At 10:30 A. M. today Clarence Newcome, general manager of the Schmidt brewery, took a paper wrapped package into the Adolf Bremer home. Through the wrappings could be seen a small black bag. Soon afterwards, Mr. Newcome, Harold Nathan, first assistant to J. Edgar Hoover, head of the Department of Justice division of investigation, and another agent, entered an automobile and sped away. The surmise of reporters was that the bag may have been used as part of the line of communication from the kidnapers. The theory, which was not verified, was that the kidnapers checked the bag at a railroad station where it was picked up by the St. Paul contact man, who in some manner was given the baggage check.

First announcement of Bremer's release was made by Werner Hanni, chief of the Department of Justice office here. Hanni refused to give details of the return, merely saying that the banker had been released unharmed at Rochester by three men in a small car.

Chief of Police Thomas Dahill, Inspector of Detectives Charles Tierney and Detective Tom Brown of the St. Paul police department rushed to the Adolf Bremer home to participate in the questioning of the abducted man. Meanwhile no one was permitted in the yard. Then M. F. Kinkead, Ramsey county attorney, appeared at the home. The door, at first, was shut in his face, but was reopened a short time later and the attorney went in.

Throng Gathers Outside.

Scores of photographers and reporters gathered outside the home awaiting an opportunity to speak to the victim.

Inside the home in addition to Adolf Bremer, the wife and daughter of the banker and other members of the family and friends, was Otto Bremer, chairman of the board of the American National bank, head of the Minnesota Home Owners Loan corporation. Both Adolf and Otto Bremer are friends of President Roosevelt. Otto is the kidnaped man's uncle.

A brief statement was issued by Adolf Bremer, who expressed his [illegible] not interfer if the kidnapers would only get a touch with the family. At all times Mr. Bremer told the kidnapers, through published statements, that the ransom was ready for payment.

Police and federal agents, who have been working on the crime since it was committed, redoubled efforts to trail the perpetrators, but the gangsters are said to have covered their tracks well.

Particularly happy over Bremer's return were his wife Emily, 92 North River boulevard, and 8-year-old daughter Betty, who was the last to see him before he was kidnaped.

The crime occurred shortly after Bremer had taken his daughter by automobile from home to Summit school, 1150 Goodrich avenue, where she is a pupil in the third grade, and continued on his way downtown to the Commercial State bank, Sixth and Washington.

But he did not reach the bank. After he had said goodby to Betty, and seen the school's doors close behind her he set out through one of St. Paul's wealthiest residential districts for downtown.

Along the route his kidnapers awaited him. They seized him; abandoned his car near the home of

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Victim Able to Pick Hideout of Gang By Wallpaper Design

St. P. Pioneer Press Feb. 8, 1934

$200,000 Placed in Road Near Faribault by Magee on Signal of Car Lights After One Contact Attempt Fails Due to Money Being Under Time Lock in Bank.

Three separate investigations seeking the apprehension of the kidnapers of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, were launched Thursday night following his release Wednesday night.

Independent efforts to track down the gang which held the banker a prisoner for 21 days were started by the Federal Department of Justice, which threw the entire weight of its nation-wide organization into the hunt, St. Paul police, and the State Bureau of Criminal Apprehension.

Other developments:

It was learned that the full $200,000 ransom demanded by the kidnapers was paid, an unverified report stating the fortune in cash was thrown from an automobile on a side road off Highway No. 1 near Faribault Tuesday night when another car's headlights were flashed four times as a signal, the Associated Press says in a copyrighted story.

Bremer is reported to have told officials he can identify the gang's hideout by the wallpaper design.

Although the utmost secrecy veiled the kidnap investigation, authentic reports were that no important clues were gleaned by authorities during several [illegible] questioning of the kidnap victim.

Members and associates of the Bremer family, asserting they had been instructed "not to talk", refused absolutely to discuss the case or answer any questions. It was announced a statement will be issued by the Bremer family at 9 A. M. today.

The kidnap victim was reported still in a highly nervous condition early today the result of mental strain rather than physical injuries at the hands of his abductors.

Except for the presence of a dozen detectives, there was no unusual activity at police headquarters Thursday night. Thomas E. Dahill, chief of police, and Inspector Charles J. Tierney left the station shortly before 10 P. M. for their homes.

Chiefs of the Federal Department of Justice Bureau of Investigation remained in their offices in the Post-office building until nearly midnight.

Dahill Refuses to Comment.

Chief Dahill responded to all queries regarding the kidnaping with the assertion: "I am not free to make any statement regarding the case tonight."

Asked whether reports that Alvin Karpis and Freddie Barker, fugitives wanted for murders in West St. Paul and West Plains, Mo., were being sought for the Bremer kidnaping, Chief Dahill replied: "I can neither affirm nor deny it."

The Associated Press stated it learned the $200,000 ransom, $85,000 in $5 bills and the remainder in $10 bills, was delivered Tuesday night by Walter W. Magee, St. Paul contractor, who received the first message from the kidnapers a few hours after the abduction January 17.

The payment was made after a hitch in previous arrangements for turning over the ransom had aroused fresh anxiety among the family and caused issuance of a public appeal by Adolf Bremer, St. Paul brewer and father of the kidnap victim, the story says.

Magee Withholds Details.

Magee, asserting he had been "instructed not to say anything until a later date," refused to answer any questions concerning the kidnaping or reveal details of the ransom payment.

It was learned, however, the Associated Press stated, that [illegible] prior to Saturday Magee received instructions from the gang [illegible] to take a bus from St. Paul at [illegible] that hour, go to [illegible] under an assumed

Pass Kinkead!

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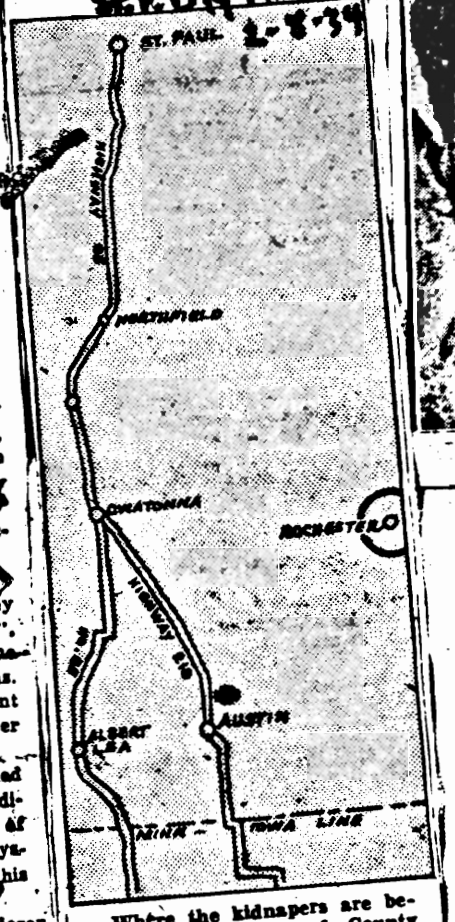

Where the kidnapers are believed to have passed County Attorney M. F. Kinkead and his family in southern Minnesota as they sped to get their victim in hiding, is shown by the cross on this map. The point is on highway No. 218, near Austin, and southwest of Rochester.

ALVIN KARPIS.

FRED BARKER.

St. P. Dly. News Feb. 8, 1934.

Kidnap Suspects

ALVIN KARPIS.

FRED BARKER.

U. S. Agents Keep Secret Bremer Clue

St. P. Dly. News

Reticence At Washington May Indicate Federal Agents Are On Trail Of Fresh Clue.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—The Department of Justice maintained strictest secrecy today as to developments following the return of Edward G. Bremer, kidnaped St. Paul banker.

"We are pressing the search for the kidnapers," was the only comment of Atty. Gen. Cummings.

Reluctance to discuss the case indicated federal agents might be following some fresh clue. Cummings declined even to make known the exact amount of ransom paid, but pointed out that the Bremer kidnaping was comparable to that of John J. O'Connell, Jr., of Albany, N. Y., in that both victims were held 22 days.

Records of the Bremer case showed that the St. Paul banker was abducted Jan. 17 and freed at midnight Feb. 7, although St. Paul dispatches gave 8 p. m. as the latter time.

St. Paul Dispatch

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1934

MR. BREMER RETURNS.

Every one will rejoice with the family of Edward G. Bremer in the successful conclusion of their efforts to obtain his safe return.

Needless to say, however, the "happy ending" is not yet. That will not take place until these and all other kidnapers are smashed.

The federal and local authorities are now released from the restraint under which they were placed by the personal consideration which had first right of way. The kidnapers have at least one day's start. They may make their getaway now, but they will be caught. Persistence and nation-wide organization will track them down, as it did Sankey. These are the great contributions to crime detection which have been contributed by federal entry into this field.

There should be more of this federal policing than there is. Kidnaping is one of the most harrowing, brutal of all crimes, but it is only one side of the crime problem in America. Americans will not be able to hold up their heads until all professional crime, not merely that of kidnaping, is under as complete control as it is in other countries.

...som Brought Bremer Release, Attorney General Announces

...Feb. 8.—(AP)—Attor... Cummings said today ... of the kidnaped Edward ... St. Paul was effected ... of a ransom.

...se with reporters ...ensify hunt for ...ters, ...id that Bremer ...sed near ...chester, Minne... shortly before midnight ...y and returned to St. Paul ... train and bus.

...clear that a ransom was declared.

...nsom demanded was fixed at $200,00... but whether all part of that was paid was not indicated by the attorney general.

He noted that Bremer had been held for 22 days, the same length of time as was John O'Connell of Albany, N. Y.

He said the Bremer case was the only one over which the Department of Justice has had charge that has not been solved, with the exception of the Lindbergh case.

...aping Menace Worse Than ...Rule Under Tyrant, Olson Says

...t of life under conditions ...han under the rule of a ...unless police and citizens ...he menace of kidnaping" ...hasized today by Governor ... he announced his calling ...ence of law enforcement ...at his office at ... A. M.

...r Olson, calling the con... ...n connection with the Ed...ard Bremer kidnaping, said that after this meeting contact will be made with federal agencies to obtain "united action" between Minnesota and the federal government. Governor Olson's statement said:

"All law enforcing agencies and all law-abiding citizens must join together to crush the menace of kidnaping. Unless that is done it will grow to such an extent that no one will be safe and we will live under a condition worse than under the rule of a tyrant.

"The state of Minnesota has only eight police officers (state crime bureau), but I propose to use that agency and my personal efforts for the purpose of co-ordinating the law enforcing agencies of the state. As a preliminary step I have summoned various officials and officers of law enforcing agencies to an executive meeting to be held at my office Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

"These persons include the mayors and chiefs of police of the Twin Cities and Duluth, the presidents of the sheriffs, county attorneys and police officers associations of the state, and others. Following this conference, contact will be made with federal agencies to secure united action between the state and the federal government."

...Successful ...b Marked Up ...By Kidnapers

...collection of ransom and re... ...Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul ... marked completion by kid... ...of the fifth successful major ...'' in St. Paul in less than ...d a half years.

...er was seized January 17 ...,000 ransom and freed Wed... ...night after payment of an ...ased amount.

...other four kidnapings were: ...Gleckman, reputed political ...ator, seized September 24, ...y five men, four of whom ...Stillwater prison, for $75,000 ... $6,400 was paid, of which ...as recovered.

... Rutman, dress shop owner, ...October 5, 1931, and tortured ...0,000 ransom, of which $2... ... paid; two men convicted ... ...me and a third is sought.

...ell Bohn, son of a refrigera... ...ufacturer, seized June 30, 19... ...ne Sankey gang for $35,00... ..., of which $12,000 was paid; ...in in prison for the kidnaping. ...nkey is in custody.

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THE SAINT P...

THE ST. PAUL POLICE.

Since the rise of professional gang depredations, the Pioneer Press has believed that in the nature of these well organized crimes, the major weapon of society for the vindication of law and protection of its members must be the federal authority.

The Brem... case has confirmed this newspaper in that view more strongly than ever.

But the local police are gravely mistaken and derelict in their duty if they believe, because those things are so, that they can wash their hands of their rightful responsibility. The three major kidnapings in the past two years have become the shame of St. Paul. They have held this city before the rest of the country in disgrace. And for this unhappy condition the police cannot avoid a share of blame.

No excuses that can be offered adequately answer the question, "Why is St. Paul alone of all cities have the kidnapers been so successful?"

The only answer that covers the question is simply this, "There are conditions in St. Paul that cause kidnapers to believe that here more than anywhere else they may commit their horrible crime with the greatest degree of safety."

Since federal policing is just as sharp here as anywhere else, the reason for this belief which the kidnapers hold, and apparently with too good justification, is that the local side of policing is below standard.

The answer therefore to the devastating question being directed at St. Paul must be found in police laxity.

For despite all that may be said in extenuation of the police due to the character of this particular crime and the mobility of these new criminals, the local field is the responsibility of the local police. It is the job of the local police to know what goes on in the local underworld while these crimes are being planned, and what goes on after they have been committed. It is their job to know these criminals and to know when they are here and why. All too plainly the St. Paul police know none of these things. And if some "finger" of the St. Paul underworld is responsible for this series of kidnapings, then all the greater the blame on the police for being ignorant of that.

Will there be more kidnapings in St. Paul?

There undoubtedly will be if the kidnapers of Edward Bremer are not caught. The St. Paul police in their easy-going regime have reduced their work practically to routine investigations of petty offenses mainly the work of amateurs or novices.

It is time for this easy-going regime to end. The police themselves should have ended it long since. This Bremer case is a test between them and the underworld. St. Paul has a right to a better decision of that issue than it has heretofore had.

PERSONALITIES IN THE BREMER KIDNAPING

After 22 anxious days **EDWARD G. BREMER**, young St. Paul banker, was released by his kidnapers near Rochester, Minn., Wednesday night . . . His release brought an end to the terrific strain under which his pretty, young wife, **MRS. EDWARD G. BREMER**, has been ever since he left home Jan. 17 to take their daughter Betty, 8, years old, to Summit school . . . No less relieved than the young wife was the aged father, **ADOLF BREMER**, who was reported today to have paid $200,000 for his son's return and who issued a public statement expressing his heart-felt gratitude to all those who co-operated . . . First news that there had been a kidnaping was received by **WALTER W. MAGEE**, prominent contractor and friend of the Bremer family, who received the ransom note . . . Further contact with the kidnapers was established through two notes and telephone messages received by **DR. H. T. NIPPERT**, family physician, when a milk bottle was thrown through his glass front door—a development which was published first and exclusively by The Daily News, denied by others and confirmed today by Dr. Nippert . . . Recovery of Mr. Bremer and hot pursuit of the kidnapers was brought about and continued largely through federal agents operating under the direction of **WERNER HANNI**, chief investigator of the St. Paul district, federal department of justice.

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Still Shaken, Sobs As He Recalls Woe

Viciously Beaten By Kidnapers Who Threatened To Chain Him To Bed, Banker Relates.

Haggard and worn from 23 days in the hands of kidnapers, Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, told for the first time today of his "snatching" on Jan. 17.

His story, interrupted several times by sobs as he recalled events in the kidnaping and by cautions from his personal physician, Dr. H. T. Nippert, Mr. Bremer told of a vicious beating by his abductors, threats of being chained to his bed unless he complied with their every demand, of lying in the rear of automobiles, of the lack of food, and finally of his release in Rochester Tuesday night.

Clad in a dark lounging robe, patent leather slippers, a white shirt open at the neck, Mr. Bremer received more than a score of newspaper photographers and movie men at his home, 92 N. Mississippi. After camera men had been allowed to take two pictures, Mr. Bremer started his story.

Dad Visibly Warried.

In the home with Mr. Bremer were his father, visibly worried by his son's condition; Dr. Nippert, who occupied a seat directly to the right of Mr. Bremer as he told his story; Walter W. Magee, contractor and friend, the contact man who delivered the $200,000; Adolph Bremer, Jr., brother, a department of justice agent, and a friend of the family.

The flashing of the cameramen's bulbs gathered momentum, and the picture takers were warned by Dr. Nippert that they must hurry, "for you must remember that Mr. Bremer has been in a dark room for several weeks, and that it's hard on his eyes."

"I'm all in," Mr. Bremer said in greeting to a newspaper friend.

With the cameramen through with their picture taking, Mr. Magee told newspapermen that according to understanding Mr. Bremer could tell his story, and no questions would be asked by the newspapermen. He said Dr. Nippert wanted to be present during the questioning, because of the victim's condition.

Mr. Bremer clasped his hands before him, and, as he started his story, started to sob, and pounded his right fist on the side of the chair.

"Well, I think I got baby to school about 8:20 a. m.," he began.

At this point Mr. Bremer, who had evidently been looking forward to telling his story, broke down and started to cry.

His father cried in sympathy.

Dr. H. T. Nippert, Bremer family physician, reached over and patted the young kidnap victim on the shoulder. With an obvious effort, Edward braced himself and went on telling the story in a clear tone, and did not falter throughout the narrative.

Gun Poked Into Car.

"I drove up to the corner of Goodrich ave. and Lexington parkway, and stopped for the arterial highway. As soon as I stopped the door next to me on my left opened, and an arm with a gun was pushed into the car.

"'Don't move or I'll kill you,' the man said.

"I put the car in low gear, preparing to go across the street, when I looked up and saw a car parked squarely in front of me.

"I then opened the right-hand door to go out, and by that time the man with the arm in the car, started to hit me across the head.

"As I started to get out the right side, another man must have been there, because I bumped into some blows from that source. Fifteen or twenty. Blood was streaming down into my eyes.

BANKER TELLS OF LONG CAPTIVITY

Sobbing, nervous, highly agitated, Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, today told the story of his abduction and three weeks' captivity as he reclined in a large chair at his home at 92 N. Mississippi River boulevard, on the arm of which was seated his father, Adolf Bremer, wealthy brewer. The two are shown in the pictures above. Throughout Mr. Bremer's story, his father frequently showed signs of nervousness, and hatred for his son's abductors blazed in his eyes as Edward told of hardships he had suffered at the hands of his snatchers.

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Inspected Money.

"At that time they took some cans out of the car and got more gasoline. After dark they allowed me to sit on the seat. After dark they also let me out of the car with two attendants. They said, 'We will find out if the money is marked.'

"I told them I don't think they had to worry about that.

"The car drove away, and when it returned, they said everything was all right — that the money wasn't marked.

"After driving some time they said, 'Now we are nearing Rochester, Minn. We'll put you off on a dark street. Get out of the car, face the direction we are in but which is not the direction you are to walk. Count 15 slowly before you remove the bandages. Turn about face and go into Rochester. Be sure not to let anyone recognize you. Go to the bus depot. Take the 9:40 bus to St. Paul. In St. Paul don't go to the bus depot. Get off before you get there. Get a cab and go home. But don't let anybody see you.'

"I got out of the car, carefully counted 15, heard the car stop, so I didn't remove the bandages until I heard the car start again.

Tried Not To Stagger.

"I removed the bandages. I could make out a car with lights in back. I turned and tried not to stagger. I walked in circles a few minutes so I could walk straight. I walked five or six blocks, but couldn't find the bus depot. I asked and found out there was no bus to St. Paul that night.

"The woman in the bus depot said, 'I think you can catch a train leaving for Owatonna in five min-

The fifth and final ... Mr. Magee and led to the payment of ransom, Tuesday night.

In compliance with instructions in the final message, Mr. Magee drove to a place where he found a small parked automobile. Mr. Magee carried the $200,000 ransom with him in two covered bushel baskets.

In the parked car, he found a note giving him further instructions for paying the ransom. Further details of the ransom payment were not made public, according to Harold Nathan, chief department of justice agent.

...d Make It Crime ...ay Kidnap Ransom

...SHINGTON, Feb. 9.—...shurst, Democrat, Ari... is preparing to introduce ...mak...g it a crime to pay ...m in kidnaping cases. ...id such a law would con...e to wiping out kidnap... this country.

...oot and we started to drive ...t know where.

...we had driven for 10 or ...es—I don't know how long— ...pped and put goggles over ... I was then told to get out ...ar, and I was placed in the ... another machine and told ...m the floor.

...as at that time that my ...was taken away from me. ...ld me it was to be used for ...ati...n purposes, and asked ... I would like to have as a ... man.

...med Walter Magee as the ...would like to have them get ... with, and told them I knew ...men whom I had grown up ...

...as then told to sign notes. ...don't know if I signed them ... stop or at a later stop.

... car then started and we ...ed to drive on—I don't know ...any hours. Then we stopped ...and perhaps it was at that ...at I signed the notes. At ...op there was undoubtedly ... car accompanying us, as I ...hear them refilling the cars ...ater and gas.

...hen started to drive again ...ove until it must have been ...because they then told me I ...sit up on the seat of the car ...o one would see me."

...his time Mr. Bremer explain... ...was on the floor in the back ...the car.

Walked To Keep Warm.

...r dark the car that had been ...panying us, left us. I was ... cold and the two persons ...ere with me took me out of ... and walked me up and down. ...n the other car returned. We ...several hours more. Finally ...topped the car and led me ...istance. I went downstairs. ...d on a chair. They ex... ...my head and washed out ...its as best they could. I told ...to cut off my hair as I would ... have the cuts taken care of ...ty than to have an infection ... They took the bandages off. ... dark and I couldn't see. I felt ...air and found it was sticky ...blood.

...er that they placed some wa... ... front of me. They took my ...ges off my eyes, and I was in ...k room. I tried to wash my ... as best I could. I could feel ...were sticky with blood.

...was then bandaged up and put ...d. The next morning they put ... a chair and served breakfast. ... there in that same chair until ... put back to bed.

...is same routine was carried ...ll the time I was there. I was ...n a chair until I couldn't sit ...onger; and when I'd complain, ...would put me to bed.

...ey told me to behave as they ...he or they would chain me to ...ed. Naturally, I acceded to ...every wish.

Food Was Scanty.

...ry conversation they carried ...s in a whisper. The boys said ...d very good. My bandages ...taken off while I was seated in ...air facing a corner, provided I ...t turn my head. If ..., they said, they would put them ...r good.

...he next morning the bandages ... taken off. When anything was ...d in front of me, my head was ...ys covered so I couldn't see the ...n. The eats were hard to get, ...ome days we didn't eat very ...l.

...was put in a corner and I faced ...corner when the bandages were ...ved.

...he only time I was allowed off ...chair was when they walked ...e the bathroom or when they ...me to bed.

...fter the first week, the leg I ...stretched out of the car went ...so I couldn't walk. So they sort ...alled me to the bathroom and ...ed.

...ne morning they talked to me ...called a cab for ... bought a ...ticket; got into the seat, and pull... ...ed my hat down over ... ...yes and ...rode that way until th... ...ed Owa...tonna. At Owatonna I ... a cab to ...take me to the bus station.

"In St. Paul, as the bus was cross...ing the Wabasha st. bridge, I asked ...the driver to let me out there. I ...walked up along the side of the ...courthouse and luckily no one pass...ed me.

"I crouched near the courthouse ...until a cab went by. I told the cab ...driver I wanted to go to the West ...End Commercial club. When I got ...out of the cab I turned and walked ...up to the door of the Commercial ...club, and after the driver left, I ...walked the few blocks to my father's ...home and reached the side entrance ...of the house.

"And that is the story."

As he finished, Mr. Bremer show...ed plainly the strain he had been ...under during the telling of his ...story, and appeared to be near a ...collapse.

Search In Six States.

Search for the kidnapers of Mr. Bremer spread to six states today with nearly 200 federal agents and police striving to strike a fresh trail after going up a half dozen blind alleys.

Developments were:

Disclosure that federal agents are confident that Mr. Bremer was transported outside of Minnesota and that consequently they have jurisdiction under the federal Lindbergh anti-kidnaping law.

W. W. Magee, St. Paul contractor and contact man, with officials went over the route he took in delivering the $200,000 ransom, which carried him southward toward Faribault.

Harold Nathan, first assistant to J. Edgar Hoover, national head of the bureau of investigation, and Chief of Police Thomas Dahill called to the Bremer home today for a conference with members of the family, which continued for more than an hour.

Disclosure from a close friend of Edward Bremer that he had informed him that he would have been released about 10 days ago but that the abductors heard of 200 federal men and police in the case and became frightened.

Two men, August Chiavarotti, 34, Milwaukee, and Ben Larson, Grand Rapids, Minn., held in Milwaukee, where they were arrested for speeding Thursday night, found armed and in possession of $2,000 in small denomination currency. They were driving a small coupe, which police said had been stolen from a Grand Rapids physician.

Finger prints on the green Chevrolet coupe in which Mr. Magee delivered the ransom forwarded to the national identification bureau in Washington.

Today federal agents and police began to run down clues, some of them supplied by Mr. Bremer, in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, North Dakota, Missouri and Illinois.

The Wisconsin angle developed after arrest of the two men at Milwaukee; North Dakota became a center of activity as a result of information that may link the kidnapers with a bank robbery in that ...hile Mr. Bremer was held

The Daily News learned that an acetylene outfit, stolen in Owatonna, was used by the robbers. The same night it was stolen, an Owatonna motorist missed his license plates, later found on one of the kidnapers' automobiles. They were on the car in which Mr. Magee delivered the ransom money.

Both Sioux City, Ia., and Kansas City remained under suspicion as probable location of the snatchers' hideout, with the former considered the most probable place.

Operatives also were understood to be checking to determine whether any of the mob had fled to Chicago, where Verne Sankey and Gordon Alcorn were captured.

During the time Mr. Bremer was held prisoner, the kidnapers made five contacts with his family. The first occurred almost immediately after the kidnaping. Walter Magee, a contractor and friend of the kidnaped man, received a note and a telephone call announcing the kidnaping and naming him as a negotiator.

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2 OF KIDNAPERS, VICTIM REVEALS

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Banker's Family Maintains Silence as 28 U. S. Agents Study Case Here.

SIOUX CITY HOUSE RAIDED

Home Investigated as Possible Gang Lair; Wide Federal Net Is Spread.

Two men were under arrest today in Milwaukee for questioning in the Edward G. Bremer kidnaping as the St. Paul banker revealed that he can identify two of his captors.

Bremer, released Wednesday night at Rochester, Minn., on payment of $200,000 ransom, was still in seclusion this morning seeking to recover from the nervous strain of 21 days of captivity.

Members of the Bremer family and persons connected closely with the case continued to maintain tight-lipped silence, presumably on instructions from federal authorities.

Sioux City Home Raided.

Developments were:

A home was raided in Sioux City, Iowa, as the possible kidnap lair, but nothing was reported found.

Twenty-eight federal agents were said to be working in St. Paul.

Other government operatives were reputed to be on the case in Sioux City, Iowa; Bismarck, N. D.; Rochester, Minn., Kansas City, Memphis and in the district around Faribault, where the ransom money was paid.

St. Paul police bertillon experts worked on the car provided the kidnapers to deliver the ransom in an effort to obtain fingerprints. Results were not announced.

Dr. H. T. Nippert, Bremer family physician, who received three communications at one time from the kidnapers, denied the gang took him to the hideout to treat Bremer.

Gang Had $2,000 in Bills.

The Milwaukee suspects, an Associated Press dispatch said, were arrested Thursday night while spee...

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...erial numbers of the bills were being checked to determine if they were among the ransom notes were among them. Conflicting stories were told by the pair to police, one saying they were in Milwaukee on an alcohol deal and the other stating they intended buying slot machines.

The men identified themselves as Gust Chiaberotti, alias Gust Rotty, 23 years old, of Milwaukee, and Ben Larson, 22, of Grand Rapids, Mich.

The car they were driving was stolen from Dr. Oscar Olson of Grand Rapids, Minn., but Larson insisted he was from Grand Rapids, Mich.

Detectives also questioned the pair regarding the holdup of a messenger for a Duluth butcher this week.

In St. Paul, Bremer told Thomas E. Dahill, chief of police, he can identify two of his kidnapers.

Can Recall Assailants.

Although the gang is believed to number ten or more men, the only two whom he will be able to recognize, if caught, are those with whom he fought in his attempt to escape seizure the morning of January 17.

In Sioux City, Sheriff William E. Tice told the Associated Press that Department of Justice Agent Moonon, working out of the Twin Cities, requested aid last Saturday in searching for Bremer's kidnapers' hideout.

A raid was made on a house near Floyd cemetery in the eastern part of the city, but it was said nothing was found.

Federal Web Being Widened.

Bending methodically to the task of hunting Bremer's kidnapers, federal agents were reported to be swinging in ever-widening circles out of St. Paul.

Special points of search, besides Sioux City, were said to be Rochester, Faribault, Bismarck, Memphis and Kansas City, but agents refused to confirm this.

St. Paul police today went with Walter Magee, intermediary in the kidnaping over the route he traveled in delivering the $200,000 ransom.

Magee was accompanied by Chief Dahill, Inspector of Detectives Charles Tierney and Werner Hanni, chief federal investigator in the St. Paul district. They drove south on highway No. 1 to Faribault, where they took a cross road. Whether the trip was productive of clues was not revealed.

Police also scrutinized every part of the coupe provided by kidnapers for Magee to carry the ransom. They hoped to find fingerprints which could be compared with Bertillon records and lead to apprehension of the gang. However ... would not divulge if they ... any prints of value.

Microscope Use Reported.

Evidence of the minute details into which authorities are delving to find the gang was the reputed summoning to St. Paul of scientists to examine under the microscope clothing worn by Bremer while he was a captive in the hope of finding some hair or particle that might give them a clue to the abductors.

Authorities disclosed that Bremer had told them he would have been released ten days earlier if it had not been for a published report that 250 federal agents were in the Twin Cities working on the case.

"They got cold feet," Bremer was quoted as having said.

He overheard the gang talking about the danger of detection, officers said, and it did not make a move until the captive's father, Adolf, issued a pledge through newspapers of co-operation with the desperadoes and freedom from police interference.

Dr. Nippert estimated that Bremer lost fifteen pounds during his imprisonment.

The physician denied a report that he was taken to the kidnap lair to treat the 37-year-old banker for injuries received when being captured.

Victim Much Improved.

Bremer's condition was reported to be "very much improved" by the family physician.

"Edward has a two-inch cut on the top of his head, but it is healing nicely," said Dr. Nippert. "A head ...and usually bleeds profusely and that probably accounts for the blood in the car."

"What did he get to eat while he was being held?"

"He didn't say. He did say that they (the kidnapers) forgot to feed him two or three times."

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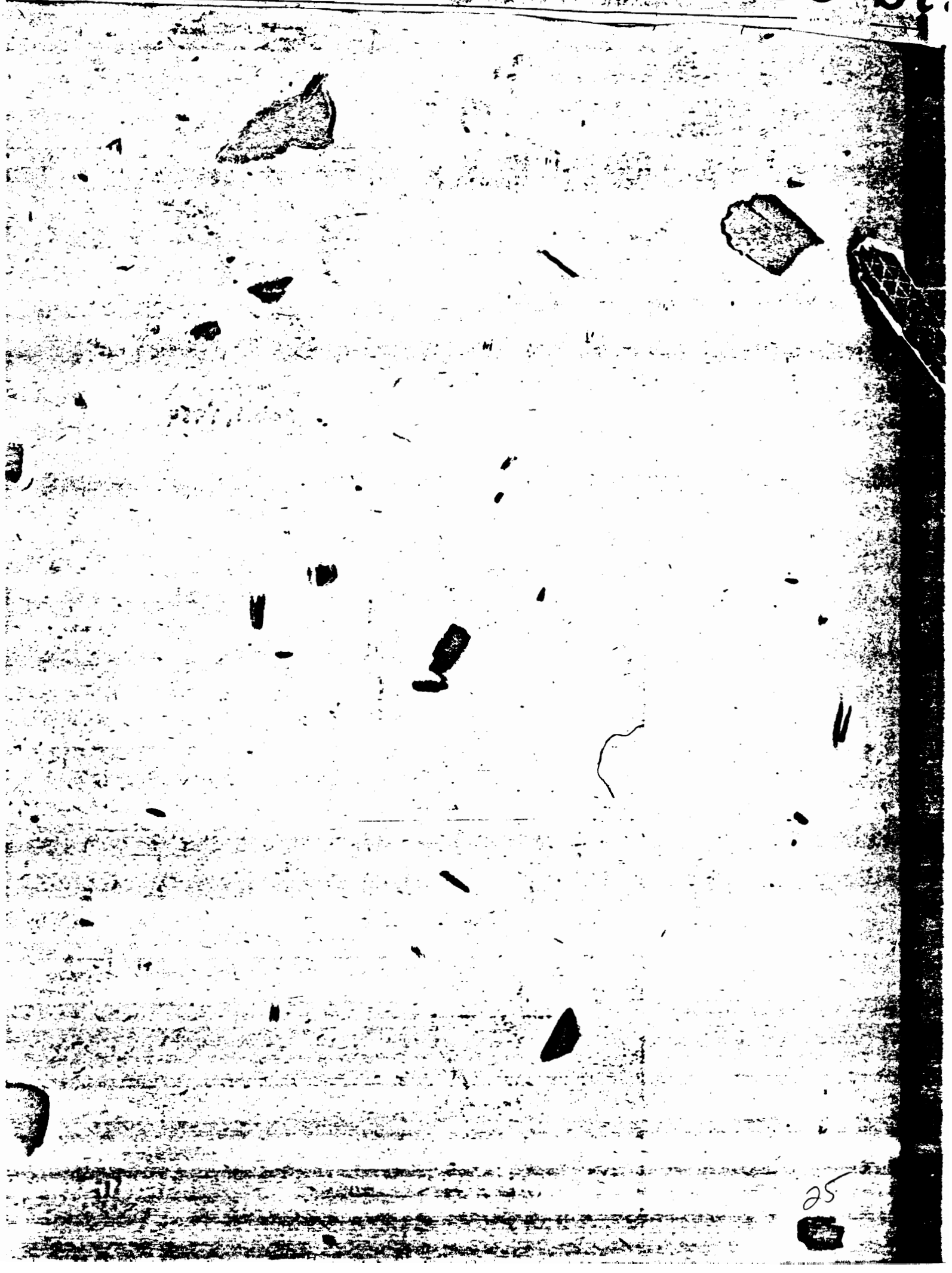

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Father of Haskell Bohn Demands Sankey Be Brought Back to Minnesota for Trial; "Impaired My Health and Made Pauper of Me," Manufacturer Says; Asserts He Will Go to Washington If Necessary.

FEAR EXPRESSED THAT PRISONER WILL SIT IN EASE IF SENT TO LEAVENWORTH

(BY A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.)

Chicago, Feb. 1.—A nationwide search for Jack Ferrick, alleged "torture man" in the Morris Rutman kidnaping in St. Paul, began this noon following Verne Sankey's capture Wednesday in Chicago.

Word to hunt Ferrick was flashed to police and federal agents in all sections of the United States as a result of a conference here between St. Paul officials and Department of Justice agents.

Ferrick is suspected of having been the "finger man"—that is, the one who picked out the victims—in the abductions of Haskell Bohn, William Hamm and E. G. Bremer in St. Paul.

He has been a fugitive since the Rutman kidnaping several years ago in which he is alleged to have been the man who poured gasoline and oil on the merchant and burned him to extort $10,000.

Seen in Mill City.

Police reported they had information that prior to both the Hamm and Bremer kidnapings, Ferrick was in Minneapolis. Hamm, wealthy brewer, was released last June on payment of $100,000 ransom and Bremer, a bank president, is still missing after two weeks' absence although $200,000 ransom is said to be ready to buy his freedom.

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Shortly after the conference in Chicago authorities instituted the search for Ferrick, former narcotic peddler and kidnaper of Morris Rutman of St. Paul, on the theory that he may have been the "finger man" in the kidnaping of William Hamm, Haskell Bohn and E. G. Bremer, St. Paul banker who was kidnaped January 17 and is still missing, although $200,000 ransom is said to be ready for the kidnapers. Authorities said they were informed that prior to each kidnaping, Ferrick was seen in the Twin Cities.

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He said the crime "impaired my health" and "made a pauper of me." The Bohn Refrigerator Co. went into receivership after the abduction.

Demands Sankey Be Returned.

"I will go to Washington, if necessary, to demand that Sankey be turned over to Minnesota for trial," Mr. Bohn said. "I was the first person outraged by one of his kidnapings. The first kidnaping was in Minnesota and the first prosecution should be there.

"I lost twenty pounds in the time my son was away. The worry impaired my health and interferred with my business to such an extent it made a pauper of me.

"If Sankey is sent to Leavenworth penitentiary on a federal sentence, he will sit in a cell or recreation room and do nothing the rest of his life.

"If he is brought back to Minnesota and committed to Stillwater prison, he will be put at hard labor and pay some of the penalty he deserves for his crimes."

Mr. Bohn arrived in Chicago this morning with Thomas E. Dahill, St. Paul chief of police; M. F. Kinkead, Ramsey county attorney, and William Desmond, assistant county attorney.

Mr. Bohn immediately engaged attorneys to serve garnishment papers to obtain the $3,500 cash found in Sankey's room to repay him in part of the $12,000 ransom he put up for the release of Haskell Bohn.

Sankey was captured Wednesday in the chair of a Chicago barber shop, where he had been receiving mail under the name of W. E. Clark. Police and federal agents had trailed him six months.

Gave Up Without Fight.

Unarmed, he gave up without a fight. His captors found poison pills in the hem of his coat which he apparently carried to make good his threat "never to be taken alive."

Sankey confessed to kidnaping Bohn and Charles Boettcher II of Denver, who was released for $60,000 ransom, but denied knowledge of the Hamm and Bremer abductions in

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Brookings, S. D., Feb. 1.—(AP)—Declaring he had been kidnaped and drugged in Minneapolis Saturday by two men whom he overheard talking about the Bremer case, Herman S. Johnson, a local cafe owner, was back at home today after having been picked up in a dazed condition at Iowa Falls, Iowa.

Johnson, 45 years old, president of the South Dakota Restaurant association, says he remembers little that happened after he was ordered into an automobile on a Minneapolis street. He was recognized in Iowa Falls by Forrest Duggan, a former Brookings resident and now a patrolman in Iowa City, and was returned to his home Wednesday night.

The sheriff's office said the affair apparently was a robbery attempt and expressed the belief that Johnson's assailants purposely discussed the Bremer case within his hearing so he would think they were "tough guys" and offer no resistance. When found Johnson had $1.40 out of $14 he remembers having in Minneapolis.

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U. S. JUSTICE DEPARTMENT ORDERS SEARCH IN BREMER CASE; ATTORNEY ARRESTED

No Word Received From Banker's Captors; Ginsberg Quizzed, Released; Blood On Car Is Human; Friends Confident Contact To Be Made Soon.

An intensified nation-wide search for Verne Sankey i the Edward G. Bremer kidnaping was ordered in Washingtc today by J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the federal bureau investigation, department of justice.

His plea for the arrest of Sankey as the brains of Bremer kidnap mob went out to all heads of bureaus t as Minneapolis police, beginning a general roundup th arrested Abe Ginsberg, disbarred attorney, for questionin the Bremer case.

Sankey, sought for months in the Charles Boettch

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Bremer Adds 'Day of Grace'

FATHER GRANTS MORE TIME TO RETURN BANKER

Parent of Kidnaped Victim Announces Officials Agree to Extension.

STILL HOPES FOR CONTACT

Keenan Threatens "Relentless Hunt" for Abductors of St. Paul Man.

The kidnapers of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, missing since January 17, were given an extra day today by Adolf Bremer, the victim's father, to negotiate without police interference for his release.

"With the hope of making contact I have decided to extend the time until Thursday night, February 4," the elder Bremer announced at noon. "Officials have agreed to this."

The father appealed Sunday through newspapers to the gang, setting a three-day time limit to arrange for payment of the demanded $200,000 ransom in return for his son. He promised no interference would be made by authorities in that period.

Relentless Hunt Threatened.

Meanwhile a relentless manhunt for Bremer's kidnapers was threatened Tuesday night by Joseph B. Keenan, assistant United States attorney general, in a speech at Atlantic City, N. J.

Police and federal officials have kept out of the case thus far so as not to endanger the banker's life.

Although the elder Bremer said no communication was received from the kidnap gang in the past three days, speculation arose over whether some news of the missing man had come from his captors. It was understood today's brief statement was issued in "contemplation" of contact by Thursday night.

Whether the time extension was motivated by a message from the gang or by the family's belief that three days and three nights was not sufficient time for final negotiations, was conjectural.

Further Attitude Uncertain.

The elder Bremer would not reveal whether if no message is received by Thursday night, he would carry out his veiled threat to give the authorities a free rein in hunting the gang.

Today was the twenty-first day the banker has been absent from home and grave fears have been expressed as to whether he is still alive. It

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BREMER KIDNAPERS GIVEN EXTRA DAY

Father of Victim Announces Officials Agree to Extension on Return.

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was recalled his automobile, found abandoned shortly after his abduction, was bloodstained.

An Associated Press dispatch from Atlantic City quoted Keenan as saying in an address at the fifty-eighth annual convention of the United States Brewers' Association that the federal government will wage unending war on the "snatch racket" and allied crime.

"As head of criminal prosecution in the Department of Justice for the past seven months," he said, "my job has been to drive out the racketeer and let him know he has no place to live in America.

"We will never give up until young Bremer has been returned alive or the kidnapers are dead."

Record Nearly Tied.

The kidnaping of Bremer drew close today to tying the record for the longest seizure in modern criminology.

Twenty-one days have elapsed since the bank president was kidnaped January 17 after he had taken his young daughter to school.

John J. O'Connell Jr., heir to the O'Connell brothers' political dynasty in Albany, N. Y., was released by his kidnapers last July after a 23-day seizure and payment of $40,000 ransom.

Young O'Connell's imprisonment is the longest on record in the nation-wide wave of kidnapings since the abduction and murder of Charles Augustus Lindbergh Jr. Prior to the O'Connell case, the snatchers of Charles Boettcher II in Denver, held the record at sixteen days.

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Bremer Kidnapers Given Extra 40 Hours As Deadline Passes

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CONTACT TIME EXTENDED

Police Agree To Hold Off Until Thursday Night For Contact Hope Not Abandoned

An additional 40 hours was granted today to kidnapers of Edward G. Bremer to establish contact with the victim's father, Adolf Bremer, wealthy St. Paul brewer.

The deadline originally set at noon today was extended by enforcement officials until "Thursday night" at the request of Mr. Bremer.

"In hopes of making a contact the officials have agreed with me to extend the time until Thursday night, Feb. 8," the terse statement signed by Mr. Bremer said.

Hope Not Abondoned.

It was assumed that "Thursday night" meant midnight Thursday.

While the family spirit was broken by failure of the abductors to heed the earlier plea of Mr. Bremer for the safe return of his son, hope for the youthful banker's safe return has not been abandoned.

"By the time another day has passed, we believe that it may not be necessary to specify the deadline that is meant. We are hopeful of success in obtaining Edward's return," a spokesman for the family said.

Mr. Bremer remained in the seclusion of his home, crushed by the failure of the kidnapers to contact him. He had promised the immediate payment of the $200,000 ransom if communication were established and proof furnished that his son still is alive.

Meanwhile, local, state and federal officials remained in readiness to launch the most extensive manhunt since the Lindbergh kidnaping when word is received from the Bremer family that they no longer expect to contact the kidnapers.

U. S. Actions Veiled.

Movements of the department of justice as usual were veiled in secrecy. Police detectives will run down every possible clue as soon as orders for the manhunt is issued.

Mr. Bremer was kidnaped Jan. 17 near Goodrich ave. and Lexington blvd. His bloodstained automobile was found the following day on Edgcumbe road. Three contacts were made by the kidnapers within a week after the kidnaping. Since that time no word has been received from the abductors.

EDWARD G. BREMER.

Extended for 40 hours, this noon, was the "deadline" set by Adolf Bremer, father of kidnaped Edward G. Bremer, for a contact by the abductors or his son. Mr. Bremer is 36 years old, 6 [illegible] tall, weights about 180 pounds, has dark brown and a full [illegible] of hair and gray eyes. Missing since Jan. 17.

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BREMER FAMILY STAGES HAPPY REUNIO

The Edward G. Bremer family had a happy reunion today. Released by kidnapers after 21 days of fearful captivity, the St. Paul banker (left) returned to his wife and 8-year-old daughter, Betty, (together on the right) whom he had not seen since the January 17 when he left his colonial home at 22 North River Boulevard to take Betty to school.

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Bank Chief Released at Rochester

Abduction Victim, Severely Beaten and Exhausted, Is Ordered to Bed by Physician, Who Says Patient Is Extremely Nervous; Is Wearing Full Beard When He Appears at Father's Home in St. Paul.

THREE MEN IN SMALL CAR FREE CAPTIVE; WALTER MAGEE ACTS AS CONTACT MAN

(FURTHER DETAILS AND PICTURES ON PAGES 3, 4 AND 5.)

R. G. Bremer, 37-year-old St. Paul banker, returned safely to St. Paul early today on payment of an undisclosed amount of ransom reported to be the full $200,000 demanded by kidnapers who had held him 21 days since January 17.

The president of the Commercial State bank, tired, nervous and showing painful evidence of ill treatment by his abductors, was released about 8 P. M. Wednesday at Rocheser, 85 miles south of here. Three men released him from a small coupe.

Mr. Bremer bore marks of having been beaten about the head and face, and he had a full growth of beard. He appeared at the home of Adolf Bremer, his father and president of Schmidt's Brewery, shortly after midnight. The home is at 855 West Seventh street.

WALTER MAGEE DELIVERS RANSOM.

Walter Magee, wealthy contractor friend of the family, was the intermediary who delivered the ransom. Full details of the delivery were not disclosed though it was learned that Magee had taken from the pocket of a small coupe at the contact spot, a note from the kidnapers, standing with his back to the curb while reading the communication. The car now is in the garage at the Adolf Bremer home.

After replacing the note in the pocket of the car, Magee then set two "bundles of money" on the seat. It was presumed the ransom was wrapped in two large cardboard suitboxes tied with heavy cord in accordance with the gang's earlier instructions.

It was not revealed where the payment was made or what the instructions were. In view of the family's earlier statements, that ... were ready and eager to pay the full ransom the view was ... in some quarters that the entire $200,000 was turned over to

THER OF BREMER EXPRESSES THANKS

arent of Kidnap Victim Hopes Other Families Will Be Spared Such Agony.

Thankfulness for the return of his eldest son, held 21 days by kidnapers who demanded $200,000 ransom, was expressed today by the happy father of Edward G. Bremer, banker.

His statement said:

"I am so happy to tell you that my boy is back at last after his terrible experience. The hideous hours of suspense have been almost unbearable for all of us.

"I greatly appreciate the personal interest of the President and the Governor and the splendid co-opera-

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MAYOR NONCOMMITTAL

Mayor Mahoney refused today to make any comment regarding the return of Edward G. Bremer, kidnaped banker.

"I don't want to say anything about it until I know more about it," he said. "I don't know anything about it at all."

OWATONNA MAN'S CAR USED TO DELIVER RANSOM

A small coupe, owned by E. J. Petronik of Owatonna, was reported to have been used for delivering the ransom money for the release of Edward B. Bremer, St. Paul banker seized January 17 for $200,000.

Reports were that Walter Magee, wealthy contractor friend of the banker, drove the automobile when he turned the ransom over to the gang.

The coupe was reported to have both side windows soaped and a rear window slightly opened. The windshield was not soaped.

Petronik could not be reached immediately for confirmation.

the captors.

One source of information said that a note enclosed with the ransom money read:

"To the parties holding Edward:

"I have done my part and kept my word 100 per cent, as I said I would. This money is not marked and you have the full amount asked for. Now, boys, I am counting on your honor.

"Release Edward and tell him to come to my house first.

"(Signed) Adolf Bremer."

Unconfirmed reports were that the full $200,000 ransom was paid Wednesday. The elder Bremer is said to have dispatched the money, $85,000 of which was in $5 bills, and the remainder in $10 bills.

U. S. AGENTS TAKE CHARGE.

Reporters were not permitted to talk to Mr. Bremer immediately because of the activity of the federal men and the fatigued condition of the kidnap victim.

Mr. Bremer, on revealing his experiences to friends, told of how he realized he was being kidnaped and tried to escape.

When his car was stopped at Goodrich and Lexington avenues one of the kidnapers climbed in the front seat with him with a gun in his hand. Mr. Bremer opened the door on his left and tried to get out.

As he did this, another of the kidnapers met him on the left side of the car and pushed him back into the seat, climbing in beside him.

Mr. Bremer was struck on the head by both men at about the same time, he believes. He does not remember being transferred from his own car into the automobile of the kidnapers.

The next thing he recalls was that he was being taken somewhere in an automobile. He had a bandage over his eyes so that he couldn't see and he says he has no idea how many men were in the car with them.

Mr. Bremer expressed the belief that there must have been ten or twelve men in the gang, basing his opinion on the number of voices he heard in the place where he was being held a captive.

The room in which he was kept was dark. His eyes were not bandaged. During the entire time that he was held, two men sat back of him at all times.

He was warned not to attempt to look around.

"One look and we'll blow your damned brains out, Bremer related he was told.

GUARDS WORKED IN RELAYS.

The guards worked in relays. Two men would remain with him for a while and then they would be relieved. From their conversation and the number of changes made in the guards, Mr. Bremer believes there were ten or twelve men involved in watching him.

One close friend of the Bremer family, who declined to permit his name to be used, said:

"He (E. G. Bremer) put up a hell of a battle (with the kidnapers). The blood in his car was not all his. He has a leg injury that he got when he stuck his foot out so they couldn't close the door. It seems they got the door closed and his leg may have a very bad bruise or worse. He was treated well enough while they had him, considering all the circumstances.

"Both he and his father were in bed this morning and under the care of a doctor and a nurse. He is suffering from the shock

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OPERATIVES STUDY CLUE OF HIDEOUT IN VICINITY OF ANOKA

Minneapolis postal authorities intimated today that kidnapers of Edward G. Bremer, 37-year-old St. Paul banker, have attempted communication with their prisoner's family through the Minneapolis post office.

Although he said he could not say how many communications have been intercepted, Wirth S. Hughes, Minneapolis postoffice inspector, said "I understand that letters to the family have come through the Minneapolis office."

Postmaster W. C. Robertson, who received a letter Saturday concerning the kidnaping, believed to have been written by a crank, said: "The first letter was addressed to me, so I felt at liberty to make its contents public. Anything that has come in since has not come to me but has been turned over to the Department of Justice."

Robertson said he has conferred frequently with Werner Hanni, chief of the Justice department's investigation bureau in St. Paul. The postmaster said his last conversation with Hanni was shortly after noon today.

Manwhile, silence still blanketed any activity this afternoon by the victim's family toward effecting the banker's freedom, as federal and Twin Cities authorities investigated a new clue.

The banker, in the hands of abductors 175 hours at 3 P. M. today, might be captive in a hideout near Anoka, the clue indicates.

Although unverified, it was reported that an ice cutter told authorities Tuesday that he observed two automobiles on a county highway the afternoon of January 17, several hours after Bremer was made prisoner at Goodrich and Lexington avenues.

The front car, in which two men rode, was a tan coupe, the ice cutter is reported to have said. The rear car was a large sedan bearing three men. Both cars turned north that day and went toward Anoka. Monday the tan coupe again was observed, this time near his ice house off the county road. Its occupants asked him how to get to Minneapolis. After giving them directions he followed them and saw them

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Think Bremer May Have Been Injured

A three-day period of delay between the payment of $200,000 ransom and the release of Edward G. Bremer, 36, kidnaped banker, was reported as the demand of his abductors in a note delivered to the victim's father, Adolph Bremer.

The demand was the subject of uneasy conjecting on the part of police investigators who called any such procedure as "highly unusual."

The report of the demand recalled that bloodstains were found in the automobile from which Bremer was kidnaped a week ago Wednesday. Police were aware that such a demand might follow an unexpected accident in which Bremer sustained injury.

Federal Agents Mass.

The unprecedented massing of federal department of justice in the Twin Cities also was seen as a factor in causing such a demand for delay. Release of Bremer under such a plan might occur hundreds of miles from St. Paul.

The number of federal agents working on the case could not be ascertained, but some reports ran as high as [illegible] of the federal forces here. A conference of [illegible] Minneapolis headquarters Wednesday night and there [illegible]

be eager to locate Verne Sankey, 42, and Gordon Alcorn, 27, South Dakota kidnaping suspects. Sankey and Alcorn are wanted on kidnaping charges in St. Paul and Denver. One police theory of the kidnaping held that headquarters for the abductors was being maintained in the heart of St. Paul's most exclusive neighborhood. One telephone call to the Bremer family was reported traced to an exchange in this district.

In support of this theory, police had the story of Roy McCord, Northwest Airways radio operator, who was subjected to a machine gun attack by several men in this district recently.

Believed Held Outside City.

McCord was wounded and his automobile perforated by machine gun slugs. McCord wore his khaki airways uniform, which closely resembles St. Paul police uniforms.

Detectives believed that while the kidnapers' headquarters was within the city limits, that Bremer was being held somewhere within an hour's drive from the city. They refused to reveal on what they based their deductions, but inferred that considerable [illegible] had been made [illegible]

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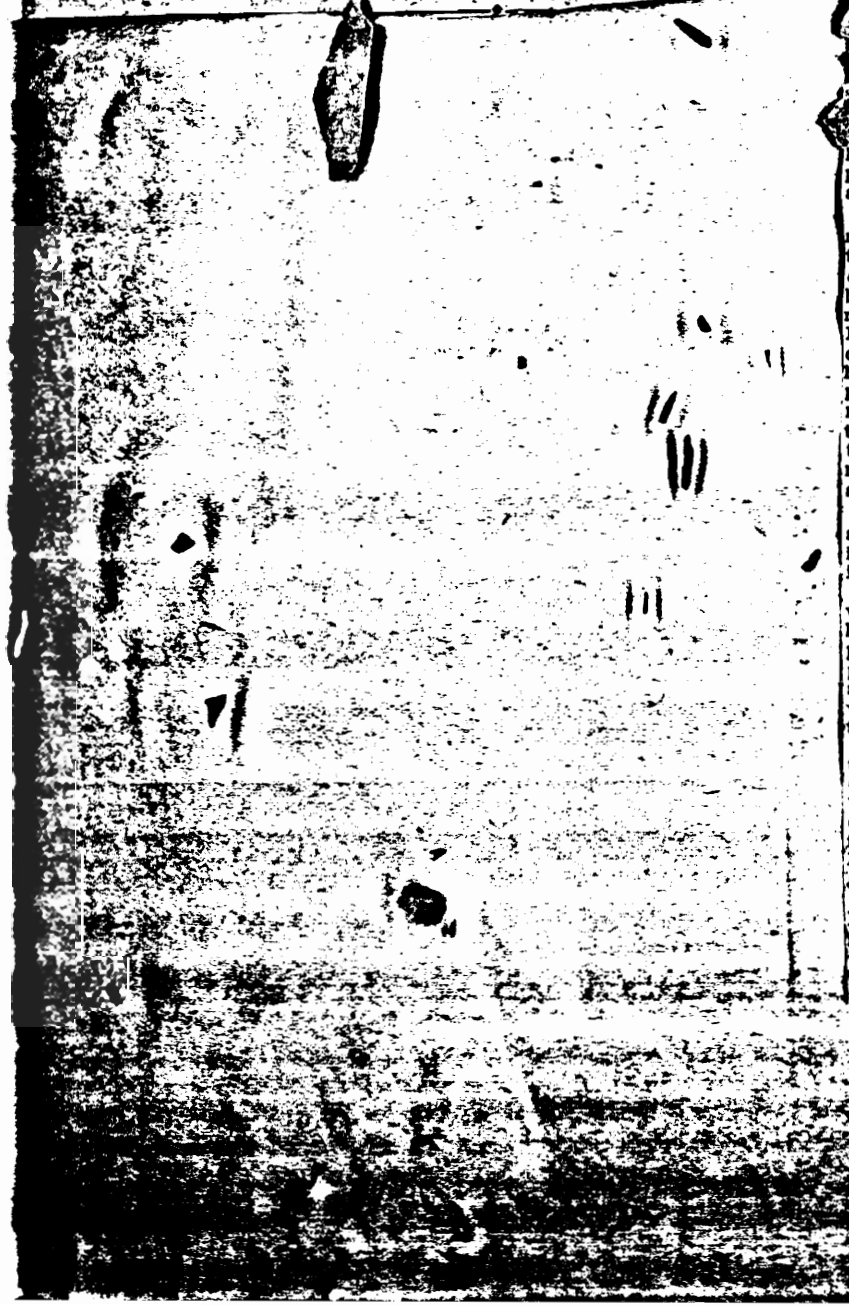

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The front car, in which two men rode, was a tan coupe, the ice cutter is reported to have said. The other machine was a large sedan bearing three men. Both cars turned north and went toward Anoka. Monday the tan coupe again was observed, this time near his ice house off a county road. Its occupants asked him how to get to Minneapolis. After giving them directions he followed them and saw them turn, not toward Minneapolis, but northward toward Anoka again, he said.

Department of Justice operatives after several hours of investigation in Anoka county termed the man's information "the best clue yet."

In Minneapolis Tuesday two men who were involved in the Urschel kidnaping case in Oklahoma appeared at police headquarters to report that they had heard they were suspected of having a connection with the Bremer case and wanted to ward off such suspicion.

Both said they knew nothing of the Bremer case. The men are Isadore Blumenfeld, alias Kid Cann, who was acquitted in the Urschel case, and Barney Berman, who was found guilty of handling part of the Urschel ransom money and now is seeking a new trial.

Police Chief Thomas E. Dahill, Inspector Charles J. Tierney and a score of detectives continued their vigil at police headquarters but there was no unusual activity and Chief Dahill asserted "there is nothing new that we know".

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The note containing the demand for $200,000 ransom was found a few hours later after Mr. Magee had been informed of the kidnaping in a telephone call.

TOUHY SAYS BREMER WILL RETURN UNHARMED.

Chicago, Jan. 24.—(UP)—Roger Touhy, who is on trial on kidnaping charges, said tonight in an exclusive interview that he believes Edward G. Bremer, kidnaped St. Paul banker, will be returned unharmed to his family.

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Touhy said that his opinions on the Bremer case were based entirely on what he had read. His gang, he insisted, had not taken a personal part in the kidnaping racket although they did, he said, sell beer during the prohibition period.

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...new contact with the kidnapers of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, being held for $200,000 ransom apparently had been made up to 8 A. M. today.

Relatives of the man who was kidnaped eight days ago denied reports that any word had been received from the abductors since the first note left for Walter W. Magee, St. Paul contractor, shortly after the kidnaping.

Fear expressed in some quarters that the missing man might have been seriously harmed by his abductors which arose because of blood found in his abandoned automobile, were dispelled by police officials who asserted the present failure of contact after eight days was "nothing to be alarmed at."

They pointed out that in many other kidnapings as many as fourteen days had passed from the time of the abduction to the release of the victim.

Chief of Police Thomas Dahill again remained all night at his offices in the public safety building, taking only short naps. He said there had been no activity during the night in regard to the Bremer case. Police have assumed a "hands off" attitude so far, at the request of Adolph Bremer, father of the kidnaped man.

No unusual activity was reported during the night at either the Edward Bremer home or that of his father.

Meanwhile Federal Department of Justice agents were investigating several notes purporting to be from the kidnapers and mailed in Minneapolis to members of the Bremer family. The envelopes were unstamped and the letters were turned over to Postmaster W. C. Robertson, who gave them to the Federal operatives.

Confirms Receipt of Notes.

Mr. Robertson confirmed these facts but declined to discuss the notes further. Another note addressed to Mr. Robertson and asserting that Mr. Bremer had been "bumped off" was received by him Saturday. Police branded it the work of a crank.

"The first letter was addressed to me, so I felt at liberty to make its contents public," Mr. Robertson said. "Anything that has come since has not come to me, but has been turned over to the Department of Justice."

However, it was learned that at least one of the notes was written in longhand, was unsigned, and gave directions for a contact. It was understood the letters had been shown to members of the Bremer family.

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Nathan and Blake Silent.

Harold Nathan, first assistant to J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Justice department's division of investigation, who is in charge of the special agents sent here on the kidnaping, refused to comment, as did Frank Blake, an ace investigator of the division, and Werner Hanni, in charge of the Northwest office.

However, Mr. Hanni has conferred frequently with Mr. Robertson recently and talked to him shortly after noon Wednesday.

A statute makes it a Federal offense to use the mails in a scheme to extort money, and the Federal agents were investigating the notes from that angle.

Both police and Federal agents, however, asserted they had no knowledge of what moves if any the Bremer family was making in the case and this statement was borne out by the fact that all their activity so far has been on information originating outside the family.

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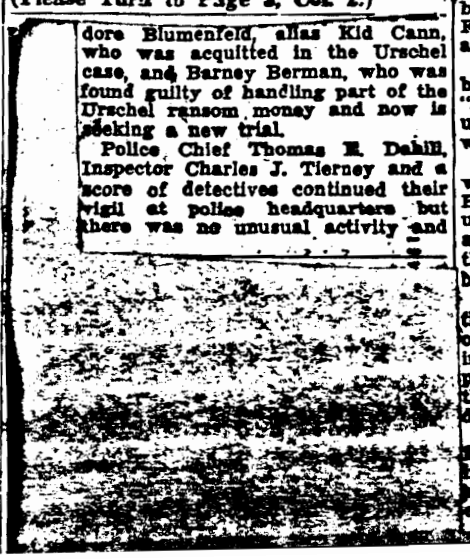

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Saloon Kept Under Close Surveillance; Operated by Gangster's Friend.

Charles (Ice Wagon) Connors, bank robber, former Minnesota convict and now a Touhy gang desperado with headquarters found Chicago, was sought today that city in connection with the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, 36-year-old St. Paul banker, according to the Associated Press.

Meanwhile, no further contact or word has been received from the abductors of Mr. Bremer who was kidnaped in St. Paul about 8:20 A. M. January 17. Relatives, friends, business associates, federal and city authorities waited in vain for word from the snatchers.

Relatives say the only word received thus far was a note, demanding $200,000 ransom, placed a few hours after the kidnaping, at the bank office door of Walter Magee, St. Paul contractor and friend of Bremer.

More than eight days have elapsed since any clue has been received regarding the whereabouts of Mr. Bremer or his kidnapers, and also regarding his safety, according to relatives. Bloodstains were found in the front and rear seats of his auto, which was found abandoned about 10 miles from the scene of the kidnaping.

The Associated Press message said that Connors, for whom Chicago police and federal authorities were conducting an intensive search today,

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Federal agents also watched the Chicago underworld for traces of Verne Sankey, wanted for the Bremer kidnaping in Denver. Sankey, who was reported to have been en route to Chicago by train, has been linked also with the William Hamm Jr. kidnaping in St. Paul, for which Tommy [illegible] and three others were indicted a[illegible]

"We are continuing routine activities in connection with the Bremer case," H. H. Purvis, chief of the federal division of investigation in Chicago, said.

Other developments today were:

Adolph Bremer, father of the missing man, and Mrs. Edward Bremer who remained in their homes awaiting news, were reported to be "standing the strain well."

A "gray guard" of nearly 1,000 letter carriers in St. Paul and Minneapolis is working under orders to watch closely every building and report immediately any incidents out of the ordinary, according to Dr. A. A. Van Dyke, St. Paul postmaster. A number of reports have come in and have been checked.

St. Paul police and United States Department of Justice agents stood by awaiting developments, but maintained their "hands off" policy in accord with the wishes of the missing banker's father. Chief of Police T. E. Dahill and a squad of detectives slept at police headquarters, as federal agents were bunking in their headquarters.

Investigation of a series of unstamped letters mailed to the Bremer family in Minneapolis reported to have contained directions for a contact with the kidnapers, had led authorities to the conclusion they were written by a crank and not by the kidnapers.

A woman employe of the City of St. Paul obtained an auto license number which she said was reported to her as being on the kidnap car. This was being checked.

Connors served eight years in the Minnesota penitentiary for complicity in the holdup of a bank at Hopkins in 1920.

A circular mentioning Connors and three others, including the notorious Basil Banghart, in connection with the holdup of a truck with valuable mail at Charlotte, N. C., last November 15 by four desperadoes, was received today by Melvin C. Passolt, superintendent of the State Bureau of Criminal Apprehension.

Connors, a former Minneapolis gangster, was convicted in Hennepin county of a first degree robbery charge for his part in the Hopkins bank holdup and was meted an indeterminate sentence of 5 to 40 years. Superintendent Passolt at the time was chief of detectives in Minneapolis and recalled Connors as "one of the toughest gangsters in the country."

Committed to Stillwater prison November 20, 1929, Connors, alias Eugene Crotty, served until September 21, 1928, when he was ordered out of the state. He was born in Milwaukee and operated many years in Chicago. He is 54 years old.

In the circular received from the Postal department today, Ludwig Schmidt, alias "Dutch" Schmidt, and Isaac Costner, also are sought with Banghart and Connors for the Charlotte mail truck holdup. The aliases of Larry Kelly and Owl Kelly are cited after Banghart's name.

Connors is 5 feet 4 inches tall, weighs 167 to 170 pounds, has brown hair mixed with gray, brown eyes

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REPORT $200,000 PAID BUT GANG ASKS SEVERAL DAYS DELAY IN BREMER RELEASE

Unusual Requirement of "Grace" Period Makes Police Uneasy; Victim May Be Injured Or Snatchers Merely Wary Of Swarming U. S. Agents

A new demand was reported to have been made by kidnapers of Edward G. Bremer as the 197th hour since his abduction elapsed at 1:30 p. m. today.

The new order, said to have been contained in a note delivered to Adolph Bremer, wealth brewer and father of the snatch victim, was to the effect that a period of several days will have to elapse between payment of the $200,000 ransom and the release of the missing president of the Commercial State bank.

Reports also persisted today that Adolph Bremer had paid the ransom money and expected his son's return later this week.

Police Puzzled.

As police stood ready to join in a manhunt the minute the missing banker is freed, the demand for a "grace" period between payment of the ransom and release of Mr. Bremer, was subject to much uneasy conjecturing at police headquarters.

It was called "highly unusual," but it was thought that it might have been made because Mr. Bremer was drugged after his abduction and because a period of time would be necessary to allow him to recover sufficiently to make his release possible.

The unprecedented massing of federal department of justice agents in the Twin Cities also was seen as a factor in causing such a demand for delay. Release of Bremer under such a plan might occur hundreds of miles from St. Paul.

The number of federal agents working on the case could not be ascertained, but some reports ran as high as 200. Leaders of the federal forces held a conference in their Minneapolis headquarters Wednesday night and then disappeared on a mysterious mission.

Believed Held Outside City.

The federal men were known to be eager to locate Verne Sankey, 42, and Gordon Alcorn, 37, South Dakota kidnaping suspects. Sankey and Alcorn are wanted on kidnaping charges in St. Paul and Denver. One police theory of the kidnaping held that headquarters for the abductors was being maintained in the heart[illegible] exclusive neighborhood. One telephone call to the [illegible] was reported [illegible]

ANOTHER MAY HAVE GANG CAR LICENSE

Two unidentified eye-witnesses, both women, who think they may have espied the kidnapers of Edward G. Bremer when they seized the St. Paul banker January 17 and spirited him away supplied police today with clues that may be significant.

One of the women believes she witnessed the actual abduction from about twenty feet from where Bremer's automobile was halted [illegible] and Lexington avenues [illegible] the school where he had left his 8-year-old daughter Betty a few minutes before.

She told a story of a brief scuffle in the Bremer car as he apparently resisted the kidnapers. His automobile was found later, the interior splotched with blood.

The second witness was reported to have obtained the license number of the gang's car.

Meanwhile relatives said they had received no communication from the kidnapers since their first note January 17, when they demanded $200,000 ransom.

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tim's Friend Admits Whole Policy Is to Keep Lines Open.

Washington, Jan. 26.—(AP)—At- rney General Cummings said day that lack of co-operation th police on the part of the emer family had obstructed ogress in the search for Edward Bremer, wealthy St. Paul victim kidnapers.

He said that generally no co-oper- ve attitudes on the part of the fam- es of kidnap victims made police ork more difficult.

In such instances, the attorney eneral said, families "are not the est judges of their own welfare."

The Justice department had no new nformation on the Bremer case, ummings said.

BREMERS CONFIRM CUMMINGS VIEW.

Members and representatives of he Bremer family confirmed today a tatement by Attorney General Cum- nings that they are not co-operat- g with federal and police authori- es in the attempt to find the kid- apers of Edward G. Bremer, presi- ent of the Commercial State bank.

Mr. Bremer was kidnaped for 200,000 ransom on the morning of anuary 17, and except for a first ote delivered immediately after the bduction, the Bremers insist, no ommunication has been established ith the abductors.

The family members said their letermination to keep all possible venues of communication open for he kidnapers to get in touch with them is the cause of Attorney Gen- eral Cummings' statement. They said they want immediate and un- hampered communication.

"That statement (by the attorney general) is absolutely right," said Walter Magee, St. Paul contractor, friend of the Bremer family, and recipient of the kidnap note.

"We are not co-operating with the authorities because we wish to leave open every possible chance for the holders of Mr. Bremer to communi-

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BREMERS HAMPER SOLUTION, CHARGE

Families Apt to Refuse Police Aid in Kidnapings, Cummings Says.

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cate. We are interested in obtaining his release. That is all. We wish to extend every assurance that we will not communicate with the authorities."

Mr. Magee and members of the Bremer family declined to make any comment on the atorney general's observation regarding the family's welfare.

Other Developments.

Other developments today were:

Family members and representatives said that though nine days have passed since the abduction, no word has been received from the kidnapers after the first note.

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Deputies from [illegible]nepin county sheriff's office [illegible]the vicinity of Medicine [illegible]a western Hennepin coun[illegible]a report that a dazed man there was seeking a ride to the Twin Cities, saying he had been "taken for a ride" by gangsters. The deputies found nothing.

Adolph Bremer, father of the missing man, and also Mrs. Edward Bremer, were reported bearing up well under the continuing strain.

A number of persons connected with the underworld in the Twin Cities who disappeared immediately when news of the Bremer kidnaping became public, began reappearing within the past 48 hours, according to information received by federal agents. They displayed themselves prominently in public [illegible]to establish alibis in case [illegible]are questioned later in connection with the crime.

Ready to Receive Notes.

Magee has held himself or members of his office staff ready through the entire nine days to receive further communications from the kidnapers, at his office or at his home. Other friends of the family, and also members, are continuously on the alert for any communication but thus far have received none considered authentic.

A flood of "crank" mail has reached the family, it became known today, including letters from all manner of crystal gazers, numerologists, and others claiming psychic powers. These letters have given location of the kidnap hideout as being in almost every part of the United States, and describing it. Some have offered for a sum of money to invoke their psychic powers to give positive information regarding Bremer's whereabouts.

BREMER NOT HARMED, GANGLAND REPORT SAYS

St. P. Dispatch 1-26-34

Another night passed with apparently no word from kidnapers of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, who has been held by his abductors nine days up to this morning.

Relatives of Mr. Bremer still contended that no word has been received from the kidnapers regarding negotiations, with the exception of one note demanding $200,000 ransom left for Walter Magee, St. Paul contractor, shortly after the kidnaping.

According to reports in underworld circles early today, the missing banker is alive and unharmed. The same [illegible]s state that negotiations are [illegible]deferred until the kidnapers [illegible]been assured by the "finger [illegible]n" that the "heat" is removed.

There was no activity reported at either the Adolph Bremer or the Edward Bremer homes, Thursday night. Adolph Bremer, father of the kidnaped man, said he still has received no word, and the same report was made by those at the Edward Bremer home.

Chief of Police Thomas Dahill said today that if any negotiations have been carried on by the Bremer family with the kidnapers he has "not been taken into their confidence."

Nathan, Werner Hanni, chief of the Northwest office of the division, and Frank Blake, ace investigator of the department, all were absent from their living quarters early today.

Announcement of the Federal agents' new stand was understood to have been relayed to the Bremer family late Thursday through Thomas E. Dahill, St. Paul police

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chief, and C. E. Newcome, general manager of the brewing company of which Adolph Bremer, father of the kidnap victim, is head.

Nathan held a lengthy conference with Chief Dahill about 2 P. M. and immediately afterward the chief drove [illegible]he brewery, directly across [illegible] from the Adolph Bremer home at 355 West Seventh street. He conferred for some time with Mr. Newcome. It was shortly after this that the sudden activity on the part of the Federal operatives was observed.

Mr. Bremer was seized at 8:30 A. M. January 17 at Goodrich and Lexington avenues while on his way to work. His automobile, the front and rear seats stained with blood, was found several hours later on the Edgcumbe road several miles from the scene of the abduction.

Since the first letter found on the rear doorstep of Mr. Magee's office demanding $200,000 ransom, no communication of any kind has been received from the kidnapers, associates of the family asserted.

Until Thursday night, both police and Federal agents have maintained a "hands off" policy to permit the family to effect the victim's release, concentrating their efforts meanwhile on running down various clues originating from outside sources.

One of the most promising of these was supplied police Thursday by two unnamed women who believed they witnessed the abduction.

One of the women believes she was only twenty feet from the scene of the abduction at Goodrich and Lexington avenues and told of seeing a brief scuffle in the Bremer car as the banker apparently resisted his kidnapers. The second witness was reported to have obtained the license [illegible]

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HOME EDITION

KIDNAPING RACKET IS BLOT ON ST. PAUL'S REPUTATION, SAYS ATTY. GEN. CUMMINGS

Deplores Reluctance Of Bremer Family To Co-Operate, But Federal And Local Authorities To Keep Hands Off Case For 24 Hours More.

"St. Paul has not added to its reputation as a pleasant place to live by recent happenings such as the Edward Bremer and other kidnapings," U. S. Atty. Gen. Homer S. Cummings said today in Washington.

His unsolicited statement came as the 221st hour since Mr. Bremer's abduction elapsed at 1:30 p. m., while reports were that federal and city authorities will maintain their "hands off" policy in the snatching investigation for another 24 hours.

Said Atty. Gen. Cummings: "The understandable reluctance of the Bremer family to co-operate fully with federal agents has been a handicap. In fact the reluctance of families to consider anything but what they think best for the safety of the victim is often the most short-sighted policy for their safety."

It was understood that no move has been made so far to apprehend the kidnapers, and that federal agents have not interfered with negotiations of Adolph Bremer, wealthy father of the victim and close friend of President Roosevelt, for the payment of the $200,000 ransom and the release of his son.

Reports have been published that a so-called "truce" of federal agents had been called off. These, it was understood, were based on something more than the fact that some persons were unable to locate J. Frank Blake, ace federal investigator, and Werner Hanni, northwest chief of the federal bureau of investigation.

However, both were located at their offices today, where it was learned that nothing of importance had occurred during the night and that no intervention is planned for at least 24 hours.

Authorities, it was understood, have merely been running down clues and rumors since Mr. Bremer's abduction nine days ago, but have not attempted to interfere with negotiations or to learn the details of any contemplated contact.

Reports current also were to the effect that federal agents were mobilizing in Minneapolis in preparation for an intensive search for Mr. Bremer, but Walter W. Magee, St. Paul contractor and receiver of the first ransom note and contact telephone call, spiked these rumors with the statement that "there are no grounds so far on which the federal men could enter the case any [illegible]."

Mr. Magee had reference to the fact that to date there has been no proof of a violation of the federal Lindbergh anti-kidnaping law.

Mr. Bremer, president of the Commercial State bank, was kidnaped at 8:30 a. m. Wednesday, Jan. 17 at Goodrich ave. and Lexington parkway after he had taken his only child, Betty, 8, to the Summit school, 1130 Goodrich ave.

BREMERS KEEP UP HOPES FOR EARLY SOLUTION

St. P. Dispatch 1-27-34

Officials Refrain From Interference So Contact Can Be Made.

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Mystery Deepens as Time Passes, Apparently Without Word From Kidnapers.

Relatives of Edward G. Bremer, kidnaped St. Paul banker, still were hopefully awaiting word today from abductors who request $200,000 ransom for return of the victim who has been absent for ten days.

All possible steps to assure a secret contact with the abductors without interference by police or federal agents have been taken by Adolph Bremer, wealthy brewer and father of the kidnaped man. He has announced he is ready to pay the ransom when given sufficient proof by the actual kidnapers.

Chief of Police Thomas Dahill indicated he is abiding by the wishes of the elder Bremer by the fact that he spent Friday night at his home instead of remaining at his office as he previously had done. There was no activity on the part of the police force.

No unusual incidents were reported in the night at the two Bremer homes. Although Adolph Bremer and the wife of the abducted man have been confident of the safe return of the banker, both are tired, suffering from the strain.

The relatives again maintained that no word has been received from the kidnapers with the exception of the first ransom note addressed to Walter Magee, St. Paul contractor found shortly after the abduction occurred at 8:30 a. m., January 17, at Goodrich and Lexington avenues, St. Paul.

Bremer Asks Kidnap Contact

St. P. Daily News 1-26-34

Ransom Is Ready, Police Out, He Says.

Assurance that the $200,000 demanded for release of kidnaped Edward G. Bremer is ready and will be paid without police interference was given today by Adolph Bremer, father of the missing president of the Commercial State bank.

As the 245th hour since the missing banker's abduction passed at 1:30 p. m. today, Mr. Bremer said that the money would be paid as soon as kidnapers identify themselves.

"We are anxiously awaiting a contact with the kidnapers," Mr. Magee declared. "All we ask is that they identify themselves properly and the ransom will be paid.

"We have been assured that our telephone wires are not being tapped and that no interference will be made with any possible emissary of the kidnapers."

A device through which the family could gain assurance that young Bremer was still alive was offered by Dr. Orland F. Scott, Chicago criminologist. In a telegram to Adolph Bremer, Mr. Scott said:

"If you have any way of communicating with his kidnapers, require that they submit his signature and some phrase or incident known only to him and you written across the printed text of a current newspaper.

"You then can check his handwriting for double verification of authenticity inasmuch as a newspaper cannot be forged. You also will have proof that the message must have been written since the paper's publication."

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BREMERS LOOK FOR ACTION ON APPEALS

St. P. Dispatch 1-29-34

Magee Also Believes Word Will Be Forthcoming in Few Days.

Relatives and friends of Edward G. Bremer missing president of the Commercial State bank, sat through another anxious week-end awaiting word from the kidnapers who are holding him for $200,000 ransom.

The 253d hour since his abduction on January 17 passed at 1:20 P. M. today. Relatives said the only message was delivered immediately after the crime to Walter W. Magee, St. Paul contractor and friend of the Bremer family. Mr. Magee, and other representatives of the family, said today that no further word has come.

"I am optimistic," Magee said, "that we will hear something definite in the next few days. The appeals by Adolph Bremer (the missing man's father), and assurance that the ransom is ready for payment to the kidnapers as soon as authentic word is received ought to bring some results soon."

The second appeal by the father, who is president of the Jacob Schmidt Brewing Co., was issued today.

St. Paul police and the United States [illegible] were still standing [illegible] with the wishes of the family that avenues of communication might be kept open for the kidnapers.

Bremer Captive 293 Hours; No Further Contact

No further contact with kidnapers of Edward G. Bremer, president of the Commercial State bank, had been made up to 1:20 p. m. today as the 293d hour since his abduction elapsed, members of the family said today.

Although Mr. Bremer has been held captive for $200,000 ransom for 12 days, members of the family indicated they were confident he would be returned safely. Adolph Bremer, father of the victim and wealthy brewer, renewed his plea that kidnapers communicate with him.

The ransom money is ready, he said, and he asserted there would be no police interference. Mr. Bremer was kidnaped at Goodrich ave. and Lexington pkwy. at 8:30 a. m. Jan. 17 after he had taken his only child, Betty, 8, to the Summit school, 1150 Goodrich ave.

St. P. Daily News Jan. 29, 1934.

Chicago Herald Jan. 30, 1934

BREMER ALIVE, GANG PEEVED, SAY U. S. MEN

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(By International News Servic.)—The kidnapers of Edward G. Bremer, wealthy young St. Paul banker, are "sore" at members of the victim's family and this accounts for the lack of contact between the snatchers and those who are attempting to effect his release, according to confidential reports of federal agents working on the case.

Some hitherto unrevealed details of the case are contained in the reports which the agents have made to the Department of Justice. According to these reports, the kidnapers instructed Bremer's father, Adolph Bremer, wealthy brewer, immediately after the kidnaping, to indicate his willingness to pay the $200,000 ransom by placing an NRA blue eagle insignia in a certain window.

RESENT HALF EAGLE.

After consulting with friends, the elder Bremer posted the insignia, as demanded—but he tore it in halves, indicating that he was willing to pay $100,000 to obtain his son's release.

The kidnapers quickly resented the significance of the [illegible]ded blue eagle, according to federal agents' reports, and within a few hours sent a note to the elder Bremer which substantially was as follows:

"Getting smart, aren't you? Trying to pitch a few curves, eh? Well, now you can look for us."

Since that time nothing has been heard from the kidnapers.

Federal agents on the case remain confident, however, that young Bremer is still alive.

WAIT FULL AMOUNT.

Their reports indicate that the "job" was done by a band of professionals, who realize that their victim is worth probably $200,000 to them alive and nothing at all to them dead. Only amateur "snatchers" are disposed to do away with their victims, according to the federal agents, unless, of course, the situation gets "too hot."

In the Bremer case, the federal agents as well as police are lying low at the request of the Bremer family. Hence, it is held, the kidnapers have not a great deal to fear.

The long silence of the kidnapers is ascribed in federal reports as being due to their "pique" over the effort to cut the ransom in half and also due to their desire to impress upon Bremer's family their seriousness in the whole business.

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SAYS ASSAILANTS WERE DISCUSSING BREMER KIDNAPING

Brookings, S. D., Feb. 1.—(AP)—Declaring he had been kidnaped and drugged in Minneapolis Saturday by two men whom he overheard talking about the Bremer case, Herman S. Johnson, a local cafe owner, was back at home today after having been picked up in a dazed condition at Iowa Falls, Iowa.

Johnson, 45 years old, president of the South Dakota Restaurant association, has a bump on his head and says he remembers little that happened after he was ordered into an automobile on a Minneapolis street. He was recognized in Iowa Falls by Forrest Duggan, a former Brookings resident and now a patrolman in Iowa City, and was returned to his home Wednesday night.

Mrs. Johnson disclosed she had received a note from her husband Monday, saying he had been kidnaped by two men whom he had overheard talking in a Minneapolis cafe about the Bremer case. The note, mailed at Iowa City, was written on a piece of paper which appeared to have been torn from a grocer's sack.

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BREMER RANSOM M
TO KIDNAPER

Banker's Release Is Expected Today

Release of Edward G. Bremer, 36, kidnaped banker, was expected within 24 hours today following a series of rapid-fire developments.

Representatives of Adolph Bremer, the victim's father and personal friend of President Roosevelt, were reported to have renewed contact with the victim's captors and have dispatched a negotiator with $200,000 ransom to a designated "payoff" rendezvous.

Arrangements for the delivery of the ransom money were said to have been contained in two notes thrown through a glass door in the home of Dr. H. T. Nippert, Bremer family physician, 706 Lincoln ave.

The reported receipt of these notes was followed by the insertion of an advertisement in two Minneapolis newspapers. The advertisement read:

"Rose, please 'phone today. D. O. C."

WILLING TO MEET TERMS.

Police who have remained out of the case lest their work endanger young Bremer's security believed this advertisement signified that members of the family were willing to accede to the wishes of the abductors. The "D. O. C." initials were believed to mean that the family wished to pay the ransom on delivery of Bremer. The initials were to be reversed [illegible]ary.

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Summit school and was on his way to the Commercial State bank, of which he is president.

His absence was first discovered after Walter Magee, a contractor and close friend, received a telephone call and note saying that Bremer had been kidnaped. The note demanded $200,000 ransom in small bills.

Kidnap Note Hurled Through Door.

The hole made in the front door at the home of D[r.] Nippert, 706 Lincoln ave., Bremer family physician, by [which] said to contain a new kidnaping note, is shown in [the] above. The note is believed to have contained ad[ditional] structions which will lead to early release of Edward [G.] Commercial State bank president, who has been he[ld] since last Wednesday.

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Kidnapers Hold St. Paul Banker For $200,000

...E. C. Brewer, Brewer's Son, Abducted, Just as Underworld Warned Last July

KIDNAPPERS HOLD ST. PAUL BANKER; NOTE ASKS $200,000

Police on Mystery Trip Reveal on Trail

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"I cannot conceive of a responsible editor publish- ...n invitation to the underworld to come to St. Paul ...loot and plunder the city. The Daily News must ... responsibility for this 'advertising'."—Mayor Wil- Mahoney.

Mayor Mahoney's police department, NOT Daily News, is responsible for the story of ...Paul's shame being emblazoned on the front ...es of newspapers from coast to coast. The ...llines are from front page stories carried by ...diverse newspapers as the Cincinnati En- ...er, the Herald-Post of Louisville, the Seattle ...y Times, the Cleveland Plain Dealer, the C... ...Herald-Examiner, the Denver Post, ...ning Oregonian of Portland, the Public L... ...of Philadelphia, the St. Louis Post-Dispat... New York Times, the Washington Post, the ...las Morning News, The Sun of Baltimore, the Los Angeles Examiner, the Free Press Bulletin of Winnipeg, the Chicago Tribune, the New York Her... ...ribune and New York World-Telegram.

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ROTTEN CONDITIONS A TERRIFIC CRIME RECORD, KIDNAPINGS, MURDERS, ROBBERIES, SLUGGINGS - THESE ARE THE THINGS THAT HAVE GIVEN ST. PAUL ITS BLACK EYE. The Bremer kidnaping, a $200,000 business deal, in the heals of the $100,000 Hamm kidnaping, which followed the less expensive Bohn kidnaping—all unsolved—

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St. Paul Brewer's Son Seized After Taking Girl to School

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Banker's Captors

BANKER KIDNAPED BY ST PAUL GANG

Edward G. Bremer Held for $200,000 Ransom

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News of Snatching Secret for Day; Victim Son of Wealthy Brewer.

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There is y one way St. Paul can overcome its reputation as a tough town. That is to capture these kidnapers, murderers and racketeers and get a police department that will prevent future gangster activities.

That is what The Daily News is seeking in directing attention to the city's unsavory crime reputation.

—EDITOR, THE DAILY NEWS.

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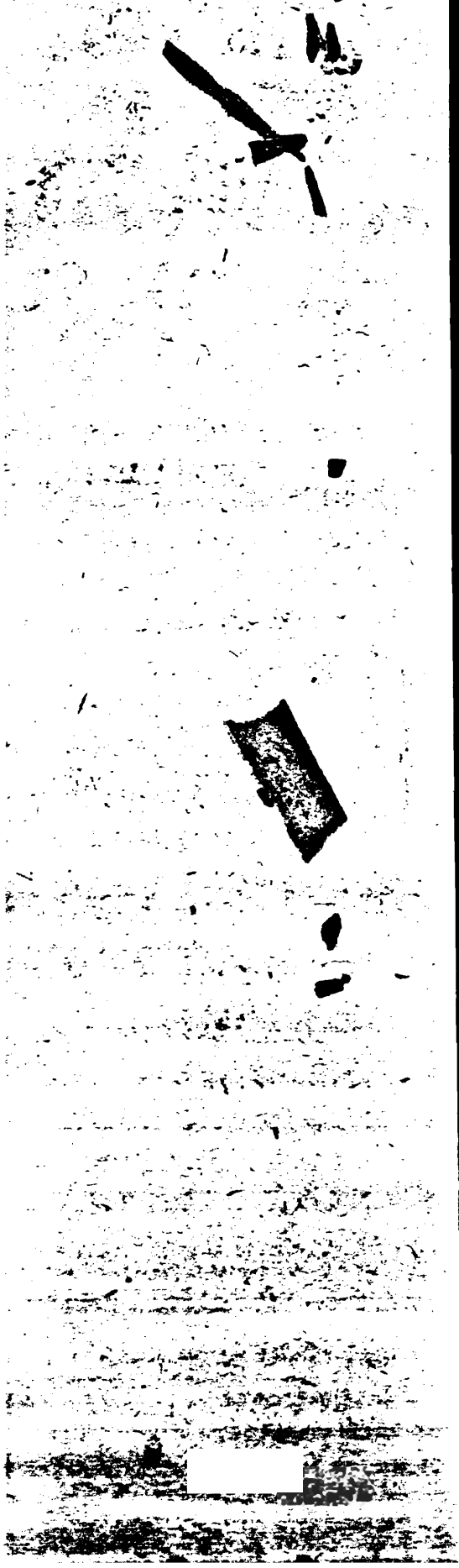

HOPEFUL WAITING ATTITUDE ASSUMED BY FAMILY WHILE OFFICIALS KEEP SILENCE

"We Have Hea[illegible] Father of Banker Kidnap Victim Insists as Rumored Time for Release Arrives; U. S. Department of Justice Forces Noncommital on Developments as Week Passes Vainly.

REPORT PERSISTS THAT NEW CONTACT WAS MADE, DESPITE FIRM DENIALS

From rumors which daily have swollen the wake of the abduction, reared only one apparent fact at noon today: That the family of Edward G. Bremer, 37-year-old St. Paul banker, has not completed negotiations with the kidnapers.

The banker, snatched at 8:30 A. M. Wednesday in a daring, daylight coup at Lexington and Goodrich avenues, had been gone 172 hours at noon.

Members of the Bremer family maintained their tight-lipped silence, denying reports that contacts have been made or soon will be. Walter W. Magee, St. Paul contractor and first contact man said: "I have nothing to say."

Developments in Case.

Factual developments today were:

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PHONE CALL TO DOCTOR'S HOUSE TRACED; FOUR MEN SNATCHED BREMER, BELIEF

Banker Thought Held Within 100 Miles Of Twin Cities; Two Cars Seen Dashing From Mill City, One Resembling McCord Gunmen's Coupe.

While wild rumors continued to flood the northwest in the Edward G. Bremer kidnaping, The Daily News learned today that local contact men probably are nesting in an apartment in the Hill district of St. Paul and that the missing banker is being held within a maximum of 100 miles of the Twin Cities.

The News also discovered that four men are believed to have participated in the snatch, and that two of them, after conveying the missing banker to a hideout within 50 or 100 miles of St. Paul and Minneapolis, returned to the capital city to effect contact for Mr. Bremer's release on payment of $200,000.

These startling developments in the case, which are being followed up by federal agents, came today as the 173d hour since the banker was grabbed elapsed at 1:30 p. m.

Location of the local contact men was established after The Daily News investigated the third contact, by telephone, to the home of Dr. H. T. Nippert, 706 Lincoln ave., Bremer family physician, and discovered that it probably came from an apartment house in that vicinity at about 2 a. m. Monday. Checkup revealed that no business houses in the vicinity were open at that hour Monday morning, and that the call came from a pay station of an apartment house.

That four men participated in the snatch was revealed in new information uncovered by The Daily News today.

A fifth contact man, it was believed, was left behind in St. Paul to drop the first ransom note at the door of the office of Walter Magee, 118 W. Central ave., thus affording the four snatchers more time to hide out the son of Adolph Bremer, wealthy brewer, and close friend of President Roosevelt.

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It was said that "high pressure" methods were being used on the St. Paul underworld in an effort to develop some new clue. It was reported that all underworld residents are being interviewed in the case, although thus far this field of activity had produced little results.

Police and federal officers this afternoon continued their search of Hill district apartment houses, requesting proprietors for names of persons who rented apartments recently for but a short period. It was thought that this line of inquiry might reveal the name of the kidnapers' contact man who made the telephone call to Dr. H. T. Nippert's home early Dr. Nippert is the Bremer family physician and a close friend of the Bremers.

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Federal agents also were inclined to believe that a fifth man was left behind in St. Paul to deliver the ransom note to Mr. Magee it was said. With that as a basis, they computed that, allowing for an average speed of 50 miles an hour, the hideout was within a maximum of 100 miles of St. Paul.

Ransom Effort Failure?

While it was believed that Mr.

FOR CLEANING UP CITY

The Daily News, in his demand for a complete "public inquiry" of crime conditions in the city.

The motion was introduced at the meeting by Dr. Nellie Welch Nelson, past president of the district. The meeting was attended by representatives of approximately women's clubs in the county, representing about women.

Dr. Nelson declared that it is up to every citizen to join the campaign and bring back the good name of the city.

"It is up to every citizen, whether member of a church or any other organization to get busy and help clean up St. Paul," Dr. Nelson assisting hostess. This is the first vanishing party to be sponsored by the group.

Foreign Policy Dinner Friday

France To Be "Subject Of Talks By Experts.

The French foreign policy and the public reaction to it will be discussed at the third meeting of the

Police, Federal Officers Search Hill Apartments

With more than 175 hours elapsed since Edward G. Bremer was kidnaped, relatives and police, nerves shattered by rumors, were anxiously awaiting new directions from the banker's abductors.

The afternoon snow storm lent fresh hope that under cover of the inclement weather, some new effort at communication would be made tonight. A vigilant watch was being maintained by relatives and all friends with whom the kidnapers might contact in the effort to deliver Mr. Bremer and obtain the $200,000 ransom.

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Kidnapers Follow Wrong Auto Near Hinckley, Is Belief

An attempted delivery of $200,000 ransom for the release of Edward Bremer, 36, kidnaped banker, was believed to have failed today when two automobiles containing members of the abduction gang followed the wrong automobile.

The kidnaped man was believed to have been in one of the two abductors' automobiles.

The apparent mistake by the kidnapers was the only new development the past few hours as the time which Bremer has been held captive reached a full week.

The kidnapers were believed to have been in two automobiles which bottled up the automobile driven by Harry Bachman, St. Paul businessman, near Hinckley, Minn., Tuesday night.

Bachman's automobile was trapped between two large sedans on Trunk Highway No. 1, near where a ransom of $100,000 was paid to the kidnapers of William Hamm, Jr., last year.

The two mysteriously acting automobiles were jockeyed back and fourth alongside Bachman's car. The latter was mystified by these attentions. After 15 minutes of such maneuvering, one of the sedans edged Bachman toward the side of the road and several shots were fired in the air.

While Bachman remained at the wheel of his car, the two automobile loads of men surveyed him carefully and then apparently satisfied that he was not the person they sought, turned about and drove back toward St. Paul.

Bachman said that he saw a bundled object in the back seat of one of the automobiles. It resembled a bundle of blankets, he said.

Bachman drove on to Duluth and then notified authorities. Investigators were sent to the northern city to interview Bachman.

Police believed that the kidnapers probably followed Bachman all the way from St. Paul in the belief that he was a representative of the Bremer family, designated to deliver the ransom. Bachman was believed to own a large automobile similar to Bremer's car.

Activities at the Bremer family mansion during the night indicated that young Bremer's safe release was expected hourly. Dejected relatives of the kidnaped man were busy, making secret trips about the city.

More Operatives Arrive.

Meanwhile, unprecedented numbers of federal agents were reported to have arrived in Minneapolis for a federal drive against the kidnapers. Adolph Bremer, father of the kidnapers' victim, is a personal friend of President Roosevelt.

The federal agents have established headquarters in Minneapolis, it

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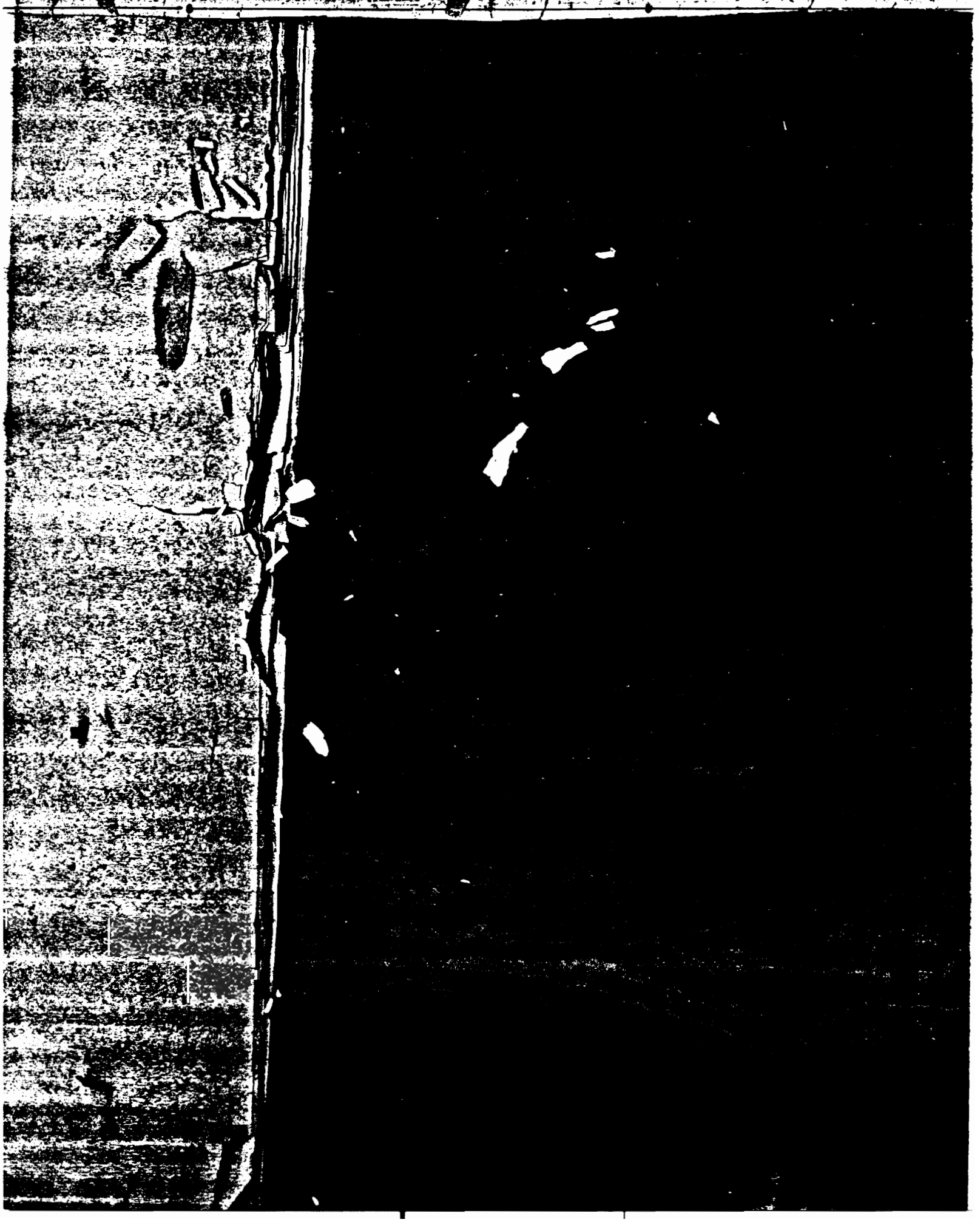

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old president of the Commercial State bank would made Sunday, no messa was received, friends as- ed.

The Bremer family was represented as being determined to refuse payment of the ransom unless a note signed by Mr. Bremer with instructions for payment is received.

The $200,000 ransom, however, was known to be in readiness in the American National bank, headed by Otto Bremer, uncle of the missing man, for immediate payment when such instructions are received.

Developments included:

It was learned that delivery of the initial letter from the kidnapers at 10 A. M. Wednesday to the rear doorstep of the office of Walter W. Magee, contractor at 118 West Central avenue, was witnessed by a man. He saw a blanket covering a large object in the rear of the large black sedan carrying the men who delivered the letter, apparently indicating Mr. Bremer was a captive in the car at the time.

Authorities searched the area around Anoka, Minn., on the strength of an anonymous letter received Saturday in Minneapolis and stating Mr. Bremer had been killed "by accident" and his body hidden near that city. The letter was believed to be a hoax but authorities were searching regardless of this belief.

Persistence of false rumors of the return or death of Mr. Bremer and checking by police of numerous "tips" and clues, none of which proved of value.

St. Paul police and Federal agents continued their inactivity in the case, but as the hours passed with no word of any contact with or message from the abductors, the tensity of detectives and their su eriors who have been at headquarters constantly since Wednesday noon neared the breaking point.

Members of the family of the missing man also were reported as showing the strain of their long wait.

Adolph Bremer Better.

Adolph Bremer, 855 West Seventh street, father of the victim, was in seclusion in his home in a serious nervous condition brought on by aggravation of an illness from which he has suffered for two years. He was attended Saturday by a physician but was reported much improved Sunday.

Members of the Bremer family made several hurried trips from their homes Sunday, but friends asserted that had nothing to do with the kidnaping. Adolph Bremer Jr., brother of Edward, and Mr. Magee remained at the latter's office most of the day, apparently in expectation of a message.

The initial letter found by Mr. Magee after he had been informed of its presence and the kidnaping by telephone call, bore the signature of the missing banker in a shaky scrawl.

Witness' Name Withheld.

The name of the man who witnessed the delivery of the initial message from the kidnapers was withheld, but it was learned from ...tive sources that he had ... to police.

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His attention was drawn to the machine, he said, by the fact that it went through a stop signal at Rice street and Central avenue. As the machine passed him, drawing close to the curb, he observed that a blanket had been thrown over some object on the floor in the back seat.

The machine stopped in front of Mr. Magee's office at 118 West Central avenue and one man jumped out carrying a piece of white paper in his hand. He ran toward the entry of Mr. Magee's office building while the car continued slowly down the street.

Hears of Kidnaping.

The observer is said to have stated that he entered the story at that point and saw nothing further. He did not realize until he read newspaper accounts of the kidnaping the following day that he had witnessed delivery of the note. He did not notice the license number of the car and could not identify the occupants, he told police.

His story, indicating the kidnap...

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ALARMED KIDNAPER CONTACT MAN IS

Made Wary By Early Report Of Abduction

Early reporting of the Edward G. Bremer kidnaping to e last Wednesday was seen by police late today as pos- the reason for delay of the kidnapers in again communi- g with the family or friends.

Officers pointed out that in the original ransom note, kidnapers explicitly warned Walter W. Magee, contractor friend of Bremer, selected as the contact man, not to fy police.

Since then it has been revealed that Magee instead of fol- ng that instruction, communicated with police almost ediately.

Uncertain Of Contact.

Knowing that he did not follow their instructions, the apers, it is declared, probably are uncertain over who to ct to contact the family, fearing that if they again use ce, police will be promptly "tipped off" and there may be ttempt to double cross them in the delivery of the money.

Police and federal agents continued to wait developments. intensified nation-wide search for Verne Sankey had been red earlier in the day by J. Edgar Hoover, head of the stigation division of the department of justice, on the f that Sankey heads the gang which has Bremer in

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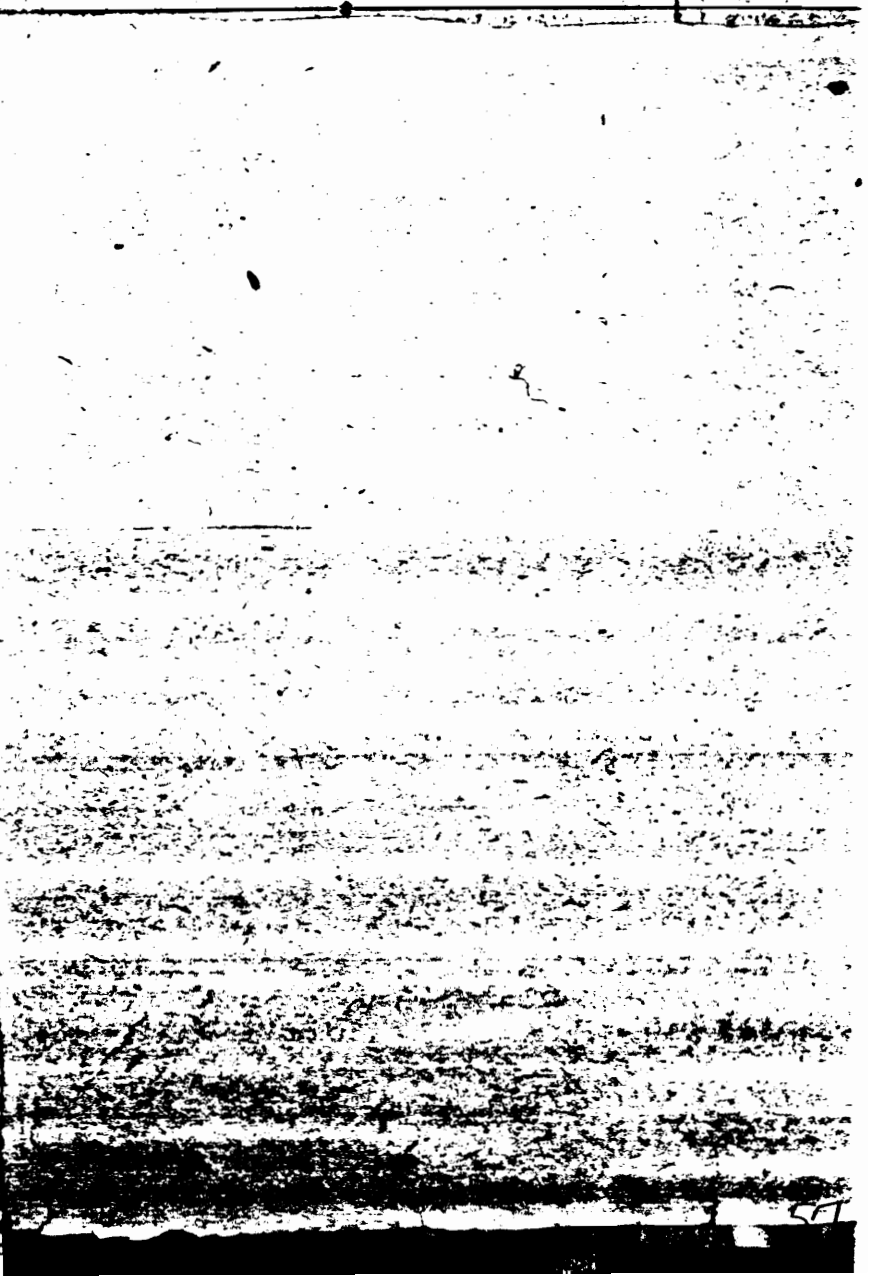

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Entire Church Congregation Votes Indorsement Of Editorials; Phone Calls, Letters Pour In.

With one church congregation rising en masse to back the editorial stand of The Daily News in warring against illegal liquor sales and political domination of the police department, hundreds of telephone calls flooded The News today and scores of letters, commending this paper's stand, began to flow into its offices.

During his sermon Sunday, Dr. Harry Noble Wilson, pastor of the Central Park Presbyterian church, one of the largest downtown churches, heartily praised the stand of The News, quoted at length from two front-page editorials and asked, "Do those here wish to indorse the editorial attitude of The Daily News?"

In body members of the congregation leaped to their feet in a united stand for the principles for which The Daily News is fighting.

Telephone calls, which started to trickle in Saturday, became a deluge today, with phones in the city room ringing almost constantly. Every caller praised The Daily News, wish...

U. S. JUSTICE DEPARTMENT ORDERS SEARCH IN BREMER CASE; ATTORNEY ARRESTED

No Word Received From Banker's Captors; Ginsberg Quizzed, Released; Blood On Car Is Human; Friends Confident Contact To Be Made Soon.

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Entire Church Congregation Votes Indorsement Of Editorials; Phone Calls, Letters Pour In.

With one church congregation rising en masse to back the editorial stand of The Daily News in warring against illegal liquor sales and political domination of the police department, hundreds of telephone calls flooded The News today and scores of letters, commending this paper's stand, began to flow into its offices.

During his sermon Sunday, Dr. Harry Noble Wilson, pastor of the Central Park Presbyterian church, one of the largest downtown churches, heartily praised the stand of The News, quoted at length from two front-page editorials and asked, "Do those here wish to indorse the editorial attitude of The Daily News?"

In body members of the congregation leaped to their feet in a united stand for the principles for which The Daily News is fighting.

Telephone calls, which started to trickle in Saturday, became a deluge today, with phones in the city room ringing almost constantly. Every caller praised The Daily News, wish-

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Physicians asserted, however, that the amount of blood was insufficient to indicate that the banker had been shot.

No skin tissue was found in the analysis, indicating, physicians said, that it is more likely that Mr. Bremer was struck a forcible blow in the face which caused a nosebleed.

Freed In Chicago.

On May 13, 1931, Ginsberg was released by Chicago police after having been held nearly a week for questioning in the kidnaping of James Hackett, Blue Island gambler. He was freed when no charges were filed against him.

Ginsberg, with Edward Flattery, also of Minneapolis, was arrested in the Morrison hotel, Chicago, by a squad of investigators for the Illinois state attorney's office, who had been watching them for several days on a tip they were planning to kidnap Hackett. At the time of Ginsberg's release he was wanted by Duluth authorities, but was released in Chicago when they failed to request his extradition.

Ginsberg is known in St. Paul because of his activities in court here and in Minneapolis. He was accused of "double-crossing" the Gleeman brothers, one of whom is serving a

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ALL HOOEY," AVERS VICTIM'S BROTHER OF OF REPORTED MOVES

Police, members of the Bremer family and friends insisted today that no contact has been made with the kidnapers of 37-year-old Edward G. Bremer since the first one Wednesday.

Their denials came after it was disclosed that a patent medicine bottle had been hurled through the window of Dr. H. T. Nippert, 706 Lincoln avenue, physician for the Bremer family, and a brewery truck had left the back of the home of Adolph Bremer, father of the missing man, at 855 West Seventh street, on an undisclosed mission.

In a telephone [illegible]tion this morning Adolph Bremer Jr. denied em[illegible]y that any word had been heard from Edward o[illegible]idnapers since he was abducted about 8:30 A. M. [illegible]ednesday.

"NO CONTACT WHATEVER."

"Has any contact been made?" Mr. Bremer was asked.

"None whatsoever."

"How about the Dr. Nippert angle?"

"That's all hooey."

"How about Schmidt's company truck in the rear of the Bremer home last night?"

"That's all hooey too."

"Have you hear[illegible]om the kidnapers or Edward?"

"Not a thing."

"How is your father?"

"He is pretty bad."

"Is he under the constant care of a doctor?"

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[illegible]ington, Jan. 22.—(AP)—In an address in which he mentioned the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, Senator Copeland, Democrat of New York, said tonight:

"The dictatorship of the criminal world must not go on. We have started warfare on this organized racket and we are going to finish it. We, the American public, are going to be the dictator."

The New Yorker, who headed a special committee which investigated crime last summer, stressed the need for new Federal legislation to deal with kidnapers.

"America, China and Mexico," he said, "lead the world in the kidnaping industry. America is in the lead in the baby kidnapings—the most fiendish of all."

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Although the bottle hurled through Dr. Nippert's front door contained no message, he asserted, it was thought possible it was a signal from the kidnapers, perhaps indicating that the next contact will be made through the physician.

Dr. Nippert's home is set 30 or 40 feet back from the sidewalk and the bottle made a clean hole through a plate glass door one-fourth of an inch thick, continuing on to shatter against the inner door of the vestibule and cracking the glass in it, showing the bottle must have been hurled with considerable force by some one standing probably only a few feet from the door.

This eliminated the possibility that the bottle had been thrown as a prank and led to the conclusion the thrower had some definite purpose. The possibility that this was to indicate Dr. Nippert as the man to conduct final negotiations for Mr. Bremer's release was strengthened by the physician's assertion that he would gladly act in such a capacity.

WILLING TO BE CONTACT MAN.

"I would be perfectly willing to act as a contact man if I could be of any use to the Bremer family and help to end their long suspense," the 65-year-old physician asserted.

Dr. Nippert has been a friend of the Bremer family for twenty years or more and has treated all of its members at various times. Recently he has visited the home of Adolph Bremer, and has called there several times since the abduction.

He also has visited the Edward G. Bremer home at 92 North Mississippi River boulevard many times and if the kidnapers watched either house they could easily have ascertained his close association with the family.

"I was still in bed at 6:30 A. M. Saturday when I heard a crash of glass," Dr. Nippert said. "I glanced at my watch so I know the time. However, at the time I thought that the wind had blown something over

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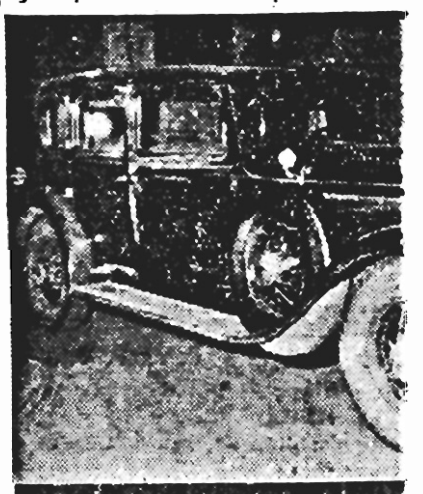

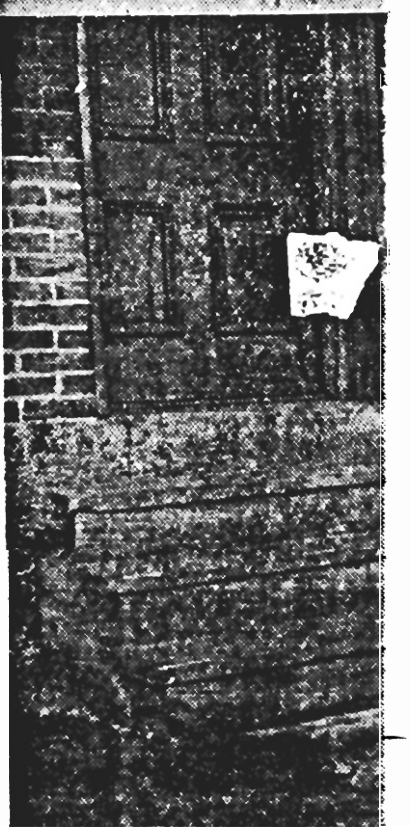

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TWO CENTS IN ST. PAUL.

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RY ARM OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT EXPECTED TO TAKE HAND IN SOLUTION

Bloodstains on both front and rear seats of Edward emer's automobile today inspired fears for the safety 37-year-old bank president, held for $200,000 ran-y kidnapers who have threatened him with death.

ood was on the front seat of the Bremer sedan when it was near 1910 Edgcumbe road shortly after 10 A. M., Wednesday, revealed today.

dications were that the kidnaped president of the Com-l State bank was struck on the head when he resisted his s as they invaded his car.

VICTIM KNOCKED OUT, THEORY.

hen, sources close to the family said, the presumably unconscious who at 8:15 A. M., Wednesday had left his daughter Betty, 8 old, at the Summit grade school at 1150 Goodrich avenue and d for his office, probably was dragged into the back seat by f his captors.

he rear seat also was stained with blood, a friend of the family

. ransom note, left at the office of Walter W. Magee, contractor friend of the missing man, gave instructions for assembling 00 for his freedom and warned he would be killed if the police summoned or the newspapers notified. The office is at 118 West al avenue.

'earing his son's life was in jeopardy, Adolph Bremer, chief of the Jacob Schmidt Brewing Co. here, begged law enforce-agencies Thursday night to desist in their efforts to hunt down bductors.

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BLOOD IN BREMER ... RAISES FEARS OF FAMILY

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city in the State for possible kidnap hideouts.

George St. Marie, 2180 Fairmount avenue, an acquaintance of the missing man, said he saw two men following Bremer the night before he was abducted.

"I was bowling with Mr. Bremer and his brother, Adolph Jr., Tuesday night," St. Marie, an employe of a public utility concern said, "when I noticed two strangers whispering and looking intently at Mr. Bremer.

"I heard one of the men say to the other "that isn't the man, it's the other" and pointing to Mr. Edward Bremer."

Both acted suspiciously, St. Marie said, "and might have been connected with the kidnaping."

Bremer, underworld reports said, was marked for abduction by a Chicago gang last fall and for a time went about with a bodyguard. Recently, however, he has been unaccompanied. Bremer returned Monday night from Chicago, contrary to first reports that he returned Wednesday, a few hours prior to his kidnaping.

Dr. Russell R. Noice, physician in the Medical Arts building, Minneapolis, reported to police he saw a man who resembled published pictures of Bremer in a coupe with another man at Broadway and Emerson avenue north, Minneapolis, at 6 P. M. Thursday. The man who resembled Bremer had a bandage about his eyes, according to the reports made to police. Dr. Noice said the [illegible]

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Bremer's dark blue Lincoln sedan, abandoned about a block from the home of Martin Thornton, 1910 Edgcumbe road, contractor, was found by Magee after kidnapers made their first negotiations through him.

Thornton asserted that neither he nor any one in his household saw the sedan at any time, either when it was parked on the road or afterward.

Magee adopted a policy of absolute silence today concerning his operations. "I have nothing to say," he said. "I don't want to give a short answer to questions, but that's the stand I'm going to take from now on."

It was reported a ta[illegible] was supposed to have been [illegible] at 9 A. M. Thursday to the home of Adolph Bremer, 865 West Seventh street, to establish another contact following publication of the ransom ad, "We are ready—All [illegible]" in a Minneapolis newspaper.

The call, however, [illegible] not made.

The $200,000 ransom money was demanded by the abductors in $5, $10 and $20 used bills not having consecutive serial numbers.

From distant points in the nation federal operatives converged on St. Paul. J. Edgar Hoover, director of investigation of the Department of Justice, told the Associated Press in Washington a special detail of agents has been sent to St. Paul. Frank J. Blake, ace investigator, flew from Texas to help here.

Harold Nathan of Washington, assistant to Hoover, arrived in St. Paul and went into conference this morning with Thomas E. Dahill, chief of police; M. F. Kinkead, Ramsey county attorney, and Werner Hanni, chief federal investigator in St. Paul, in the Public Safety building.

While they presumably planned a man hunt, all officers were said to be following a "stand by" policy until Bremer is safely returned.

Robert G. Flynn, fourth district American Legion commander, planned to confer in St. Paul this noon with Michael F. Murray of St. Cloud, state commander, on mobilizing 21,000 American Legion members to search every hamlet and

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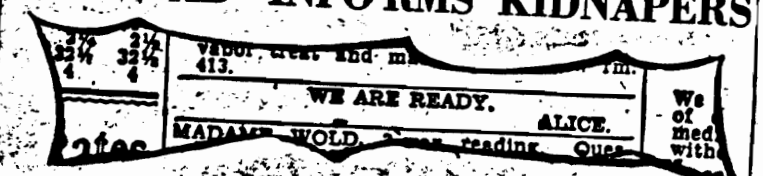

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ADOLPH BREMER

Cryptic Message in Tribune Ad Says 'We Are Ready'

U.S. Ace Investigator Rushes by Plane to Aid Hunt

With the way to contact paved by a two-line "personal" advertisement, members of the St. Paul Bremer family settled down Thursday night to await the second move on the part of the men who abducted Edward G. Bremer and are reported to be holding him for $200,000 ransom.

Throughout the day it was anticipated that contact would be established somewhere around 5 p. m. but, although several mysterious moves were made by those leading in the hunt for the kidnaped man, no verification had come early Thursday night that such a contact had been made.

'We Are Ready,' Ad Says.

It was a want ad inserted in the personal column of the Thursday morning edition of The Minneapolis Tribune which paved the way for first contact with the abductors.

The two-line ad read: "We are ready.

It was signed: "Alice."

This terse message conformed to instructions reported to have been given by the kidnapers when [illegible] typed note, signed by Bremer, on the back doorstep of

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Police Certain Kidnaped Banker Is Still Alive

Although 72 hours have elapsed since his kidnaping, and despite blood stains found in his abandoned automobile, police today are sure that Edward G. Bremer, banker "snatch" victim, is alive.

They have positively identified the signature on the ransom note delivered to Walter W. Magee as his.

The note, they are certain, was signed after Mr. Bremer had been taken prisoner at Lexington and Goodrich aves. about 9 a. m. Wednesday and after, therefore, the scuffle or fight which resulted in the bloodstains on the upholstery and floor of the car.

As the hours rolled by without any further word from either the kidnap victim or his abductors, however, the nervous strain and tension both at police headquarters and among Mr. Bremer's friends and relatives heightened.

Sixty Detectives Ready.

At the police station nearly three-score detectives, on constant duty since the kidnaping, were fretting in impatience as another morning came with no real developments. They were reaching their nerves' ends.

At the Bremer home, 96 St. Alexander River blvd., Mrs. Bremer, although composed, was reported in a highly nervous state.

The peculiarity of the ransom note, over which the investigators are [illegible] addressed to "Charles Magee." It was also noted out that anyone who [illegible] much about the kidnaping [illegible] papers knew, also, that Mr. Magee's first name was Walter, not Charles.

Find Eye-Witness.

Discovery of an eye-witness of the kidnaping brought little help to police except the placing of the place of the crime.

James Quinehan, 582 Aurora ave., Minnesota Milk Co. driver, told police he saw two big cars at the intersection of Goodrich and Lexington aves., between 8:30 and 8:30 a. m. Wednesday. One car drove directly in front of the other, blocking it. A moment later both drove away.

Police believe it was here the kidnapers grabbed Mr. Bremer, probably forcing him at gun-point to drive his car to some place not now known.

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THE KIDNAPING RACKET.

The extreme difficulties under which the police authorities work in a kidnaping are again illustrated

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THE SAINT PAUL PIONEER PRESS.

...AWAIT CALL IN KIDNAP CASE

With detectives on duty night and day, the showroom in the Public Safety building was transformed into a barracks after the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker. Pictured here is the room as it now appears, filled with bunks on which the officers may "catch a wink" as they wait.

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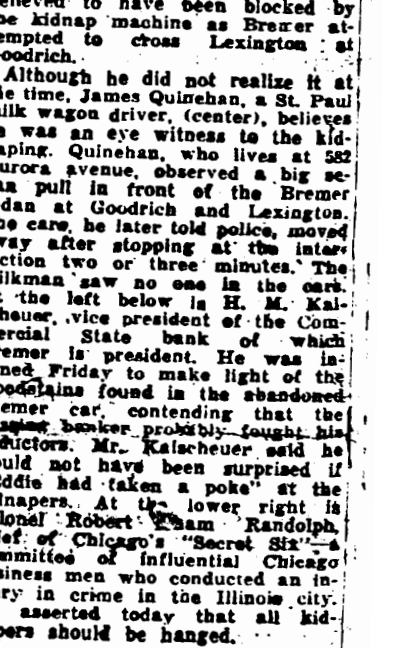

How the big blue sedan of the abducted Edward G. Bremer, 37-year-old St. Paul banker may have been intercepted Wednesday at Goodrich and Lexington avenues by the kidnapers is illustrated by the two machines above. The banker's car is believed to have been blocked by the kidnap machine as Bremer attempted to cross Lexington at Goodrich.

Although he did not realize it at the time, James Quinehan, a St. Paul milk wagon driver, (center), believes he was an eye witness to the kidnaping. Quinehan, who lives at 582 Aurora avenue, observed a big sedan pull in front of the Bremer sedan at Goodrich and Lexington. The cars, he later told police, moved away after stopping at the intersection two or three minutes. The milkman saw no one in the cars. At the left below is H. M. Kalscheuer, vice president of the Commercial State bank of which Bremer is president. He was inclined Friday to make light of the bloodstains found in the abandoned Bremer car, contending that the kidnaped banker probably fought his abductors. Mr. Kalscheuer said he would not have been surprised if "Eddie had taken a poke" at the kidnapers. At the lower right is Colonel Robert Isham Randolph, chief of Chicago's "Secret Six"—a committee of influential Chicago business men who conducted an inquiry in crime in the Illinois city. He asserted today that all kidnapers should be hanged.

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Adventure

A Hollywood studio moved to the Arctic for a picture—Kathryn Gorman tells about it on the Editorial Page.

20, 1934. TWO CENTS IN ST. PAUL

...DE WITH BREMER ...TER 75 HOURS WAIT

...CAR WAS STOPPED

Death Rumors Fly About as Tensity Gains

Reports Also Circulated That Banker Was Released Near Lake Elmo, but They Prove Groundless; Officials Race Away to Sift New "Crank" Letter in Minneapolis; More Abduction "Incidents" Bared.

MANY FALSE CLUES KEEP AUTHORITIES ON JUMP IN VAIN EFFORT AT SOLUTION

Drive for $13,000 ... Pupil Training Will Be Launched in April

A campaign to raise $13,000 with which to carry on the week-day church schools will be launched by the Ramsey County Sunday School association in April, it has been announced by Dr. R. W. Bowden, executive secretary of the organization. The dates are from April 24 to May 4.

Rev. Edwin T. Dahlberg, pastor of the First Baptist church, has been named campaign director and H. A. Trapp, principal of Cleveland Junior high school, is associate director.

Other members of the campaign committee are F. R. Angell, C. A. Arnold, B. O. Chapman, Mrs. Alex Janes, Rev. Erwin R. Koch, T. D. Maier, George A. Maier Jr., and Henry J. Lund.

Seven divisions will compete in the drive: the Baptist, Congregational, Evangelical, Lutheran, Methodist Episcopal, Presbyterian and Protestant Episcopal groups. Leaders for the various divisions will be named shortly.

More than 3,200 children have been enrolled for the inter denominational week-day church schools which will resume classes the week of February 5 in various parts of the city and in South St. Paul. These children are attending eighteen public schools and are excused for periods to receive religious instruction in classes in neighboring churches. Sixty-five churches are co-operating with the Ramsey County Sunday School association in the work.

A meeting to work out details for the coming campaign has been called for Thursday noon in the St. Paul Athletic club.

HINDENBURG, WITH COLD, CANCELS ENGAGEMENTS

Berlin, Jan. 20.—(AP)—President Paul von Hindenburg, suffering from a slight cold today, canceled all receptions until Monday.

He had no temperature.

...sails Far East Policy ... by American.

Tokio, Jan. 20.—(AP)—Indications that Japan is not worried about the possibility of trouble with Soviet Russia were seen today in an announcement that the war office is reducing its forces in Manchukuo.

It was announced that the eighth division of the Japanese army would be withdrawn from Manchukuo soon to be replaced by the remainder of the fourteenth infantry brigade of the seventh division.

Non-Japanese military experts interpreted this slight reduction as indicating the high command held no fears regarding the possibility of a clash with Russia—at least for the present.

Meanwhile a foreign office spokesman said that the Japanese government regarded as "unfortunate and untimely" the speech delivered Washington Thursday night by Stanley K. Hornbeck, chief of the division of far eastern affairs in the American state department.

This view was taken, the spokesman explained, because of the speech's bearing on Japanese activities in Manchukuo and the impending changes in the status of Henry Pu-yi in that Japanese-assisted state.

The Japanese objected particularly to Hornbeck's reassertion of the Stimson policy of "non-recognition of governments made by swords," interpreting this as a renewal of official American criticism of Japan's role in the establishment of Manchukuo.

Hornbeck did not mention Manchukuo by name, but he indicated the Stimson formula of non-recognition of governments made by swords—addressed to China and Japan at the time—was still the policy of the United States.

CONSENTS TO ADOPTION.

Los Angeles, Jan. 20.—(AP)—Adrienne Ames, screen actress, gave her consent Friday for the adoption of her 11-year-old daughter Dorothy by her new husband, Bruce Cabot.

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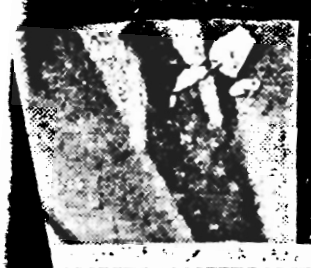

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He denied having made any statement of appeal to the kidnapers, such as he had been quoted as making, and said, he intended to make none. Members of the family said he would not amplify nor alter his statement of Thursday when he asked that police authorities keep hands off the case until negotiations could be completed and his son returned safely.

He took the attitude, Mr. Bremer's associates said, that he was confident his son would be returned safely on payment of ransom, and that no public appeal to the abductors would hasten the matter in any way.

Mr. Bremer was confined to his room today and was not permitted to see callers or interviewers.

Members of the family disclosed that Governor Olson had called at the home Friday afternoon and offered every aid of the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension and all state police agencies, but had assured the father of the kidnaped man that no steps would be taken that would imperil the son's safe return.

Telephones at offices of the Jacob Schmidt Brewing Co., which Adolph Bremer heads, and at newspaper offices buzzed continuously today with queries arising from widely varying but false reports broadcast by some radio stations, ranging from rumors that Mr. Bremer had been killed to reports that he had been released and the ransom paid.

KEENAN MAINTAIN CLOSE WATCH.

In Washington, an Associated Press dispatch said, Assistant Attorney General Joseph B. Keenan continued to follow the case with interest because of long friendship with the Bremer family, but he declined to discuss the crime for fear that to do so might hamper the investigation.

Although squads of federal agents have been dispatched to St. Paul, they have been ordered to "stand by" until Bremer is released to prevent his being harmed.

Three more persons told stories bearing on the Bremer case. In Minneapolis, J. A. Letourneau, 4903 Drew avenue south, told police he saw three men, one resembling Bremer, in a small coupe at the Minneapolis western city limits at 5:30 P. M. Friday.

At Drew avenue and Fiftieth street, the driver of the coupe stopped and asked Letourneau directions to White Bear Lake. The latter, while detailing a route, noticed the man seated in the center appeared to have a broken nose, covered with wide tap which looked as though it also was over the eyes. He wore a dark gray or black biggerhead coat and sat motionless in the car. Letoureau gave police the license number of the coupe.

In St. Paul, a canvass of the neighborhood where Bremer is believed to have been seized disclosed at least two persons whom told unusual occurrences about the time of the crime.

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The DAILY WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

BY DREW PEARSON AND ROBERT S. ALLEN.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—All this week one of the questions uppermost in the mind of the president has been the Philippines. This despite the devaluation of the dollar, despite the pressure of steering an important legislative program through congress.

Sec. Wallace found this out when he went to see Roosevelt about sugar the other day. Wallace wanted legislation whereby a processing tax on Philippine sugar would be used to decrease its output rather than increase it.

"Nothing doing," replied the president. "The Philippines are my problem. I've got to handle that myself."

What is worrying Roosevelt is whether to let go or hold on. It is like having the proverbial bear by the tail. If he hangs on, the United States heads not merely into independence difficulties with the Filipinos but gives Japan invitation for attack in case of war. If he lets go, it is only a question of time before the islands are infiltrated with Japanese.

Meanwhile the lapse of the Hawes-Cutting bill this week makes a decision all the more imperative.

Which way that decision will go, not even Roosevelt's closest advisers know. But here is one remark he made some months past which is significant.

"When I was assistant secretary of the navy," he said, "I was studying the Philippines and had occasion to get out the war plans. I found that in case of war in the Pacific, the plans called for immediate abandonment of the Philippines. They were more of a liability than an asset."

EPIGRAM

Montana's blunt-spoken senator, Burt Wheeler, recently broke up a conversation over the relative merits of statesmen and politicians. After listening to the debate for some time, he remarked: "There isn't any real difference between them."

"All right," demanded one of the group, "what is your definition of a statesman?"

"A statesman," Wheeler shot back, [illegible]

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Mr. Howard Kahn,
Editor, St. Paul Daily News,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir: Under the provisions of Secti... 352 (a) of the Charter, as Commissioner ... Public Safety, I am empowered to "condu... an inquiry relating to the business of his d... partment or the conduct of any officer or e... ployee of his department relative to the perfor... ance of his duty and shall have the power ... summon and comp... the attendance of witne... es, the production of books, papers or oth... documentary evidence to examine the sa... under oath and to administer oaths."

Under the powers given me in this secti... I hereby summon you to appear at a hearing ... be held in the office of the Mayor of the City ... St. Paul in the Court House in this City ...

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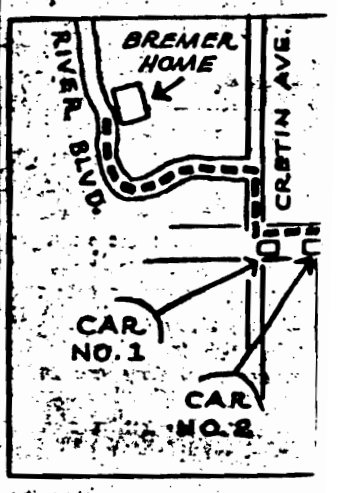

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The Daily News is fully able to substantiate any charges it has made. The truth is that it has been conservative in calling attention to the deficiencies of the police department.

Let the hearing be complete and thorough and public. The Daily News demands the right to ask questions as well as answer them, and to see to it that the hearing is NOT A WHITEWASH AND A FARCE.

Under the administration of the present Commissioner of Public Safety there have been three kidnapings without a major conviction. Innocent victims have been machine-gunned on the streets. There have been many murders, covered-up confidence games, burglaries and assaults.

IT IS HIGH TIME FOR A SHOWDOWN.

—EDITOR, THE DAILY NEWS.

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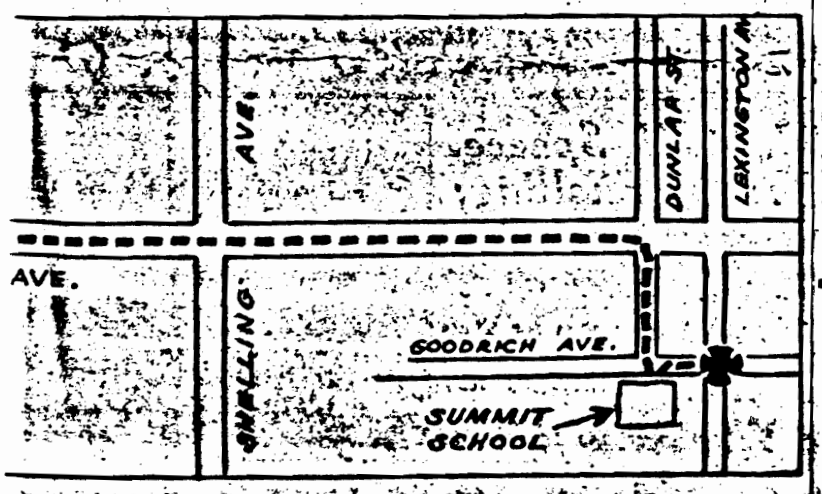

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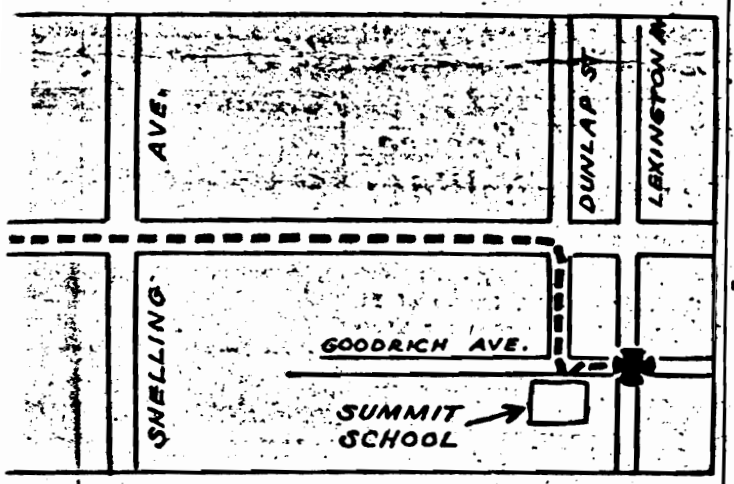

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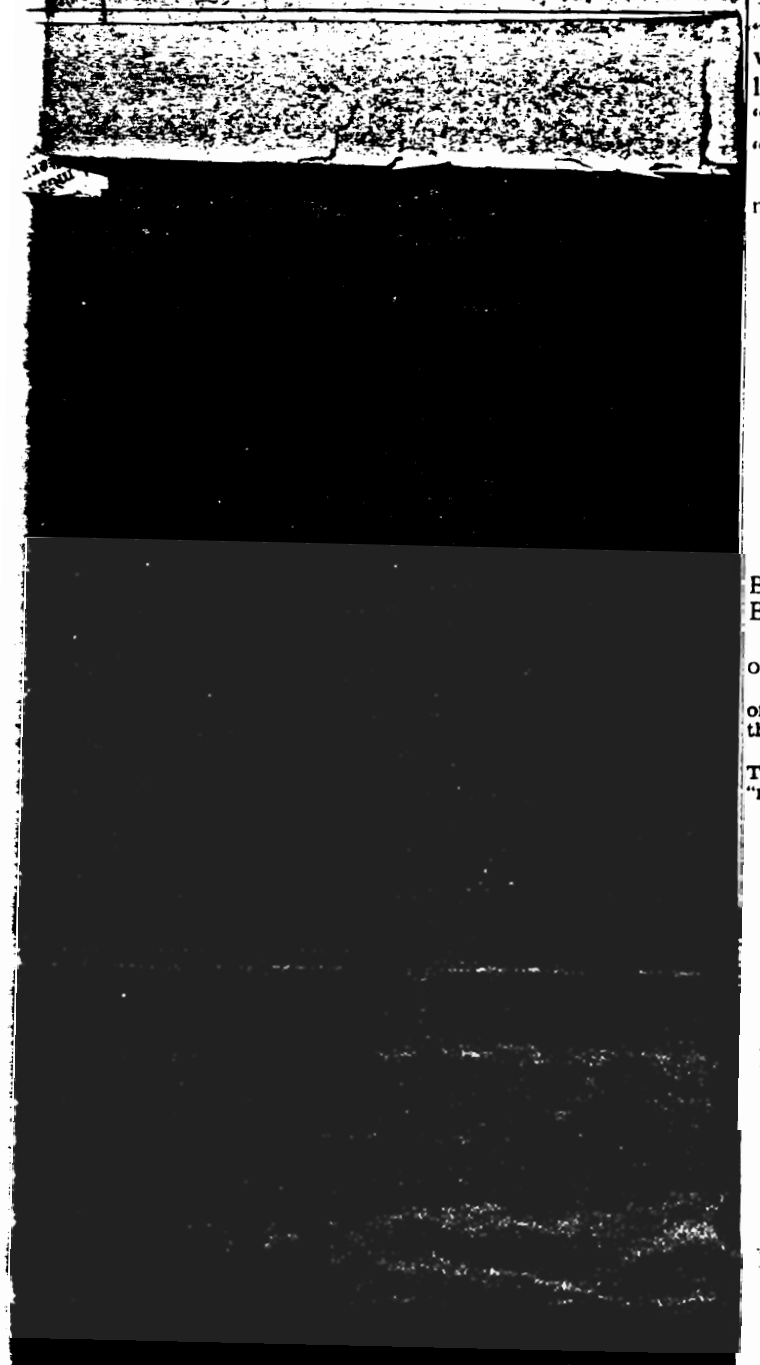

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The Daily News ascertained that two cars, containing members of the snatch mob, lay in wait for and trailed the Bremer automobile, containing the banker and his daughter, Betty, 8, Thursday morning, Jan. 11.

The discovery of The News was immediately turned over to police.

Confronted with the information of "rehearsal" of the snatch, Chief of Police Thomas E. Dahill immediately assigned two men to check the findings.

The detectives so assigned admitted, after hearing the details from The Daily News, that there was no doubt but that the two cars were "rhearsing" details of the kidnaping.

Other developments Saturday night were:

Adolph Bremer, father of the snatch victim, succeeded in winning over law enforcement heads to his plea for an additional period of grace in which to pay the $200,000 demanded for his son's release.

The aging brewer, badly shaken and in a highly nervous state, indicated that he believed a contact might be established over the week-end.

The News learned Saturday that only the one contact note, that delivered to W. W. Magee, St. Paul contractor and intimate friend of Edward Bremer, is the only one that has been received during the nearly 90 hours that has elapsed since the snatching.

Police said they felt the delay in establishing a contact was not "particularly significant" because abductors did not imagine that such a sum as they had asked could be assembled in less than a day or two. They also said that the fact that police have been called into the case would make the snatchers particularly cautious, plotting every move very carefully.

Mrs. Bremer has not ventured from her home since the abduction was reported, remained seated at a telephone, friends saying that she wanted to make sure kidnapers could reach some member of the family.

The victim's daughter, Betty, 8, has been shielded closely from the public since the snatching and has been whisked away to the home of a relative.

It was also thought possible that the snatch might have been "all set" for the morning of Jan. 11, but was "called off," either because of treacherous weather conditions, which made driving and a speedy getaway dangerous, or because of the possible presence of witnesses near the planned abduction scene.

The first kidnap machine spotted Mr. Bremer's car as it turned off

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Inspector Tierney Tells Own Story Of Kidnaping

Inspector C. J. Tierney of the St. Paul police department and his aid in the anti-kidnap squad, Detective Thomas A. Brown, have pieced together their evidence in the Edward G. Bremer kidnaping into a complete story of the snatching of the St. Paul banker. Inspector Tierney's signed story appears on page 2 of today's Daily News.

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More than 120 hours have elapsed since the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, banker and son of Adolph Bremer, head of the Jacob Schmidt Brewing Co., and today police and federal agents were impatiently waiting for some word either from him or his abductors.

Not since the delivery, two hours after the kidnaping, of a $200,000 ransom demand to Walter W. Magee, close personal friend of Mr. Bremer, has any contact been had with the "snatchers."

Among some of the nervously waiting detectives the belief was spreading that Mrfl Bremer no longer is alive.

They believe that the bloodstains found in the Bremer car near Highland park indicated that the kidnaped man had near Highland park indicated that the kidnpaed mn had been been injured so severely in the first encounter with the abductors that he either is dead or unable to move.

An additional half-dozen federal anti-kidnaping squad agents arrived in St. Paul Sunday to reinforce the dozen and a half already here.

Mr. Bremer disappeared about 8:30 a. m. Wednesday after taking his 7-year-old daughter, Betty, from their home at 92 N. Mississippi River blvd. to the Summit school.

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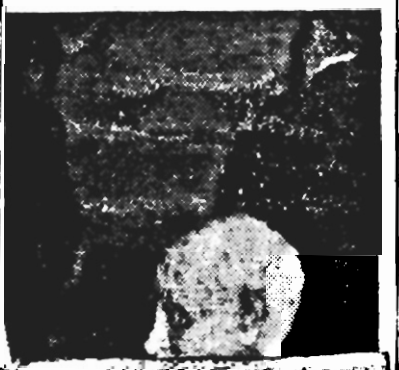

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WANT AD 'CONTACT'

The classified ad through which the family of Edward G. Bremer, kidnaped St. Paul banker, attempted to contact his abductors is reproduced at the right. Below is the home of Mr. Bremer at 92 North Mississippi River boulevard, from which he left less than half an hour before he was kidnaped, and the Summit school at Dunlap street and Goodrich avenue, to which he had accompanied his 8-year-old daughter, Betty. At the lower right is the wife of the kidnaped man.

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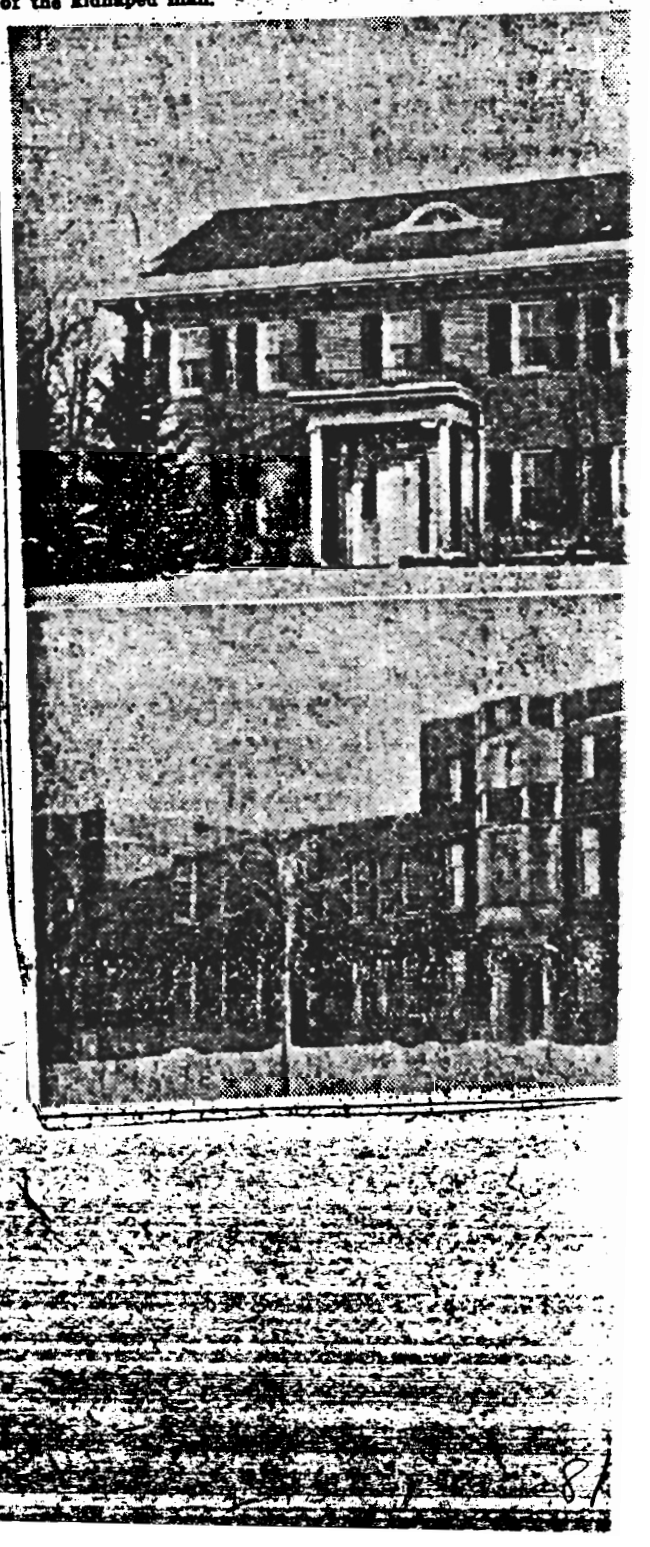

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Want Ad Signed Alice Tells Abductors That Demands Will Be Met

Federal, State and City Police Forces Agree Not to Move to Apprehend Gang Rather Than Imperil Victim; Magee Denies Receiving Word From Mob Since Original Note Was Left at His Office.

LEGION OFFERS TO ESTABLISH BUREAU FOR WIDESPREAD SEARCH FOR HIDEOUT

The family and friends of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, kidnaped Wednesday, waited early today for his abductors to direct their next move toward effecting his release.

Their all-night vigil followed publication of a classified ad in the personals column of the Minneapolis Tribune Thursday morning reading:

"We are ready. Alice."

This was the signal the family was instructed to give when preparations were complete to open negotiations toward payment of the $200,000 ransom demanded for Mr. Bremer's release.

So far as could be determined, the kidnapers had made no attempt to contact any member or friend of the family up to 2 A. M. today. Authorities, complying with the family's request, were making no move in the case pending the safe return of Mr. Bremer.

Instructions for insertion of the classified ad were reported to have been included in the letter from the kidnapers found by Walter W. McGee, St. Paul contractor and friend of the family, at the rear door of his office at 118 West Central avenue Wednesday, after he had been informed of the abduction by a telephone call.

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Police Halt All Activity On Request

Adolph Bremer — personal friend of President Roosevelt and Governor Olson—who was proffered the aid of the police forces of the nation, state and city, asked all police Thursday night to keep "hands off" the kidnaping of his son, Edward G. Bremer, until he could "get him back".

As Mr. Bremer made his request, Federal operatives who have led the way to the solution of some of the nation's gravest kidnapings mobilized in St. Paul. The St. Paul police and the State Bureau of Criminal Apprehension ordered every man to a position of readiness.

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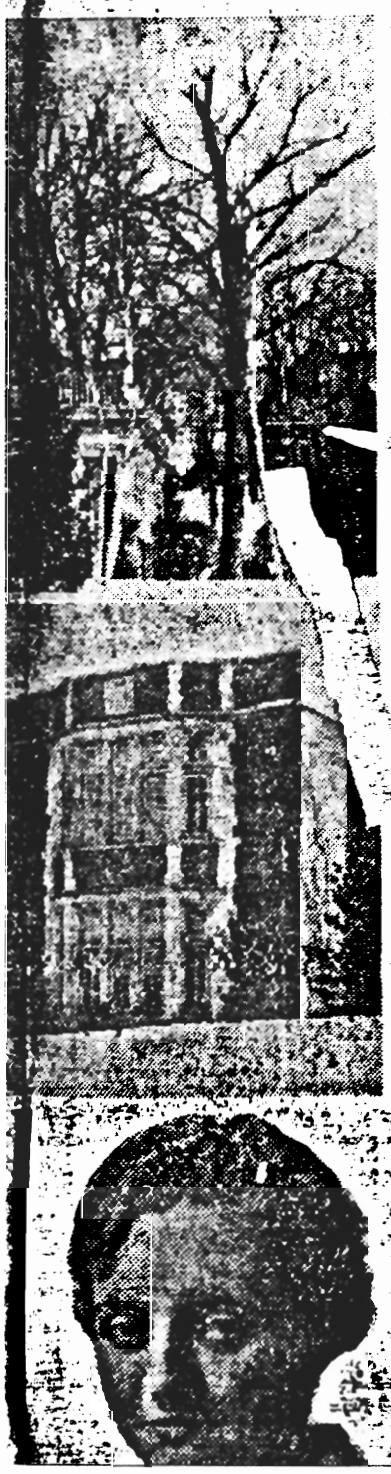

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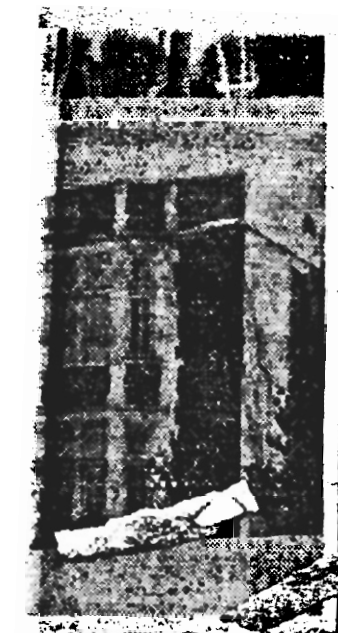

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"Chief of Police Dahill has been fine in offering every help he can give us, and we all appreciate it, but we do not want the police of the state or Federal authorities to do anything about it now. We want to get Eddie back home safe."

Chief Dahill said his department is in readiness, but will do nothing to impair the safe return of Mr. Bremer.

Walter Magee, contractor friend of Mr. Bremer and according to Thursday's reports, the man who received first information of the kidnaping, asserted Thursday night that he had received no word since the kidnaping was reported to him, and that "I know nothing about it, have nothing to say".

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An Associated Press dispatch from Washington stated that J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the department's division of investigation, was preparing to use all the facilities of his nation-wide organization to solve the crime and apprehend the kidnapers.

Early in the evening it was reported that a contact with the kidnapers had been made but this was denied by Mr. Magee, who, it is expected, will be the agent of the family in the negotiations with the abductors.

Mr. Magee failed to attend an executive conference at police headquarters at 5 P. M., and this for a time lent credence to the report he was absent on a journey to meet the kidnapers. However, he returned to his home early in the evening and asserted he had received no message of any kind since the letter Wednesday morning.

QUICK PAYMENT IS EXPECTED.

The impression was gained that agents of the Bremer family were prepared to make a quick payment to effect Mr. Bremer's release.

Mr. Bremer, president of the Commercial State bank and son of Adolph Bremer, part owner of the Jacob Schmidt Brewing Co., was seized between 8:30 and 9:30 A. M. Wednesday as he drove from the Summit school at Goodrich avenue and Dunlap street to the bank, Sixth and Washington streets to start work.

Mr. Bremer, as was his custom, had taken his 8-year-old daughter, Betty, to the Summit school on his way to work. After leaving her there, he usually drove down Summit avenue to the loop and it is believed the kidnapers stopped his car and seized him either on Summit avenue or in the downtown district.

It is believed that Mr. Bremer and his family had intimations as recently as two weeks ago that his abduction was to be attempted. It was reported that Mr. Bremer employed a bodyguard for a time, dismissing it only a short time ago. He also is said to have told friends that, when arriving home at night, he made it a practice to make a careful survey of the premises before putting his car in the garage.

Late Thursday an air of quietness pervaded the Bremer home at 32 North Mississippi River boulevard, a large brick residence set among trees well back from River boulevard a short distance north of Summit avenue. No police guards could be seen and there appeared to be a complete lack of any activity.

A Pioneer Press reporter, calling at the house, was met at the door by Werner Hanni, head of the Justice department here. Asked permission to interview Mrs. Bremer, Hanni refused.

"Mrs. Bremer cannot be seen by any one," he said.

He then was asked if Betty Breme

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WHEN POLITICS DOMINATES

SIX [illegible]aulites have been kidnaped during the past three years.

The record of this and other types of crime is so bad that residents of other cities scornfully ask: "Is it ever safe to walk on St. Paul streets without a bodyguard?"

Why is St. Paul singled out for gangster raids? No other city outside of Chicago has been disgraced by six abductions in three years.

THE FACT IS THAT THE CHAOTIC DISORGANIZATION OF THE ST. PAUL POLICE DEPARTMENT IS KNOWN IN THE HAUNTS OF THE UNDERWORLD. THE WORD HAS GONE FORTH THAT ST. PAUL IS A SAFE PLACE IN WHICH TO OPERATE.

An intelligent investigator could easily find a reason for this disorganization by a visit to police headquarters. In a department that numbers only 172 patrolmen and 23 detectives, there are 48 men of higher rank. In other words, there is approximately one "officer" to every four "privates."

There are commissioners, assistant commissioners, chiefs, assistant chiefs, inspectors, assistant inspectors, captains, lieutenants and sergeants to give orders—and very few men to carry them out.

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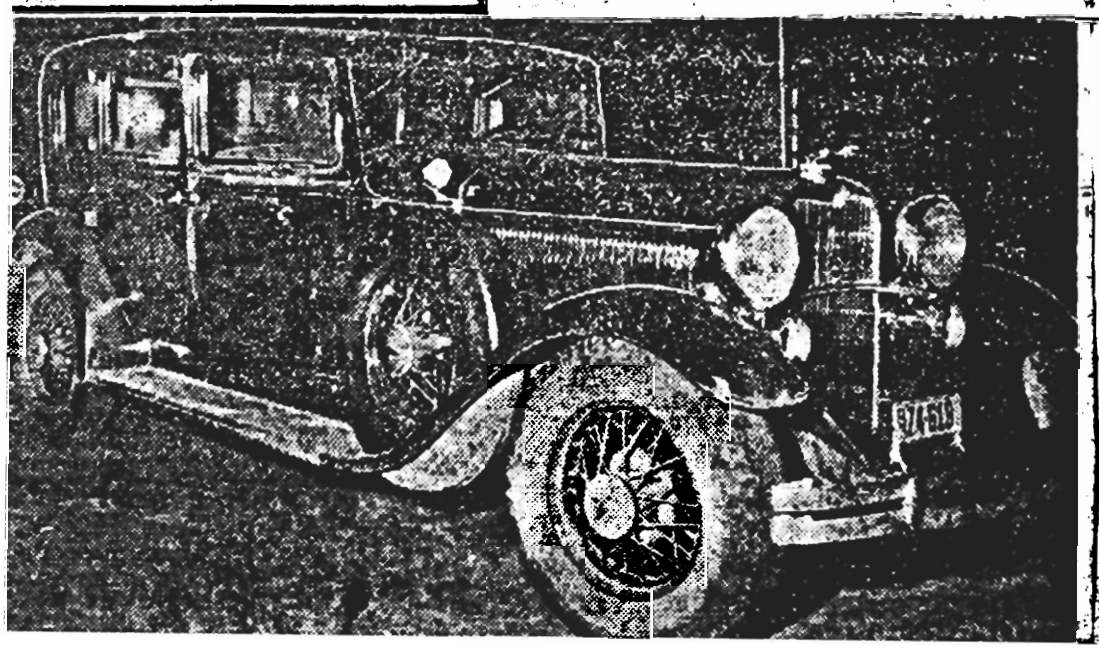

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The Daily News suggests:

FIRST, THAT IMMEDIATE STEPS BE TAKEN TO REMOVE THE POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM POLITICS. Mayor Mahoney, who was elected on a platform of "removing the sinister influences" which were held responsible for alleged prostitution of the police, might well undertake this. He has not yet made good his promise to improve police administration.

SECOND, THAT THE STATE MOBILIZE ITS RESOURCES TO ASSIST IN THE IMMEDIATE MANHUNT FOR THE KIDNAPERS OF EDWARD G. BREMER. It might be possible to make use of the highway patrol or even of the national guard. Certain it is that an emergency exists when citizens do not dare go out of doors without an armed

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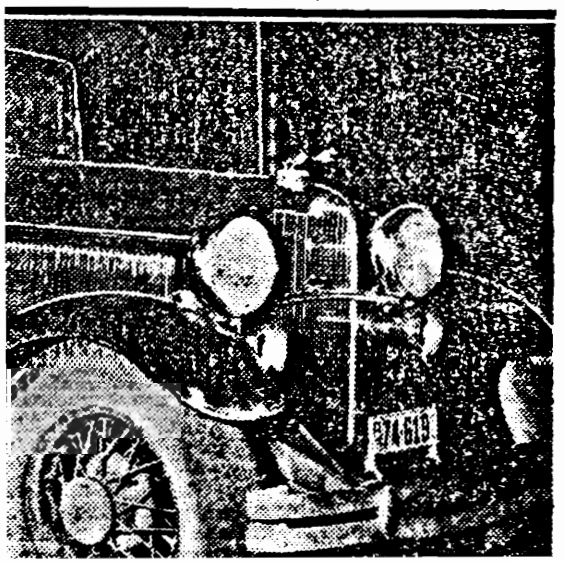

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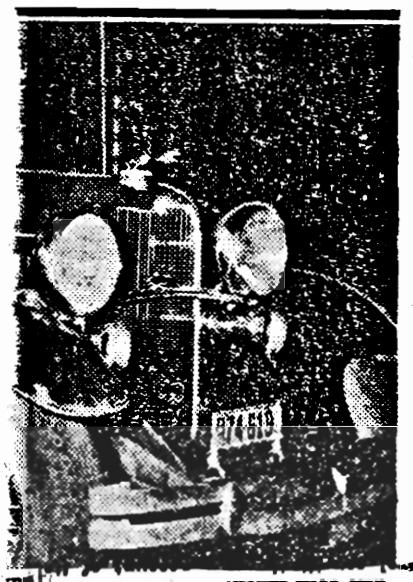

LARGE BLOTS SHOW BANKER WAS SLAIN OR WOUNDED BY GANG THAT ABDUCTED HIM

Chief Dahill Reveals 67 Men Are On Case, Wearing Bullet-Proof Vests, Armed With Machine Guns— Ransom Cash Is Ready.

Discovery of blood stains in the abandoned car of Edward G. Bremer, kidnaped St. Paul banker, leading to belief that he may have been slain or is seriously wounded, convinced lice today they were dealing with a desperate mob and they re taking every precaution for all possible emergencies.

Shortly after Tre Daily News learned that three large ts of dried blood had been found in the machine from which Commercial State bank president was dragged by his natchers, Chief of Police Thomas E. Dahill, although not yet officially in the case, said that he has 67 men on instant call and on 24-hour duty.

BULLET-PROOF VESTS.

Convinced that the criminals, even though Mr. Bremer may have been killed or is seriously hurt, may still attempt to collect the ransom, Chief Dahill said that his men have been outfitted with bullet-proof vests and equipped with submachine guns, ready "to do business."

Mr. Bremer, son of Adolph Bremer, head of the Jacob Schmidt Brewing Co. and nephew of Otto Bremer, chairman of the board of the American National bank, was seized about 9 a. m. Wednesday, after he had taken his child, Betty, 8, to the Summit school, 1150 Goodrich ave. Ransom demanded is $200,000.

Meanwhile J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the federal bureau of investigation in Washington, announced that his department is making "an intensive investigation." Harold Nathan, Mr. Hoover's chief aid, was in St. Paul today, as was Frank J. Blake, Dallas government investigator. They were aiding Werner Hanni, northwest bureau of investigations chief.

Two large splotches of blood and a smeary streak crimsoned the front cushions of the Bremer car, found abandoned Wednesday near the Highland park reservoir.

BACK SEAT FOUND STAINED.

One was at the back of the driver's seat; the streak descended along the back toward the opposite side. The largest blot was on the opposite side of the seat. They indicated that Mr. Bremer might have been struck as he sat in the driver's seat; then toppled over. Blood also spattered the right door of the car and there was a small blotch on the right front floor. There were two blots on the rear floor, but whether they were blood stains could not be determined.

Chief Dahill did not challenge the veracity of The Daily News discovery, but said that in a shuffle "might have just suffered a nosebleed."

Checking the car today, which was found about a block from the home of Martin Thornton, 1910 Edgecumbe road, a contractor, police could discover no finger prints, indicating that the abductors had worn gloves. Mr. Thornton said that neither he nor members of his family had noticed the machine, a dark blue Lincoln sedan.

VISIT FATHER'S RESIDENCE.

About 11 a. m. today County Attorney Michael F. Kinkead, Mr. Hanni, Mr. Nathan and Detective Thomas A. Brown, aid in the anti-kidnaping squad, made a mysterious visit to the Adolph Bremer residence, 855 W. 7th st., in a police car. They remained there for nearly half an hour; returned to the public safety building and went into conference. They would make no comment concerning their visit.

Today the $200,000 ransom demanded was reported ready, awaiting crucial contact with the kidnapers for final instructions as to payment.

Adolph Bremer begged publicly for non-interference on the part of police.

ASKS "LEAVE US ALONE."

"Leave us alone to carry through our plans," he pleaded. "We want to get Eddie safely back home. That's all we ask."

Police and federal officials respected the wishes of the Bremer family, and kept out of the case, in response to a request that they do this until the abducted man is returned safe. More than a score of detectives and plain clothesmen slept at the public safety building all night, ready for an immediate call to duty. Chief Dahill stayed there until 3 a. m., when he went home for a brief sleep.

Other over night developments in the case included the arrival here by plane of Frank J. Blake, ace department of justice operative, from Texas, to aid in the hunt for the kidnapers. Blake led the roundup of

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St.Paul Pioneer Press

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ANOTHER KIDNAPING.

If there were any idea that the government had definitely got the upper hand on the kidnaping racketeers, the taking of Edward G. Bremer destroys that complacency and serves notice on authorities everywhere that this war is still on in profound earnest.

It is a shocking crime that disgraces American policing and law enforcement in general. The disgrace consists in the fact that although every one who has ever seriously reflected on the prevalence of crime in this country is well aware of the inadequacy of the policing system which makes such outrages as kidnaping possible, the fetish of state rights prevents the taking of the obvious steps toward the necessary reform.

Therefore, while the underworlds of Chicago and elsewhere send out these professional gangs to raid in St. Paul or whatever other city offers opportunity, solemn statesmen ponderously tell why America must never have anything that looks like a federal policing system and explain that constitutional theory prohibits anything more than a slight degree of federal co-operation with the local authorities in investigation.

The criminals have never heard of the constitutional theory that crime is a purely local concern. By the time Mr. Bremer is returned to St. Paul, his kidnapers will be well on their way to reasonably safe hideouts far from the arm of the local police. Should the police be so fortunate as to learn something of the identities of the kidnapers and their probable refuges, they can get on a train and follow, by which time their quarry will be somewhere else, Oklahoma, or New York or California.

State rights are important to preserve, but when all the states are afflicted by a common evil which their own powers are inadequate to reach, it becomes a sheer superstition to refuse to take the indicated corrective measures. America needs a federal police system capable of operating just as efficiently and quickly over just as broad an area as these new criminals. It is right, moreover, that there should be federal policing. The gangsters and racketeers are a product of a national experiment that failed. The federal government took over prohibition and in the breakdown of enforcement allowed the creation of an unexampled national underworld. Driven out of their illicit liquor trade by repeal, the gangsters have now gone into these other forms of crime. The government cannot come to grips with them and smash them forever too soon.

Crime is no longer a matter exclusively of local policing. The police forces of American cities today can cope only with crimes of local origin and execution. The police of the city where such a crime is committed do not now necessarily have the real responsibility. Neither is it the responsibility of any other particular police force. These criminals come from all places and scatter to all places. It is a general policing responsibility, and what is every one's business is no one's. Therefore it should be made a federal function.

The St. Paul police can hope to solve this crime, capture the kidnapers and put them in jail only through the occurrence of some lucky accident. If the accident happens, they will be covered with

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PLAN KIDNAPER HUNT

Michael F. Kinkead (right), Ramsey county attorney, and George F. Sullivan, United States district attorney, are shown here as they conferred Thursday regarding co-operation of State and Federal authorities in the investigation of the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker.

Chicago Daily Tribune
January 19, 1934.

Thank You

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BANKER IS HELD BY ABDUCTORS; $200,000 ASKED

St. Paul Man Seized on Way to Work.

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 18.—[Special.]—Seized by kidnapers when he was returning from the school where he had taken his 8 year old daughter, Edward G. Bremer, member of a wealthy St. Paul family, was being held today for $200,000 ransom.

Two contacts have been made with the kidnapers, it is understood, although police have received no official notification of the crime, and the family refused to discuss it.

President of Bank.

Bremer, president of the Commercial State bank of St. Paul, is a son of Adolph Bremer, part owner of the Jacob Schmidt Brewing company, and a nephew of Otto Bremer, chairman of the American National bank here and Minnesota manager of the Home Owners Loan corporation.

Efforts of the family to pay the ransom had been unsuccessful by early tonight, according to reports.

The kidnaping was the second in St. Paul in seven months. Last June William Hamm Jr., president of the Hamm Brewing company was seized and held until $100,000 ransom was paid. The Roger Touhy gang, four of whom are now on trial in Chicago for the kidnaping of John Factor, were tried and acquitted of the Hamm kidnaping here last November.

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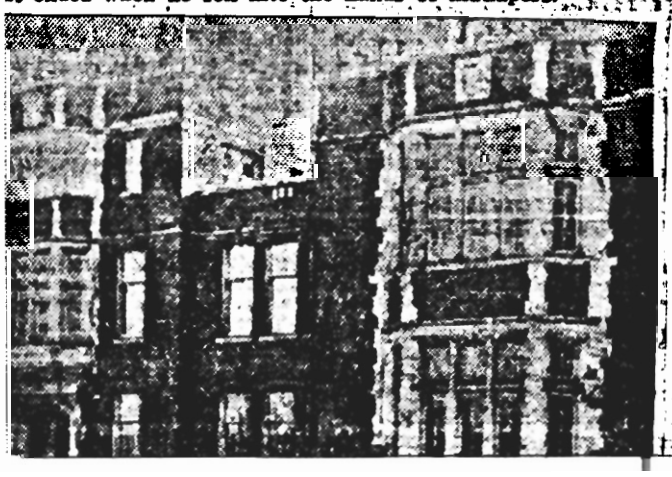

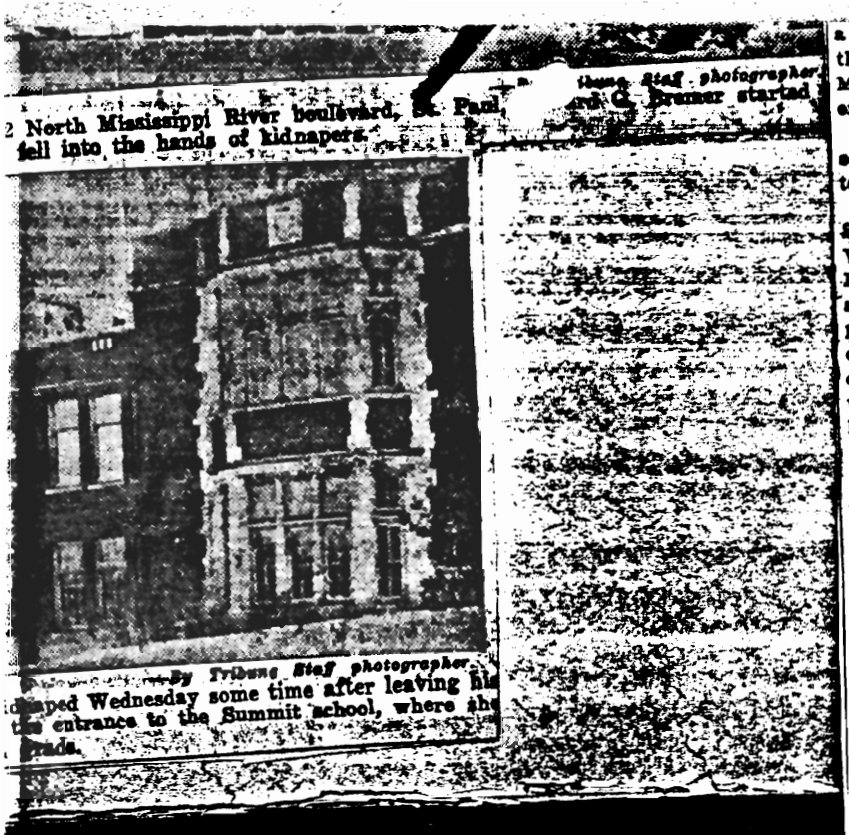

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Near noon Walter Magee, prominent St. Paul contractor and a close friend of the kidnaped man, received the first word from the abductors, according to reports. MaGee said today he knew nothing of the affair. All information came from outside cources.

Threats Over Telephone.

Answering the telephone in his office, according to information, Magee was told that his friend, Bremer, had been kidnaped. He was warned, it was reported that any attempt to communicate with police or newspapers would result in the immediate death of Bremer. He was also told that a note would be found on the steps at the rear entrance to his office. Efforts to trace the mysterious call proved fruitless.

Under a mat on the back steps of the office was found a typewritten note signed by Edward Bremer. The note apparently had been writen and then folded and Bremer forced to sign it without knowning its contents.

Note Demands $200,000.

The note, it is reported, said Bremer had been taken captive by the kidnap gang and that he was held in a safe place and unharmed. A demand for $200,000 for his safe return was made. Again a threat of death for their victim was made unless the demands were met or in case police and newspapers were notified. The demand was that the money be in $5, $10, and $20 bills of used currency and not of consecutive numbers.

In the telephone call to Magee his mysterious informant said that Bremer's automobile would be found in a certain spot, near the Highland Park water tower. It was not found there, however, but was discovered about a mile away.

Since the finding of the automobile federal agents and police have been attempting to track down the kidnapers. Leaving lanes open to affect Bremer's release, they withheld news of the abduction until early this afternoon.

Officers Have Few Clews.

But so well did the gang of kidnapers work that so far authorities have been unable to locate any witnesses and have but few clews to guide them.

While the Bremer family refused to comment, it was authoritatively reported late today that the ransom money was ready and that the family was waiting further word from the kidnapers. Unofficial reports at police headquarters were that this information had been sent to the gang and that word as to the time and place of delivery were being awaited. Complete secrecy was being main-

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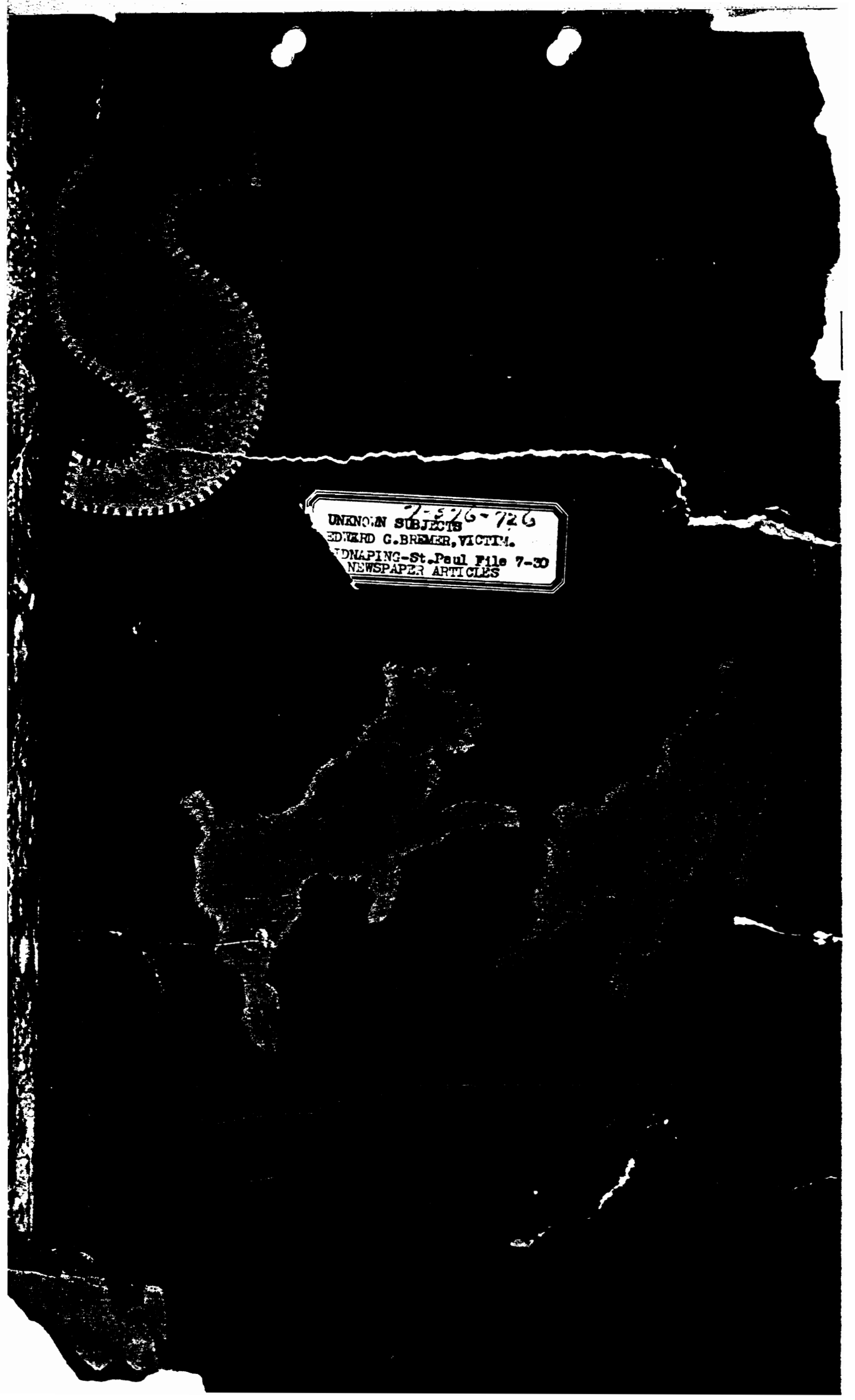
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Chronology.

June 29, 1932—Haskell Bohn kidnaped early in the morning from the rear of his parent's home. Note received demanding $35,000 ransom for safe return.

July 1, 1932—United States District Attorney L. L. Drill intimates federal kidnaping law may be invoked against abductors.

July 7, 1932—Bohn returned after payment of $12,000 ransom. Kidnapers' hideout identified as 4538 Morgan avenue north.

March 20, 1933—Comparison of samples of Sankey's handwriting leads County Attorney Kinkead to charge Sankey with being ringleader in kidnaping of Bohn and Charles Boetcher II, Denver millionaire.

April 2, 1933—Ray Robinson, arrested in Rorketon, Manitoba, by Royal Northwest Mounted Police, makes written confession naming himself, Elkhorn and Sankey as Bohn abductors.

April 7, 1933—Ramsey county grand jury indicts three men in Bohn kidnaping.

May 28, 1933—Mrs. Verne Sankey released by federal court in Boettcher kidnaping is arrested and held on Bohn charge.

May 29, 1933—Mrs. Sankey brought to St. Paul to face charges of conspiring to kidnap Bohn.

June 12, 1933—Trial begins before Judge Boerner as police continue futile search for Verne Sankey.

June 16, 1933—Jury acquits Mrs. Sankey of kidnaping charges. Arraigned before United States Commissioner W. T. Goddard of St. Paul on Boettcher case.

ney; George A. Heisey, first assistant district attorney. Defense: William Scott Stewart of Chicago, and Thomas McMeekin of St. Paul.

Chronology.

June 15, 1933—William Hamm, Jr., kidnaped at noon in front of brewery by three men and allegedly taken to a hideout near Lake Geneva, Wis. Held captive for four days, pending negotiations for delivery of $100,000 ransom, with death threatened for failure to follow orders.

June 19—Released by kidnapers near Wyoming, Minn., 50 miles north of Minneapolis, after W. W. Dunn, Hamm employe, delivered $100,000 ransom in bills of small denominations. Reward of $26,000 offered for capture of kidnapers.

June 23—Hamm joins police in search for hideout and co-operates in hunt for kidnapers. Police criticised for failure to find trace of kidnapers. State and federal government urged to step in.

July 7—Police declare Hamm held in house near Lake Geneva, Wis.

Touhy, Eddie McSchaefer and Willie Sharkey arrested by "rookie" policeman at Elkhorn, Wis., on charge of damaging telephone pole. Offer no resistance.

July 23—Hamm views Touhy gang but is not "certain" as to identity.

July 24—Federal warrants issued in Milwaukee for arrest of Touhy gang, also suspected of kidnapping John "Jake the Barber" Factor, Chicago speculator, who was released after payment of first installment on ransom.

July 26—Government witnesses

tion of federal grand jury is called to indict Touhy gang. In Milwaukee bonds for gang are fixed at $50,000 each.

July 28—United States government blocks move to free Touhy gang on bail by issuing new warrants.

August 12—First time in history a federal grand jury returns indictment under new "Lindbergh" kidnaping law, naming all four men.

August 18 — Defense attorney agrees to extradition of Touhy gang to St. Paul.

August 19—Touhy gang brought to St. Paul in special armored prison car. St. Paul police take precautions against any attempted delivery of prisoners.

August 20—Suspects finger-printed and photographed.

November 9—Hamm kidnaping trial opens before United States district court in recently constructed escape-proof criminal courtroom in Ramsey county court house. Hundreds of spectators turned away. Building kept under guard.

November 10—Jury selected and government opens case. Hamm called as first witness.

November 24—Presentation of testimony completed by prosecution and defense.

November 27—Final arguments made and case given to jury.

November 28—Jury brings in verdict of not guilty for all four defendants.

December 11—Sharkey hangs self in Ramsey county jail with necktie.

December 6—Touhy gang removed to Chicago to face Factor kidnaping charge.

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U. S. Weather Bureau Forecast.

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Highlights of Other St. Paul Kidnapings

THE BOHN CASE.

THE VICTIM—Haskell Bohn, 22, 1405 Summit avenue, St. Paul, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Bohn, kidnaped June 28, 1933, and held for $35,000 ransom.

ALLEGED ABDUCTORS—Verne Sankey, Ray Bobbitt, Vernon Sankey and Urban [illegible] of South Dakota.

CHARGE—[illegible] Bohn.

JUDGE—Ramsey County District Judge John W. Boerner.

COUNSEL—[illegible]

THE HAMM CASE.

VICTIM—William Hamm, Jr., 39, 671 Cable avenue, St. Paul, president of the Theodore Hamm Brewing Co., St. Paul, kidnaped June 18.

ALLEGED ABDUCTORS—Roger Touhy, Gus Schaefer, Willie Sharkey, Ed McFadden, reputed Chicago gangsters.

CHARGE—Charged under the federal Lindbergh law with kidnaping William Hamm, Jr.

JUDGE—M. M. Joyce of Federal district court.

COUNSEL—Prosecution, Joseph [illegible]

BANKER IS SEIZED WHILE DRIVING CAR ON WAY TO OFFICE

Edward G. Bremer Disappears After Taking His Daughter to School—Abductors Phone Associate and Make Demands.

Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker and member of a family that for years has been prominently identified with the banking and brewing business of the state, Thursday was reported being held by kidnapers for $200,000 ransom. Mr. Bremer is a son of Adolph Bremer, part owner of the Schmidt Brewing Co., and a nephew of Otto Bremer, chairman of the American National bank and Minnesota manager of the Home Owners' Loan corporation. He is president of the Commercial State Bank of St. Paul.

Ransom Efforts Unsuccessful.

Efforts of the family to pay the ransom had been unsuccessful by Thursday noon, according to reports.

The kidnaping of Mr. Bremer was the third abduction in recent years involving members of Twin Cities brewery families. Several years ago Eugene Gluek, member of the Gluek Brewing Co. family, was seized by kidnapers near Lake Minnetonka, but released when it was discovered he was the wrong victim. The second was the $100,000 seizure of William Hamm, Jr., president of the Hamm Brewing Co., St. Paul, in June of last year.

Mr. Bremer was seized some time between 9:15 and 10 a. m. Wednesday, possibly on Summit avenue or in downtown St. Paul. He had taken his 5-year-old daughter, Betty, to school and was believed to be headed for his office in the bank at Sixth and Washington streets, St. Paul. He failed to [illegible] day.

Associate Ge[illegible]

The first notice that he [illegible] seized by kidnapers is said to have come to a telephone [illegible] ceived by Walter Magee, [illegible] contractor and a close [illegible] the Bremer family.

The voice at the other end, reported, advised Mr. Magee he could find the Bremer automobile near the Highland Park water tower at Snelling and Otto avenues, and also told of a note on the back door step of Mr. Magee's home at 1295 Lincoln avenue.

Mr. Magee is said to have tried to prolong the conversation, hastily instructing Ed Penschuck, who was in his office, to get on another line and trace the call. The caller, however, hung up.

Finds Ransom Note.

Mr. Magee rushed to his home and found the note addressed to "Charles Magee," it was reported. The note was written on a typewriter and signed in ink. The signature was shaky.

Mr. Magee refused to discuss the contents of the note and claimed no knowledge of the affair. He did not notify the St. Paul police, who said they had no official information concerning the kidnaping of a member of the family [illegible] call in the police.

After receiving the note, Mr. Magee is reported to have set out to find the automobile. It was [illegible]

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ST. PAUL, MINN., THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 1934. TWO CENTS IN ST. PAUL

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Recognition

"The unruly boy may have ideas; don't suppress him, Angelo Patri warns on Page 10 today.

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W. G. BREMER KIDNAPED; $200,000 RANSOM ASKED

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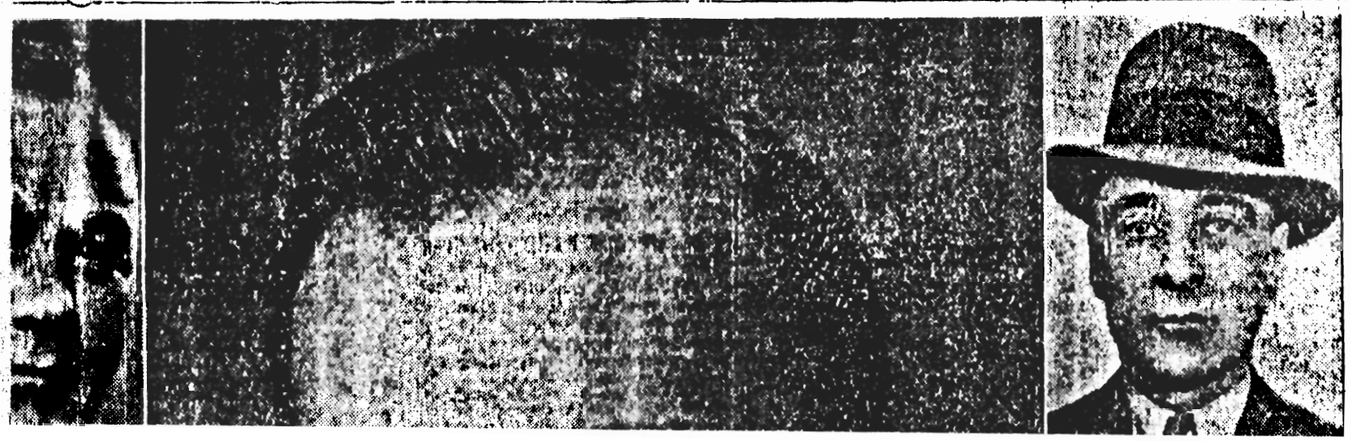

Secrecy Veils Second Major Seizure Here

Victim Member of One of St. Paul's Wealthiest Families, Son of Adolph and Nephew of Otto Bremer, Minnesota Manager of Home Owners Loan Corporation; Phone Call Gave "Tip."

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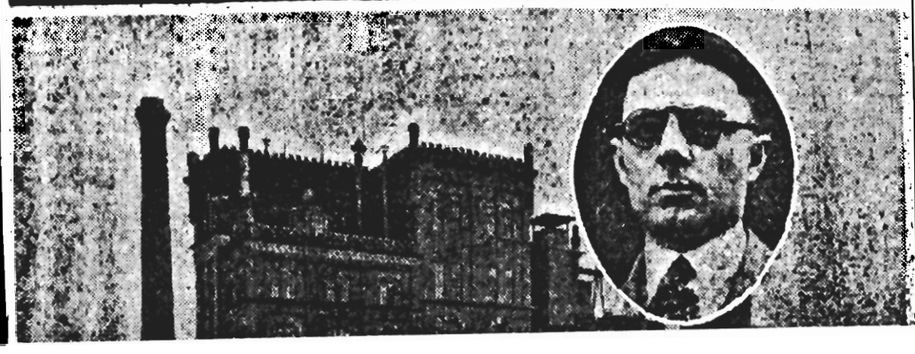

Edward G. Bremer, president of the Commercial State bank and a member of one of St. Paul's wealthiest families, was kidnaped for $200,000 ransom Wednesday morning.

Police say they have received no official notification of the crime and the family refused to discuss it.

Mr. Bremer is 37 years old and resides at 92 North Mississippi River boulevard. It is known he returned Tuesday from a business trip to Chicago. Efforts to effect his release are reported to have failed thus far.

SECOND MAJOR CASE IN 7 MONTHS.

It was the second big abduction in seven months of a member of a St. Paul brewing family. William Hamm Jr., president of the Hamm Brewing Co., paid $100,000 for his release last June.

Mr. Bremer is the son of Adolph Bremer, 355 West Seventh street, part owner of the Jacob Schmidt Brewing Co., and is a nephew of Otto Bremer, 1344 Summit avenue, a Democratic power, chairman of the American National bank and Minnesota manager of the Home Owners Loan corporation.

Kidnapers are reported to have seized him between 8:15 A. M. and 10 A. M. Wednesday, possibly on Summit avenue or in downtown St. Paul.

As was his custom, he drove his 8-year-old daughter, Betty, to Summit school, 1150 Goodrich avenue, where she is a pupil in the third grade, and apparently continued on his way to the bank at Sixth and Washington streets to begin his day's work.

His route probably lay east on Summit avenue to Sixth street and thence to the bank. Somewhere along this line the gangsters are believed to have forced his automobile to a halt and taken him.

He failed to show up at the bank.

According to reports the next heard of Mr. Bremer, a telephone jingled in the office of Walter W. Magee, 118 West Central avenue, general contractor, an associate of the Bremers and builder of the new state office building. Mr. Magee also said he knew nothing of the affair.

PHONE CALL TELLS WHERE TO FIND CAR.

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OCTOBER 5, 1931—Morris Rutman, dress shop owner, abducted from his home, 1079 Dayton avenue, by two men. Held for several days and tortured before released. Ransom asked, $100,000. Later reduced to $10,000. Reported to have been paid. Two men convicted and serving prison sentences. A third still sought for complicity in the case.

JUNE 30, 1932—Haskell Bohn, youthful son of a refrigerator manufacturer, kidnaped from garage at his home, 1405 Summit avenue and held until July 6 in a Minneapolis home. Abductors first demanded $35,000, but released Bohn for $12,000. One man convicted and serving sentence, and the wife of another suspect, whom police since have sought, acquitted of complicity.

JUNE 15, 1933—William Hamm Jr., millionaire brewer, kidnaped by two men as he left his office. Believed to have been taken to Wisconsin and held for $100,000, which was paid shortly before his release, June 19. Four men, three of whom now are on trial for the Jake Factor abduction in Chicago, were acquitted of Hamm kidnaping charges. The fourth hanged himself in Ramsey county [illegible]

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Bremer's automobile was not found at the Highland Park water tower, where the telephoner is reported to have said it had been left, but was near the home of Martin Thornton, 1910 Edgcumbe road, president of Thornton brothers' contracting concern, more than a mile away.

Michael F. Kinkead, Ramsey county attorney, hastened back to St. Paul Wednesday night from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, where he had stopped en route to a southern resort with his wife, who is ill. This lent credence to the reports of the kidnaping. George F. Sullivan, United States district attorney, conferred this morning with Mr. Kinkead.

The Bremer kidnaping follows acquittals in two St. Paul kidnaping trials. Mrs. Verne Sankey won a "not guilty" verdict in the abduction of Haskell Bohn, 1405 Summit avenue, son of a refrigerator manufacturer.

The second acquittal was that of the Touhy gang November 28. Roger Touhy, Gus Schafer, Eddie McFadden and Willie Sharkey were cleared by a Federal District court jury of the kidnaping of William Hamm. Three days after acquittal, however, Sharkey hanged himself in Ramsey county jail and the other three are on trial in Chicago for the snatching of John (Jake the Barber) Factor, speculator.

WON HIGH UNIVERSITY DEGREES.

Mr. Bremer is a native of St. Paul. Born in the family homestead, 855 West Seventh street, he was educated in primary schools here and attended George Washington university in Washington, D. C., winning a master's and a bachelor of laws degree.

Returning here in 1919, he went to work as messenger boy in his father's bank, the Commercial State, when it was at Seven Corners. He worked himself up through all the positions, teller, bookkeeper, cashier, and finally took his father's place as president of the institution.

Mr. Bremer was married about ten years ago to Miss Emily Esswein of Minneapolis. The couple have one child, Betty. He has one brother, Adolph Jr., 855 West Seventh street; and three sisters, Louise, 855 West Seventh, whose engagement to George Benz of St. Paul recently was announced; Mrs. Franklyn Holloway Matson (Katherine Bremer), 881 Fairmount avenue, and Mrs. Victor Philip Reim (Marie Bremer) of New Ulm, Minn. His mother is dead.

Obstacles in former kidnapings

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Minnesota Weather
Generally fair, warmer south today; Saturday possibly snow.
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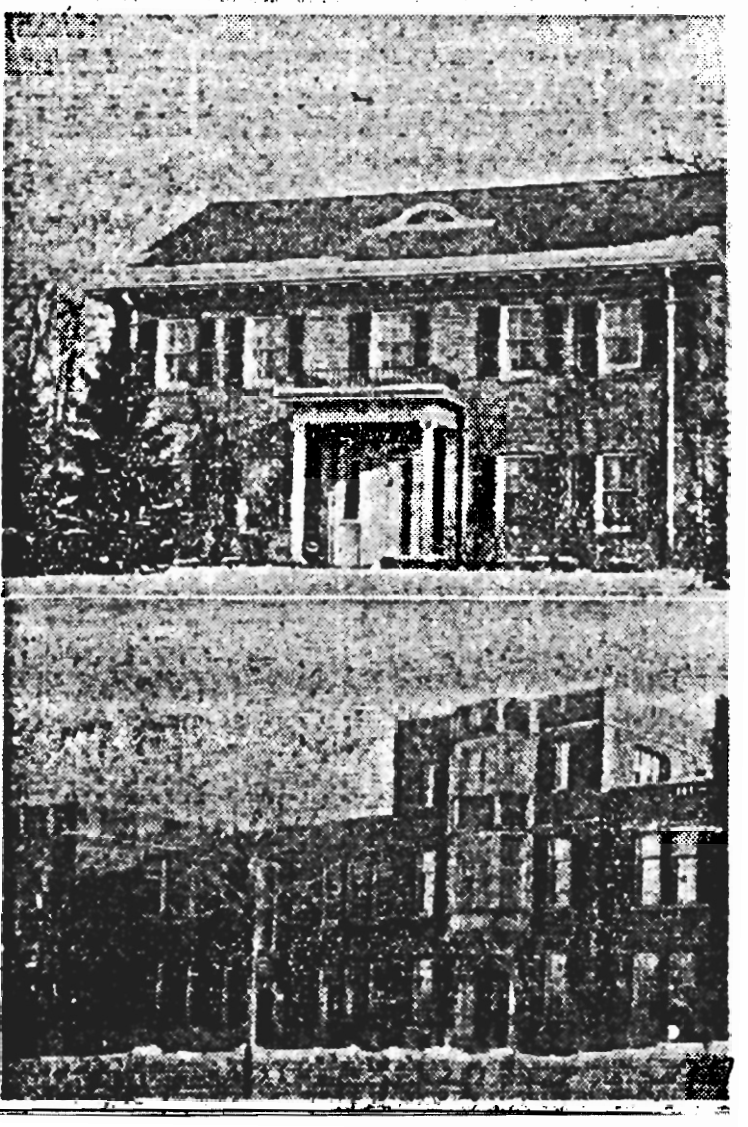

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Venerable Washington institution may be revived, J. R. Wiggins reports on the Editorial Page today.

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Want Ad Signed Alice Tells Abductors That Demands Will Be Met

Federal, State and City Police Forces Agree Not to Move to Apprehend Gang Rather Than Imperil Victim; Magee Denies Receiving Word From Mob Since Original Note Was Left at His Office.

LEGION OFFERS TO ESTABLISH BUREAU FOR WIDESPREAD SEARCH FOR HIDEOUT

The family and friends of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, kidnaped Wednesday, waited early today for his abductors to direct their next move toward effecting his release.

Their all-night vigil followed publication of a classified ad in the personals column of the Minneapolis Tribune Thursday morning reading:

"We are ready. Alice."

This was the signal the family was instructed to give when preparations were complete to open negotiations toward payment of the $200,000 ransom demanded for Mr. Bremer's release.

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Police Halt All Activity On Request

Adolph Bremer — personal friend of President Roosevelt and Governor Olson—who was proffered the aid of the police forces of the nation, state and city, asked all police Thursday night to keep "hands off" the kidnaping of his son, Edward G. Bremer, until he could "get him back".

As Mr. Bremer made his request, Federal operatives who have led the way to the solution of some of the nation's gravest kidnapings mobilized in St. Paul. The St. Paul police and the State Bureau of Criminal Apprehension ordered every man to a position of readiness.

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"I am sorry the impression has been spread that information has been given to the police," Mr. Bremer said at his home at 855 West Seventh street. "Whatever information has been passed out has been given against my will and has created, through the newspapers, a wrong impression.

"Chief of Police Dahill has been fine in offering every help he can give us, and we all appreciate it, but we do not want the police of the state or Federal authorities to do anything about it now. We want to get Eddie back home safe."

Chief Dahill said his department is in readiness, but will do nothing to impair the safe return of Mr. Bremer.

Walter Magee, contractor friend of Mr. Bremer and according to Thursday's reports, the man who received first information of the kidnaping, asserted Thursday night that he had received no word since the kidnaping was reported to him, and that "I know nothing about it, have nothing to say".

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However, twenty detectives were kept at police headquarters in the Public Safety building in readiness for action the instant Mr. Bremer is released. Cots were set up for them in the police assembly hall and they slept in the station. Chief Dahill also remained at headquarters all night.

Frank J. Blake, star operative of the Department of Justice, arrived here Thursday night by airplane after a flight from Dallas, Texas, but declined all comment and after his departure from Holman Municipal Airport, could not be reached again during the night.

OTHER OPERATIVES BELIEVED EN ROUTE.

Blake directed the government's roundup of the kidnapers of Charles F. Urschel, Oklahoma City oil millionaire. Besides him, it is believed several of the department's undercover men are on their way to St. Paul.

An Associated Press dispatch from Washington stated that J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the department's division of investigation, was preparing to use all the facilities of his nation-wide organization to solve the crime and apprehend the kidnapers.

Early in the evening it was reported that a contact with the kidnapers had been made but this was denied by Mr. Magee, who, it is expected, will be the agent of the family in the negotiations with the abductors.

Mr. Magee failed to attend an executive conference at police headquarters at 5 P. M., and this for a time lent credence to the report he was absent on a journey to meet the kidnapers. However, he returned to his home early in the evening and asserted he had received no message of any kind since the letter Wednesday morning.

QUICK PAYMENT IS EXPECTED.

The impression was gained that agents of the Bremer family were prepared to make a quick payment to effect Mr. Bremer's release.

Mr. Bremer, president of the Commercial State bank and son of Adolph Bremer, part owner of the Jacob Schmidt Brewing Co., was seized between 8:30 and 9:30 A. M. Wednesday as he drove from the Summit school at Goodrich avenue and Dunlap street to the bank, Sixth and Washington streets to start work.

Mr. Bremer, as was his custom, had taken his 8-year-old daughter, Betty, to the Summit school on his way to work. After leaving her there, he usually drove down Summit avenue to the loop and it is believed the kidnapers stopped his car and seized him either on Summit avenue or in the downtown district.

It is believed that Mr. Bremer and his family had intimations as recently as two weeks ago that his abduction was to be attempted. It was reported that Mr. Bremer employed a bodyguard for a time, dismissing it only a short time ago. He also is said to have told friends that, when arriving home at night, he made it a practice to make a careful survey of the premises before putting his car in the garage.

Late Thursday an air of quietness pervaded the Bremer home at 32 North Mississippi River boulevard, a large brick residence set among trees well back from River boulevard a short distance north of Summit avenue. No police guards could be seen and there appeared to be a complete lack of any activity.

A Pioneer Press reporter, calling at the house, was met at the door by Werner Hanni, head of the Justice department here. Asked permission to interview Mrs. Bremer, Hanni refused.

"Mrs. Bremer cannot be seen by any one," he said.

He then was asked if Betty Brem-

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BLOODSTAINS IN CAR GIVE RISE TO BANKER'S OPINION

Discovery of bloodstains in the abandoned sedan of Edward G. Bremer, 37-year-old bank president kidnaped Wednesday for $200,000 ransom, gave rise to the opinion this afternoon he may have fought with his captors.

"Ed is quick-tempered," said H. M. Kalscheuer, vice president of the Commercial State bank, Sixth and Washington streets, of which Bremer is head. "I wouldn't be surprised if he had taken a poke at them (the kidnapers) if he had the chance.

"We are not alarmed about the bloodstains. They might have come from a bloody nose."

Bremer was kidnaped shortly after he had left his 8-year-old daughter Betty at Summit school, 1150 Goodrich avenue, about 8:15 A. M. Wednesday and continued on his way downtown to begin his day's work at the bank.

It was his regular habits which gave the abductors their opportunity to seize him. He followed a set routine mornings, which undoubtedly had been studied by the desperadoes.

"Ed usually got to the bank about 8:30 or 9 A. M.," Mr. Kalscheur said. "He either would drive his car over to Walt Magee's garage on Kellogg boulevard (Walter W. Magee, collector, who is negotiating for Bremer's release) or park it in front of the bank and have a boy drive it over."

Bremer's desk, in a front corner of the bank near the entrance, was in full view of pedestrians. A passerer on the sidewalk would have had a good chance of becoming acquainted with his features. The banker usually worked until 5 P. M. at his desk.

Mr. Kalscheur discredited the report that Mr. Bremer had a body-guard until several months ago.

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Delay In Effecting Contact Causes Fear For Banker's Life

With passing of the 53d hour since first news of the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer was received, and more than 31 hours since the family indicated willingness to pay the $200,000 ransom demanded, but no further word received from the abductors, friend, relatives and authorities late today became increasingly worried.

Unable to conceive of any ordinary reason why the kidnapers would not have by this time sent further word, probably including definite instructions as to the method of paying the $200,000 ransom, which is declared ready, alarm was being felt for the safety of the bank president and member of the wealthy Bremer family.

The alarm was heightened by the public knowledge, withheld by police up to today, that the automobile from which Bremer was kidnaped bore blood stains, indicating that there had been a struggle, and that the victim was injured, if not slain, when he was taken captive.

AWAIT DEVELOPMENTS.

Police and federal officials sat close by telephones this afternoon, apparently anxiously awaiting news about developments. They were keeping out of the case at the request of the Bremer family, until the victim can be returned.

At the office of Chief of Police Thomas E. Dahill in the public safety building were Chief Dahill, Tom Brown and Charles Tierney, the latter two members of the newly formed kidnaping squad. In thee federal building, wating about the department of justice investigation division offices were Werner Manni, head of the St. Paul office, and aces of the division's detective force, including Frank J. Blake, Dallas, Tex., who was credited with the capture and conviction of the gang which kidnaped Charles F. Urschel, Oklahoma City oil millionaire, and Harold Nathan, chief aid [illegible] the head of the investigation division, J. Edgar Hoover, [illegible]shington.

PUBLISH NOTICE TO ABD[illegible]TORS.

First news of the kidnaping came at [illegible] m. Wednesday when Walter W. Magee, contractor, [illegible]ed a mysterious telephone call telling him his friend [illegible]ard Bremer had been kidnaped, and that he would find [illegible]e telling him what to do at the rear of his office. He [illegible]t there, and communicated with the Bremer family.

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Mr. W. A. Harper,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 315,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

MAR 6 1934

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
UNKNOWN SUBJECTS,
Edward George Bremer, Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Reference is made to a letter from Special Agent in Charge Werner Hanni, dated February 23, 1934, transmitting to the Division a scrapbook containing newspaper clippings relative to the above entitled case.

Among these clippings is one taken from the St. Paul Pioneer-Press Dispatch, dated February 11, 1934, under the heading "Car Clue Links Hamm, Bremer Kidnap Cases". The details set forth in this article indicate that the writer has obtained considerable information concerning the activities of the Barker-Karpis gang. It is also noted that reference is made to "A. Carter" in the sentence, "Department of Justice representatives, seeking information on the Bailey gang, checked 'A. Carter' in Kansas City, but obtained no definite information on him".

With reference to previous letters from the Division concerning a possible leak in the St. Paul Office, it is suggested that attention be given to the source from which the writer of the above article obtained his information relative to the activities of the Barker-Karpis gang, especially the apparent knowledge of the writer concerning investigation conducted by this Division in tracing the car registered in the name of "A. Carter".

Very truly yours,

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

On April 20, 1930, the Federal Grand Jury at Peoria, Illinois, returned an indictment charging Edward Doll, alias Eddie Lakes, with violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, as a result of an investigation by the Division of Investigation of the theft and interstate transportation of an automobile, the property of Mr. Horace Kreichbaum of Burlington, Iowa.

When Doll was arraigned before the United States District Court at Peoria, Illinois on May 26, 1930, he entered a plea of not guilty and was released on a bond of $3,000. Thereafter, the case was called for trial and on April 27, 1932, Doll, having failed to appear, the bond was ordered forfeited and a bench warrant was issued on May 24, 1932.

Based on information obtained by the Division of Investigation, after an extensive search for the purpose of locating Doll, one of its Special Agents, in cooperation with the local police, arrested Doll on February 14, 1934 at St. Petersburg, Florida, where he was living as a farmer with his wife under the name of Leonard R. Foley. At the time of his arrest, he was repairing a chicken coop on the farm and, when accosted, denied his identity. However, after being confronted with his fingerprints, he admitted that he was the person sought.

After being questioned at length by Special Agents of the Division, Doll admitted participating in the robbery of the Lincoln National Bank and Trust Company, Lincoln, Nebraska, the kidnaping of Howard A. Woolverton, and the robberies of the Blue Ridge, Texas Bank, First Trust Savings Bank, Colfax, Washington, Citizens State Bank of Tupelo, Mississippi and a mail robbery at Effingham, Illinois.

The Lincoln National Bank and Trust Company of Lincoln, Nebraska was robbed on September 17, 1930 with a loss of approximately $1,000,000 in bonds and securities and $24,000 in cash.

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Howard A. Woolverton was kidnaped at South Bend, Indiana on the night of January 26, 1932, while driving home from a theatre in company with his wife. A ransom of $50,000 was demanded.

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However, he was released the following night, January 27, 1932, at Chicago, Illinois on payment of $6,000 ransom.

The First Trust Savings Bank, Colfax, Washington, was robbed on September 21, 1932 and $60,000 taken.

On November 28, 1932, the Citizens State Bank of Tupelo, Mississippi was robbed and loot taken amounting to approximately $19,000 in cash and $20,000 in bonds and securities.

The mail robbery at Effingham, Illinois occurred on October 19, 1933 with a loss of five pouches of mail.

During the investigation conducted by the Division, it was ascertained that Doll was closely associated with Jack Klutas, notorious bandit, kidnaper and bank robber, who was recently slain at Bellwood, Illinois, when the latter resisted arrest.

It was also ascertained that Doll was associated with George (Machine Gun) Kelly, Harvey Bailey and Albert Bates, now serving life sentences in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas for the crime of kidnaping Charles Urschel.

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The Division of Investigation has been informed that a warrant was issued at Rock Island, Illinois on December 5, 1933 charging Doll, alias LaRue, with the kidnaping for ransom of James Hackett on May 1, 1931 in the township of North, Illinois.

Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director

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February 20, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CLEGG

In regard to the attached memorandum of February 14, 1934, giving some details concerning Edward Doll, alias Eddie LaRue, I would like to have this memorandum brought up to date, including any admissions or confessions which LaRue has given since his arrest. This summary should then be transmitted by memorandum to the Attorney General, with a copy to Mr. Stanley.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT St. Paul, Minn. February 22, 1934

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Laboratory Report

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Case: Unknown Subjects, Edward G. Bremer, Victim; Kidnaping. Number: 7-576

Specimens: 1 letter addressed to "Mr. Nash. We would appreciate you acting as a go between". 1 envelope addressed to Mr. Thomas D. Nash and postmarked Chicago, Illinois, 2-6-34.
1 photostatic copy of letter enclosed with the above described letter.

Examination requested by: Chicago office.

Date received: February 10, 1934.

Examination requested: General and Fingerprint.

Result of examination: Examination by: C.A.Appel

February 10. The envelope and paper do not have water-marks. The envelope measures 9.5 by 4.13 inches. There is a printed form for the return address and photographs of this should be shown to printers in order to identify the stationery. This may be a post office envelope. If so, the stamp on the upper right hand corner normally printed on the paper has been torn off. There are no water-marks such as usually appear in post office envelopes.

The letter measures 8.44 by 8.4 plus inches (torn off), apparently a letter-head was torn from this paper. It is believed that the envelope and paper are part of the same stationery.

Attention is invited to the mistakes in English which may be deliberate. The "NRA" signature apparently has no connection with the case entitled Unknown Subjects, Mrs. Francis Sherwood Male, Victim; Extortion, in which "NRA" was used.

THE ORIGINAL EVIDENCE WHICH WAS SUBMITTED IS BEING RETAINED IN THE LABORATORY FOR ANY SUBSEQUENT EXAMINATIONS WHICH MAY BE DESIRED. SHOULD YOUR OFFICE DESIRE THIS ORIGINAL EVIDENCE FOR USE IN ANY SUBSEQUENT PROCEEDINGS WHICH MAY DEVELOP THE DIVISION SHOULD BE NOTIFIED IN ALPLE TIME TO PERMIT TRANSMITTAL.

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February 23, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1900 Bankers' Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS,
Edward G. Bremer, Victim;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Division February 10, 1934.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

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February 23, 1934

Mr. W. A. Rorer,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS,
Edward G. Bremer, Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Division February 13, 1934.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

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Laboratory Report

February 21, 1934.

Case: Unknown Subjects, Edward G. Bremer, Victim; Kidnaping. Number: 9-376

Specimens: 4 five gallon tin gasoline cans
1 tin funnel
Specimens of gasoline taken from the above cans

Examination requested by: St. Paul Office.

Date received: February 16, 1934.

Examination requested: General, Laboratory, and Fingerprint.

Result of examination: Examination by: S.F.Pickering

Three of the cans contained very small amounts of gasoline which upon examination indicated that two of them contained red dye while the third was a pale yellow. All three of these gasolines contained lead.

The possibility of identification might arise through the color of the dyes used. We are making comparisons of the various brands in the laboratory to get some idea of the differences in dyes in the different brands. We may find it difficult to get this information from the companies.

The dye in one of the samples is that known as color index No. 248 and is probably in the form of Sudan G or Sudan III. Additional information regarding these dyes will be sent in a few days.

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Laboratory Report

February 21, 1934.

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Mr. W. A. Roser,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS,
Edward G. Bremer, Victim;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

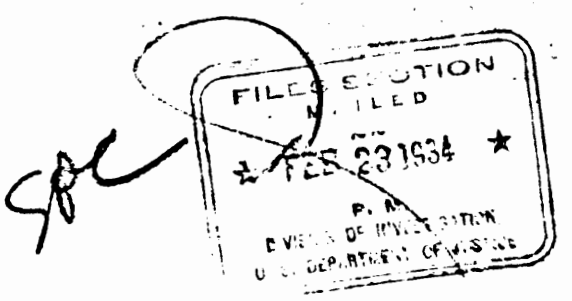
There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Division February 16, 1934.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

Enclosure: #682350



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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

February 20, 1934.

MR. NATHAN....
MR. TOLSON....
MR. CLEGG.....
MR. COWLEY....
MR. EDWARDS...
MR. SCAN.....
MR. QUINN.....
MR. LESTER....
MR. LOCKE.....
MR. RORER.....

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Brennan

Mr. Rorer called from St. Paul (10:30 A. M.) He advised that he desired Agents O. G. Hall, Coulter, Hotesteen, Nalls, Noonan, V. W. Peterson, Reinecke and Fortenberry at St. Paul in connection with the Bremer case. Agent Fortenberry is at present in the home of the victim at St. Paul and Mr. Rorer desires that he be retained at St. Paul. Mr. Rorer advised that Agent Reinecke arrived there last night, but he had not received any instructions as to the sending of two Agents back to Chicago. He was instructed that this should be done. He stated that McKee was in Wisconsin but he will leave there for Chicago and Agent Glynn will go to Chicago tonight. Mr. Rorer referred to his request of last night that a stenographer be sent to the St. Paul office from the Chicago office. He also stated he thought Agent Blake could be released.

Mr. Rorer requested that the informant by the name of [redacted] who submitted information relative to two brothers who traveled with an old woman, should be interviewed at length as the information submitted by him fits in with information they have received at St. Paul. I have telephoned Mr. Fay to treat this informant, whose identity has not been disclosed, with every possible proper consideration, as the information he has furnished appears to be checking very accurately in some respects and is tieing in to some extent with the case which we are now handling.

Mr. Rorer was instructed to advise the Division of the name of the confidential informant mentioned in the memorandum of Agent Hall dated February 6, 1934, which confidential informant advised some of our Agents [redacted] Brown had used this license to go hunting with Barker and Karpis.

Mr. Rorer was also instructed to furnish any information possible relative to alleged criticism of the St. Paul Police Department for failing to catch the Barker-Karpis-Nash gang, by Mr. Mahoney, Mayor of St. Paul. This criticism was alleged to have been made by Mr. Mahoney in 1932 while he was campaigning for re-election.

Respectfully,

H. H. Clegg.

writes Mr. Rorer
& Mr. Hanni
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Mr. Werner Hanni,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

There is enclosed herewith a copy of a letter which the Division is today addressing to Inspector W. A. Rorer, designating the Bremer Kidnaping Case as a special assignment under the supervision of Mr. Rorer at St. Paul. Certain Special Agents now in the St. Paul territory have been assigned to work on this case under the supervision of Mr. Rorer, and he is also authorized to call upon the St. Paul Office from time to time for any additional assistance if it should be needed, and you are instructed to comply with his requests in that connection.

All correspondence relative to this case should be handled exclusively by Mr. Rorer, and will be addressed to him, and that which is prepared at St. Paul will be prepared for his signature.

It is desired that the fullest possible cooperation on the part of the St. Paul Office be made available to Mr. Rorer at his request.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

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Mr. H. Nathan,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith a copy of a letter dated February 21, 1934, addressed to Mr. W. A. Rorer, together with a copy of a letter dated February 21, 1934, addressed to Special Agent in Charge Hanni, of the St. Paul Office, relative to the designation of the Brener kidnaping case as a special assignment under the supervision of Inspector Rorer.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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HHC:ps February 23, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1900 Bankers' Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your request, by telephone, for the criminal record of James Martin, alias James Moore, alias James Lawrence, who indicated that he had some information concerning Frisco Dutch, in St. Paul.

You are advised that the records of the Division disclose that the criminal record of this individual was forwarded to your office by air mail on February 20th.

The question as to whether this individual should be paid $50 and sent to St. Paul was submitted to Mr. Rorer, at St. Paul, who indicated that until he received further information from your office indicating that Martin was well acquainted with the underworld conditions in the twin cities, and further that he really had some valuable information, he would not recommend that Martin be sent there. Acting Special Agent in Charge Smith of your office was advised to inform Mr. Rorer as to the conclusions reached by the Chicago Office as to whether this man was really familiar with these conditions, and Mr. Rorer will subsequently make his recommendation to the Division.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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February 23, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
370 Lexington Avenue, Room 1403,
New York, New York.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with your request, please be advised that 3500 copies of the list prepared in connection with the Bremer case pending at the St. Paul office, have been forwarded to your office in order that they might be distributed by the Western Union Telegraph Company to their branch offices located throughout the country.

Very truly yours,

Director.

Edward G. Bremer

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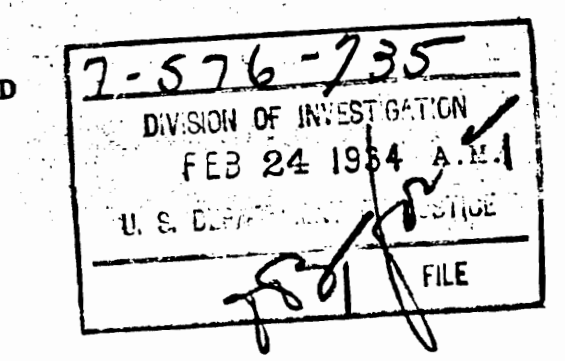

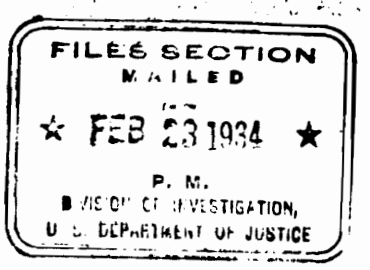

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TDQ:GAJ February 19, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HENNEBERGER,
EQUIPMENT SECTION, UNIT FOUR.

Confirming instructions received from Mr. Quinn, I wish that you would take immediate steps to forward 3500 copies of the list prepared in connection with the Bremer case pending at St. Paul, to the New York office of the Division, in order that they might be distributed by the Western Union to their branch offices located throughout the country.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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REINTERVIEWING ALL FORMER SOURCES OF INFORMATION ENDEAVOR TO SECURE PHOTOGRAPH

AND ARREST RECORDS WIRING OTHER OFFICES IF NECESSARY ENDEAVOR LOCATE PAULAS

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1216 SMITH-YOUNG TOWER
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O'BRIEN KIDNAPING REFER YOUR LETTER THIRD ULTIMO RECHECK ALL POSSIBLE LEADS LOCATION PAULA O'HARMON INCLUDING PRESENT WHEREABOUTS HER NEGRO MAID WIRING OTHER OFFICES IF NECESSARY

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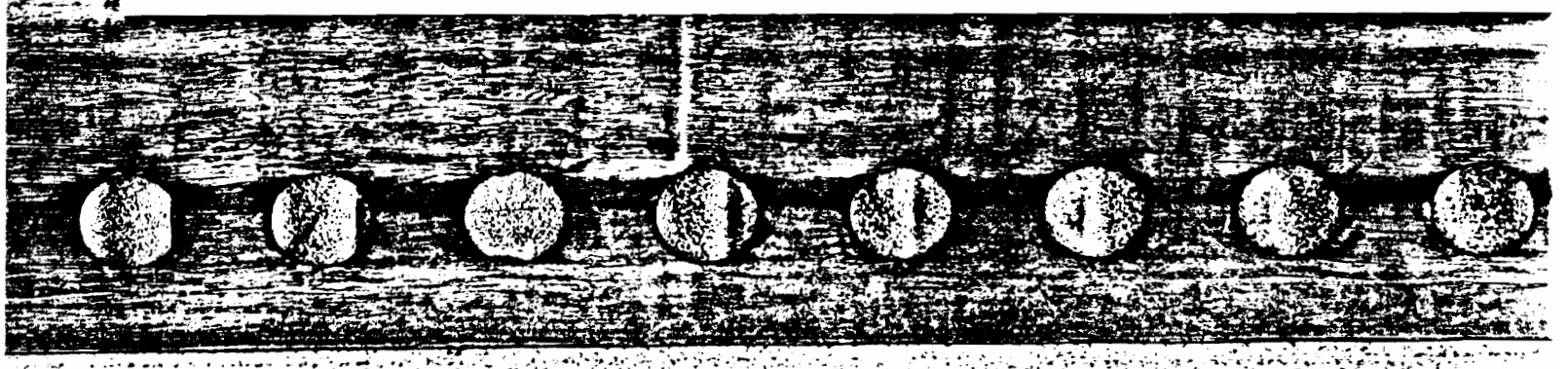

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NEW YORK NEW YORK

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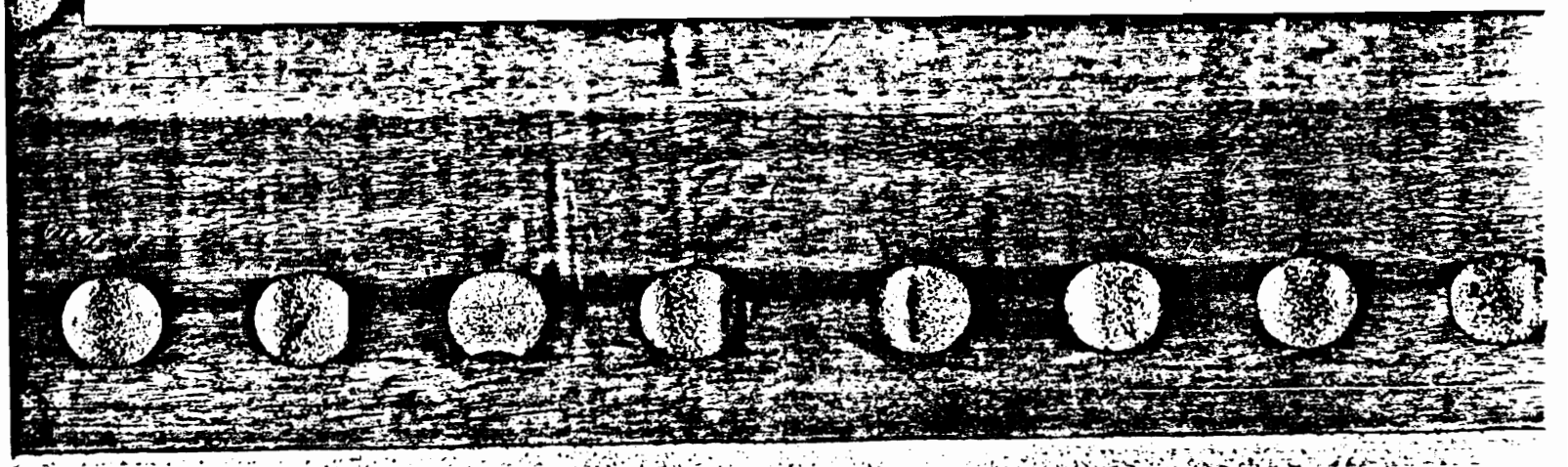

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BREMER CASE EXECUTE IMMEDIATELY ALL LEADS MENTIONED IN MEMORANDUM IN KAHMO CASE BY AGENT FARLAND FEBRUARY FIFTEENTH

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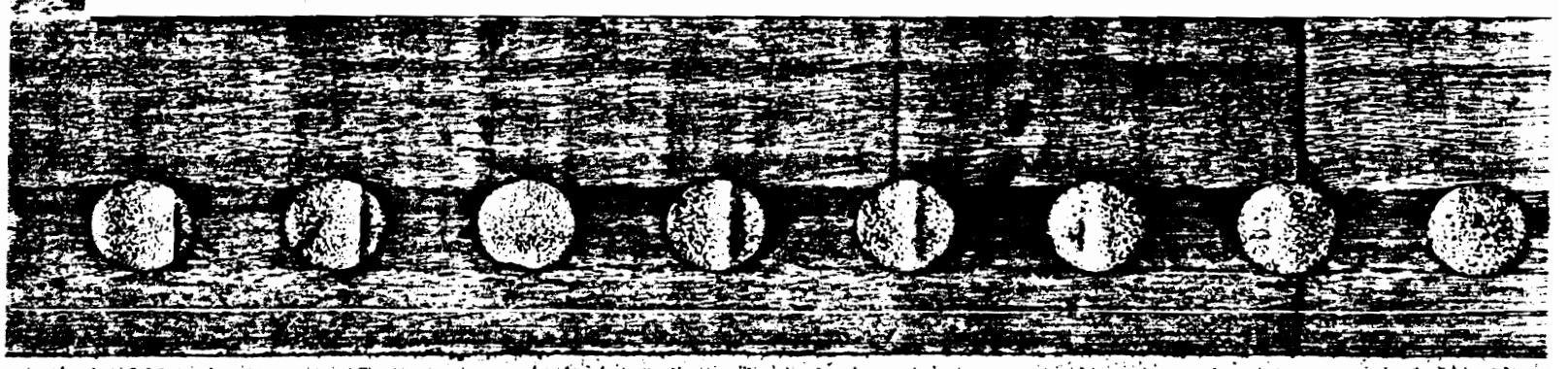

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KANSAS CITY MISSOURI FEB. 17, 1934. 11 p.m.

R A ALT
TAMPA TERRACE HOTEL
TAMPA FLORIDA

Re: Unknown Subjects
Edward G. Bremer - Victim
Kidnaping.

INDIVIDUAL YOU REQUESTED CONTACTED STATES HE AND WIFE MET YOUR MAN AND WOMAN IN CLEVELAND LAST JUNE AT PARKING LOT DAY BEFORE HE PURCHASED CADILLAC SIXTEEN WHICH PURCHASE DATE DEFINITELY ESTABLISHED FROM PREVIOUS FILE AS JUNE THIRD LAST YOUR MAN AND WOMAN HAD RED CHEVROLET CONVERTIBLE COUPE HAD JUST COME FROM NEW YORK WANTED INDIVIDUAL AND WIFE TO ACCOMPANY THEM TO SEE PICTURE GRAND HOTEL BUT INDIVIDUAL HAD ALREADY SEEN IT BELIEVES YOUR WOMAN WAS CALL GIRL IN CHICAGO HAD NICE APARTMENT ACROSS FROM EDGEWATER BEACH HOTEL ABOUT FIVE FIVE TWO YOUR LAKE SHORE DRIVE STOP AFTER LIVING TOGETHER ABOUT TWO YEARS YOUR MAN AND WOMAN MARRIED NEW YORK CITY ABOUT SEPTEMBER NINETEEN THIRTY TWO INDIVIDUAL HAS KNOWN YOUR WOMAN ABOUT TWO OR THREE YEARS THROUGH YOUR MAN INDIVIDUALS WIFE MET HER ONLY FEW TIMES THROUGH HIM

SPEAR ACTING

cc- Division
Jacksonville

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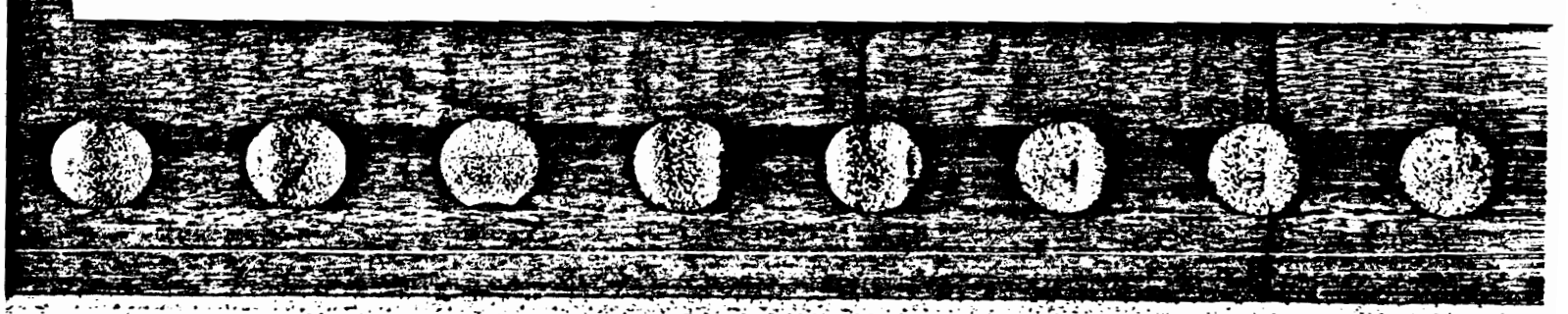

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St Paul Minnesota
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C C SPEARS
Division of Investigation
U S Department of Justice
411 United States Court House
Portland Oregon

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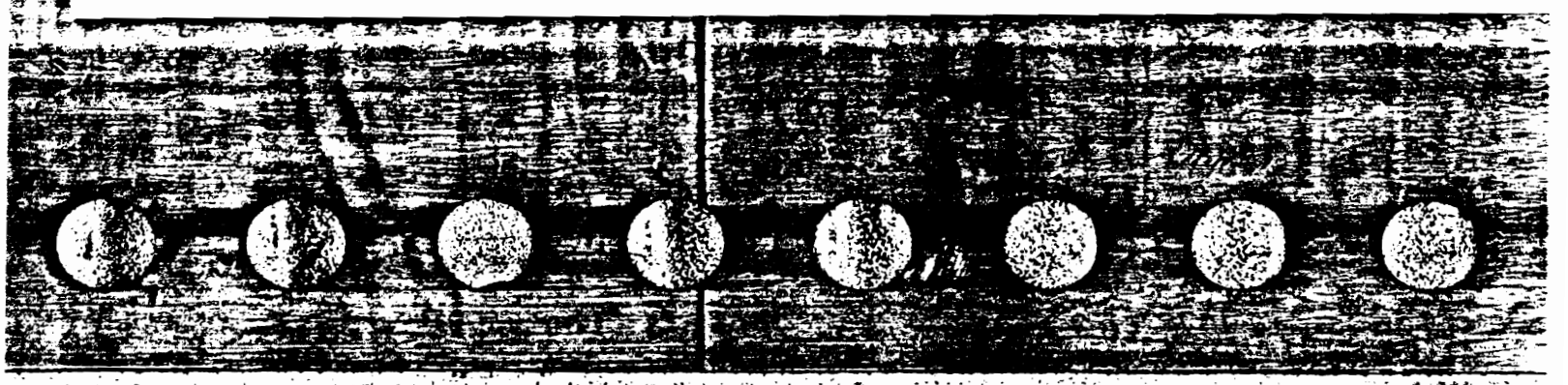

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St.Paul,Minnesota.
February 20,1934.

M.H.Purvis,
Division of Investigation,
U.S.Department of Justice,
1900 Bankers' Building,
Chicago,Ill.

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RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM
KIDNAPING
St.Paul File No.7-30

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI.
FEBRUARY 20, 1934.

WERNER HANNI,
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION,
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
203 POST OFFICE BUILDING,
ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA.

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JEH:ECB

February 19, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CLEGG

During telephonic conversation with Mr. Borer at St. Paul today, I instructed him to have prepared tonight, and send to this office by air mail, a detailed memorandum setting forth the crime conditions in St. Paul and Minneapolis, lack of cooperation by the police, etc. I mentioned the statement made to Mr. Nathan by Chief Dahill to the effect that Assistant Chief of Detectives Brown is connected with the Bremer and Hamm kidnapings. I also informed Mr. Borer of the telegrams being sent by the Attorney General to the Mayor and the Chief of Police of St. Paul, in reply to telegrams received from them, as to his views on the Police Department there.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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SPECIAL DELIVERY.

P. O. Box #766
Cincinnati, Ohio

HSK:MCH

February 21, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1900 Bankers' Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim.
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:-

In connection with the telegram from the Chicago office to this office dated 2-19-34, requesting the names and addresses of all game wardens in the Northern part of Indiana, the following is a list of the names, addresses and in certain instances, the telephone numbers of the Indiana Wardens, as furnished by the Conservation Department, Department of Public Works, State of Indiana, Indianapolis, Indiana:

R. D. Fleming, Capt.	R.R. #3, Fort Wayne	Anthony 38161
Charles K. Weser "	314 S. Miami St., Logansport	179 X
Peter Bartock	5068 150th St., East Chicago	
Clarence Downey	Box 630 South Bend	4-43084
Noah Eaton	426 W. Main St., Warsaw	
Earl Grossman	Kendallville	
Willis Hanlin	Portland	
Jacob Havel	Rensselaer	
H. M. McClean	338 High St., Logansport	
H. Monzenberger	Angola	
Cleo F. Rhodenhamel	114 S. Mountain St., La Grange	
Harry Walker	Box 19, LaPorte	
Harry White	21 N. Salsberry St., Lafayette	
Clarence Wilson	312 N. Dill St., Muncie	2925 W
Kenneth Smith	Huntington	36-F-5
Lawson Camblin	Rochester	
Herbert Sloan	110 W. South St., Bremen	56-J
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E. E. Summers
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Michael Obermeyer

1606 N. Purdue St., Kokomo
R. F. D. Kirklin 806 Mechanicsburg
% Peter Bartock,
5068 130th St., East Chicago.

Very truly yours,

M. B. KLEIN, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

CC Division ✓
St. Paul (3)

SUITE L - FEDERAL BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI.
FEBRUARY 20, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1900 Bankers' Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
EDWARD G. BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Please refer to letter from this office to your office under date of February 16, 1934 in the above captioned case wherein appropriate investigation is requested at the Drexel Hotel, 4249 Drexel Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois.

It is assumed that your office has noticed that investigation in the vicinity of this hotel was made on a previous occasion in connection with the case entitled VERNON C. MILLER (DECEASED) ET AL, CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER FEDERAL PRISONER; investigation by your office in that vicinity appearing in report of Special Agent W. Carter Baum, Chicago, Illinois, dated July 8, 1933, particularly at page 34 and thereafter in the last mentioned file.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR
ACTING SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - Division
St. Paul

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Post Office Box 314,
Birmingham, Alabama

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February 21, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1900 Bankers' Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT
Edward G. Bremer - Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from this office dated February 19, 1934, in connection with the above entitled case and particularly one Whitey Anderson.

This is to advise that it has been ascertained from Special Agent C. O. Pickard of this office who conducted considerable investigation in eastern Tennessee seeking the apprehension of Banghart and his crowd, that he at no time during the course of that investigation received any information concerning a Whitey Anderson.

Very truly yours,

B. J. FITZSIMONS, Jr.
Acting Sp. Agent in Charge.

CC: Division
St. Paul

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1900 Bankers Bldg.,
Chicago, Illinois
February 21, 1934

Mr. W. A. Alt,
Tampa Terrace Hotel,
Tampa, Florida

Dear Sir:

RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
EDWARD G. BRESSE, VICTIM;
KIDNAPING.

I am enclosing herewith a photostatic copy of a letter, dated February 15, 1934, directed by this office to the Saint Paul Office, which it is believed will be of assistance to you in interviewing Eddie LaRue.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge

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801 Title Guaranty Building,
St. Louis, Missouri,
February 19, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1900 Bankers' Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.
KIDNAPING.

This office is in receipt of a letter from the St. Paul Office, requesting the name of the owner and the description of a car bearing 1933 Illinois license plates No. 772-064. There was enclosed with the letter from the St. Paul Office a long hand letter from Harry W. Cain of Rowan, Iowa.

The records available in this office reflect that the above referred to license plate was issued to Elma I. Webb, 810 Elm Street, Winnetka, Illinois, for an Essex bearing motor No.E1246508.

The letter from Mr. Cain is being attached hereto with the request that the necessary investigation be made at Winnetka for the purpose of ascertaining the identity of Elma I. Webb and for the purpose of obtaining a description of the car on which these plates are being used. When the letter from Mr. Cain has served its purpose, same should be returned to the St. Paul Office.

Very truly yours,

D. M. Ladd,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Division
cc St. Paul

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Post Office Box 515
St.Paul, Minnesota

February 21st, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases;
ARTHUR BARKER with aliases;
UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING
St.Paul file No. 7-30

Dear Sir:

Refer to the letter from the Detroit office, addressed to Special Agent in Charge R. A. Alt at Tampa, Florida, dated February 19, 1934, in the above case, wherein reference is made to the fact that EDDIE LaRUE had a hacking cough.

Victim Bremer has stated that one of the persons at the house had a continual cough, in view of which it is requested that LaRue's location during the period of January 17,1934 to February 7, 1934, be definitely fixed.

Very truly yours,

W. A. HORAN,
Inspector.

WAH:JMS
cc Division

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P. O. Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

February 19, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1216 Smith-Young Tower,
San Antonio, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS.
EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.
St. Paul file 7-30.

Reference is made to the letter of your office dated February 3, 1934, concerning investigation conducted to determine the present whereabouts of Paula Harmon. It is desired that an immediate investigation be conducted in an effort to secure some lead which might result in her location. It is thought that she is with Karpis and the Barkers, suspects in this case, and for that reason it is of the utmost importance that her present location be determined.

Very truly yours,

MELVIN HANEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Cc Division
Cc Dallas

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515 Mews Building
San Francisco, California.

KEM/AP.

Feb. 17, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
P.O. Box 515,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:

A telegram received from Special Agent in Charge Fay, New York Division Office, Feb. 15, 1934, requested that the Bullard Signal Company, San Francisco, and the J. M. Hedberg Company, San Jose, California, makers of electric sirens, used for fire and gener l alarms, be contacted, and the towns in the Middle West, where their alarms, or sirens are in use, be obtained, and the St. Paul Office notified.

In compliance therewith the following information has been obtained:

The Bullard Company, 275 Eighth St., San Francisco, Cal., succeeded the Sicorde Company in May, 1933, since which date no sirens have been sent to the Middle West. The belief is expressed that none has been sent by Heath Engineering Laboratories and affiliated company, since 1930.

Records of the Sicorde Company, in possession of the Bullard Company, reflect shipments as follows:

TEXAS.

McAllen	Albany	Olney	Beaumont
El Paso	Nacogdoches	Garland	Hillsboro
Claibourne	Farmersville	Dallas	Temple
Clarenden	Harlington	Marlin	Paris
San Benito	Laredo	Waco	Houston
Wichita Falls	Lone Oak	Greenville	San Angelo
			Lubbock

KENTUCKY

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Louisville

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Moline
Chicago
Rockford
Rock Falls

LOUISIANA

Baton Rouge
New Orleans

TENNESSEE

Chattanooga
Knoxville

OHIO

South Columbus
Warren
Cincinnati

INDIANA

Colfax
Fort Dodge
South Bend

IOWA

Spirit Lake
Fort Dodge
Del Rio

UTAH

Cedar City

MINNESOTA

Minneapolis

NEVADA

Round Mountain
Tonopah

ARIZONA

Phoenix
Tuma

The J. N. Hedberg Company, San Jose, California, furnished the following by telephone:

TEXAS,

Austin	Forth Worth	Dallas	Long View
Beaumont	San Antonio	El Paso	Amarillo
Port Arthur	Houston	Marshall	Bartlett
			Laredo

ILLINOIS,

Chicago	East St. Louis
Bloomington	Rock Island

WISCONSIN

La Cross	Green Bay
Milwaukee	Sheboygan
Kenosha	West Milwaukee

IOWA

Charlton	Davenport
Cedar Rapids	

LOUISIANA

Shreveport	Monroe
New Orleans	Alexander
Baton Rouge	

KANSAS

Topeka	Salina
Hutchinson	

MINNESOTA

Duluth	Minneapolis

OKLAHOMA

Enid

ARKANSAS

Fort Smith

NEBRASKA

Lincoln

GEORGIA

Athens
Savannah
Bessemer
Atlanta
Cedartown
Exeter
Lithonia

ALABAMA

Montgomery
Mobile
Birmingham
Phoenix City
Attalla
Gadsden

OHIO

Cincinnati
Cleveland
Lancaster
Middleton
Akron
Doubersville
Columbus
Toledo

INDIANA

Fort Wayne
Gary

MICHIGAN

Flint
Jackson
Saginaw

You will note other states than these in the Middle West have been covered. The list, in fact, with few exceptions, represents all of the places where sirens have been sold by the referred to companies.

If the number of the siren is obtained, the companies can furnish the party to whom originally sold.

Very truly yours,

R.E. Vetterli,
Special Agent in Charge.

c.c. New York
Division

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625 Lafayette Building
Detroit, Michigan
February 17, 1934

Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 515
St. Paul, Minnesota

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
Kidnaping Detroit File 7-25

Dear Sir:

In compliance with request contained in your communication dated February 15, 1934, please be advised that the name Fred Barker was furnished this office by a representative of the Associated Press as being a suspect in this case.

The representative, who desired to know if we had any information on Barker, stated that they had received information to the effect that it had been rumored that Barker was a suspect.

Very truly yours,

Wm. Larson
Special Agent in Charge

WL:MJW

cc - Division

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P.O.Box 515, St.Paul,Minn.

February 15,1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S.Department of Justice,
625 Lafayette Building,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM.
KIDNAPING.
St.Paul File No.7-30.

Reference is had to your air mail letter of February 9,1934, and particularly page 6, the second last paragraph thereof, wherein it is stated that information has reached your office indirectly to the effect that one, FRED BARKER, was suspected in the BREMER kidnaping.

Will you please advise of the source of this information.

Very truly yours,

WERNER HANNI,
Special Agent in Charge.

WH:TC
CC Division ✓

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P. O. Box 513,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

February 19, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir: Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS.
EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.
St. Paul file 7-30.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent C. B. Winstead dated 1-31-34 dated at Dallas, Texas.

The Division desires the location of Karpis and the Barkers in connection with this case. It appears that Paula Harmon is with Karpis and the Barkers and for that reason knowledge of her present whereabouts is of the utmost importance. Confirming telegram of this date to your office, please conduct immediate investigation in an effort to secure the desired information.

Very truly yours,

WERNER HANNI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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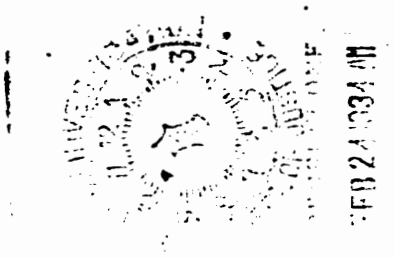
Cc Division
Cc San Antonio



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Post Office Box #2044
Boston, Massachusetts.

February 19, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box #615,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
EDWARD G. BENDER - Victim,
Kidnaping.

In consonance with the request contained in your telegram of February 13th, a search of the invoices of the Eaton Paper Company, Pittsfield, Massachusetts, was made for the period from July 1, 1932 to December 31, 1933, for the purpose of obtaining a list of the wholesalers, jobbers and other purchasers, in the states of Minnesota and Wisconsin, of note paper identical with that used in the above mentioned case.

After a conference had by Special Agent W. J. West of this office, with Colonel M. H. Eaton, President, and W. G. Glover, Merchandise Manager of the Eaton Paper Company, and after further communication with the Division, the Division's laboratory ascertained that the note paper in question was described as 10.18 inches by 6.42 inches, .0049 inches thick, folded in the middle; average weight 4.27 grams, and of linen finish. With this information Mr. Oliver, of the Eaton Paper Company, determined that that particular paper was sold by the Eaton Paper Company under its numbers 4235½, 5967, A 162, C 706, C 864, D 630, F 800, and F 802; these numbers all relating to the identical paper but indicating different amounts contained in boxes in which sold, and different shapes of envelopes sold with these boxes.

Attached hereto will be found a list of firms and persons sold this identical paper by the Eaton Paper Company. In view of the extensive sale of this particular paper throughout the United States, but two states were covered, namely Minnesota and Wisconsin. Copies of this letter, together with attached list, are being transmitted to the Chicago Division Office for a search to be made at the points within the jurisdiction of that office in the state of Michigan.

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Attached to this letter addressed to your office, and to the copy transmitted to the Chicago Office, will be found one sample of note paper and envelope for each of the above Eaton numbers.

With reference to the envelope which contained the note in the above case, it may be stated that Mr. Oliver of the Eaton Paper Company reports that from the description given, the envelope was not manufactured by his concern but was apparently an ordinary so-called common business envelope manufactured in large quantities by any one of a dozen envelope manufacturers in the United States. In this connection you are advised that on the 15th instant the Division wired this office a description of the envelope in question, and after Mr. Oliver of the Eaton Paper Company had drawn a diagram meeting the measurements furnished by the Division, he arrived at the determination that his concern made no such envelope, and stated that it is a common size made by envelope manufacturers.

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cc - Division (Enc.)
cc - Chicago(Enc.)
Enc.
MJW:EPL

Very truly yours,

C. D. MacNEAL,
Special Agent in Charge.

PURCHASERS OF NOTE PAPER DESCRIBED
AS 10,18 inches by 6.42 inches, .0089 inches thick, folded in middle; average weight 4.97 grams, and of linen finish, from EATON PAPER CO.,

M I N N E S O T A

Bemidiji - Parker Book & Stationery Co., 406 Beltrami Ave.
City Drug Store, 309 Beltrami Ave.

Brainerd - Brainerd Office Supply Co.
H. P. Dunn, 606 Front St.

Duluth - Duluth Glass Block Store Co., 132 W. Superior St.
George A. Gray Co., 113 W. Superior St.
Abbett's Drug Store, 219 W. Superior St.
Duluth Phcy. Co., Inc., 321 E. Superior St.
I. Freimuth, 2 W. Superior St.
The Fritz Cross Co., 325 W. Superior St.
A and E Supply Co., (No street address shown)
Northern Drug Co., " " " "
Stone's Book Store, 20 No. First St.,

Faribault - The Book Store, 324 Central Ave.

Minneapolis - Benson Booth Drug Co., 2300 - 30th St.
Burch Pharmacy Inc., 1942 Hennepin Ave.
Crais Drugs, 3400 So. Lyndale St.
J. E. Hudson, Inc., Dept. K-Class E, 8th & Nicolett Sts.
Minneapolis Paper Co. (No street address shown)
Powers Mercantile Co., Nicollet & Fifth Sts.
Minneapolis Paper Co., 400 So. 8th St.
University Drug Store, 400 - 14th Ave.
Beard Art Galleries, 68 So. Tenth St.
Bronson Ptg. & Staty. Co., 1005 W. Broadway
Bushnell Dahlquist Press, Inc., 24 So. 11th St.
J. Frank Gould & Son., 30th & Bryant Sts.
Hennepin Lake Co., 1405 West Lake St.
The Dayton Co., Seventh & Nicollet Sts.
L. S. Donaldson Co., (No street address shown)
Farnham Ptg. & Staty. Co., 415-17 Hennepin Ave.
Eagle Drug Store,

Eveleth - City Drug Store (No street address shown)

Grand Rapids - Theo. Otoren Drug Store, (No street address shown)

New Ulm - Epple Bros., 125 N. Minnesota St.

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Jamesville	-	Hirscher's Pharmacy (No street address shown)
Lake City	-	Collins Drug Store, (No street address shown)
Lewiston	-	Lewiston Pharmacy (no street address shown)
Litchfield	-	Andersen Drug Co. " " " "
Little Falls	-	101 First Street - Guerin McCauley Co.
Owatonna	-	Metz Pharmacy (No street address shown)
Ortonville	-	Grundersen Drug Co. (No street address shown)
Rochester	-	Eagle Drug Store (No street address shown) C. F. Massey Co., " " " " Webber & Judd, Kahler Hotel H. S. Adams, 16 Second St., S. W.
Red Wing	-	W. E. Koehler, 206 Bush St. A. M. Kuhn, Main & Bush Streets
St. Paul	-	Emporium Mercantile Co., (No street address shown) The Golden Rule " " " " St. Paul Book & Staty. Co., 55 E. Sixth Street Field, Schlick, Inc., 357 Wabash St. Schuneman & Mannheimers, (No street address shown) Kusterman Bros., 2264 Como Avenue Macalester College Book Store, 1654 Grand Ave.
St. Cloud	-	Emil Maixner, 504 St. Germain St.
Tower	-	Herman T. Olson, Inc., Main & Birch Sts.
Two Harbors	-	James Drug Store, 602 First Avenue
Wadena	-	Krause Drug Co., 108 Jefferson St.
White Bear	-	White Bear Drug Co.
Winona	-	The Williams Book & Staty. Co., 52 E. 3d Street
Albert Lea	-	Lueck Sanders Drug Co., Inc., 228 So. Bdwy.
Cloquet	-	Raiters Drug Store (No street address shown) Johnson Brothers " " " "

WISCONSIN

Appleton	-	Sylvester & Neilsen, Inc., 309 College Ave. Copmen Dry Goods Co., 120-124 N. College Ave.
Beaver Dam	-	R. L. Langsack, Druggist, Front Street
Beloit	-	Bredeson Bros., 435 E. Grand Ave. Johnson Drug Store, Central & White Sts. H. J. Wagner, 130 Grand Ave.
Burlington	-	Majors Pharmacy (Frank H. Major, Prop.) (No street address)
Chippewa Falls	-	Riester Dettloff, 120 Bridge St.
Columbus	-	B & K Gift Shop (No street address)
Delavan	-	Murphy & O'Neil (Central Drug Store) (No street address) Rustads Quality Drug Store, 325 Walworth St.
De Pere	-	H. C. Wheeler, 134 No. Broadway
Dodgeville	-	Miller Prideaux Drug Co. (No street address)
Eagle River	-	Mulrooney Drug Co. (No street address)
Elkhorn	-	Woelm Drug Store " " "
Eau Claire	-	Hale Haas Corp. " " "
Evansville	-	Collins Drug Co. " " "
Fond du Lac	-	Dana & Worn Drug Co., 114 So. Main St. Kremer Drug Co., 9 No. Main Street Theil Drug Co., 14th & Main
Fort Atkinson	-	Strommen Drug Store, Main & N. Milwaukee Ave. Pioneer Drug Co. (No street address) Theil Drug Co., 14th & Main Streets
Green Lake	-	W. E. Whipp (No street address)
Green Bay	-	Empire Drug Co., 101 No. Washington St. Jorgensen Blesch Co., (No street address) Soquet Drug Co., 321 No. Washington St. Lison Drug Co., 323 No. Washington St. H. C. Prange Co., (No street address)

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Janesville	-	J. H. Bliss, 225 W. Milwaukee St. S. K. Lippin Inc., 12 S. Main St. Peoples Drug Co., 21 E. Milwaukee St. W. T. Sherer, 801 W. Milwaukee St.
Jefferson	-	Koerners Drug Store, 800 Main St.
Kenosha	-	E. A. Brosk, 706 57th St., Ellis Phcy., Marshall T. Ellis, Prop., 5534 6th Ave. C. H. Ernst Co., 416 58th St., Kilkelly Drug Co., 7505 Sheridan Rd. at Selma Mansfield Office Supply Co., 635 8th St. Schlinder Drug Store, 1829 63rd Superior Drug Store, 2600 Roosevelt Rd.
LaCrosse	-	The Hebbard Drug Store, 329 Main St. Hoesohler Bros. (no street address)
Lake Geneva	-	W. H. Hammersley (no street address)
Madison	-	Charnleys Drug Store, 902 E. Johnson St. The Emporium Co. Inc., (no street address) Grimms Phy., 1878 Monroe Hansen & Meenk, Gay Bldg. Menges Phcy., 26 W. Mifflin St. Collins Phcy., 1941 University Ave. Cramton Drug Co., 636 State St., Menges Phcy., 1825 Monroe St. Moseley Book Co. Inc., 10 E. Mifflin St. H. C. Metherwood Prtg. Co. 519 State St. Quans Drug Store, 301 S. Hill St. Rennebohm Drug Store, Inc., 550 W. Washington Ave.(Street) Walter Drug Co., 111 E. Washington Wingra Phcy. 2530 Monroe St. Menges Phcy. 26 W. Mifflin St.
Manitowoc	-	J. Bigel Sons, 8th & Joy Sts., Henry Henrich Co. 724 York St.
Marinette	-	Lauerman Bros. Co. (no street address)
Medford	-	A. J. E. Benn, 205 S. Main St.
Marshfield	-	Sexton Demgen Drug Co. (no street address) W. A. Liese (no street address)
Hudson	-	J. E. Jones (no address)
Menasha	-	Stilp & Hedberg, 206 Main St.,

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Fredricks Phcy., 966 N. 27th St.,
Eagle Phcy., 2357 Wells St.,
East Shore Phcy., 1800 N. Farwell St.
Foleys Phcy., 2045 N. State St.,
Frey Schmidt Drug Co., Inc., 5851 W. Center St.
The Grey Gift Shop, 5136 N. Downer Ave.
Hebert M. Haertel Estate, 3810 W. Lisbon Ave.
Kadow Drug Store, 1950 W. Mitchell St.
Frank R. Keating, 2152 E. Locust St.,
Krygier Drug Store Inc., 632 E. Kilbourn Ave.
Lester A. Lambeck, 343 N. 35th St.
Langer Phcy., 5201 W. North Ave.
The Locust St. Phcy., 833 E. Locust St.,
Nelson Phcy., 7148 W. Burleigh
North End Phcy., 3279 No. Houlton St.
Ogden Drug Shop, 242 Ogden Ave.
Patterson Drug co. 1100 So. 16th St.
Peters Drug Store, 2101 No. 48th St.
Prentice Drug Co., 2306 So. Kinnickinnic
Rajski Lake Bluff Phcy., 4401 No. Oakland Ave.
Reservoir Phcy., 2301 Houlton North,
Sanders Drug Store, 1135 Ogden Ave.
Schmidts Phcy., 3139 No. Oakland Ave.
Shorewood Phcy., 4801 W. Downer Ave.
South Shore Phcy., 2532 S. Oklahoma Ave.
The Terminal Phcy., 5432 W. Burleigh St.
West Phcy. Inc., 3447 Wells
Widuls Phcy., 5402 West Vliet St.
Yale Phcy., 1256 No. 27th St.,
Gimbel Bros. Inc., (no street address)
Mersfeld Phillipson Co. (no street address)
Ed Schuster & Co. Inc., Third & Garfield
Service Drug Shop 2401 W. State St.
Baebenroth Downer Drug Shop, 3116 No. Downer Ave.
Belleview Phcy., 2601 N. Downer Ave.
T. A. Chapman Co., (no street address)
Economy Drug Co., 2915 Oakland
Gimbel Bros., Inc., (no street address)
G. A. Ingersoll, 3100 W. 27th St.,
Milwaukee Drug Co., E. Michigan & No. Jefferson Sts.
MacDonald Drug Shop Inc., 27th & Wells
Jasper Simon, 2601 N. Downer Ave.,
Thatcher Laboratories, 1130/1134 E. Ogden Ave.,
Yahr Lange Inc., 143 W. Water St.
Dadds Drug Store, 147 E. Wells St.
Siekert & Baum Staty. Co., 617 N. Water St.
Mueller's Phcy., 2203 Capitol Drive,
Smith & Weber Inc., 1454 E. Brady

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Milwaukee -	Alvo Drug Co., 2757 S. Kinnickinnic Ave. Christopherson Phcy., 3832 W. North Ave. Thomas B. Curley, 2918 Clybourn St. Wm. H. Rick, 2835 Forest Home Ave. Merit Drug Co., 3100 Wells St.
Lake Geneva -	Bucknall Bros., Dept. Store, Broad St.
Madison -	Looks Phcy., 2201 Regent
New Richmond -	Sherman Catlin Drug Co. (no street address)
Oconomowoc -	Rasmussen Drug Co., 137 Wisconsin Ave. East N. B. Stevens, 110 No. Main St. W. C. Hermes, 153 Milwaukee St. Baums Phcy. (no street address)
Oconto -	Ullspergers Drug Store, 1030 Main St. E. J. Ullsperger (no street address)
Oconto Falls -	Charles M. Raymond, (no street address)
Oconto Falls -	Chas. M. Raymond (no street address)
Oshkosh -	Crystal Drug Co., 181 Main St. Heins Book & Art Store, 147 Main St.
Portage -	John Graham Drug Co., Cook & Dewitt St.
Port Washington	C. E. Hoffman (no street address)
Racine -	Anderson Drug Co., 2409 Taylor Ave. Avenue Drug Co., 1049 Washir Ave. L. A. Derse, 1100 State Home Phcy., 1755 Grand Ave. Joslyn Drug Co. 1911 Taylor Ave. Oscar Frings, 1520 Washir Ave. Red Cross Drug Co., 320 6th St. Schweitzers Phcy., 616 14th St.
River Falls -	Weld Book & Art Shop, 120 S. Main
Ripon -	The Howe Co. (no street address)
Sheboygan -	Roenitz Drug Co., 516 No. 8th St. H. C. Prange Co., No. 8th St. I. C. Thomas & Co., 632 No. 8th St.

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South Milwaukee	-	Whalen's Book & Stnty. Store, 1008 Milwaukee Ave.
Sparta	-	Berner Drug Store, 100 N. Water St.
Stevens Point	-	Baebenroths Drug Store (no street address) H. D. McCulloch, 324 Main St.
Stoughton	-	Sidney L. Scheldrup (no street address) Sidney Scheldrup, E. Main & Division Sts.
Stratford	-	R. Connor Co. Inc. (no street address)
Sturgeon Bay	-	Bassetts Drug Store (no street address)
Superior	-	De Frehns, 1112 Superior St. Opera House Drug, 15th & Tower Roth Bros, Broadway & Tower People's Drug Store, 1142 Belknap St. F. D. Priest, 2131 East First St. F. D. Priest Estate, 2131 E. Firth St.
Walworth	-	Brown & Loftus (no street address)
Watertown	-	Bittner & Tetzlaff, 116 Main St. Wm. Gehrke, 315 Main St.
Waukesha	-	Clark Drug Co., Main & Broadway Campus Phcy., 306 East St.
Two Rivers	-	J. K. Stephany, 1618 Washington
Wauwatosa	-	Klumbs Phcy., 2 State St. Walter H. Kummer, 6736 West Wells St. Lefeber Bros. Co. 205 No. Main St. Wehde Drug Co., 1 State St. Wehde Drug Co. 7625 State St. West.
Waupun	-	Arnold Van Hengle (no street address) Louis Ulve (no street address)
Wausau	-	Jahnke Kurth Co., 508 Third St.
West Bend	-	R. W. Boldt Drug Co. Inc., 135 1/2 Main St.
Whitewater	-	H. J. O'Conner, 95 Main St. Whitewater Phcy., 91 Main St.
Wisconsin Rapids	-	Johnson & Hill Co., Third & Grand

The following are jobbers who may sell at points in Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Chicago, Ill. - A. C. McClurg & Co., 333 E. Ontario St.
Ford Hopkins Co., 400 W. Erie St.,
Walgreen Co., 5161 Broadway
Western News Co., 25 E. Austin Ave.

Dubuque, Iowa - Duttell Bros., Co., 341 Central Ave.

Fargo, N. D. - Fargo Paper Co. (no street address)

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1900 Bankers Building
Chicago, Illinois.

February 20, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
203 Post Office Building
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
EDWARD G. BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:-

As per your request contained in your telegram to this office of even date, enclosed herewith please find twenty (20) photographs of the following persons:

Alvin Karpis
Fred Barker
Arthur R. Barker
Volney Davis
Harry Campbell
James Lawson
Eddie Bentz
Theodore Bentz
Sam Taran

Very truly yours,

M. H. Purvis,
Special Agent in Charge.

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1900 Bankers Bldg.,
Chicago, Illinois
February 20, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:-

RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS,
EDWARD G. BREMER, VICTIM
KIDNAPING.

Reference is made to your telegram of February 19, 1934, in which you refer to the Director's letter dated February 12, 1934, to the Saint Paul Office, suggesting the names of suspects found on page two thereof.

You are advised that investigation is going forward on this matter in as expeditious a manner as is possible; however, it is understood that other very important investigation is proceeding with regard to KARPIS and the BARKER BROTHERS and you will receive a report on this just as soon as possible.

Immediate attention will be given the matter suggested in your telegram of reference.

Very truly yours,

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M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge

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CHICAGO FEBRUARY 20 1934 11:35 A.M.

WERNER HANNI
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
203 POST OFFICE BUILDING
ST PAUL MINNESOTA

BREMER CASE ILLINOIS STATE CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT ADVISES NO RESTRICTION ON USE OF MORE THAN ONE FISHING LINE AT ONE TIME BY INDIVIDUAL

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801 Title Guaranty Bldg.
Saint Louis, Missouri
February 20, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the case entitled UNKNOWN SUBJECTS, Edward G. Bremer, Victim, Kidnaping.

In accordance with the telegraphic request of the Chicago Division Office of February 19, 1934, there are being transmitted herewith two copies of a list of names and addresses of Game Wardens for the Northern Half of Illinois. A copy of this list is also being forwarded the Chicago Division Office with their copy of this letter.

For your information, please be advised that the Federal Game Warden for the Northern Half of Illinois is Stephen Creech, located at Peoria, Illinois, P. O. Box 306.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION

1. COOK AND LAKE COUNTIES

Inspector - Thomas J. Lynch,
2155 Foreman Bank Bldg., Chicago.

Cook County

Havelka, John	5418 S. Damen Ave., Chicago.
Knefer, Arthur	1314 S. Wabash Ave. "
Moran, Chas.	14928 Paulina St., Harvey.
Smith, John J.	820 E. 29th Place, Chicago.
Maggio, Anthony	1112 - 23rd Ave., Melrose Park.
Thonasulas, Peter	Oak Lawn - Cook Co.

Lake County

Kern, Henry	807 S. Orchard Ave., Waukegan.

2. WILL COUNTY

Inspector - Adam S. Clow, Plainfield, Ill.

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3. BOONE, DEKALB, MC HENRY AND WINNEBABO COUNTIES.

Inspector - R. P. Nugent
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DeKalb County
Lee, Albert E. DeKalb, Ill.

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Pitzen, John McHenry, Ill.

Winnebago County
Sagona, Arthur 504 Sinnissippi St., Rockford, Ill.

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Inspector - Peter Petit, Batavia, Ill.

DuPage County

Kane County
Daveler, Harry Elgin, Ill.

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5. LEE, OGLE AND WHITESIDE COUNTIES.

Inspector - Charles M. Myers, Oregon, Ill.

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Lewis, U. S. Jr., East Dubuque, Ill.

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Inspector - Rudolph Kropp, Coal Valley, Ill.

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Moon, Maurice A. Colchester, Ill.

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Greer, Leonard F. Aledo, Ill.

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Warren County

8. FULTON, HENRY, KNOX AND SCHUYLER COUNTIES.

Inspector - Seymour McWilliams, Abingdon, Ill.

Fulton County
Reese, L. C. Ipava, Ill.

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Henry County
Mundy, Earle W. Galva, Ill.

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9. BUREAU, MARSHALL, PEORIA, PUTNAM, STARK, TAZEWELL, AND WOODFORD COUNTIES.

Inspector - Guy G. Derry, 209 Gilbert Ave., Peoria.

Bureau County
Sergeant, Chas. M. Walnut, Ill.

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Bernardi, Nildo Toluca, Ill.

Peoria, County
Foley, George Mapleton, Ill.

Putnam County
Drennan, Chas. H. Granville, Ill.

Stark County

Tazewell County
Charlton, Chas. A. 626 S. 12th St., Pekin.

Woodford County
Berry, Ernest Cazenovia, Ill.

10. FORD, GRUNDY, KENDALL, LA SALLE, LIVINGSTON, LOGAN AND MC LEAN COUNTIES.

Inspector - Charles C. Ridinger, Saunemin, Ill.

Ford County
Shine, Charles E. Paxton, Ill.

Grundy County
Cinotto, John J. Coal City, Ill.

Kendall County
Hall, Sherman E. Box 178, Yorkville, Ill.

La Salle County
DeBolt, Harry R. #4, Ottawa, Ill.

Livingston County		
McConaha, John C.	Pontiac, Ill.
Logan County		
Russell, Harry L.	702 S. Madison St., Lincoln, Ill.
McLean County		
Frost, John B.	505 N. Gridley, Bloomington, Ill.

P. O. Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

February 20, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
EDWARD G. BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
St. Paul File No. 7-80.

Dear Sir:

It has been determined that PAULA HARTSON was associated with FRED BARKER, DOC BARKER and ALVIN KARPIS in St. Paul, Minnesota, in June, 1933, and she is now probably with them and believed to be living with DOC BARKER. It becomes therefore very necessary to locate her and to that end you are requested to make a canvass of the photographers at Beaumont and Port Arthur for the purpose of locating a recent photograph of her.

Report of Agent M. A. Taylor, New Orleans, quotes Attorney Hardin as saying that he had seen a photograph of her taken prior to the accident and it is probable that the photograph was made in Port Arthur or Beaumont.

Very truly yours,

W. A. Rowe

WERNER HANNI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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POST OFFICE BOX 315
ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

February 21, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1900 Bankers Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases
ARTHUR BARKER with aliases
UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter to the St.Paul office under date of February 19, 1934, covering investigation of the news stands in Chicago, which sell Minneapolis and St.Paul daily newspapers.

In view of the fact that only fourteen places in Chicago handle these papers it is believed that thorough and immediate attention should be given to covering these places, with a view to locating the Barker brothers, Karpis, Harry Campbell, Volney Davis, and any other of their associates.

Very truly yours,

W. A. HORER,
Inspector.

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P.O. Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota,

February 20, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1900 Bankers Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
EDWARD G. BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
St. Paul File No. 7-80.

Dear Sir:

It has been fairly well established that PAULA HARMON, former wife of CHARLES HARMON, associate of HOLDEN, KEATING, et al, is now associating with DOC BARKER, FRED BARKER and ALVIN KARPIS, which makes her location very urgent.

Report of Agent C. B. Winstead, Dallas, Texas, January 31, 1934, lists a series of telephone numbers which are believed to apply to Chicago subscribers who apparently are friends of PAULA HARMON.

Letter from the San Antonio office of February 5, 1934, sets out that "CALLIE", telephone, Douglas 0869, is a negro maid of PAULA HARMON.

Please endeavor to locate "CALLIE" and through her ascertain the location of PAULA HARMON.

You are requested also to determine the identity of the subscribers of such other numbers as pertain to Chicago and through them endeavor to learn the whereabouts of PAULA.

Your particular attention is invited to "MADELINE" who is probably MADELINE SNYDER, a very close friend of PAULA.

Very truly yours,

WERNER HANNI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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P. O. Box 518,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

February 20, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Suite L, Federal Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
EDWARD G. BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
St. Paul File No. 7-30.

Dear Sir:

It becomes very necessary to locate PAULA HARMON who is now associating with DOC BARKER, FRED BARKER and ALVIN KARPIS, and to that end your attention is invited to report of Special Agent in Charge R. G. Harvey, Kansas City, March 26, 1932, captioned FRANK NASH, E. F. P.

It is suggested that through MRS. MAUD MIKUEL, 837 Elizabeth Street, Kansas City, Kansas, the location of PAULA be determined.

In the event you are unsuccessful in ascertaining the whereabouts of PAULA from MRS. MIKUEL, probably you can secure the address of MADELINE SNYDER, a very close friend of PAULA and through her it may be determined where PAULA is.

Very truly yours,

WERNER HANNI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

Form 2

St.Paul,Minnesota,
February 20,1934.

SEND FOLLOWING WIRE TO FOLLOWING LISTED PERSONS:

"BREMER KIDNAPING DISREGARD LEADS CONCERNING MERIT PRODUCT FLASHLIGHTS IN REPORT R B NATHAN FEBRUARY SIXTEEN NEWYORK

ROMER"

R.Whitley, Division of Investigation, U.S.Department of Justice,
370 Lexington Avenue, Room 1403, New York City, New York.

F.J.Blake, Division of Investigation, U.S.Department of Justice,
Post Office Building, Dallas,Texas.

Dwight Brantley, Division of Investigation, U.S.Department of Justice,
824 Federal Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

M.H.Purvis, Division of Investigation, U.S.Department of Justice,
1900 Bankers' Building, Chicago, Illinois.

E.J.Connelley, Division of Investigation, U.S.Department of Justice,
426 U.S.Custom House & Post Office Building, Cincinnati, Ohio.

E.E.Conroy, Division of Investigation, U.S.Department of Justice,
Suite L, Federal Building, Kansas City, Missouri.

William Larson, Division of Investigation, U.S.Department of Justice,
625 Lafayette Building, Detroit, Michigan.

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1900 Bankers Bldg.,
Chicago, Illinois
February 20, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:-

RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS,
EDWARD G. BREMER, VICTIM,
KIDNAPING,

The Commercial Wall Paper Mills of Hammond, Indiana have forwarded to this office a sample of wall paper, which they believe compares favorably with the design of wall paper described by Mr. Bremer. It is understood this sample was received by said company after Agent T. F. Mullen of this office had made investigation at that point.

This sample is made by the Gledhill Wall Paper Mills, of Cohoes, N.Y. It is suggested it be shown to Mr. Bremer in the hope he may be able to identify it.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge

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935 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

February 21, 1934.

Mr. W.A. Rorer,
Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
P.O. Box 515,
St. Paul, Minn.

FEB 24 1934 AM

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
EDWARD G. BRUNER-Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to telegram, over the signature of Special Agent in Charge Hanni, dated February 16, 1934, requesting that this office contact news dealers in Philadelphia district, selling Minneapolis and St. Paul newspapers, and to check all purchasers, whose identity appears suspicious, bearing in mind subjects Doc and Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis.

Inquiry through three large news distributing agencies in Philadelphia elicited information that the St.Paul and Minneapolis papers distributed in this district are purchased direct by the news dealers and that to obtain the desired information it would be necessary to contact approximately 1500 news dealers in Philadelphia alone.To thoroughly cover the Philadelphia district it would also be necessary to follow this prodedure in every large city in the Middle and Eastern Districts of Pennsylvania, and the State of Delaware. This would require not only days, but weeks of investigative activity. The check in Philadelphia alone would require the present personnel at Philadelphia at least ten days.

Inasmuch as this procedure seemed impracticable, a telegram was despatched to the St.Paul office on the same date, suggesting that if possible a list of the purchasers of St. Paul and Minneapolis papers be obtained for the States of Pennsylvania and Delaware. No reply has been received to date.

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Kindly inform me whether it would be possible for you to obtain a list of the purchasers of these newspapers in this section direct from the newspapers there. Upon receipt of this list it would be a simple matter to comply with the instructions contained in the telegram referred to herein.

Very truly yours,

RGH:AC.
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cc:Division

R.C. Harvey,
Special Agent in Charge.

P. O. Box 1267
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
February 19, 1934

DB:MTB
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Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Re: Unknown Subjects
Edward G. Bremer - Victim
Kidnaping

Reference is made to telegram from the New York City office, February 13, 1934, requesting that the Nichols Ten Cent Store at Bristow, Oklahoma be contacted, with the view to ascertaining the identity of persons to whom were sold certain flashlights, that is, models 626 and 636, bearing the trademark "A Merit Product".

Please be advised that Special Agent M. Sorola of this office was immediately dispatched to Bristow and there interviewed Mr. K. D. Adams, Assistant Manager of said store, who stated that the records of the firm showed that on March 3, 1933 they purchased ten flashlights bearing the trade name "A Merit Product" from the United States Electric Manufacturing Company, New York City; that nine of said flashlights have been sold and that one is now on hand.

Agent Sorola interviewed Mrs. Beulah Chestnut and Etta Wheatley, clerks at said store, both of whom stated that they remembered selling some of the flashlights, but they did not know to whom they were sold; that they believed that eight of the flashlights were sold before Christmas, 1933, and only one has been sold since that time, but they did not know to whom.

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The photographs of Fred Barker, Harry Campbell, Alvin Karpis, Glenn Roy Wright, Doc Barker and Evelyn Seward were exhibited to said clerks and to Mr. Adams, the manager, but they were unable to identify any of them as having been in the store in connection with the purchase of flashlights. Mr. Adams, however, did express the opinion that he believes perhaps that Fred Barker was in the store sometime in December, 1933, but was unable to particularize.

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Mr. Adams informed Agent Sorola that no records are kept of individual sales in cases of this kind, and there was no mark on any of the merchandise that would indicate they had been sold by the Nichols store.

With reference to Division letter of February 9, 1934, please be advised that lists of the numbers on the bank notes which were paid as ransom to the kidnapers for the release of Mr. Bremer have been received at this office and have been distributed to the banks in the territory covered by this office.

Very truly yours,

Dwight Brantley,
Special Agent in Charge.

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P.O.Box 515, St.Paul, Minn.

February 20, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S.Department of Justice,
1900 Bankers' Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.
Kidnaping.
St. Paul File No. 7-30

There is enclosed herewith a photograph of MRS. GEORGE [redacted]SON alias MRS. ARRIE BARKER, mother or step-mother of FRED BARKER. It is requested that fifty copies of this photograph be made; twenty furnished this office and the remainder furnished to the Kansas City, Oklahoma City, Dallas, San Antonio, El Paso, San Francisco, Salt Lake City, Portland and St. Louis offices. It is also suggested that the Division be furnished with at least two copies of this photograph. As far as can be determined there are no available fingerprints of this woman. It is desired that the photographs be forwarded at the earliest possible time.

Very truly yours,

WERNER BANNI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 315
St.Paul, Minnesota.

February 21, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice,
1900 Bankers Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases;
ARTHUR BARKER with aliases
UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

In response to circular letters sent to Catholic Churches, a reply has been received from Reverend D. F. DRENNAN, Pastor, Sacred Heart Church, 523 North Taylor Street, Marengo, Illinois, indicating that two church bells are located in Marengo, which answer to the description of those which rang in the vicinity of victim Bremer's hide-out.

It is believed that immediate investigation should be conducted at Marengo, in order to ascertain if that locality could possibly fit the description of the place of the hide-out. The Agent making investigation should bear in mind that the following sounds could be heard by the victim:

A church bell rang each Saturday afternoon at approximately between 4 and 6 P.M., which bell also rang each Sunday morning several times. In addition to the aforementioned bell, only one other bell was ever heard, which rang once each Sunday morning. Bearing in mind that the church bell was never heard except on Saturdays and Sundays.

In addition to the sounding of the bells, victim claims to have heard each morning, at approximately six or seven o'clock, what appeared to be a factory whistle, which whistle blew each week day, morning and each week day afternoon, at approximately 6 P.M. This whistle did not blow on Sunday.

Victim also heard each day a powerful siren, which appeared to be stationary, and which blew only each week day morning, and at approximately the same time as the morning factory whistle blew. The siren did not sound on any other day, or at any other time, with the

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exception of one Sunday morning, when it sounded three or four short blasts.

In addition to the above sounds, victim claimed that he was near a highway, and could often hear the changing of gears of cars or trucks, indicating that they were stopping or slowing down.

He also heard a shifting locomotive engine, which appeared to be some one half to one mile away, and heard many railroad trains each morning and about dusk, and of course other trains during the day.

If the vicinity of Marengo, Illinois indicates that the above sounds can be heard, this office should be immediately notified, in order that more thorough investigation may be conducted there.

Very truly yours,

W. A. ROHER,

Inspector.

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CC Division

1900 Bankers Bldg.,
Chicago, Illinois
February 20, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:- RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS,
EDWARD G. BREMER, VICTIM.
KIDNAPING.

Confirming my telegram of even date, please be advised that it was learned from Mr. John J. Smith, former Deputy Game Warden and now an investigator for the Conservation Department of the State of Illinois, Room #153, #53 North La Salle Street, Chicago, that there is no State fishing law in effect today, nor has there been a law which prohibits the use of more than one fishing line at one time by an individual.

Mr. Smith furnished several copies of a booklet entitled "Game and Fish Codes of Illinois" in force July 1, 1933, one copy of which is being sent to you herewith.

Very truly yours,

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M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge

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SUITE L FEDERAL BUILDING
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FEBRUARY 19, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 966
Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Sir:

IN RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
EDWARD G. BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

In connection with investigation in the above captioned case at Des Moines, Iowa, by Special Agent O. C. Dewey, the Des Moines Police Department recently called his attention to the fact that a man had been stopping at the Birches Apartment House, 2225 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, under the name of Walter C. Johnson.

Johnson, who is about 70 years of age, 5'10" in height, 280 pounds in weight, wears glasses and also generally wears a soft felt hat, had with him a woman, supposedly his wife, another man and a chauffeur. Johnson had with him two Packard automobiles, one of which was a black color and the other a cream color, one car bearing 1934 Oklahoma license 55841 and the other Oklahoma license 55842. When Johnson first appeared at Des Moines he had Indiana license plates on his cars, the numbers of one set of plates being 80244 and having been issued by the State of Indiana in 1934. Agent Dewey advised that these plates were issued to Walter Johnson, address Antlers Hotel, Indianapolis, Indiana.

When Johnson first came to the above address in Des Moines he gave a check for some expenses and it was returned. However, before he left he was spending money very lavishly, playing the slot machines at the Elks Club, Des Moines, frequently, and while intoxicated displayed his money very freely. He was supposed to be selling some kind of a gasoline saver for automobiles, but apparently made no effort to sell these appliances while in Des Moines.

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Johnson left Des Moines, Iowa, about a week ago, apparently for the LeClaire Hotel, Moline, Illinois.

In view of the above circumstances, particularly the dis-

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playing of a large roll of money while in Des Moines, it is thought some investigation concerning him may be advisable.

Agent Dewey stated that there was some information to the effect that Johnson was supposed to be a doctor from Austin, Texas. However, in an attempt to verify this information through contact with Austin, the local authorities at Des Moines were advised they had no record of such an individual.

A telegram was dispatched by this office to the Oklahoma City Office to ascertain all information concerning the above described license plates issued for the year 1934, and a telegraphic reply was received from the Oklahoma City Office on February 15th reflecting that the Highway Officials at Oklahoma City had advised that license plates bearing the above described numbers had not been issued by the State of Oklahoma. Hence, it would appear the license plates appearing on Johnson's car were fictitious.

It is suggested that the Cincinnati Office make appropriate inquiry at the Antlers Hotel, Indianapolis, Indiana, for any information possible concerning the above named Walter Johnson.

It is likewise suggested that similar inquiry be made by the St. Louis Office at Moline, Illinois, the purpose of these inquiries being to determine whether Johnson may have any connection in the instant case.

It may be noted that Johnson had already left Des Moines, Iowa, prior to the time the above information was furnished to Agent Dewey by the Police Department of that city.

Very truly yours,

M. C. SPEAR, ACTING
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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St. Paul, Minnesota
February 19, 1934.

M. H. Purvis
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1900 Bankers Building
Chicago, Illinois.

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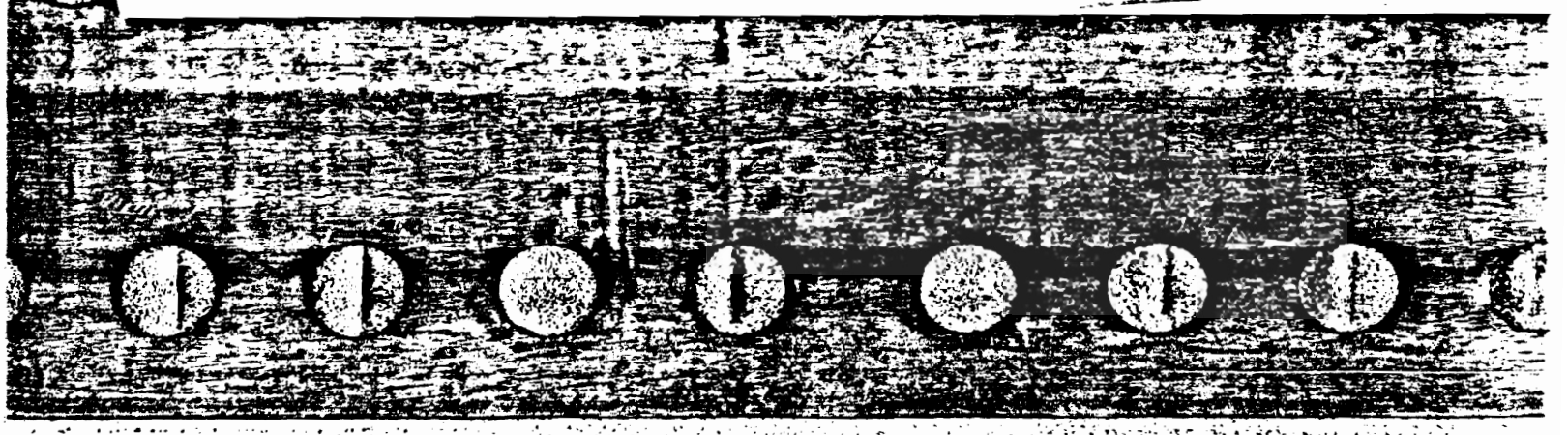

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Jacksonville, Florida	Feb. 23, 1934	Feb. 14-21, 1934	R. L. Shivers

TITLE (CHANGED): EDWARD DOLL with aliases: EDDIE DOLL, EDDIE LA RUE, EDWARD LA RUE, BURLINGTON EDDIE, FRANK LEWIS, ED FOLEY, EDDIE FOLEY, L. E. FOLEY, EDWARD FOLEY, LENARD E. FOLEY, J. E. JACKSON, L. E. LANG, E. LANG, L. E. LONG, E. LONG, L. E. FRANKS, E. FRANKS, E. FOLEY; FUGITIVE. IDENTIFICATION ORDER NUMBER 1214

CHARACTER OF CASE: NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Edward Doll as E. Foley arrested at Saint Petersburg, Florida, February 14, 1934; taken into Federal custody following day and removed to Tampa, Florida. Mrs. Foley taken into Federal custody for harboring fugitive, Foley; released on court order February 16, 1934. Details of her entire association with Foley obtained; denied knowledge his criminal activities. Foley admits guilt in instant case, also four bank robberies, including Lincoln Bank job, naming participants in each. Confesses he and George Kelley kidnaped Howard A. Wolverton in South Bend, Indiana, January 26, 1933, and held him in his brother's, Harry Doll's, farm home near Lockport, Illinois, the brother being under the impression Wolverton held to keep him from testifying against Edward Doll's friend on trial in liquor case. Names of persons Doll believes participated in Kansas City Massacre and Bremer case obtained.

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AT TAMPA, FLORIDA:

On March 14, 1934, the writer at Tampa, Florida, received a telephone call from Special Agent in Charge R. A. Alt relaying information received from Mr. Cowley of the Division to the effect that a person by the name of L. E. Foley, believed to be residing in Saint Petersburg, Florida, on Route Number Two, Box 270-A, had been partially identified as Edward Doll with aliases, Subject of Identification Order Number 1214; that Foley and his wife, Doris Foley, had recently left Danville, Vermont, for Saint Petersburg, Florida; that it was reported Foley and his wife had about two years ago purchased property in or near Saint Petersburg, Florida, which included a tract of some twenty-five acres. It was further stated that a registered, air mail package had been sent to Doris C. Foley at Box 270-A, Route Two, Saint Petersburg, Florida, by her brother, G. H. Crane, of Danville, Vermont.

On receipt of this information, the writer, accompanied by Deputy United States Marshal Joe Moe of Tampa, Florida, proceeded to Saint Petersburg, Florida.

AT SAINT PETERSBURG, FLORIDA:

The writer and Deputy United States Marshal Moe conferred with Captain E. E. Lipphard of the Saint Petersburg Police Department. In view of the information that the Foleys had purchased property in Saint Petersburg about two years ago, Captain Lipphard was questioned as to whether this man, L. E. or E. Foley, was known to him or the Police Department. It was found that he was unknown to the Department and his name did not appear in the Saint Petersburg city or telephone directories.

In a conference with Postmaster Hall at Saint Petersburg, it was found that mail box number 270-A on Route Two was located at 5190 Thirty-Eighth Avenue North, Saint Petersburg, Florida, and that on January 26, 1933, an order had been left that all mail addressed to E. Foley or Doris Foley should be delivered to that box. Foley was unknown to Postmaster Hall and the other employees at the Post Office. The writer was permitted to make a search of the registry receipts at the Post Office Substation "A" for the record of the delivery of the registered mail above referred to addressed to Doris C. Foley and it was found that it had not been received at the time

of the examination. Later in the day, Agent was telegraphically advised by Special Agent in Charge E. A. Alt that the registered mail in question had been mailed at Danville, Vermont, on the morning of February thirteenth. It was then ascertained, through the postal officials that the mail could not reach Saint Petersburg, Florida, by air mail until the morning of February 14, 1934.

Mr. A. W. Tyler is the rural carrier who delivers mail on rural route number two at Saint Petersburg. On being interviewed Mr. Tyler stated, by referring to his book, that L. E. Foley and Doris C. Foley, resided at 5190 Thirty-Eighth Avenue North and received mail in Box 270-A and apparently were operating a chicken farm at that place known as the Sunshine Poultry Farm. Questioned as to whom he had observed at the residence, Mr. Tyler stated that he had seen no one at the place except Mr. and Mrs. Foley; that he last saw Foley at the mail box two days before this inquiry. The photograph of Edward Doll appearing on Identification Order Number 1214 was exhibited to Mr. Tyler and after viewing it closely he stated that the photograph looked like the impression he had retained of Foley, but he was unable to make any positive identification, but added that "he looks like my impression of Foley".

It was further stated by Mr. Tyler that Foley had purchased by property located at 5190 Thirty-Eighth Avenue North, which included a house and some thirty-five acres of land from Luther A. Pinholster, who formerly lived at that address, and who now lives a block north of the Foley residence.

After the interview with the Postal officials, the writer again contacted Captain E. E. Lipphard, advising him of the Foley address and inquired of him whether he knew any reliable person in that vicinity who could be contacted in a confidential manner. Before informing him that Foley had purchased the property on which he was residing from Luther Pinholster, Captain Lipphard stated that Mr. Pinholster formerly lived at the Foley residence and now resides a short distance therefrom and could be safely contacted by him.

The writer, Captain Lipphard and Deputy United States Marshal Joe Moe then drove by the Foley residence and looked the place over, after which an effort was made to locate Luther A.

Pinholster at his residence. Mrs Pinholster informed Captain Lipphard that ther husband was at that time at the Foley's residence doing some work for Mr. Foley. It was decided to call at the Foley residence and ask for Mr. Pinholster.

On arriving at the Foley home, the writer turned his automobile into the driveway leading to the house and stopped where it could be readily seen from the inside of the residence which faces Thirty-Eighth Avenue. Captain Lipphard went to the front door of the house and rang the bell. It was answered by Foley and he was asked by Captain Lipphard if Mr. Pinholster lived there. Foley advised that Mr. Pinholster did not live there but that he was working in the field back of the house and directions for locating Mr. Pinholster were given to Captain Lipphard by Foley. This was a normal inquiry and could not in any way have aroused Foley's suspicions.

As Mr. Lipphard went around the house to the field where Mr. Pinholster was working, Foley came out of the back of the house with a white greyhound dog. The writer at that time had gotten out of the car and was looking at the tires on the automobile. As Foley came out of the house he was a short distance from the writer and on observing the greyhound, Agent went over to the dog and began playing with him and looking him over, which enabled the writer to engage Foley in a conversation and permitted a close view and examination of Foley. The writer conversed with Foley for approximately five minutes about the dog which lead to conversation about the local race track, his chicken farm and chickens. This contact was so casual that it is the writer's belief it was impossible for Foley to have suspected its purpose. At the time Agent left Foley he was building a chicken coop and while walking away from him Captain Lipphard and Pinholster came up from the field and Captain Lipphard said to the writer, "The property you want to see is located farther down the road", and pointed in a northerly direction. The writer, Captain Lipphard, Deputy United States Marshal Joe Moe and Mr. Pinholster then entered Agent's automobile and drove down the road in the direction in which the property had been pointed out.

Mr. Pinholster, on being questioned concerning E. Foley informed Agent that from around the first of January, 1934, Foley and his wife had contacted him relative to the purchase of the

piece of property on which they are now living; that they had observed a for sale sign on the property and contacted him direct without going through the local real estate man; that they claimed to have come to Saint Petersburg, Florida, from the state of Vermont; that satisfactory negotiations were made by them for the purchase of the property and he sold it to them on January 12, 1934, for a price of $10,000; that $2,000 was paid down on the property at the time the deed was delivered and part of the proceeds of this payment were used by him to pay the sewerage and paving taxes which had been levied against the property.

Questioned as to Foley's associates, Mr. Pinholster stated that he and his wife attended the dog races almost every night; that they moved on the property around January 12, 1934; that he had been there almost daily after that time but had not observed any visitors or callers other than a sister of Mrs. Foley, who has been in Saint Petersburg since sometime in January, 1934. Mr. Pinholster further advised that the property in question was deeded to E. Foley and wife, Doris Foley, and that they gave him a mortgage on the said property for $8,000. The details concerning the purchase of this property will appear hereinafter in this report. Mr. Pinholster stated, among other things, that one reason Foley did not pay cash for the property was that according to Foley he had some bonds which would not mature until around the first of July, 1934, and for that reason he desired to purchase the property in that manner.

It was impossible to make a definite identification of Foley as Edward Doll, the Subject of Identification Order 1214, at the time Agent was talking to him. There was a slight resemblance between him and the photograph appearing on the Identification Order, particularly noticeable was his mouth. At that time he was dressed in a pullover sweater with long sleeves which obstructed a view of his arms above the wrist and no identifying marks were visible.

After talking with Mr. Pinholster he was requested to exhibit the signature of E. Foley on the papers signed by him in connection with the transfer of the property. At Mr. Pinholster's home these papers were examined and it was found that on one of the papers was the full name Edward Foley, but most of them had been signed with the name E. Foley. It was observed that the

"Edward" appearing on the paper held by Mr. Pinholster was unmistakably the same as the "Edward" appearing on the Identification Order 1214, and beyond the question of a doubt written by one and the same person. After this examination, Agent was satisfied that Foley was the Subject, Edward Doll, of this investigation.

The writer, Deputy United States Marshal Joe Moe and Captain Lipphard then proceeded with Mr. Pinholster back to the Foley home. Captain Lipphard and Mr. Pinholster left the automobile and started to go to the field back of the house for the purpose of ascertaining if Foley was still in the rear of the residence so that if he had left the house in the meantime the suspicious of any one who may have been on the place would not be aroused. When Captain Lipphard reached a point where he could observe Foley it was found that he was still in the backyard working on the chicken coop; he immediately signalled the writer, who, with Deputy United States Marshal Moe accompanied by Captain Lipphard went to within a short distance of where Foley was standing and called to him. When he came over the writer informed him that he wanted to talk to him and at that time Captain Lipphard said, "Mr. Foley, these gentlemen are Federal officers and I am Captain Lipphard of the Police Department". Agent then told Foley that he believed that he was Edward Doll, a person for whom the Division was seeking. He stated that his name was not Doll but Foley, and when asked if he had any tattoo marks on his arms, he readily replied that he did. On being requested to show the marks, he exhibited some of each arm, the tattoo marks comparing identically with those listed on the Identification Order in the description of Doll.

Foley was told that he was going to be taken to Police Headquarters and he asked permission to see his wife and change his clothes, which was not granted. As he was being taken from the premises, his wife came out of the house and he told her the Federal officers had mistaken him for some person and were taking him to Police Headquarters. Agent and Captain Lipphard took Foley to Police Headquarters and left Deputy United States Marshal Joe Moe at the Foley residence with instructions to keep Mrs. Foley under observation at all times and to see that she did not destroy anything and to arrest and hold any person not known to him who called at the Foley home.

On reaching Police Headquarters, a check was made of all the tattoo marks appearing on Foley and they were found to be identical with those listed on the Identification Order as appearing on Edward Doll. After this examination, Foley still maintained that he was not Edward Doll.

Agent immediately communicated telephonically with Special Agent in Charge R. A. Alt at Jacksonville, advising him that Foley and his wife, Doris C. Foley, were in custody. He directed the writer to keep them under constant guard pending his arrival in Saint Petersburg, Florida, and under no circumstances to permit them to communicate with each other or any outside person.

Foley was then placed in solitary confinement at the Saint Petersburg City Jail and the writer and Captain Lipphard proceeded back to the Foley home and brought Mrs. Foley to the City Jail. A guard was placed at the Foley home with instructions to arrest and hold any person who called at the house.

On returning to the police station with Mrs. Foley, Edward Foley admitted that he was the Subject of mentioned Identification Order.

The writer had been instructed by Mr. Alt to try to ascertain from Foley his activities since July, 1932.

After reaching the City Jail, Foley informed the writer that he had information which would be of great value to the Government. He stated that he knew he had not been arrested on the automobile case, but stated that he wanted to go to Washington or to talk to somebody higher in authority. During the conversation with him, he admitted knowing Frank Nash, George Kelley, Harvey Bailey, George Bates, Kathryn Kelley, Keating, Holden and others whom the Division has recently investigated. He would not discuss his activities with any of the aforementioned persons or reveal the nature of his connection with them. He likewise would not comment on his activities since July, 1932, stating that while he recognized the writer's position, he wanted to treat with somebody higher in authority; however, at all times he maintained that his wife, whom he married in New York City in July, 1932, had never known anything about his past or rackets; that he had always told her that he

was employed by the Government as Chief of the Narcotic Squad and that his salary from the Government was $750 per month, and he also lead her to believe that he had been in the cattle business, was a man of means who owned oil property in and around Dallas, Texas, and part of his income was derived from land, bond and cattle holdings.

Foley did state to Agent that he believed he could clear up the Kansas City Massacre and probably furnish definite information on the persons responsible for the Bremer kidnaping; that in this kidnaping he took no part whatsoever, nor did he ever confer with any persons when the Bremer kidnaping was discussed; that from the first of January, 1934, until the date of his arrest he had been in Saint Petersburg, Florida; none of the members of his gang knew of his location there and that he had not been contacted by any one by telegraph, telephone or otherwise; that he did not suspect anything when Agent first visited him because he was absolutely sure in his own mind he had covered himself most completely.

Mr. Alt arrived in Saint Petersburg about midnight of February 14, 1934. Foley was then questioned by Agent Alt and the writer for the remainder of the night and the following day until about four o'clock in the afternoon. During this period, Mrs. Foley was also interviewed from time to time. Her general statements were to the effect that she did not know her husband, Edward Foley, had ever been engaged in any illicit enterprises or criminal activities and at that time she was not acquainted with the various offenses with which Foley had been connected. Her complete statement will be detailed hereinafter in this report.

On February 15, 1934, Agent Alt contacted Assistant United States Attorney Nathan Graham, Tampa, Florida, and advised him of the type of person that had been apprehended in Saint Petersburg. Mr. Graham informed that he would immediately file complaints before the United States Commissioner at Tampa, charging Foley with the offense alleged in the Identification Order with reference to the interstate transportation of a stolen automobile from Burlington, Iowa, to Bushnell, Illinois, on or about November 8, 1929, for which offense an indictment is pending against him at Peoria, Illinois. Mr. Graham also filed a

complaint against Doris S. Foley, charging her with harboring a fugitive, her husband, in the city of Saint Petersburg, Florida, on or about February 14, 1934. Both were taken into custody by the United States Marshal and later on February 15, 1934, both Foley and his wife were removed to the Hillsborough County Jail at Tampa, Florida.

On the morning of January 15, 1934, there was received at the Post Office in Saint Petersburg, Florida, a registered package directed to Doris C. Foley, Route Two, Box 270-A, Saint Petersburg, Florida, bearing the return address of Glenn Crane, Danville, Vermont. The writer was permitted to view with package at the Post Office by Postmaster Hall and arrangements were made for its delivery to Doris C. Foley at the city jail in Saint Petersburg, Florida, who was then in custody of the United States Marshal. After this package was delivered to her it was seized by Deputy United States Marshal H. P. Munck and opened in her presence. It was found to contain $900 in currency, consisting of eighty-one $10 bills and eighteen $5 bills of Federal Reserve and National Bank currency. The numbers of these bills were obtained and transmitted to the Division for comparison with the numbers of the ranson bills paid in the known kidnapings. Agent Alt was subsequently advised by the Division that these bills did not constitute ransom notes and the money was returned to Mrs. Foley, at the direction of Assistant United States Attorney Nathan Graham, on February 19, 1934.

Doris Foley stated that the $900 found in the package forwarded to her by her brother from Danville, Vermont, came into her possession as follows: That at Christmastime in 1933, her husband, Foley, gave her $500 in cash, which consisted of three $100 bills and four $50 bills, all new. The remainder, $400, she had had in her safe deposit box in the bank in Danville, Vermont, for a long time and represented funds which she had withdrawn from her checking account in that bank; that Foley had always told her never to keep any great amounts of money in banks for most of them in the country were shaky.

AT TAMPA, FLORIDA:

At the County Jail, the interrogation of Foley was continued. He stated most emphatically that he had plenty of information to impart, but that he would not make a wiggle admission with reference to himself nor would he give any information in which the Division was interested until he was assured that his wife would be released. He had previously informed the writer that he knew he had been picked up for the Lincoln Bank robbery and the Hackett kidnaping, but stated that he had absolutely nothing to do with the Hackett snatch, but could impart valuable information on the Lincoln "job".

After being committed to the Couty Jail in Tampa, Foley was constantly interviewed by Agent Alt, Special Agent H. E. Andersen and the writer. The statements made by him during these interviews were recorded by Agent Andersen and will appear hereinafter.

Doris Foley on being interviewed by the writer and Special Agent R. L. Main, stated that her maiden name is Doris Crane; that she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Crane, who reside in Danville, Vermont; that she has a brother, Glenn Crane, who operates a dairy in Danville, Vermont, and a sister, Mrs. Newell Goff, presently residing in Saint Petersburg, Florida. She stated that she was first married to J. F. Barton, a musician of Providence, Rhode Island; that for several years prior to the first of 1931 she and Mr. Barton had resided in Chicago, Illinois, and that he was employed in the orchestra at the R K O Palace Theatre; that on March 17, 1931, she was living in an apartment at 5240 Sheridan Road in Chicago, Illinois, and on that day while downtown in the city of Chicago waiting for a bus, she was picked up by Eddie Foley near the Wrigley Building and was driven home by him in his Cadillac sedan which bore a Texas license plate. She stated that in November, 1929, and 1930 she had been divorced in Chicago, Illinois, from her husband, J. F. Barton, and that on the date she met Eddie Foley, Mr. Barton was living with her in her apartment at 5240 Sheridan Road; that he has lost his position, was broke and she had permitted him to stay with her in her apartment; that she gave Foley her telephone number the first day he met her and on observing the Texas license plate on the car at that time, asked him if he were from Texas and was informed that he was a rancher and cattle buyer from either El Paso or Dallas, Texas.

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She stated that after meeting Foley on March 17, 1931, he gave her a considerable "rush" until around the middle of April, 1931, being in her company almost nightly, taking her to dinners, prize fights, hockey games, theatres, etc.; that a short while after she first met him, Foley informed her he was a private investigator; that around the middle of April, 1931, his calls and his association became less frequent; that when he did see her he informed her that his work was responsible for his absences and that at that time; namely, April, 1931, Foley was living at the Crest Hotel in Chicago, as E. Foley.

Doris Foley stated that she left Chicago, Illinois, the last of May, 1931, in company with her former husband, J. F. Barton, and drove to her home in Danville, Vermont, in the latter's automobile; that she had not seen Foley for several days before she left Chicago, but had informed him of the names of her parents and their residence at Danville, Vermont; that after she had been in Vermont a few days she received a long distance telephone call from Foley from Chicago, Illinois, and he told her to write to him at the Morrison Hotel in Chicago, under the name of L. E. Franks, and explained the use of that name by saying he was on an important case; that a few days later she received a telegram from him from Chicago, asking her to call over long distance telephone collect to him at the Harrison Hotel in Chicago. She stated that she called him as directed and he informed her that he would be in New York on July 29, 1931, and asked her if she could meet him there; that this was sometime around the middle of June; that she did not hear from him then until about July 24, 1931, when she received a telegram from him informing her that he would be in New York City on August 1, 1931; that she heard nothing further from him and he did not appear in New York City, so far as she knows, on the date just mentioned.

She stated that she went back to Chicago, Illinois, in the latter part of September, 1931, to her former residence, 5240 Sheridan Road, Apartment 204; that she tried to locate Foley at the Crest and Harrison Hotels for about two weeks without being able to reach him; that after she had been in Chicago for some two weeks or more Foley called her and she met him downtown; that thereafter she saw him for a few weeks, possibly two or three times a week until around the first of October, 1931, when his calls on

her became more frequent. She stated that when she first saw Foley after her return to Chicago in September, 1931, he had disposed of the Cadillac automobile and in their travel around the city they used taxi cabs; that in December, 1931, Foley purchased a Chevrolet coupe.

Questioned as to any trips she may have made with Foley from Chicago, Illinois, Doris Foley stated that she only left the city with him on one occasion, which was Thanksgiving morning, 1931, when they flew from Chicago to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, for Thanksgiving dinner and returned to Chicago the same day. She further stated that in the fall of 1931 Foley left Chicago, Illinois, by plane for Kansas City, Missouri; that she accompanied him to the airport in Chicago and on this trip the plane had to make a forced landing because of inclement weather somewhere near Libertyville, Missouri; that on January 2, 1932, Foley left Chicago for Texas and was gone twenty-six days, informing her that he had to look after some of his ranch properties and oil wells; that he called her by long distance telephone from Dallas, Texas, regularly during that period and at one time sent her a Western Union money order for Sixty-Five Dollars; that at about this time Foley informed her he had taken an examination for the Government Narcotic service and had received a position with the Government as a Narcotic Agent which paid him $750 a month.

Doris Foley stated that Foley returned to Chicago from Texas around February 1, 1932, and they were together in Chicago from that time until April, 1932; that she did see him several times a week and that any absences from the city would be explained by Foley as business trips in connection with his work; that at that time he was supposed to be living at Seventy-Second Street and Jefferies Avenue with a boy friend in some apartment.

Doris Foley stated that in the latter part of April, 1932, she left Chicago and went to her home in Danville, Vermont; that from that time until July, 1932, she remained in Danville, and received numerous telephone calls and telegrams from Foley from Kansas City, Chicago and other places she could not recall. In this connection she stated that while Foley was in Dallas, Texas, in January, 1931, she wrote to him in care of General Delivery.

Pursuant to arrangements previously made, Doris met Eddie Foley in New York City, July 26, 1932, and they were married there on July 27, 1932, under the name of Lenard E. Foley and Doris Barton; they remained in New York City at the Biltmore Hotel two or three days and then went to the home of her parents in Danville, Vermont, where they stayed for approximately ten days, when Foley informed her he had a number of cases coming up in Federal Court at Dallas, Texas; that she and Foley left Danville, Vermont, around August 10, 1932, and went to Dallas, Texas, where they registered at the Adolphus Hotel under the name of Mr. and Mrs. E. Foley; that after they had been there a few days, Foley informed her that all of his cases except one had been postponed.

She stated that they remained at the Adolphus Hotel in Dallas almost a month; that during the period they were in Dallas, Foley left her for two days, informing her that he had to go to Big Springs, Texas, to look after some of his properties.

In this connection, it will be noted that it was at this time that Foley and George Kelley robbed the bank at Blue Ridge, Texas, as will be recorded hereinafter.

Doris Foley further stated that sometime in September, 1932, she and Foley left Dallas, Texas, for Portland, Oregon; that Foley informed her he had to go to Portland to cover the American Legion Convention; that they proceeded by train via Los Angeles, California, and on arriving in Portland they checked in at the Benson Hotel under the name of Mr. and Mrs. E. Foley, and after a day or two had to give up this room and moved to an address she does not remember.

They remained in Portland, Oregon, about a month, during which period Foley left her in Portland, telling her he had to go to Tacoma, Washington, and was gone for a period of about three days.

It will be observed further in this report that it was during this period the robbery of the Colfax, Washington, Bank occurred, which was done by Foley, Ed Bentz, George Kelley and George Bates.

According to Doris Foley, they bought a Chevrolet coupe in Portland, Oregon, from the Chevrolet company and it was purchased in her name, being given to her by Foley. When they left Portland, she and Foley went to Denver, Colorado, where they stayed for three weeks at the Cosmopolitan Hotel; that from Denver they went to Fort Worth, Texas, and she and Foley rented a house at 4026 Modlin Street, had a telephone installed in the name of Doris Foley and the day the telephone was installed Foley went to Dallas for some purpose and returned either that day or the following morning. When they had been in Fort Worth for about a month, about midnight one night a telephone call came for Foley and after answering it he told her he had to go to Oklahoma City immediately; that some man in a bootlegging ring he had been investigating had double-crossed him and he would have to get to Oklahoma City right away; that they packed a few necessities and left Fort Worth in the Chevrolet coupe and drove to Oklahoma City, arriving there at about daylight the following morning; that she and Foley went to some hotel, the name of which she could not recall, but believed to be the Skirvin, located near Bishop's Restaurant, where they registered and Foley immediately left to make some contact; that he returned to the hotel, informed her it was necessary for him to go to Birmingham, Alabama, and she would have to go back to Fort Worth for all of their belongings.

Doris Foley stated she then drove to Fort Worth, arriving there about dark and during the night packed all of their effects and met Foley the following day at the same hotel in Oklahoma City; that they left immediately and drove to Birmingham, Alabama, where they stayed for about ten days at the La Salle Apartment; that they left Birmingham and went to Montgomery, Alabama, to the Jefferson Davis Hotel, spending Thanksgiving day of 1932 at that place; that after two days in Montgomery, Alabama, they went to New Orleans, Louisiana, to the Ponchatrain Hotel, where they remained for a period of approximately ten days.

It will be observed that it was while they were in Birmingham and Montgomery, Alabama, that the Bank at Tupelo, Mississippi, was spotted and the get-away map prepared by George Kelley, George Bates and Foley. They robbed this bank after the Foleys reached New Orleans, Louisiana.

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On leaving New Orleans, Louisiana, Doris and Eddie Foley proceeded to Chicago, Illinois, around December 5, 1932, where Doris became very ill.

Doris Foley states that Foley informed her that he had a case in Texas and that it was absolutely necessary that he go there on that case, but he did not want to leave her while she was ill and suggested that she have her sister-in-law from Danville, Vermont, come to Chicago, and stay with her until he returned.

This suggestion was carried out and her sister-in-law Mrs. Glenn Crane, arrived in Chicago at the North Park Hotel where the Foleys were staying, on December 8, 1932. Foley left Chicago, on December 9, 1932, and on the following day called Doris Foley from some town in the south and the following night, December eleventh, he called her from Nashville, Tennessee, and advised her that the case he had left on had been satisfactorily settled and it would not be necessary for him to go to Texas and asked her to meet him in Toledo, Ohio, with the automobile.

Doris Foley stated that the following day she met Foley in Toledo, Ohio, and they then drove on to Danville, Vermont, to the home of her parents, where they stayed until January 2, 1933; that they left Danville on that date and went to Saint Petersburg, Florida, stopping en route at hotels overnight; that they lived in Saint Petersburg at 146 Ninth Avenue North until April 26, 1933, and during that period they were joined by her father, Mr. F. A. Crane; that while they were in Saint Petersburg, Foley left for several days to go to Texas and she later met him in Atlanta, Georgia, in the aforementioned coupe, and drove him back to Saint Petersburg, Florida; that they left Saint Petersburg, Florida, April 26, 1933, and drove to Danville, Vermont, where they arrived May 1, 1933; that in the latter part of May, 1933, she traded the Chevrolet coupe, purchased in Portland, Oregon, for a Chevrolet sedan at the Chevrolet company in St. Johnsbury, Vermont, and that this car was registered in her name, Doris Foley; that they left Danville, Vermont, around the latter part of May, 1933, and drove to Chicago, Illinois, that they stopped overnight at Cleveland, Ohio, at the Hollendon Hotel around June 1, 1933; that in driving into a parking lot in Cleveland that night, Foley met a man and woman who were accompanied by a small girl, who drove into the parking lot at

the same time that Foley spoke to these people, saying, "Hello, Big Shot".

It has been ascertained that the people she refers to are George and Kathryn Kelley and their daughter, Pauline; however, Mrs. Foley on being shown the photographs of George and Kathryn Kelley stated that she could not identify them as the persons as at that time Kathryn was wearing blonde hair.

Doris Foley stated that the following day she and Foley proceeded on to Chicago to the North Park Hotel; that at that time they were accompanied by her nephew, the son of Glenn Crane. She stated that they remained in Chicago for four or five weeks, attending the Worlds Fair and returned to Danville, Vermont, around July 4, 1933; that Foley remained with her in Danville for about three weeks and then left her there and went to Chicago, Illinois; that about August 1, 1933, she returned to Chicago, Illinois, and found Foley at the North Park Hotel, under the name of E. Foley; that during the period he was away from her he called her over the telephone and sent her telegrams from Chicago, Kansas City, and other places; that on meeting Foley at the North Park Hotel they checked out and went to the Park Sheridan Apartments, 5026 Sheridan Road, and remained there for a month; that she left Foley in Chicago and drove to Akron, Ohio, en route to her home in Danville, Vermont; that Foley could not accompany her because he was out on some cases, which she believed were in Kansas City, Missouri; that she stopped in Akron, Ohio, for a few days at the Mayflower Hotel as the guest of Jasper McKinney, the Chief of Detectives of the Akron, Ohio, Police Department.

She states that she was in Akron at the time George and Kathryn Kelley were arrested in Memphis, Tennessee; that from Akron, Ohio, she proceeded to her home in Danville, Vermont, driving the Chevrolet sedan, just referred to; that she did not hear from Foley until about September 30, 1933; that he communicated with her by telephone from Chicago and about two weeks later she met him in Burlington, Vermont, and drove him to Danville; that from around the first of August on Foley told her that stocks were going down and he had to get money from her to assist him with his expenses; that Foley left

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her in October, 1933, and went to Albany, New York, and took the train from there to Cleveland, Ohio, and then went on to Chicago to the North Park Hotel, where she wrote him several letters; that he was in Chicago about two weeks and then returned to Danville, Vermont; that she met him in Albany, New York, and he told her he was endeavoring to get a transfer to Albany; that around this time she made several trips to Albany with Foley and stopped there at the Wellington Hotel; that sometimes he would remain in Albany and let her return to Danville alone, but that for a period of about a week before Christmas, 1933, Foley was with her continuously at her home in Danville.

On December 27, 1933, Foley left Danville, Vermont, and drove to Albany, New York, where they spent the night at the Wellington Hotel. The following day they drove to Poughkeepsie, New York and spent the night at some hotel in that city, their travel being delayed because of inclement weather; that from Poughkeepsie they drove to New York City and took the steamer "SHAWNEE" from New York to Jacksonville, Florida, having with them the Chevrolet sedan, hereinbefore referred to. They arrived in Jacksonville, Florida, January 1, 1934, and drove immediately to Saint Petersburg, Florida, where they registered at the Pennsylvania Hotel, and remained there until January 17, 1934, on which date they moved into their residence at 5190 Thirty-Eighth Avenue North, Saint Petersburg, Florida, the place where they were arrested on February 14, 1934.

Doris Foley stated that at no time during her association with Edward Foley did she meet any of his friends or acquaintances. As aforestated, she was unable to identify the photographs of George and Kathryn Kelley as any persons known to her. She further stated that the friends and associates of Foley did not at any time communicate with him through her and had never tried to locate him through her.

After Foley's arrest, his residence was searched by Deputy United States Marshal Joe Moe, accompanied by Special Agents R. M. Austin and Chapmon Fletcher of the Birmingham Office. A thorough search was made and nothing was found of value pertaining to this investigation, with the exception of notes of endearment bearing the handwriting of Foley, which had at some time or other been sent to his wife. There were also found in the house, a 38 calibre blue steel four-inch barrel Colts revolver, number 204651, and a Spanish blue military automatic

pistol 765-1914, number 51238. Both of these guns were loaded and are in the possession of Mr. Moe. The search of the premises aforementioned, was authorized by Assistant United States Attorney Graham, Tampa, Florida, and was made by and with the consent of Doris C. Foley.

On February 16, 1934, Doris C. Foley was released from custody on an order of United States District Judge Alexander Akerman at the request of Assistant United States Attorney Nathan Graham. She was kept under constant observation until February 19, 1934, when further surveillance was considered unecessary.

The following, which was dictated by Special Agent H. E. Anderson, covers interviews with Eddie Foley from February 16 to 20, 1934, inclusive, at the County Jail in Tampa, Florida:

All statements made by Foley were made in the presence of Special Agents R. A. Alt, H. E. Anderson, R. L. Shivers and R. L. Main, and all crimes as detailed by Foley will be set out under proper headings hereinafter.

With respect to the instant charge; namely, the transportation of Buick automobile in question from Burlington, Iowa, to Bushnell, Illinois, Foley admitted to the writer, Special Agents R. A. Alt and R. L. Shivers that he stole this automobile in Burlington, Iowa and drove it to Bushnell, Illinois, and turned it over to a man in that city who disposed of it for him. He frankly admitted the theft and transportation of said car as alleged in the indictment and asserted that he would plead guilty to this charge.

THE LINCOLN NATIONAL BANK AND TRUST COMPANY ROBBERY
LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

For several months prior to The Lincoln Bank robbery, which according to Foley occurred on September 17, 1930, he was associated with a group of bank robbers known to him as

Big Homer Wilson
Eddie Bentz
Gus Stone
Big Slim
One Shorty (fictitious)
Old Charlie.

When the gang just mentioned decided to rob the Lincoln Bank, Foley and his associates spent several months in perfecting their plans, mapping the get-away roads and determining the inside layout of the bank. About a week before the robbery in question, Foley carefully looked over the inside of the bank to determine whether any vaults were located in the basement. He did this under the guise of having business with the bank.

About ~~twenty minutes~~ thirty on the morning of September 17, 1930, Foley and the other individuals, above mentioned, drove up to the side of the bank in a Buick sedan belonging to the gank, Slim, the driver of the car, was left outside, while Gus entered the bank carrying a sub-machine gun, followed by the others who carried revolvers. Old Charlie, Gus Stone and Shorty held up the customers in the bank, numbering about fourteen, while Foley went to the vault. Big Homer Wilson was supposed to guard the door but, according to Foley, he was first at one place and then another in the bank.

Foley scooped the contents out of three safes in the vault, placing his loot in four laundry bags which had been brought along for that purpose. Before he had finished his task, Old Charlie came to his assistance.

Eddie Bentz in the meanwhile was "cleaning" the tellers cages. The robbery lasted about five minutes.

After the gang left the bank the retreat was covered by Eddie Bentz. While the hold-up was in progress a crowd collected outside of the bank, whereupon Gus Stone went outside with a machine gun to hold them off.

Directly after the hold-up, Foley and the rest of the gang drove towards Chicago, but stopped at a secluded spot in the state of Kansas where the bonds, mortgages, stocks and other commercial paper were sorted and the cash divided. It was found that the cash stolen amounted to $42,000, which was split seven ways.

After dark, while still in the state of Kansas, they burned all the commercial paper which appeared to them to be worthless as far as a turn-over was concerned, such as deeds and mortgages.

At the same time they buried in an automobile inner tube, which was tied with string, a considerable amount ofpaper which appeared to be of possible value. They retained about $700,000 in stocks and bonds, including about $35,000 in Liberty bonds, and then proceeded on to Chicago, Illinois.

Foley stated that he subsequently disposed of the Liberty bonds through one Dewey Berlovich, a road contractor at Des Moines, Iowa. Berlovich sold $15,000 worth of the bonds in Des Moines, Iowa, paying Foley eighty-two (82) percent of their face value. Berlovich also disposed of $1,000 worth of the bonds in Saint Paul, Minnesota, in the same manner and attempted to sell $14,000 worth of the bonds at Chicago, Illinois, where he was arrested with the bonds in his possession.

Foley's statement with relation to the disposition of these bonds corroborates the information furnished by Berlovich which appears in the report of Special Agent O. C. Dewey, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, August 28, 1933, in the case entitled EDDIE DOEL with aliases - NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

Foley stated that sometime after the robbery in question, Gus Winkler of Chicago, was arrested at Buffalo, New York, and identified as a participant in the bank robbery at Lincoln and to keep Winkler from being removed to Nebraska for trial in this case, the Capone Syndicate negotiated with Foley's gang for the return of the bonds. The Syndicate promised to pay Foley and his associates, through Big Gus Winkler, the sum of $35,000, for about $600,000 in negotiable paper, which the gang still had. $600,000 worth of negotiable paper coming from the robbery was turned over to Gus Winkler by Big Homer, as Foley recollects. Winkler, as a matter of fact, did not turn over $600,000 but did release $536,000.

It is Foley's understanding that Prosecuting Attorney Towle of Lincoln, Nebraska, was paid $10,000 for the part he took in arranging the deal for the restitution of the securities; that an investigator for The Secret Six at Chicago, Illinois, who was in on the arrangements, was also paid $10,000 for the same purpose, and that someone else, whose identity Foley does not know, received the sum of $5,000.

The foregoing took place during the spring following the bank robbery and negotiations between the Foley gang and the Capone Syndicate were held at the Lexington Hotel in Chicago, Illinois.

It was stated by Foley that Big Homer Wilson knew Al Capone well and was friendly with some members of the Capone Syndicate and that he and Gus Stone were also very friendlywith and close associates of Gus Winkler, it being Foley's opinion that Gus Stone had an interest with Gus Winkler in the slot machine racket at that time on the north side of Chicago.

On a later date, $10,000 was paid by the Capone Syndicate through Winkler to Foley and the other members of his gang and at a later date an additional $5,000 was turned over to them. This money was evenly distributed among members of the gang. It is Foley's understanding that the Capone Syndicate refused to pay the remainder of the money they had promised but that Gus Winkler told his outfit that he would make it good. This was never done, however, as far as Foley knows.

Foley stated that no one connected with the bank had anything to do with the robbery and that there was no violence in connection therewith.

Foley stated that the loot obtained was less than they had anticipated because the robbery was not timed correctly in that one of the bank employees who had the combination to a particular safe did not enter the bank shortly before the robbery as Foley thought to be the case.

Foley stated that no one, with the exception of those he has named, participated in any way in the robbery and that those serving time and those suspected, outside of the above named, were innocent.

As to the bonds concealed in the inner tube and hidden somewhere in Kansas, Foley stated that he and other members of the gang had made numerous efforts to locate it since that time but had been unable to do so and that their desire to locate the bonds was because one of the gang knew of a banker who was in the hole

and he had offered them ten cents on the dollar for the bonds they had so he could use them to cover up.

NAMES OF PARTICIPANTS AS FURNISHED BY EDDIE FOLEY

EDDIE LA RUE - the Subject of this investigation.

BIG HOMER WILSON - Chicago character, bank robber, and friend of Al Capone. Mentioned in reports in Bremer Kidnaping case. He is also known as BIG JIM; CHARLIE POTATOES, CHARLIE STONE and BIG MOOSE.

EDWARD BENTZ - alias Ned R. Dewey, Seattle, Washington, Police Number 6894, well known to the Division. Also mentioned in the Bremer Kidnaping.

Believed to be Dewey Simmons Hargrave

An Individual, who is presently out of the country and whose name Foley refused to give. Foley indicated that he is known to George Kelley and George Bates.

OLD CHARLIE - a Chicago character and bank robber. Known to Harvey Bailey and possibly known to George Kelley Kathryn Kelley and George Bates. Reported to have a long criminal record.

BIG SLIM (deceased) According to Foley, this individual was killed by gangsters at Redwing, Minnesota, about a year ago.

GUS STONE - Native of North or South Carolina, Chicago character, hoodlum and bank robber. Friend and associate of Frank Nash and Doc Stacey, Frank Hayes, and Gus Winkler. Believed by Foley to be the man who manned the machine gun in the Kansas City Massacre, June 17, 1933, and also believed to be the man who bumped off Gus Winkler at Chicago.

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KANSAS CITY MASSACRE

In connection with this, Foley furnished the following information:

That whenever this matter was discussed by members of the gang who were in the position to know, they claimed that it was their opinion that the person who manned the machine gun during the massacre was Gus Stone.

According to Foley, Frank Hayes of 745 South State Street, Chicago, Illinois, told him that Gus Stone manned the sub-machine gun at the Union Station Massacre at Kansas City. Hayes also told Foley that Gus had not been to see him since the Massacre, although he, Hayes, is holding $500 which belongs to Gus.

According to Foley, it is well known that Hayes is the contact man in Chicago for numerous hoodlums and that if Hayes were kept under surveillance sooner or later Gus would appear at his place. To Foley's own knowledge, Gus is well acquainted with Doc Stacey of the O. P. Inn, as Foley has driven Gus to Doc Stacey's place on numerous occasions.

Foley stated that he did not believe that Gus was likely to be known to the Kelleys or Bates, but knew that Gus is known to Harvey Bailey and is also well known to one "Red", who is now serving life at Canyon City, Colorado.

"Red", according to Foley, escaped from Canyon City and went to Chicago, where he contacted his old associates. He left hurriedly, however, when he found out that Gus was going to place him on the spot. Upon learning that he was to be placed on the spot, "Red" left for Canyon City and on the way sent a wire to the prison officials that he was returning. He was arrested at Salt Lake City; however, and transferred to the penitentiary, where, according to Foley, he is now held.

While in Chicago on the occasion just mentioned "Red" was paid some money by Gus to bump someone off which he failed to do. "Red" became ill at Chicago on this occasion and spent some time in the hospital there about a year ago last spring. The hospital in question is located on Jackson Boulevard at the Union Square.

Foley stated that either Gus or his wife used to visit "Red" while he was in the hospital.

Foley stated that Gus frequently visited in either North or South Carolina where his parents are supposed to reside. He also stated that Gus' mother is afflicated with cancer or ulcers of the stomach and during the summer of 1931 she was in a Chicago hospital for treatment, the name or location of the hospital he did not know. He states that he frequently saw Gus during that summer and Gus was continually complaining about the doctor and hospital bills that he had to meet; that it was also his understand that Gus' sister has a similar afflication; that Gus' father was a visitor in Chicago at the time Gus' mother was in the hospital.

Foley also stated that during the summer of 1931 while he, Foley, was registered at the Harrison Hotelnin Chicago, under the name of E. Franks, Gus was also registered there with some woman; that it was his understanding the woman companion was a waitress from some neighboring restaurant. He further stated that in the summer of 1930, when the plans for the robbery of The Lincoln National Bank and Trust Company, Lincoln, Nebraska, were in the making, he, Foley, was stopping at the Chieftom Hotel in Council Bluffs, Iowa; that Gus would come to see him there and registered at that hotel, but he does not remember under what name; that Gus was also staying during this summer at the Fontett (he was not sure of the spelling of the name) Hotel in Omaha, Nebraska, and would make regular trips between Omaha and Council Bluffs so the two of them could confer.

He further recalls Gus stating that during the World War he first enlisted in the Canadian Army, but he does not know whether or not his entire army career was with the Canadian army.

Foley further stated that Gus frequently visits Hot Springs, Arkansas, where he seemed to be well acquainted.

Foley described Gus Stone as follows:

Age:	About 42 years
Height:	5 feet 7 inches
Weight:	150 to 160 pounds
Build:	Medium
Hair:	Dark
Complexion:	Medium
Glasses:	Sometimes wears hook-over gold rimmed glasses
Characteristics:	Is ordinary looking, and wears high, heavy black work shoes; always wears suspenders except when carrying a gat and then wears a belt; in summer often goes without his coat; dresses in rough clothes; is foreign looking (Dutchman with Jewish characteristics as to money).

With reference to the Kansas City Massacre, Foley, apparently in all sincerety, stated that it is his absolute belief, "Gus Stone is the man you are looking for in that job as the machine gunner". He stated that while he did not know, he was of the opinion that the job was pulled by about four individuals. He stated that he was unable to furnish information in reference to the associates of Gus at the time of the Massacre or thereabouts, June 17, 1933.

Foley stated that Gus is the type that for no apparent reason whatever would "smile in your face and shoot you in the guts".

He stated he is positive George Kelley was not in on that Massacre, as he was with him on the day it happened.

It will be noted from the statement of Doris Foley that she and Eddie Foley were in Chicago, Illinois, at the

North Park Hotel the date the Massacre occurred, June 17, 1933.

Before Foley mentioned the name of the man he thought to be responsible for the Kansas City Massacre, he had stated several times that the man who killed Gus Winkler was the [redacted] who manned the machine gun on the Kansas City job.

Edward Foley denied knowing Richard Gallatas and after carefully viewing his photograph, stated that he was positive that he had never seen that man.

EFFINGHAM, ILLINOIS, MAIL ROBBERY

In October, 1933, according to Foley, he and Eddie Bentz left Bentz' apartment on Kingston Street in Chicago, Illinois, and drove to Effingham, Illinois, to look over the mail room at the depot, preparatory to robbing the mail there. At that time they had a Buick sedan, stolen by Bentz.

Foley registered for himself and Bentz at a tourist camp located about twleve miles east of Effingham on the old highway running to the east. They arrived at this place at about ten P.M. and stayed in a small brick cottage. He described the tourist camp as having six small brick green and red cottages, a large residence and a combination store and lunch. He said that as he remembered, he registered under the name of Lang or Long. The next morning when they went to the shed adjoining for their car they discovered that one of the tires was flat and the man who runs the camp learned of this; that after the tire was fixed, they spent the day in mapping the roads for their getaway and after dark they went to the depot where they noted the location of the mail room, the position of the tracks, etc., and then returned to Chicago.

Bentz had previously informed him that large sums of money, $50,000 or more, were due to arrive at Effingham from

New York City on the Pennsylvania Railroad for transfer to the Illinois Central, going to Memphis and New Orleans. During the laying of their plans, they discovered that the New York train Bentz had reference to arrived at Effingham at approximately eight-forty P.M.

Associated with them in this enterprise were one "RED" who is wanted in connection with the Luer Kidnaping case and one JIM EVANS. Evans and Red at that time were stopping in Chicago, and Evans was driving a Plymouth coupe with a Berwin or Burwin, Illinois, city license tag stuck in the windshield.

A few days after Bents and Foley laid their plans, he, Red, Jim Evans and Bentz drove to Effingham in the stolen Buick car. They stopped to eat at a small town of about 3500 population east of Effingham. When they arrived at Effingham a short time before nine-thirty P.M., Foley left his three companions get out of the car and walk towards the depot, about two blocks away and he circled around town in the car and timed himself so that he drove up to the mail room at the depot at approximately the same time the others arrived. Foley remained in the car and his three companions stuck up the man in charge of the mail room and stole several pouches of mail.

Foley and his companions then drove three blocks east from the depot, then wound around until they crossed the Matoon highway, passed over the railroad track and took the first road to the north out past the airport. At the airport, Foley noticed a broken down truck in the middle of the road.

While Foley drove, his companions looked through the mail sacks, but failed to find any bundles of currency, as Bentz had lead them to believe they would. They continued on and a few miles from Hoopston, Illinois, they stopped where the highways divide and tossed the mail sacks over a fence into a corn field.

Shortly after that Foley left his companions and hitchhiked to Chicago. The others continued in the car to some road house, the name and location of which Foley does not k remember.

Foley drew a diagram of the place where the sacks were thrown over the fence and indicated the spot with a large dot. The diagram in question, which is initialed by Agents R. A. Alt, R. L. Shivers and R. L. Main, was prepared February 19, 1934, and is being retained in the Jacksonville Office file in this case.

It is noticed in a circular from the Post Office Department issued on October 14, 1933, that on the night of October 10, 1933, at about ten-thirty P.M., three men held up and robbed A. H. Kroes, an employee of the American Railway Express, at the Union Station, Effingham, Illinois. A. H. Kroes at that time of the robbery had custody of the mail and several pouches of first class letter mail were stolen from him. The robbers made their escape in a 1932 Buick, dark green sedan, bearing Illinois license. The mail pouches were later found in a rifled condition on United States Route One, near Boswell, Indiana.

A circular issued by the Post Office Department on December 31, 1933, on Marcus Roscoe Cutler with aliases and bearing the latter's photograph, was exhibited to Foley and he stated positively that this individual had nothing to do with the robbery in question.

Foley further stated that the individuals who are now serving sentences for this robbery had nothing to do with it and are innocent.

BREMER KIDNAPING MATTER

Foley was interrogated at great length to determine whether he had any connection with the Bremer case, or whether he knew any of the men who had committed the crime.

Foley most emphatically denied any connection with the offense, stating that at the time of the kidnaping and all the time that Bremer was held he was residing in Saint Petersburg, Florida, with his wife, Doris, which statement is verified by her and reputable citizens of Saint Petersburg, Florida; how-

over, in this connection Foley stated that late last summer he registered under the name of Lang or Long at the Gary Hotel, Gary, Indiana, for the purpose of meeting one WHITEY ANDERSON, a convict who escaped from the Joliet Penitentiary within the last four years. (He previously had stated that Anderson escaped either from Joliet or Peoria, Illinois; however after refreshing his memory he stated quite positively that the escape was from Joliet.) He described Whitey Anderson as

Age:	About thirty years
Height:	Between 5 feet 9 and 10 inches
Weight:	140 pounds
Build:	Very slender
Complexion:	Light
Glasses:	Given to wearing sun glasses
Occupation:	Bank robber.

Anderson at the time of his meetings with Foley was driving a Terraplane Essex sedan of dark color. Foley described him as a jumpy, nervous type who will shoot without provocation. According to Foley, Anderson has no outstanding characteristics, but is a good dresser and generally has a woman to travel around with him.

At this meeting, which was pre-arranged, there were present Ed Bentz and a brother of Jack Pfeiffer of Saint Paul. Pfeiffer's brother was formerly in some ligitimate business, a doctor or a druggist, or a businessman. He can be easily located and identified through his brother who is known to the Saint Paul Division Office.

During this meeting, which took place in a park in Gary, a discussion was had in connection with arranging for a kidnaping case and $200,000 was mentioned as the ransom. Foley states that he refused to take any part in this arrangement and that later Whitey and Bentz left Gary, intimating that they would kidnap a prominent doctor in Rochester, Minnesota, and that it is his opinion that for unknown reasons they were unable to carry this out and proceeded to Saint Paul where they pulled the Bremer job.

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At this meeting, these men also discussed the kidnaping of ex-Governor Small's son in Kanakee, Illinois. In fact, this latter matter was the reason for the meeting in Gary. It developed during the conference that ex-Governor Small lived across the street from his son's home and his house was at that time believed to be under guard and for this reason the plan to kidnap his son was abandoned; however, during the discussion of the proposed Small kidnaping, it was stated by Bentz and Whitey Anderson that if he were kidnaped he would be held for a ransom of $200,000 and that it would be handled in such a way as to keep it from being a Federal offense, and that commenting on their proposed trip to Rochester, Minnesota, to kidnap some prominent physician, Bentz and Anderson stated that he would be held for $200,000 ransom and that if they should ever kidnap any person in the future it would be for ransom in the sum of $200,000.

One WAYNE WHITEY, who is now serving twenty-five years for his participation in the robbery of the Madison Bank at Madison, Wisconsin, last fall, was to be the fourth man in the gang in the Rochester snatch.

It was Foley's opinion that the Bentz gang was responsible for the robbery of the bank at Grand Haven, Michigan, last summer at which time one of the members was shot and later sent to the Michigan State Prison for twenty-five years. The man who was caught and convicted was referred to by Foley as being named Earl. In Foley's opinion the persons who participated in that robbery are the same individuals responsible for the Bremer kidnaping.

In commenting on the robbery of the bank at Grand Haven, Michigan, Foley stated that the driver of the car ran off and left the other participants who had to make their getaway through the streets.

Foley stated that Pfeiffer's brother had been shot during the hold-up of the Northwestern Bank in either Saint Paul or Minneapolis, in 1932 or 1933, and for that reason he has a noticeable limp. He described the individual in question as follows:

Age:	36 to 40 years
Height:	5 feet 9 or 10 inches
Weight:	170 pounds
Build:	Heavy
Hair:	Dark
Complexion:	Medium dark
Residence:	Saint Paul or Minneapolis.

Foley based his opinion for naming the Whitey Anderson and Bentz crowd as the persons responsible for the Bremer kidnaping on the fact that they left him in Gary, Indiana, to go to Rochester, Minnesota, and the further fact that if they did kidnap any person they were going to hold him for $200,000 ransom, which seemed to be very definite in their minds.

Photographs of George William Larson, Milwaukee Police Number 24954; James O'Brien, Nebraska Penitentiary Number 10215, and those of Fred Barker, Arthur R. Barker, Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Volney Davis and Melvin Purlong with man aliases, Peoria, Illinois, Police Number 3940 (the latter being furnished the Jacksonville Office by Walter William, Superintendent of the Police, Peoria, Illinois) were exhibited to Foley. After carefully viewing same, he stated that he did not recognize any of them by names or photographs and did not believe that any of them were known to him.

Foley advised that he could readily identify the photograph of Whitey Anderson if furnished with one and suggested that photographs of all escapes from the Joliet Penitentiary who had not been recaptured be secured and exhibited to him.

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LINDBERGH KIDNAPING MATTER

In connection with this case, Foley was carefully questioned on many occasions. He emphatically stated that he had no idea who was responsible for this job; that he, along with members of the gang with which he has been associated these many years, feel certain that this crime was not committed by professionals; that in his opinion no organized gang of hoodlums was responsible for the kidnaping, as he felt sure if it had been two or more well known gangsters, snatchers or bank robbers responsible for the crime it would have gotten out through one of them and percolated through gangland as he knows it; that if he were solving the Lindbergh kidnaping, he would look for somebody closer to home; that this is not only his opinion, but the opinion of those with whom he has discussed the matter, and that if it were the act of hoodlums or gangsters, they were persons who were not known to the "big shots".

Foley stated that with reference to the O'Connell, Hamm and Hackett kidnaping cases he would emphatically and truthfully state that he had no information whatsoever to offer; that he had no knowledge of the persons involved in these cases and that he has been informed that several attempts have been made to frame him in connection with the Hackett case.

He also stated that he could give no information in connection with the Holland, Michigan, bank robbery and that if he had any information in connection with the robbery he would freely give it. He stated that he did go over the Holland job on one occasion, but felt that it was too dangerous; that he was certain there would be no reason for withholding any information in connection with this job if he had it, since he had given so much other information in connection with other cases, including bank and mail robberies and kidnaping cases and that if the gang still at large knew that he had furnished Agents with the information contained in this report his life would not be safe on the inside or outside.

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TUPELO, MISSISSIPPI, BANK ROBBERY

PERPETRATORS: GEORGE BATES
GEORGE KELLEY
EDDIE FOLEY

Foley stated that he, Bates and Kelley spotted this bank from Montgomery, Alabama, and that while he and his wife, Doris, were residing at the Ponchatrain Hotel in New Orleans, he, with Kelley and Bates robbed this bank between two-thirty and two-forty-five PM. around December 1, 1933. They obtained between $14,000 and $16,000 in cash and $5,000 in Liberty bonds. All three entered the bank, the cages and the vault. He, Foley, manned the Tommy while Bates and Kelley carried revolvers. They used a Chevrolet sedan which belonged to Bates and during the robbery left it parked near the railroad track with the motor running. He, Foley, drove the car and mapped the get-away. After the robbery they all drove to New Orleans; however, he left the car on the outskirts of the city, after the loot was divided, and proceeded to the city on a bus. At that time Bates was living at the Bienville Hotel in New Orleans. This job was planned a week in advance and all three spotted the bank.

Asked whether Harvey Bailey was in on this job, he stated that he had not worked with Harvey Bailey for six years.

Foley also stated that after each robbery he left the gang as soon as possible and returned to the hotel where he had planted his innocent wife.

THE BLUE RIDGE, TEXAS, BANK ROBBERY

PERPETRATORS: GEORGE BATES
GEORGE KELLEY
EDDIE FOLEY

This robbery took place in August, 1932, and, according to Foley, the participants were living at the Adolphus Hotel in Dallas, Texas. This robbery was not planned in advance, they

were all broke, needed money and were willing to take a chance; that in robbing the bank they only obtained about $1,000 and $400 or $500 in Liberty bonds. The reason for the small loot was that while in the bank they were frightened because of a shot or two which were fired accidentally by some one on the street, who knew nothing about the bank robbery.

COLFAX, WASHINGTON, BANK ROBBERY

PERPETRATORS: GEORGE BATES
GEORGE KELLEY
EDDIE BENTZ
EDDIE FOLEY

According to Foley, this job was pulled in September, 1932, by above persons, at which time Foley was residing with his wife at the Benson Hotel at Portland, Oregon. The robbery occurred between two-thirty and two-forty-five in the afternoon; they obtained $15,000 in cash and made their get-away in the Chevrolet sedan belonging to Bates. He, Foley, drove the car and handled the inside and outside work during the robbery.

When questioned as to additional bank robberies, Foley remained silent, saying that he had given sufficient information, and when asked why he had not robbed more banks recently he said that during the last few months his love for his wife had grown to such an extent that he lost his guts and his self-confidence; that his plan was to settle down on his chicken ranch in Saint Petersburg, knock off a couple of big jobs and retire from the racket; that he felt positive that no one knew of his residence in Saint Petersburg, Florida, which he believed that he had covered completely.

He stated that after each robbery he gave a certain amount of money to his wife, telling her that it was his salary from the Government as a Narcotic Agent, of $750 a month, or that it was from the sale of cattle or lands which he owned in Texas, or the income from investments that he had made.

HOWARD A. WOLVERTON KIDNAPING

In connection with this case, Foley held out giving information for three days. He stated that an innocent man had been implicated in the commission of the offense and that if it were not for trying to protect this man he would freely give all the information he had; however, after it became apparent to Foley that the Agents interviewing him knew of his connection with the case and the man he was endeavoring to protect and being convinced of the fact, he finally decided and so stated that he would detail the snatch from the beginning to its conclusion. He then stated as follows:

That by preliminary arrangement he met George Kelley in Chicago about three weeks before Wolverton was kidnaped; they discussed kidnaping at that time and decided they might find a victim at South Bend, Indiana; they drove to South Bend in Kelley's Chrysler sedan and looked over the city directory. When they noted Wolverton's name, they read the notation to the effect that he was president of a foundry, as well as an official in one or more of the local banks; they then looked over his house, determing that he had a nice residence, after which they checked his habits for two or three weeks. At that time Foley was stopping at the Harrison Hotel in Chicago while George Kelley and his wife, Kathryn, were registered at the Wacker Hotel there.

While discussing the plans for this kidnaping with Kelley, Foley stated that he had agreed to furnish the hide-away. After this he drove to his brother's home, located on a farm five miles from Lockport, Illinois, between Chicago and Joliet, off Highway Four, which is served by a rural route from Lockport, Illinois. At this place he informed his brother, Harry Doll, that he had a friend who was going to trial the following day in a big liquor case and that he, Foley, had been able to fix all of the witnesses except one and that he would have to get this witness out of the way and he desired to bring him to the farm home of his brother for safe-keeping for one day. After considerable persuasion Harry Doll finally consented to permit him to bring this man to the farm for one day only.

After this, Foley drove his brother's wife and three children to the home of her brother in Chicago; that his brother, Harry, knows the address of this man in Chicago.

All of these arrangements having been made for the hide-away he and Kelley drove from Chicago to South Bend, Indiana, that afternoon and arrived at South Bend about five o'clock in the afternoon. They immediately spotted the Wolverton house and noted that the Wolverton's Pierce Arrow was there. While cruising around waiting for Wolverton to come out, however, they missed the car and did not see it again until about ten-thirty P.M. when they saw it stop temporarily in a parking lot in South Bend, and they observed two women and Mr. Wolverton in the car. The machine was tailed when it left the parking lot, to the home of the Studebaker's and it was noted that the Wolverton's remained in the Studebaker home for approximately one-half hour.

Kelley and Foley knew the route the Wolverton's would take to drive their car home, so parked their own car at a stop street about one and one-half or two blocks from the Studebaker residence from where they were able to observe the lights flash on the Pierce Arrow car as the Wolverton's started out of the driveway. When the Wolverton car stopped opposite their machine at the stop street, he jumped on the left running board of the car and held them up with a revolver. He told the Wolvertons that it was a hold-up, opened the rear door and got in. Mr. Wolverton was driving the machine and his wife was in the front seat. There was no other occupant. He instructed Wolverton to drive through town and not to make any disturbance to indicate what was going on. Wolverton, at his direction, drove to highway number two or twenty and Kelley followed in his Chrysler sedan. Foley asked if he were Mr. Wolverton and he said, "Yes".

After they had drived about five miles west he instructed Wolverton to turn off the road, stop and switch off his lights. Kelley drove up behind and did the same thing. They then informed Wolverton that he was being kidnaped and discussed the kidnaping at some length. After giving Mrs. Wolverton a letter of instructions to deliver to her father-in-law, they told her to get in the Pierce Arrow and leave them. She told them she could not drive the Pierce Arrow, but when the became insistent she drove to the highway where

the machine stalled. Either he or Kelley started the car for her and she departed.

In the meantime, Wolverton had been ordered into the Chrysler car and his eyes were covered with taped goggles of the ordinary celluloid kind. Kelley adjusted them. Wolverton at the time was in the front seat of the car.

With reference to the letter which was handed to Mrs. Wolverton, Foley stated that it had been hand printed by Kelley that day in Chicago. The letter in question will be discussed later.

Kelley then drove the Chrysler in a round-about way and while driving discussed ransom and the means of paying off. Wolverton insisted that he did not have any money and some argument took place in regard to this matter. While on the way Kelley noted that his car was running low on gas so attempted to turn around on a dirt road and ran into a ditch. As Foley remembered, Wolverton's goggles were removed and he assisted Foley in pushing the car out of the ditch. He and Wolverton then waited on the side of the road for about one-half hour while Kelley drove away and obtained gas for the car. After that, they resumed their journey, continuing until they arrived at the home of Foley's brother, Harry Doll, heretofore mentioned, which is located five miles from Lockport, Illinois. They drove into the garage, took Wolverton from the car, put a muffler or scarf around his eyes and head and lead him to the basement of the farm house which is located about one hundred feet from the garage. They entered the basement through a side basement door and Foley stated that to go into the basement you have to step up one step then down a number of steps and also that it was necessary to stoop. He then told Wolverton to lie down on a cot, but not to remove his goggles or the muffler until told to. Then he and Kelley locked the basement door and from the outside went upstairs.

Later, through either a loose board in the floor or a trap door, he conversed with Wolverton and told him that he could remove his muffler and goggles.

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Foley states that in the basement there was burning an oil lamp and that he had a similar one upstairs. They arrived at the house, as nearly as he can remember it, about five o'clock in the morning. There were windows in the basement, but for protection from the cold they were covered with either straw or earth and allowed no light to enter. Foley states that it was a damp, cold, uncomfortable place and they furnished Wolverton with blankets when he requested them; that all conversations took place with Wolverton through the trap door and were merely general in nature as he did not desire to have his brother know that they were holding this victim for ransom. Foley states that he did all of the talking with Wolverton. He states that Wolverton was furnished with sandwiches and a cup of coffee or tea, such as it was.

He believed that his brother had a large cur dog that did considerable barking. He said that some cars passed during the day. He and Kelley took turns about, resting and sleeping.

In the morning, Foley states that Wolverton was given his breakfast; that shortly after this his brother left for Lockport, Illinois, to obtain groceries and that later in the day he told his brother that the groceries he had obtained were insufficient and that he desired to return to Lockport with him to purchase additional supplies. This travel was performed in his brother's 1918 model, two-door Dodge sedan automobile. Foley states that his object in going to town was not for groceries but to obtain papers that he knew would carry the news of the kidnaping. He purchased several papers, read the accounts and immediately upon his arrival at his brother's home burned the papers so that his brother would not see them. He also added that before the arrival at the farm he took Mr. Wolverton's pocketbook and removed therefrom $90 in cash and an identification card and before Wolverton was released the empty pocketbook was returned to him with all contents except the money and the identification card.

Foley states that he knows they furnished Wolverton with steak, fried potatoes, bread, coffee and cake, all of which was handed to him through the trap door.

Foley states that they kept Mr. Wolverton in this basement until about dark of January twenty-seventh, when he and Kelley again placed the goggles on him preparatory to taking him

from the basement. The reason for this was that during the entire day his brother had been extremely nervous and insistent that they take Wolverton away from his home.

Shortly after dark, about six o'clock, he and Kelley escorted Wolverton to the car and placed him in the rear seat, Kelley getting in with him. Foley got under the driver's wheel and started for Chicago. On the way they talked to Wolverton of ransom and to impress him at one time mentioned that a squad car had just passed by undoubtedly looking for him, giving the impression that he might be in danger in their car.

While discussing the ransom, he positively stated that he could not raise $50,000 and after some argument he was informed that $10,000 would be accepted. Wolverton stated that he could not raise more than $8,000, which he had in a bank and it was agreed that $8,000 would be accepted and he was directed to await instructions with reference to paying the ransom.

Wolverton was driven to the west side of Chicago, about seven or eight o'clock that night and given Ten Dollars. He was taken out of the car and told to stand there with his back toward them and not to look back for a few minutes. He was then instructed to take a street car for Chicago.

During the period of Wolverton's captivity he mentioned my hacking cough and I informed him that I had been gassed in the World War and had never recovered.

Wolverton also told him that he knew the make of the car he had been abducted in and for that reason Kelley was anxious to get rid of him and gave that as his reason for accepting the amount of $8,000 as ransom.

Foley's statement so far as he could remember tallies almost in exact detail with the signed statement made by Mr. Wolverton.

After Wolverton was released he and Kelley proceeded to Chicago where he left him and attended a picture show. The next day they met and discussed methods to be used in securing the ransom money.

Foley stated that after Wolverton's release he could not be positive about the ransom notes which were forwarded to him, neither could he recall a great deal about the telephone calls which were made to Wolverton's home; however, he did state that all of the ransom notes were prepared by Kelley, and they were printed in Kelley's own hand.

The day following Wolverton's release, Foley stated he talked this matter over with George Kelley and that at that time Kelley was accompanied by Kathryn Kelley; that because of the fact Wolverton knew he had been abducted in a Chrysler sedan automobile it was decided then that George and Kathryn Kelley should take that automobile and proceed immediately to Kansas City, Missouri; that thereafter the first ransom letter sent to Wolverton was mailed by him in Chicago, Illinois, directing him to get the money and be ready and in a position to deliver it on further instructions, or words to that effect; that he then met George Kelley in Kansas City, Missouri, and the second letter was mailed to Wolverton, directing him to drive his Pierce Arrow to Saint Louis, Missouri at a time stated in the note and from there to Saint Charles, Missouri, at a further stated time; that at six o'clock a certain evening to start driving west towards Kansas City on Highway 140 at twenty-five miles an hour until the car approaching from the rear flashed its lights ten times in succession. Wolverton was instructed to keep the dome light in his car lighted. Upon receiving the flashes from the car in his rear he was instructed to drop the package on the road and keep going in the same direction.

Foley states that on the day indicated he and Kelley at the stated time drove from Kansas City continually increasing their speed expecting to meet Wolverton in the Pierce Arrow; and after they had met him they expected to immediately turn around and follow him and make the ten flashes with the lights; however, Foley states that this might the weather was stormy, the most inclement he had ever experienced, extremely cold, the roads were muddy, almost impassable and he did not see how Mr. Wolverton could possibly arrive or drive in that weather; that in his opinion it would have been impossible for Mr. Wolverton to have reached Saint Louis from South Bend, Indiana, and that after driving within thirty miles of Saint Louis without meeting Wolverton and waiting there sometime, they drove back to Kansas City and went to the Phillips Hotel to bed.

Within several days thereafter, telephone contacts were made with Wolverton from Pontiac, Ottawa and Chicago, Illinois. Wolverton insisted that their instructions had been complied with stating that his nephew left Saint Charles at ten in the morning and not at night and drove with the money out on the highway. Wolverton also said that his nephew made the delivery after which the nephew informed that a car approached him on the road out of Saint Charles from the rear, flashed its lights and he dropped the package. His nephew also said to him that his car was followed by a car load of boys whom he believed to be representatives of the kidnapers and after the money in question; that the driver of the car with the boys flashed the proper signal after which the money was dropped on the highway.

Foley emphatically states that neither he nor Kelley received the package containing $8,000; that this statement is the truth for after admitting his participation in the Wolverton kidnaping there would be no reason for not admitting obtaining the money in the event he had obtained it.

The United States Attorney at Tampa, Florida, is in receipt of certified copies of the indictment outstanding against this Defendant at Peoria, Illinois, in the instant case and it has not been decided when his removal will be effected.

At the conclusion of the admissions made by Foley recorded in this report, Foley on several occasions has stated that all information furnished by him was the truth; that he believed that he had been sufficiently cooperative and that he hoped to be of further assistance to the Government, but so far as he personally was concerned he had furnished enough information to put him away for the rest of his life. He indicated that his only desire in furnishing all of this information was for the purpose of protecting his brother against prosecution for having permitted him to keep Wolverton at his home while being held for ransom; that his interest was not solely in his brother but in his two children to whom he was devoted; that his brother, Harry, while a ne'er-do-well has never been able to support his family, but is not a criminal, has never been arrested and that his children are unusually intelligent and that he is pleading for the sake of these children.

He stated that his brother, Harry, could now probably be found at his old address at 4030 West Lake Street, Chicago, and that if he had moved from that address he could be located through relatives; that if approached by an Agent, his brother, Harry, would corroborate every statement made by him, Foley, in connection with the detention of Mr. Wolverton at his farm and that Harry would gladly inform the Agents as to the location of his farm where Wolverton was detained.

Foley was asked if all the information he had given were recorded whether he would sign his name to same. He declined stating that he had furnished this information voluntarily and truthfully and that witnesses were always present and he could not see how he could be benefitted by signing a statement. He also stated that he would plead guilty to any charge growing out of the information furnished but indicated that while he knew he could be put away for life he was reluctant to stand trial on the Wolverton kidnaping case.

AT SAINT PETERSBURG, FLORIDA:

The following investigation was made by Special Agent Chapmon Fletcher of the Birmingham Office to determine whether Foley was in Saint Petersburg, Florida, during the time that Edward Bremer was kidnaped and held for ransom:

M. G. Vickers, Clerk, Pennsylvania Hotel, Saint Petersburg, Florida, advised that Mr. and Mrs. E. Foley registered on January 1, 1934, and checked out January 23, 1934. Hotel records show that Chevrolet sedan owned by Mrs. Foley was stored each night during above period at the hotel garage or Rants Garage in Saint Petersburg. Vickers is positive and emphatic in his statement that Foley could not have been away from the hotel more than two nights during the period, but that he did not believe that Foley was away from the hotel as much as a day and night, if absent at all.

L. A. Pinholster, Route Two, Saint Petersburg, is most positive in his statement that Foley came to see him January 4, 1934, when they discussed the purchase of property. He also saw

them on January 6, 1934, and each day from that time until January 12, 1934, when he sold them the property aforementioned in this report.

Pinholster also stated that from January 12, 1934, until January 22, 1934, Foley was at the house daily and that he and Mrs. Foley moved into the house on January 23, 1934, and that he saw him daily from latter date until February 14, 1934, when he was arrested.

Mrs. Pinholster was present during the interview and corroborated Mr. Pinholster's statements.

Miles Dee, real estate broker, Saint Petersburg, advised Agent Fletcher that he first met Foley on January 4, 1934, and he is quite sure that Foley was not absent from Saint Petersburg, Florida, from January 6, 1934, until the date of his arrest.

J. C. Morgan, 620 Central Avenue, Saint Petersburg, stated that sometime prior to January 13, 1934, he talked with Mr. and Mrs. Foley relative to the purchase of electrical equipment for their home; that they contemplated purchasing and were at his place of business quite often, the exact dates he does not recall, but by reference to his books was able to state that it was on January 13, 1934, when Mr. and Mrs. Foley came into his store and told him that they had won $70[illegible] on the dog races and wanted to buy a hot water heater. His books further indicate that on January 16, 1934, he sold to the Foleys an electrical refrigerator, washing machine, a G E range, a G E time clock, the total amount of the purchase being $485, on account of which Mrs. Foley gave him a check on the Florida National Bank in the amount of $185, which check he distinctly recalls was given him on January 16, 1934.

E. Aucremann, Manager, Trice-O'Neal Company, Saint Petersburg, stated that he talked to Mr. and Mrs. Foley on January 9, 1934, relative to the purchase of furniture and that they visited his place of business every few days after this, making selections until January 23, 1934, when the furniture they purchased was delivered to their residence. The furniture purchased amounted to a total of $965.75, on which Mrs. Foley paid $300

by a check drawn on the Florida National Bank in Saint Petersburg and agreed to pay $25 each month on same until July 1, 1934, when they agreed to pay the remainder in full.

C. D. Dyal, President of the Florida National Bank, Saint Petersburg, stated that his records disclsed that he has an account in the name of E. or Doris C. Foley and that a safe deposit box, number 240, has been rented to these persons.

An examination of the box was made by Special Agent R. A. Alt and it was empty except for a receipt in the amount of $3.75, payment of the box rent. The bank records show that this box was last entered on January 16, 1934.

Inquiry at the Union Trust Company, Saint Petersburg, disclosed that the Foleys had no account or safe deposit box in this bank. This and the Florida National Bank are the only banks in Saint Petersburg, Florida.

Mark Oglesby and wife, Anna Oglesby, negroes employed by the Foleys, advised that they began such employment on February 10, 1934, and had seen the Foleys every day since that time. They were unable to furnish any other information.

The following investigation was made by Special Agent Robert M. Austin:

La Verne Thomas, Manager Peninsula Telephone Company, Saint Petersburg, stated that on January 23, 1934, an application was made by Doris Foley for installation of a telephone at 5190 Thirty-Eighth Avenue North; that this service began on January 24, 1934, and since that date no long distance telephone calls have been made from that telephone.

Special Agent Chapmon Fletcher and Special Agent Robert M. Austin interviewed Mrs. Eva Goff, 416 Grove Street North, Saint Petersburg, Florida, telephone 5-4881. She admitted that she is a sister of Mrs. Edward Foley, but declined to make any further statement, giving as her reason that she did not want to get mixed up in the case. She indicated that she had only seen Foley four or five times. It was apparent that she has been very little interested in her sister since her marriage to Foley.

It was learned that Mrs. Goff's husband recently died very suddenly and that she and her daughter are spending the winter in Saint Petersburg for the latter's health. She previously with her husband lived in Providence, Rhode Island, and is purported to be a woman of considerable wealth left her by her husband.

AT TAMPA, FLORIDA

Deputy United States Marshal Joe Moe informed Special Agent in Charge R. A. Alt that when he was guarding Foley in his cell in the Saint Petersburg Jail the following conversation took place:

FOLEY: Well, they have got me. I guess I will have to pay. How much would it take for you fellows to lay off me?

MOE: How much have you got?

FOLEY: Well, I can get plenty.

MOE:" Well, you can't get enough.

Doris Foley advised Agent Alt that her husband, Foley, had told her that he was a Secret Service Narcotic Agent, employed by the Government at a salary of $750 per month and that he cautioned her never to tell any one except her parents, who are very old, and intimate friends that he was employed by the Government; that he informed every one and she should do likewise, that he was a cattle broker and buyer and he used that ruse to cover his official activities.

Following is a description of Doris C. Foley with aliases as obtained by Agents' personal observation:

Name:	Doris C. Foley alias Mrs. L. E. Foley alias Mrs. E. Foley alias Doris Barton alias Doris Crane
Age:	32 years
Height:	5 feet 2 inches

(Doris Foley continued)

Eyes:	Blue
Hair:	Platinum blonde
Weight:	150 pounds
Complexion:	Fair
Build:	Stocky
Race:	White
Nationality:	American
Residence:	Danville, Vermont
Marital Status:	Married - divorced and bigamously married to Edward Dell
Occupation:	Shoe model
Fingerprints:	In Division's files
Photograph:	Jacksonville Office file
Criminal Record:	Claims none.

The information recorded in this report relating to the Kansas City Massacre and the Bremer Kidnaping cases will also be set out in separate reports to be filed in those cases.

Foley was fingerprinted in the Sheriff's Office at Tampa, Florida, Number 426, and a copy of his prints were forwarded to the Division. He was likewise photographed and a copy of same is being attached to copies of reports going to each Field Office.

For the information of the Division, offices indicated by an asterisk will receive copies of this report and others will receive copies as soon as the second run can be made.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

NEW YORK CITY OFFICE's attention is invited to page 32 of this report where reference is made to the Lindbergh case.

PORTLAND, DALLAS, BIRMINGHAM and KANSAS CITY OFFICES: Will make appropriate investigation, checking Foley's statements relative to bank robberies he detailed in Colfax, Washington; Blue Ridge, Texas; Tupelo, Mississippi, and Lincoln, Nebraska.

SAINT LOUIS OFFICE: Will make appropriate investigation in connection with Foley's statements in regard to the mail robbery at Effingham, Illinois.

CHICAGO OFFICE'S attention is invited to statements of Foley in this report relating to the Wolverton Kidnaping at South Bend, Indiana, and requested to make such investigation to verify his statements as is necessary.

BOSTON OFFICE: It is believed advisable to check the telegraph offices in Danville, Vermont, for the purpose of obtaining copies of all telegrams received by Doris C. Foley from Foley. This will serve to place him in certain placed on stated dates which may be of great value in future investigations.

Undeveloped leads in the Bremer Kidnaping and Kansas City Massacre cases will be set out in reports which will be prepared relating to each of these cases.

Since typing this report, Foley has given additional information concerning other bank robberies in some of which he participated. This will be recorded in subsequent reports.

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From

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

to

Official indicated below by check mark

MEMORANDUM

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

February 14, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

For your information, I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter dated February 4, 1934, which was addressed to the New York office of this Division by Mr. G. H. Van Senden, with reference to an extortion case which was investigated by Special Agents of the New York office of this Division.

Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover
Director.

Enclosure #686555

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 9, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

I thought that you would be interested in receiving a copy of the bulletin prepared by the Division reflecting the numbers appearing on the bills paid as ransom in the Edward G. Bremer case pending at St. Paul. Several thousand copies of these bulletins are being forwarded to the St. Paul Office of the Division on this date in order that they might be distributed immediately to all banks, both national and state, located in that district.

Arrangements have already been made to forward to all field offices of the Division sufficient copies in order that similar action might be taken in every state in the Union. I have also planned to distribute these bulletins to all law enforcement officials throughout the country with the hope that the ransom money will be detected at the time efforts are being made to place it in circulation.

Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.

Inclosure 633303

Ben Col, Howe:
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the attached — Regards — Hope you
are feeling better — Sorry to
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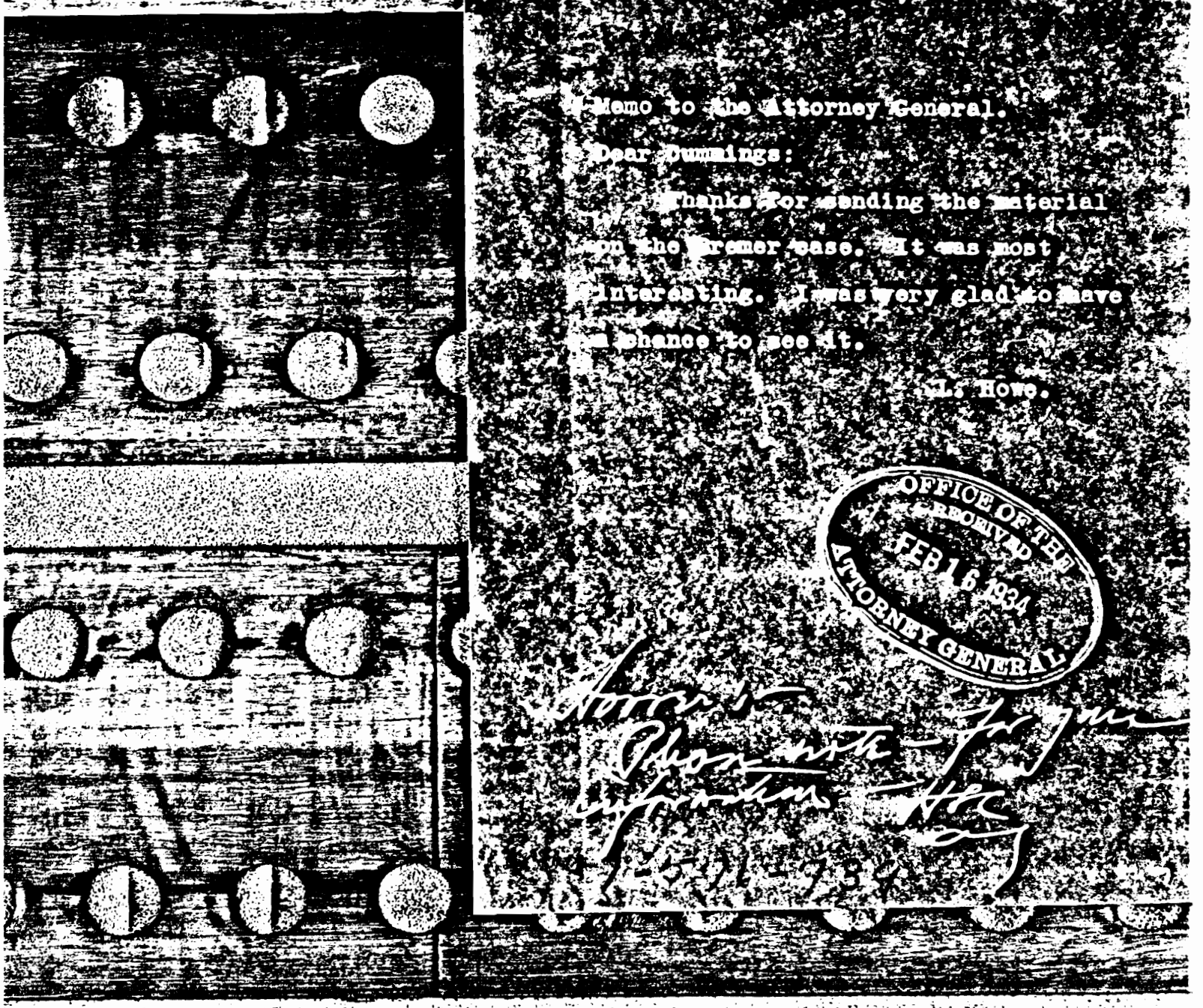

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Feb. 16th, 1934.

Memo to the Attorney General.

Dear Cummings:

Thanks for sending the material on the Kramer case. It was most interesting. I was very glad to have a chance to see it.

L. Howe.

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Director,
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U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the investigation entitled RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. C. #1201, Obstruction of Justice, Endeavor to deliver Federal Prisoner Frank Nash, also to the kidnaping case in the matter of UNKNOWN SUBJECTS, EDWARD G. BREMER, Jr. - VICTIM. In the former case, reference is made to the report of Agent Trainor, Kansas City, December 27, 1933, and in the latter case to Division letter to the St. Paul office dated February 12th and an additional letter to this office dated February 18th.

It is requested that this office be furnished with the criminal records of the following named:

Fred Barker
Arthur R. Barker
Volney Davis
Harry Campbell
Alvin Karpis

It is also requested that photographic copies of the fingerprints of each of the above named be furnished this office.

It is further requested that the Division furnish this office with gloss photographs of the above individuals in amounts designated:

Fred Barker	-	6
Arthur R. Barker	-	6
Volney Davis	-	10
Harry Campbell	-	10
Alvin Karpis	-	6

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It is requested that the above information and data be furnished this office as soon as possible in order that concentrated investigative attention may be devoted to both these cases.

Very truly yours,

F. I. FAY,
Special Agent in Charge

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Kansas City
St. Joseph

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